



Photos L to R: Greg Aplin, Member for Albury opening the new doctors surgery at Holbrook, with Dr Delakshe Senteran and her son Rahgul assisting; Over 400 strolled around the Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre, Burrumbuttock to view entrants in the inaugural Fart in the Bush event; Work Inspirations students with Steve Pinnuck, General Manager, Greater Hume Shire Council and Naomi Toogood, Billabong High School (photo courtesy Eastern Riverina Chronicle); The Yellow Submarine, Holbrook, a fabulous regional community project, thanks to Murray Arts, Holbrook Sheep and Wool Fair and Greater Hume Shire Council.



Greater Hume Shire Website

## Message from the Mayor

This year especially is a very interesting time in our Nation's history being 100 years since the first year of World War One. It is also interesting to note that there will be many centenary celebrations across Greater Hume Shire in the coming years. The Burrumbuttock community recently held a wonderful celebratory dinner of their Public Hall. The hall has been well loved and cared for by many people over the years and the descendants of those families are still very keen to keep their hall a focus for the Burrumbuttock community into the future, and well done to all involved. Another event of great interest is the 100th year celebration of Australian Red Cross, branches across the shire have held various functions with the Holbrook Branch celebrating 100 years of continuous service, a great effort by many over the years.

Main street upgrades and improvements at Jindera and Holbrook will commence shortly and will create an enhanced street environment, and new street tree plantings have already commenced in other towns. Although it is not quite the swimming season yet, Council has recently completed a structural assessment for all pools in the shire as many are old and in need of upgrades or replacement. Forward maintenance plans are completed. Concept plans are being developed for the buildings and pool at Henty in the first instance. Community representatives and Council staff are considering the plans which will take some months to complete, but it will be necessary for the current pool to serve the community for some time to come. The pools in other towns will undergo a similar consultative process, before any decision is made. Agricultural show time is just around the corner, at Culcairn, Walbundrie and Holbrook, and also at Walbundrie, the Hume Football League footy finals will take place. So, I think it is timely to congratulate all the volunteers who assist in ensuring the recreation grounds are in tip top condition, for all to enjoy. *regards Cr Heather Wilton, Mayor*

## PROPOSED SPECIAL RATE VARIATION – COMMENCING 1 JULY 2015

The formation of Council's annual budget continually shows how difficult it is for Council to adequately fund the ongoing maintenance and replacement of Council's infrastructure assets such as roads, bridges and drainage. As a result Council has formally resolved to apply for a Special Rate Variation. Council has adopted a rate model based on a common theme of a cumulative increase in rate yield of \$317,250 per annum above rate pegging commencing from the 2015/2016 financial year (average of approximately \$50 per rate assessment based on total assessments as at July 2013). The Special Rate Variation would apply for a period of three years being 2015/2016, 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 financial years. As stated, the central aim of the Special Rate Variation is to provide Council with additional resources to commit to the ongoing maintenance and renewal of Council's assets, with the key area being the local road network. That being the case, it is proposed that the additional rate income derived from the Special Rate Variation will be committed to increasing expenditure on sealed road resealing (50% of SRV income) and unsealed rural road gravel resheeting (50% of SRV income). The result of this process will see an additional \$951,750 per annum being allocated to these two key areas of Council's road maintenance program from the 2017/2018 financial year. Council is mindful of the significant impact of rate increases on ratepayers, however Council must ensure that the community's assets do not become unserviceable and a greater burden on future generations. Council will be undertaking a range of consultation programs over the coming months so as to ensure that the community understand and acknowledge the need for, and impact of, the proposed rate increase. Council encourages all ratepayers to participate in the forthcoming discussion process.

*The following table summarises the additional expenditure for the 2015/2016, 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 financial years.*

	2015/2016		2016/2017		2017/2018	
	Expenditure Base Amount	Expenditure Including SRV Income	Expenditure Base Amount	Expenditure Including SRV Income	Expenditure Base Amount	Expenditure Including SRV Income
Sealed Rural Roads Resealing	\$650,000	\$788,625	\$670,000	\$947,250	\$690,000	\$1,105,875
Sealed Urban Roads Resealing	\$105,000	\$125,000	\$110,000	\$150,000	\$115,000	\$175,000
Unsealed Rural Roads Gravel Resheeting	\$650,000	\$808,625	\$675,000	\$992,250	\$700,000	\$1,175,875
Total Expenditure	1,405,000	\$1,722,250	\$1,455,000	\$2,089,500	\$1,505,000	\$2,456,750
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>\$317,250</b>		<b>\$634,500</b>		<b>\$951,750</b>

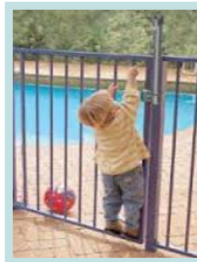
## SWIMMING POOLS

A swimming pool is defined as a structure that is capable of being filled with 300mm of water or more and is used for swimming and other water activities including Concrete or Fibreglass Swimming Pools, Inflatable Swimming Pools, Temporary or Wading Pools, Above Ground Pools and Spas. The Swimming Pools Act 1992 required all swimming pools to be surrounded by a Child-Resistant Barrier. It is the pool owner's responsibility to ensure your swimming pool barrier is in good repair and good working condition.

**All swimming pools must be registered on the NSW Government Swimming Pools register. [www.swimmingpoolregister.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.swimmingpoolregister.nsw.gov.au/)**

The owner must ensure that the swimming pool is at all times surrounded by a child-resistant barrier as well as keeping the child-resistant barrier maintained by;

- Regularly check Gate operates as intended.
- Regularly check and adjust Latching Device as needed.
- Regularly check fencing panels for correct gaps, rust and wear and tear.
- Regularly check all fence bolts are tight and in good order.



## Spa Pools

A Spa Pool is not required to be surrounded by a child resistant barrier so long as access to the spa pool is restricted as per the Swimming Pools Regulation 2008. Spa pools must be covered and secured by a lockable child-safe structure such as a door, lid, grill or mesh.



## Above Ground Pools

The Swimming Pools Regulation 2008 stipulates that for Above Ground Pools, including Inflatable Pools, the walls of the pool shall NOT be considered an effective child-resistant barrier.

## CPR Sign

The Swimming Pools Regulation 2008 requires all pool owners to have a CPR Sign situated in a prominent position in the immediate vicinity of the pool. All signs need to be of a size which allows it to be read from a distance of 3 metres.



## BPAY NOW AVAILABLE TO PAY RATES

From 1 August 2014 Greater Hume Shire Council rates can now be paid via the BPay option. **Simply enter the Biller Code and BPAY reference number as detailed on the front of your rate notice.** Contact your bank or financial institution to make this payment from your cheque, savings, debit, credit card or transaction account.

Greater Hume Shire Council is also now offering **BPay View** so you can say goodbye to your paper bill! BPay View sends your bills and statements straight to your online bank, so receiving, storing and paying is even simpler. To register for **BPay View** go through your online bank today. An instructional video on how to access and use **BPay View** is available on our website.

For more information go to [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/Quick Links/Online Payment](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/Quick Links/Online Payment) or [www.bpay.com.au](http://www.bpay.com.au)

**Please note - DEFT is no longer available to pay rates.**

## GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Kerbside rubbish is collected weekly and recycling is conducted fortnightly on the same day (please refer to Collection Calendar below).

Brocklesby	Thursday
Burrumbuttock	Thursday
Culcairn	Thursday
Gerogery	Wednesday
Gerogery West	Wednesday
Henty	Friday
Holbrook	Monday (West side of Albury Street) Tuesday (East side of Albury Street)
Jindera	Thursday
Morven	Monday
Walla Walla	Wednesday
Walbundrie	Wednesday
Woomargama	Tuesday

**Halve Waste**  
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**GARBAGE & RECYCLING  
COLLECTION CALENDAR  
2014-2015**

**GREATER HUME  
EXCLUDING GEROGERY AREA**

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- Bins are collected by a truck with a mechanical arm
- Face wheels away from the kerb
- Keep clear of overhanging branches
- Place your bin out the night before your collection day
- Please leave at least one metre between bins and other objects

**Recycling**  
Recycling will be collected fortnightly on days highlighted in yellow.

**Garbage**  
Garbage will be collected on the same day every week.

To find out more call **CLEANAWAY** on 13 13 39 or visit our website [www.halvestwaste.com.au](http://www.halvestwaste.com.au)

## Gerogery Area

Garbage will be collected on Wednesday of every week. Recycling is collected on Wednesday 10 Sep, 24 Sep, 8 Oct, 22 Oct, 5 Nov, 19 Nov, 3 Dec, 17 Dec, 28 Dec, 14 Jan, 28 Jan, 11 Feb, 25 Feb, 11 Mar, 25 Mar, 8 Apr, 22 Apr, 6 May, 20 May, 3 Jun, 17 Jun.

*Please check [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) for more details.*

## VACANCIES AT AGED PERSONS UNITS HOLBROOK AND CULCAIRN RETIREMENT UNITS

Greater Hume Shire Council has vacancies in its affordable aged persons two bedroom units in Kala Court, Holbrook and Elizabeth Street, Culcairn. Expressions of Interest to occupy are invited from individuals. Interested persons must meet the Department of Housing's eligibility for low to moderate income. Rental is 25% of their income, including the aged pension and the successful tenants will be required to enter into a standard lease agreement. For more information or to arrange an inspection please contact Jody Whitley, Community Services Coordinator on 02 6036 0100.



## Tourism News

### Greater Hume Shire Visitor's Guide

Stocks of current Visitors Guide are becoming low, so preparation has commenced for the reprint of our guide, it is expected the new guide will be available in December 2014. Tourism Operators will be contacted shortly regarding advertising opportunities.

### Murray Regional Tourism (MRT) Digital Platform

MRT has commenced planning for the implementation at the end of 2014 of a regional digital platform where tourism operators and organisations will be linked under one digital banner. **An information session is planned for all tourism operators on Friday 19 September from 9.30am at CTC Holbrook.** The platform includes state of the art mapping and booking programs ensuring easier planning by visitors to the Murray region.

### Museum Advisor

In partnership with Albury City Council and Museums and Galleries NSW we have been able to engage the services of a museum advisor, Mrs Kim Biggs for 2014. Mrs Biggs has extensive experience with regional museums and her services have been available to all public museums in Greater Hume Shire. It is intended to hold a workshops to provide museums with skills for volunteer, planning, marketing/promotion and collections management.

For more information contact: Kerrie Wise, Tourism and Promotions Officer on 02 6036 0186 or [kwise@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kwise@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

## Take a Tour of Our Shire

(each newsletter a suggested tour or trail will be highlighted from our Visitors Guide)

### BIRDWATCHERS TRAILS WITH SUGGESTED SITES (Spring should see an abundance of birdlife in these areas.)

**Bowna:** Ten Chain TSR

**Burrumbuttock:** Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre

**Culcairn:** Kirndeem TSR

**Henty:** Henty TSR, Nature Reserve, Doodle Cooma Swamp

**Holbrook:** Back Creek TSR, Ten Mile Creek

**Walbundrie:** Brittas TSR, Goombargana Hill

**Walla Walla:** Gum Swamp Reserve, Bakers TSR, Walla Walla TSR, Kings TSR

**Woomargama:** Blue Metal TSR, Woomargama National Park

## Visitor Info

### HOW TO OBTAIN VISITOR/TOURIST INFORMATION

For visitor or tourist information including maps, brochures, information on events as well as local information please contact our:

#### Accredited Visitor Information Centre

L: Submarine Precinct, Wallace Street, HOLBROOK NSW 2644

P/F: +61 02 6036 2422

E: [tourism@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tourism@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

W: [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

O: 10 am - 4.30 pm

Visitor Information Points are located at Dales Highway Store at Henty, Doodle Cooma Craft Shop at Henty, Burrumbuttock General Store, Woolpack Inn Museum at Holbrook, Gerogery Supply Store, Jindera Pioneer Museum, Culcairn Red Cross Craft Shop, Woomargama Post Office and Walla Store.



Scan for more  
Visitor Information

An application for a business to become a Visitor Information Point can be obtained from the Visitor Information Centre, Holbrook.  
More event and visitor information can be found at [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) or [www.facebook.com/pages/Visit-Culcairn-Henty-Holbrook-Jindera-Walla-Walla/290810001018046](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Visit-Culcairn-Henty-Holbrook-Jindera-Walla-Walla/290810001018046).



## What's On

### September

- 7 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 7 Holbrook Town Garage Sale
- 7 Woomargama National Park Volunteers Planting Day
- 17 GHS Council Meeting @ CTC Holbrook
- 20 Hume Football and Netball League Grandfinal
- 21 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 21 Woomargama National Park Volunteers Planting Day
- 23-25 Henty Machinery Field Days
- 22 Sept to 6 Oct Spring NSW Public School Holidays

### October

- 3 - 4 Pop the Top Festival @ Jindera
- 4 Culcairn Agricultural Show (inc Shearing & Woolhandling Competition)
- 6 Walbundrie Agricultural Show
- 12 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 12 Simply Greater Futures Fair & Community Markets @ Holbrook
- 12 Woomargama National Park Volunteers Open Day
- 15 GHS Council Meeting @ Council Chambers, Culcairn TBA
- 19 Walla Walla Community Garage Sale
- 23 - 26 Border Stargaze @ Great Aussie Holiday Park @ Wymah
- 26 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 26 Burrumbuttock Flower Show
- 31 Holbrook Anglican Flower Show

### November

- 8 Holbrook Agricultural Show
- 9 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 19 GHS Council Meeting @ CTC Holbrook TBA
- 23 Culcairn Classic Car Club Show n Shine Swap Meet & Market
- 23 Holbrook Miniature Railway

### December

- 14 Holbrook Community Markets
- 14 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 17 GHS Council Meeting @ Council Chambers, Culcairn TBA
- 28 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 22 Dec to 26 Jan Summer NSW Public School Holidays

### Ongoing

May to October 2014 - The Sherds of Thomas Ball, Convict Potter, Short Term Exhibition @ National Museum of Australian Pottery, Holbrook.



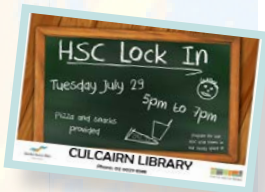
## Youth News

### YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE LAUNCHED

Information sessions have been held and a number of excellent applications received for the new Greater Hume Shire Council Youth Advisory Committee. Confirmation of the committee and the official launch will be held in September.

### HSC LOCK IN @ LIBRARIES

On Tuesday 29 July, 16 HSC students from Billabong High School attended Council's first 'HSC Lock In' at the Culcairn and Holbrook Libraries. Students enjoyed access to all the Library resources and a quiet after hours spot to interact and study for their upcoming exams. Pizza and snacks were enjoyed as part of the evening and Susan and Ali look forward to providing similar evenings in the future following the great feedback received following the 'Lock In'.



### YOUTH WORK INSPIRATION DAY

On Friday 1 August, Greater Hume Shire Council embarked on a new employment initiative titled Work Inspiration Day, in its drive to recruit younger staff into the organisation and the sector. Work inspiration is an Australian-wide, employer-led campaign that transforms work experience into Work Inspiration. This free program provides support and resources to Australian workplaces who want to reinvent their work experience program with young people. This Work Inspiration Day was a collaboration of Council, COMPACT Partnership Brokers and Billabong High School, aimed at showcasing the wide range of employment opportunities that are available at Greater Hume and more broadly in Local Government sector in NSW and throughout Australia. Greater Hume Shire was the first council in the region to pilot such a program with fifteen Billabong High School students participating in the program. The aim of the project was to provide an expose of career options available in the Local Government sector to Year 9 students, encouraging them to undertake work experience in Year 10, and then following on to traineeships once Year 12 is completed. Students enjoyed the rotation through the different departments of Council and particularly enjoyed the real life task of designing a skate park. Students had to design the park, select the location and components and provide ideas as to how it could be funded. The final activity of the day was to map the careers of existing local government employees which included Civil Construction Ganger, Visitor Information Tourist Officer and Director (all current staff at Greater Hume Shire Council). Also Kaye Whitehead, General Manager, Tumbarumba Shire Council attended the event to speak about her role and how she got there. (Ms Whitehead is the 2014 recipient of the NSW Ministers' Awards for Women in Local Government Senior Staff Member – Rural or Regional Council category). All volunteered their career story, including the ups and downs and that in most cases how they modified the journey or took on further study to get to where they are now.

More information contact: Jody Whitley on 02 6036 0100 or [jwhitley@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jwhitley@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) or go to [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/SimplyGreaterLiving/YouthServices.aspx](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/SimplyGreaterLiving/YouthServices.aspx).

Go to YouthROC news on Facebook  
 Youth Services Card - DONT FORGET IT  
 Be active. Be happy. Be you.

### GREATER HUME SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Council has allocated \$40,000 in Community Development Funding this financial year. There will be **single round** in 2014/2015 which is now open and applications will be accepted up **until 19 September 2014**. The aims of the grant program are to support, assist and encourage community groups to develop and implement:

- Innovative programs to help build and maintain social cohesion, build local capacity and lead toward social sustainability
- Community and council partnerships
- Enhance, develop or construct community facilities
- Sport and recreation projects and activities
- Arts and cultural projects and activities
- Projects that will improve the viability and sustainability of the Shire's economy
- Projects that will improve the amenity and quality of physical infrastructure in the Shire.

The guidelines are fairly broad so a great variety of projects are considered for funding. Community Groups with projects and ideas are encouraged to contact Jody Whitley at Council's Holbrook office on 02 6036 0100 or [jwhitley@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jwhitley@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au). Further information including application packs can be accessed on council's website.

### LAND CLEARING AND HAZARD REDUCTION BURNING OUTSIDE OF THE BUSH FIRE DANGER PERIOD

Land-holders are reminded that they must contact the Fire Control Office and their neighbours for any burning that is undertaken on their property at any time of the year. This is a particular reminder for burning during the months from April to October, outside of the Bush Fire Danger period. The Rural Fires Act stipulates that any burning for hazard reduction, land clearance or fire breaks must be notified to the Fire Control Office. All adjoining land holders whether separated by road, stream or fence must also be notified within 24 hours of the burn. As the community is more aware of fires, the public are likely to ring in a fire to 000 if it can be seen, particularly at night. If it is unknown that the fire has been organised, a brigade must be responded to check the situation. This is a large impost to brigade volunteers and their time. Insurance companies are also able to use the lack of notification to the Fire Control office as a loop hole to paying claims if required.

Your Fire Control Office at Albury can be notified on 0260 511 511 or the Corowa Office on 02 6033 4550.



## Do Not enter the Red Zone!

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Red Guide Posts are being installed along roadsides throughout the Riverina and Central Western NSW (by weed officers) to identify known locations of high risk noxious weeds. The posts alert road users of the site they need to avoid to prevent further spread of noxious weeds along high risk pathways.

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Further information on the Red Guide Post project can be found at [www.riverinaweeds.org.au](http://www.riverinaweeds.org.au) or contact your local weed officer.

By avoiding Red Guide Posted areas we can all help stop the spread of weeds!



## CONTROLLING QUEENSLAND FRUIT FLY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

### STEPS TO CONTROL QUEENSLAND FRUIT FLY

- **Winter** - Prune all fruit trees to a level where all fruit can be reached.
- **Summer to Autumn** - Pick up all unripened fallen fruit and unwanted vegetables, bag and dry in sun before disposing of in the rubbish.
- **Spring onwards** - Undertake a fruit fly baiting program from August to May each year using a protein bait, which attracts and kills both male and female Queensland Fruit Fly.

NATFLAV 500 is a protein bait that does not attract other insects and does not need to come into contact with the fruit or vegetables. NATFLAV 500 can be purchased at all Greater Hume Shire Council Offices at a cost of \$13.20 for 600 gms.



## CHILEAN NEEDLE GRASS

Chilean Needle Grass (*Nassella neesiana*) is a perennial tussock-forming grass, native to South America. A Weed of National Significance in Australia, Chilean needle grass is a vigorous competitor in agricultural, natural and urban environments. It can severely reduce pasture productivity, contaminate crops and hay, and the needle-like seed can injure stock or pets. Sheep pose a particular problem, as seed burrows into their fleece and skin and cannot be easily removed. Considered one of the worst environmental weeds, Chilean needle grass is highly invasive in native grasslands. It invades urban parks and gardens and is a significant riparian weed along creeks and rivers and is spread by the movement of seed on vehicles, machinery and equipment, particularly along roadsides. **Within the Greater Hume Shire Council it is a Class 3 Declared Noxious Weed which must be fully and continuously suppressed and destroyed.** This noxious weed has been found in Greater Hume Shire, particularly around Culcairn, along the Olympic Way and Taylors Road/Mountain Creek Road area, as well as on Urana Road between Jindera and Burrumbuttock and the Jindera/Walla Walla Road. Other infestations have been located in the Bungowanah area, the Howlong/Brocklesby Road, the Walbundrie/Rand Road and last year along the Hume Highway near the Westby Road.

For further information please contact the Senior Weeds Officer on 02 6029 8588.



## DrumMUSTER



DrumMUSTER will be held in the Greater Hume Shire on the following dates:

- Thursday 16 October, Holbrook – all day (waste depot)
- Thursday 16 October, Culcairn – all day (waste depot)
- Friday 17 October, Henty - am only (waste depot)
- Friday 17 October, Burrumbuttock – pm only (waste depot)

Drums must be clean and free of chemical residue as per the drumMUSTER protocol.

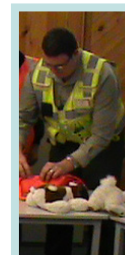
**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL AND CAN BE MADE BY CALLING THE CULCAIRN OFFICE 02 6029 8588 DURING BUSINESS HOURS.**

## LIFETIME PROTECTION FOR YOUR PET 'Cheap as Chips' DURING OCTOBER 2014

Residents are invited to microchip their companion animals during October, when a reduced fee of \$20 only will be charged or you can attend our FREE Microchipping Days (see below for more details). To make a booking, you have to pay the fee at one of Council's Offices or Customer Service Centres. Alternatively, the Local Vets are also offering \$20 microchipping for October.

To make a booking contact the following:

Holbrook Vet Centre on 02 6036 2374  
Henty Vet Clinic on 02 6033 3777  
Jindera Vet Clinic on 02 6026 3277



Under the Companion Animals Act, owners of dogs and cats must:

- Ensure their dog is under effective control,
- Pick up their dog faeces from public areas,
- Address barking problems,
- Microchip their dog or cat by 3 months of age, or before it is sold or given away,
- Lifetime register their cat or dog with the local council before it is 6 months old,
- Ensure their dog wears a collar and identification tag when in a public place,
- Prevent their dog or cat from causing harm to any person or other animal.

Council's Rangers will be visiting properties throughout the Shire to update the NSW Companion Animal Register. Failure to register your pet may result in an Infringement Notice being issued for \$275.

**For further information on microchipping or lifetime registration of your companion animals please contact Council's Rangers, on 02 6029 8588 during business hours.**

### BRING YOUR PET TO A FREE MICROCHIPPING DAY

#### WHEN AND WHERE

Saturday 4 October @ Jindera Village Green, Urana St, Jindera  
Saturday 11 October @ Jubilee Park, Olympic Highway, Culcairn  
Saturday 18 October @ Holbrook Vet Centre, Hay St, Holbrook  
Saturday 25 October @ Henty Vet Clinic, Sladen St, Henty  
TIME - BETWEEN 10 AM & 12 NOON

Greater Hume Shire Council is offering Microchipping in October, on Saturdays for free, during a 2 hour period. To be eligible Greater Hume Shire residents must pay the animal's registration on the day.  
Dogs should be on leads and cats in cages.

To confirm a free microchip booking contact Council by calling 0427 556 659.

## BE CAREFUL

WHEN DRIVING ON OUR COUNTRY ROADS BEWARE OF WILDLIFE AND STRAY LIVESTOCK.

If you hit an animal please contact:

- Albury Police - 02 6023 9299
- Wildlife - WIRES - Albury area 0427 493 716 or 1300 094 737
- Stray Livestock - GHSC Ranger 0427 556 659

WHEN DRIVING YOUR FARM MACHINERY ON PUBLIC ROADS, HARROWS AND OTHER DEVICES SHOULD BE RAISED OFF THE GROUND.

### LIGHTS ON IN FOG

Greater Hume Shire Council Road Safety Officer, Shelagh Merlin, is urging drivers to turn on their lights and set them to low beam before setting off on their journey, to make their vehicle more visible to others and improve road safety for themselves and their passengers. "Fog is a major hazard on local roads at this time of year, particularly in the early morning, and it is vital to ensure that you can see where you are going and that your vehicle is visible to others on the road", she said. "If the weather is foggy and your car is fitted with fog lamps, switch them on, but remember to switch them off again as soon as the fog has cleared."

The NSW Road Rules state that you may only use fog lights when driving in fog, mist or other atmospheric conditions that restrict visibility and you must not use any light on your vehicle that may dazzle another road user. In addition to switching on the vehicle's lights, motorists are being urged to slow down when driving in adverse weather conditions such as fog, rain and snow. "Most of our rural roads carry a posted speed limit of 100 km/h, however it is often unsafe to travel at anywhere near that speed, particularly in rain and fog. Slow down to a speed that is safe for the prevailing conditions, increase the braking distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front and allow extra travel time so that you can focus on the driving task without worrying about the possibility of being late", she concluded.

More Safe Driving info @ [www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au](http://www.roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au)

### ROAD SAFETY NEWS

Council's Road Safety Action Plan for 2014 – 2017 is now complete and can be viewed on the Greater Hume Shire Council website. This plan outlines the key road safety issues facing our community and the priorities for addressing these.

Graduated Licensing System workshops for parents and supervisors of learner drivers are being organised for late August/early September. Contact Mrs Merlin on 6029 8588 for more details.

Courtesy breath testing will again be provided at the Hume League football and netball grand finals on 20 September 2014.

Walla Walla Public School students are being urged to Bling Their Bikes as part of NSW Bike Week which takes place from 13 to 21 September.

An analysis of motorcycle crashes in Greater Hume Shire in the five years 2008 – 2013 is now complete and a report will be soon available for public viewing on the council website.

Council has completed construction of a new bus turning circle on Woodswallow Lane in Jindera to improve road safety for school children and their families in the Funks Road area.

Planning is well under way for a new children's crossing on Urana Road Jindera to improve road safety for school children walking to and from Saint Mary Mackillop College.

### WORKS PROGRAM FOR SPRING

- Works to repair a number of heavy patches on Main Road 331 (Walbundrie Road) have been completed.
- Main Road 331 (Culcairn Holbrook Road) heavy patching works has commenced.
- Shoulder grading maintenance has been completed on Main Road 211 (Wagga Wagga Road), Main Road 370 (Howlong Kywong Road) and Main Road 547 (Walla Walla Jindera Road).
- Heavy patching works on the southern end of Annandale Road has commenced, there are a number of sections along the road which may cause slight delays to traffic.
- Concrete returns at the intersection of Sladen Street and Allan Street, Henty will be constructed shortly, with the approach islands and roundabout to follow. Thank you to the Henty community for your patience, Council will endeavour to complete the project with minimal disruption.
- A new BBQ and shelter including a retaining wall has been constructed at the Culcairn Caravan Park, residents and overnighters are sure to enjoy the new facilities.
- Major road works programmed for 2014/2015 include:
  - 1km section on Henty Cookardina Road,
  - 2.1km on Main Road 331 west of Culcairn
  - 1.1km on Cummings Road between Kings Bridge Road and Benambra Road
  - 1km section to be widened on Coach Road, from Morven toward Fellow Hills Road.

For the most up to date information on the status of roads please phone 1300 653 538 or go to [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/) Emergency Information and Road Conditions.

**Culcairn Classic Car Club Inc.**  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH CULCAIRN FOOTBALL CLUB INC.

## 3rd Show 'n' Shine, Swap Meet & Market Sunday 23rd Nov. 2014 at the Culcairn Football Ground.

200 Big sites \$15.00 Each inc 2 Sellers Pre Book-Pay Now  
Gates Open For Swappers Noon Saturday the 22nd.  
Camping OK. NO FIRES. Swappers' Hot Breakfast 6am Sunday.  
**50 TROPHIES TO BE WON! (\$1,300 IN VALUE)**

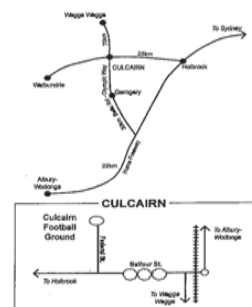
Show 'n' Shine Entry \$10.00 with driver, passenger \$5.00  
Trophy Categories: Hot Rods, Custom Cars & Bikes,  
30's to 80's Classic Cars, Utes, Mustangs, Aussie Coupes,  
Classic Bikes & Harleys, Pickups, One Tonners, Panel Vans, Muscle Cars,  
Sports Cars, Micro Cars, Originals, Station Wagons, Modern Cars & Utes.

Judging starts at 10am and ends at 12 noon.  
Trophy Presentation at 1pm.

Public Entry From 7am Sunday.  
Admission \$5.00 Kids under 12 FREE.  
Free In Ground Parking Provided.  
Hot & Cold Food and Drink Available.  
Under Cover Table & Chair Eating.

**Information and Bookings:**  
Contact The Secretary, Mick George  
on 02 6029 8432 or 0429 447 519

Show 'n' Shine is Proudly Supported by  
Shannon's Insurance, Hume Building Society,  
Biti Motors Culcairn, Leischke Motors Walla Walla  
and Greater Hume Shire Council.



## CENTENARY OF WORLD WAR ONE

### Red Cross turns 100

Red Cross has been woven into the fabric of Australian life for 100 years – whether it's the immediate response to natural disasters, blood service, or everyday work to help vulnerable people. The Red Cross began as the Australian Branch of the British Red Cross Society on 13 August 1914 at Government House, Melbourne, nine days after the outbreak of World War I. Hundreds of thousands of volunteers signed up during WWI, and by WWII Red Cross had become Australia's largest charitable organisation. From a population of seven million, nearly half a million people were Red Cross members, most of them women. In the post-war period Red Cross focussed on social welfare, national emergencies, natural disasters, the blood bank and first aid programs, which were sustained by the extensive branch network and thousands of volunteers. Today one million Red Cross members, volunteers, donors, staff, blood donors, recipients and supporters make a positive difference to the lives of people in need every day.

Locally Greater Hume Shire has Red Cross branches at Burrumbuttock, Culcairn, Henty, Holbrook, Jindera, Walbundrie and Walla Walla. All branches have arranged or will be part of celebration events planned. The Holbrook Branch is the only branch in the region to celebrate 100 years of continuous service. For more Red Cross information and interesting stories of 100 years of service go to [www.redcross.org.au/stories](http://www.redcross.org.au/stories). Red Cross was founded on an enduring spirit of volunteerism and generosity. Congratulations and thank you to all Red Cross supporters – past and present – for your ongoing commitment and belief in the power of humanity.

### WWI - Touring Exhibition Holbrook, Henty & Culcairn Libraries

World War I (1914 – 1918) helped create our nation's identity. Developed in partnership with the Light Horse Museum, North Bandiana, this object rich exhibition portrays a nation at war, a regional community at war and families at war. The exhibition themes cover a chronological overview

of the war, conditions on the battlefield, life at the home front and the role of women and Indigenous Australians during the war. This touring exhibition includes a tunic worn by Sergeant E R Patino who served with the 13th Field Artillery Battery (Albury Battery); a hat worn by Trooper Alex Borthwick, 8th Light Horse Regiment, in the ill-fated charge at the Nek so graphically depicted in Peter Weir's film "Gallipoli"; a diary written by Private Harry Derrick, 37th Infantry Battalion, who was wounded and taken prisoner, dying the day after the Armistice. Also exhibited is an illuminated address presented to Mrs Elizabeth Watson on her return from London, and a program for a performance by concert group, "Billjim's Sisters" who raised money for comforts for Albury boys overseas. Letters from Sergeant Keith McKessar to 'My Dear Wife' before he was killed in 1917, add poignancy to the exhibition. The exhibition artefacts are predominately sourced from the Light Horse Museum and AlburyCity Museum collections.

#### Touring Itinerary:

- Holbrook Library – 3 October to 23 November 2014
- Henty Library - 1 December to 26 January 2015
- Culcairn Library – 1 August to 27 September 2015

For more information contact Holbrook, Henty or Culcairn Libraries.

### Major Events (with particular relevance to Australia) - September to January 1914 (source: Australian War Memorial)

- 11 September 1914 - German New Guinea and nearby German-ruled island territories seized by Australian navy.
- 1 November 1914 - The First Division of the AIF sailed from Albany, Western Australia, for Egypt.
- 9 November 1914 - HMAS Sydney sank the German cruiser, Emden, at the Cocos Islands, Indian Ocean.
- 13 December 1914 - Lieutenant Norman Holbrook and crew of the British submarine, B11 sank the Turkish battleship, 'Mesudiye', in the Dardanelles Channel. Lieutenant Holbrook was awarded the first submariner Victoria Cross and the French Legion of Honour. The crew of the B11 were also awarded Distinguished Service medals.

## Mobile Library Services

*The smaller towns and villages within Greater Hume Shire are provided with a mobile library service. The mobile libraries carry a wide range of books and materials including large print, picture books, talking books and videos. All borrowers have access to a complete collection through the reservations facility. Internet access is also available, although at most sites the time is limited so booking access in advance with the mobile operator is recommended if you wish to use this service.*

### CONTACT DETAILS FOR RIVERINA REGIONAL MOBILE LIBRARY

Phone 02 6926 9771 Fax 02 6926 9769 Email [rrl@wagga.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rrl@wagga.nsw.gov.au) Website [www.rrl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rrl.nsw.gov.au)  
**ALL LIBRARIES CLOSED ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS: 6 Oct 2014 Labour Day and Christmas Break will be 22 Dec 2014 to 3 Jan 2015.**

Town	Location	Day	Time	Dates
<b>Brocklesby (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Balldale Road	Wednesday	2.00pm - 3.00pm	24 Sep, 8 Oct, 22 Oct, 5 Nov, 19 Nov, 3 Dec, 17 Dec.
<b>Burrumbuttock (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Burrumbuttock Brocklesby Road	Tuesday	9.30am - 10.30am	23 Sep, 7 Oct, 21 Oct, 4 Nov, 18 Nov, 2 Dec, 16 Dec.
<b>Gerogery (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Main Street	Wednesday	9.00am - 9.45am	3 Sep, 17 Sep, 1 Oct, 15 Oct, 29 Oct, 12 Nov, 26 Nov, 10 Dec.
<b>Jindera (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent to bus stop (opposite the hall), Urana Road	Saturday	9.30am - 12.00pm	20 Sep, 4 Oct, 18 Oct, 1 Nov, 15 Nov, 29 Nov, 13 Dec.
<b>Mullengandra (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Hume Highway	Wednesday	10.15 am - 11.00am	3 Sep, 17 Sep, 1 Oct, 15 Oct, 29 Oct, 12 Nov, 26 Nov, 10 Dec.
<b>Walbundrie (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Culcairn Road	Monday	11.15am - 12.15pm	8 Sep, 22 Sep, 6 Oct, 20 Oct, 3 Nov, 17 Nov, 1 Dec, 15 Dec.
<b>Walla Walla (weekly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Commercial Street	Monday	9.00am - 11.00am	every Monday (except 6 Oct - no service on this day).
<b>Woomargama (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent post office, Woomargama Way	Wednesday	11.30am - 12.00pm	3 Sep, 17 Sep, 1 Oct, 15 Oct, 29 Oct, 12 Nov, 26 Nov, 10 Dec.

# Library News

## ABOUT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Your local library is a great place to go for free books, magazines, reading advice and quality information, as well as programs and events for people of all ages, but did you know that you don't have to leave home to visit? The Riverina Regional Library has a digital branch, an eLibrary, that you can access from anywhere you have an Internet connection, either at home or out and about on your mobile devices. Library members can enjoy eBooks, eAudio books, digital magazines and free music downloads as well as access to quality information online, and now the eLibrary is growing with some exciting new products.

- Carter's Price Guide to Antiques: The print version of Carter's Price Guide to Antiques has long been a very popular library resource, but they stopped printing it after the 2010 edition and now it is updated online only.
- Libraries' DVD collections are very popular and now you can stream independent documentaries and feature films via Beamafilm, an independent movie streaming site created by filmmakers, distributors and video on demand specialists. Beamafilm is unique for its collection of signature Australian documentaries and indie features from around the world, many which are only available through Beamafilm.
- Story Box Library features engaging online stories aimed at Australian pre-school and primary school aged children. A range of Australian storytellers – actors, musicians, authors, comedians, parents and teenagers read great Aussie stories with different themes, for different age groups.
- Good Reading Online is an Australian resource with information on "Everything About Books" including thousands of easy to read independent book reviews and lots of interesting Australian and International articles, author profiles, stories on writers' houses, bookshops, short stories, book trivia and more.
- Spine Out is a new, exciting online magazine for young adults, brought to us by the Good Reading team. It's a special place for young adults to express their ideas and thoughts and to share their creativity in words, art, film or music.

Your local library has computers you can use if you don't have your own, and keep an eye out for sessions to help you get more out of your own devices.

## AUTHOR VISITS

### Hilga Inglese - *Wow! It's Italian* - Henty Library

Come along and experience home-style Italian cooking with Hilga Inglese at the Henty Library. Hilga Inglese will present her book *Wow! It's Italian* along with a cooking demonstration on Wednesday 5 November, 10.00am to 12 noon at a cost of \$5.00.

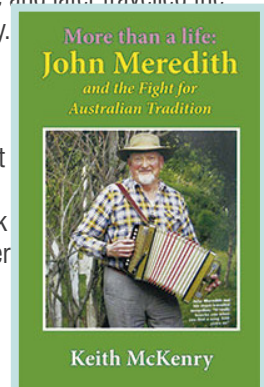
### Bronwyn Hope - *Laughter and Tears in Breast Cancer Story* - Henty Library

Riverina Regional Library welcomes author Bronwyn Hope who will share with us her battle with breast cancer. In 2011 Bronwyn was diagnosed with early stage breast cancer. Encouraged by a friend, she begins an online blog in which she faithfully diarises the days that follow detailing her journey, including her darkest days, as they happen. Her reflections are a mix of honesty and humour that will have you by turns laughing out loud, or crying. The blog has been turned into her latest book, *The breast is history: an intimate memoir of breast cancer*, which was released earlier this year. Bronwyn's talk is titled "The three most

important lessons from breast cancer" and will include a reading from her book. Join Bronwyn at the Henty Library on Monday 17 November at 4.00pm.

### *More than a Life: John Meredith and the Fight for Australian Tradition* - Holbrook Library

Holbrook Library is proud to announce that on Friday 19 September at 2.30pm we will be hosting the launch of Keith McKenry's biography of local folk legend John (Jack) Meredith. The book "More Than a Life: John Meredith and the Fight for Australian Tradition", celebrates the life of Holbrook's own John Meredith. Born in 1920 into a family of seven he was raised by his mother, his father having passed away when he was only 9 years old. John taught himself to play the button accordion with help from the locals and gramophone records and became interested in Australian bush songs. After leaving school at the age of 14 at the height of the great depression he moved to Melbourne and later travelled the east coast of Australia, finally settling in Sydney. John went on to become one of the leading collectors of folk songs and bush tunes and in 1952 was a founding member of the original Bushwhackers band. Keith McKenry will present John Meredith's biography along with sound recordings and photographs and some Holbrook history including history of John's early and later years as a Holbrook resident.



## STORYTIME @ CULCAIRN, HENTY AND HOLBROOK LIBRARIES

Storytime helps develop a child's imagination, helps a child discover new ideas, nurtures a child's listening abilities, helps children comprehend the world around them, exposes children to a larger vocabulary than the spoken words and introduces and reinforces concepts such as colours, shapes and letters. Suitable for preschool and lower primary school aged children.

**Culcairn Library** on the first Friday of each month (except during School Holidays) from 10.00am to 11.00am.

**Henty Library** every second Friday from 11.00am to 12.00 noon (excluding school holiday periods).

Come along and enjoy stories, songs, rhythms and a craft activity.

**Holbrook Library** All pre school children are welcome at our weekly story time session every Thursday from 11am during school term.

Spend a fun filled 30 minutes singing, listening to stories and making cute crafts with Dom. Story time favourites this year so far have been 'Harry The Dirty Dog', an oldie but a great story and just 'Dogs'! Dom used them in a fun story time session with dog sock puppets made by the story time mums.



## GO ELECTRONIC! @ CULCAIRN, HENTY & HOLBROOK

E-Messaging: timely, green + free = get it now [rrl.nsw.gov.au](http://rrl.nsw.gov.au)

Choose to get notifications by email or SMS:

- Courtesy due date reminders
- Reservation pick up notices
- First overdue notices

WIN - Supply your email or mobile phone number online or at your Branch Library from July 1 to September 30 and you will be entered into a prize draw for an iPad mini or one of six \$50 book vouchers.



## AFTER SCHOOL STUDY CLUB

The After School Study Club (ASSC) aims to provide the following:

- To assist and support students from primary and high school students
- Provide access to modern technology and resources
- Provide a quiet and safe place to study away from home distractions

The After School Study Club will be held on the following days at the Culcairn, Henty, and Holbrook Libraries during school term.

Culcairn Library – Monday from 3.45pm to 4.45pm

Holbrook Library – Tuesday from 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Henty Library – Wednesday from 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Afternoon tea provided – Cost \$2.00 per session.

## OCTOBER HOLIDAY FUN

Buttons, buttons, buttons!

What can you do with a lot of buttons? Come and show us during the October school holidays. Create your own unique artwork and be inspired by our creations too. School age students only.

\$5.00 per library member or \$7.00 non-member.

Adults can stay and help for free!

Bookings essential. Session times are:

Holbrook -Wednesday 24 September, 2.30pm till 4pm.

Culcairn– Tuesday 30 September , 10.30am till 12nn.

Henty— Friday 3 October 11 am till 12.30pm.



## WHAT WE ARE READING AT HOLBROOK LIBRARY

The inspiring story of severe burns victim Turia Pitt is an real inspiration. 'Everything to Live For' is the amazing story of her recovery from a catastrophic fire in a remote gorge in the Kimberley where she suffered severe burns to 65 per cent of her body. The journey that she has been on and will continue on now for the rest of her life makes our trivial day to day problems fade into insignificance. However the book is an inspiration and uplifting in its tale of human resilience.

## FREE HEARING TESTS @ HENTY

Free hearing tests will be held at Henty Library for aged pensioners, indigenous clients over 50 and war veterans on Friday 12 September. Contact Henty library staff for an appointment. Screenings are not suitable for children or people previously prescribed with hearing aids.

## COMPUTERS FOR SENIORS

Computers for Seniors is a FREE program which is aimed at instructing senior members of the community in the use of computers and the internet. The computer course will be held for one hour, once a week for a period of four weeks on a continuing basis throughout the year. Students from Billabong High School provide the free training as part of the NSW Premier's Volunteer Program. The program has now commenced, expressions of interest are still been taken. Please contact either Culcairn or Henty Library.

## COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY CENTRE @ HOLBROOK LIBRARY

### COURSES AVAILABLE

Bookings and full payment essential.

Contact: 02 6036 3262, holbrookctc@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au

### First Aid Course

Wednesday 29 October and 5 November 2014 6.00pm - 9.00pm

Cost: Full course \$170 - Refresher \$150 - CPR \$70

(Course covers Childcare Workers)

### Adult Computer Club

Every 2nd Tuesday 2.00pm to 3.00pm, \$3.00

### Tutoring

Available for most grades and subjects.

### Homework Club

Every Tuesday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm, \$2.00 afternoon tea provided

### SERVICES AVAILABLE

- PASSPORT PHOTOS - Available while you wait.
- OLD PHOTOS RESTORED
- Free Wi-Fi and computer access
- RMS Services DRIVER KNOWLEDGE TESTING, HAZARD PERCEPTION TESTING AND DRIVER QUALIFICATION TESTING AVAILABLE AT THE CTC FOR ALL LICENCE CLASSES Bookings essential.
- Colour Printing and publishing services. Small and large jobs welcome.



LIBRARIES ON FACEBOOK

Follow Culcairn and Henty Libraries on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/CulcairnLibrary>

<https://www.facebook.com/HentyLibrary>

<https://www.facebook.com/HentyLibrary>

HentyLibrary

Holbrook Library Complex

Facebook page coming soon.

## Contact Details and Opening Hours @ Libraries

	Culcairn	Henty	Holbrook
<b>Phone</b>	02 6029 8241	02 6929 3770	02 6036 3262
<b>Location</b>	40 Balfour Street, Culcairn	32 Sladen Street, Henty	Library Court, Holbrook
<b>Monday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	1pm - 5.30pm	CLOSED
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	10am - 2.30pm	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	10am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	CLOSED	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Friday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	10am - 5.30pm	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Saturday</b>	10am - 12.30pm	10am - 12.30pm	9.30am - 12.30pm

## GREATER HUME SHIRE COUNCILLORS



**Back Row (l to r): Cr Heriot; Cr McInerney; Deputy Mayor, Cr Meyer OAM; Cr Quinn; Front Row (l to r ): Cr Schoff; Mayor, Cr Wilton; Cr Schilg; Cr O'Neill; Cr Osborne.**

- Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton**  
PO Box 240, HOLBROOK 2644 Tel: 02 6036 2610
- Deputy Mayor, Cr Doug Meyer, OAM**  
12 Graham Street, HENTY 2658 Tel: 0429 690 999
- Cr Stuart Heriot**  
604 Thugga Lane, MORVEN 2660 Tel: 02 6036 5243
- Cr John McInerney**  
69 Bowler Street, HOLBROOK 2644 Tel: 0429 363 332
- Cr Jenny O'Neill**  
Bungowannah Road, JINDERA 2642 Tel: 02 6026 3417
- Cr Denise Osborne**  
135 Jindera Street, JINDERA 2642 Tel: 02 6026 3381
- Cr Tony Quinn**  
21 Thomas Street, GEROGERY WEST 2642 Tel: 0429 674 933
- Cr Annette Schilg**  
1098 Walla-Walbundrie Road, WALBUNDRIE 2659 Tel: 0429 906 401
- Cr Karen Schoff**  
RMB 157a, WALLA WALLA 2659 Tel: 0428 860 833
- A Public Forum is held between 4.30pm to 4.45pm (open to members of the public) followed by a monthly meeting of Council. See What's On Section for Council meeting dates.**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Please find below the contact details for community newsletters and newspapers in our shire.

- Brocklesby Newsletter: (Monthly)**  
j.eheagney@bigpond.com 02 6029 4313
- Burrumbuttock Bulletin: (Monthly)**  
burrumbulletin@hotmail.com 02 6029 3240
- Culcairn News: (Monthly)**  
kirndeem5@bigpond.com 02 6029 8265
- Henty Headerlines: (Bi Monthly)**  
hentyheaderlines@hotmail.com 02 6929 3770
- Holbrook Happenings: (Fortnightly)**  
holbrookctc@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au 02 6036 3262  
Available online at [www.holbrook.nsw.gov.au](http://www.holbrook.nsw.gov.au)
- Jindera News: (Monthly)**  
jinderanews@ruralcarelink.org.au 0412 717 121
- Walla Walla Hello Hello Newsletter: (Monthly)**  
tcbiar@bigpond.net.au 02 6029 2144  
02 6029 2129

Go to [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) to download a copy of many of our community newsletters.

## PRIVATELY OWNED NEWSLETTER

- Eastern Riverina Chronicle Newspaper: (Every Wednesday)**  
erchronicle@fairfaxmedia.com.au 02 6929 3434

Greater Hume  
**Children**  
Services





**In Home Child Care**

(in your home) is a highly desirable childcare option available to families:

- who live in a rural setting where there are no other child care options, or
- work extended hours, shift or weekends which means that existing services cannot meet their needs, or
- who are experiencing illness or disability, or
- who have three or more children under school age.

Government child care benefits and rebates are available making the service cost effective especially for larger families.

Educators are experienced and qualified.

Find more information about In Home Child Care at [www.ghchildren.com.au](http://www.ghchildren.com.au)

**In Home Care**

Greater Hume Children Services  
[www.ghchildren.com.au](http://www.ghchildren.com.au)  
Tel: (02) 6026 3877

## COUNCIL OFFICES AND CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTRES

### Holbrook Office

General Manager  
Corporate Services  
Community Services

39 Young Street  
HOLBROOK NSW 2644  
Phone: 02 6036 0100  
Fax: 02 6036 2683

### Culcairn Office

Engineering  
Environment and Planning

40 Balfour Street  
CULCAIRN NSW 2660  
Phone: 02 6029 8588  
Fax: 02 6029 8607

### Customer Service Centres

#### Henty RTC/Library

32 Sladen Street  
HENTY NSW 2658  
Phone/Fax: 02 6929 3770

#### Jindera

Shops 8/9 Jindera Plaza, Urana Street  
JINDERA NSW 2642  
Phone: 02 6026 3800

#### Walla Walla RTC/WAW Credit Union

Commercial Street, WALLA WALLA NSW 2659  
Phone: 02 6029 2392

### Address all correspondence to:

General Manager  
PO Box 99  
HOLBROOK NSW 2644  
Email: [mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

[www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

**1300 653 538**  
**LOCAL CALL**

## Waste Facilities Opening Times, Charges & Accepted Waste – Commencing 1 July 2014

Day of Week	Brocklesby	Burrumbuttock	Culcairn	Gerogery	Henty	Holbrook	Jindera	Mullengandra	Walla Walla
Location of Facility	18 Lee Road	218 Burrumbuttock Brocklesby Road	48 Schmaars Road	83 Coach Road	2216 Henty Pleasant Hills Road	160 Tip Road	148 Dights Forest Road	953 Bowna Road	CLOSED
<b>Monday</b>									CLOSED
<b>Tuesday</b>			2pm – 5pm			2pm – 5pm			
<b>Wednesday</b>							2pm – 5pm		
<b>Thursday</b>			9am – 12pm			2pm – 5pm			
<b>Friday</b>									
<b>Saturday</b>			2pm – 5pm			9am – 12pm			
<b>Sunday</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 2pm - 5pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 2pm - 5pm	2pm – 5pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 2pm – 5pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 2pm – 5pm	2pm – 5pm	9am – 12pm	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 2pm - 5pm	

The following are accepted without charge where indicated by P; \$ indicates that charges as detailed below apply; N/A indicates items are not accepted

<b>Scrap Metal</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	CLOSED
<b>Clean Fill</b>	P	N/A	P	P (limited quantities)	P	P	P (limited quantities)	N/A	
<b>Green Waste</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
<b>Car and Truck Batteries</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
<b>Oil</b>	N/A	P	P	P	N/A	P	P	N/A	
<b>Recyclables (domestic quantities only) 240 litre bins</b>	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
<b>Cardboard &amp; Paper (3m<sup>3</sup> skip)</b>	N/A	N/A	P	N/A	N/A	P	P	N/A	
<b>Tyres</b>	N/A	N/A	\$	N/A	N/A	\$	\$	N/A	

### Schedule of Charges at all Disposal Sites

	Car - Station Wagon (Load)	Utilities and Box Trailer (Level Load)	Tandem Trailers (Load)	Trucks	Motorbike and Car Tyres (each)	Truck Tyres (each)	Tractor Tyres (each)
<b>Residents</b>	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00/m <sup>3</sup>	\$15.00/m <sup>3</sup>	\$6.00	\$13.00	\$40.00
<b>Non-Residents</b>	\$17.00	\$21.00	\$28.00/m <sup>3</sup>	\$32.00/m <sup>3</sup>	\$9.00	\$16.00	\$60.00

**Council does not accept hazardous wastes, chemical drums (except as arranged on drum muster days) or animal carcasses. Asbestos accepted at Culcairn ONLY – special payments apply. It is illegal to dispose of Noxious Weeds at Council waste facilities.**

**COVER YOUR LOAD -**

Residents are reminded to cover your load on the way to the landfill or transfer station. This ensures all your rubbish gets to the waste centre and may prevent you from receiving a fine.

**ILLEGAL DUMPING -**

Illegal dumping of rubbish in Greater Hume Shire can be a problem from time to time. Council relies on residents to help identify where rubbish has been dumped. Illegal dumping is an offence and offenders will be prosecuted.

**ITEMS OF WASTE**

The list below provides details of some wastes and what can be done with them:

<b>Asbestos</b>	Only accepted at Culcairn Landfill.
<b>Batteries (Car &amp; Truck)</b>	Accepted free for recycling at all waste centres.
<b>Cardboard &amp; Paper</b>	Must be uncontaminated. Accepted at Culcairn, Holbrook and Jindera waste facilities (3 cubic metre skips). Also in smaller (domestic) quantities at Burrumbuttock and Gerogery transfer stations.
<b>Chemical Drums</b>	Council runs two (2) Drummuster collections per year (usually May and October) at Burrumbuttock, Culcairn and Henty waste facilities, Holbrook Shire Depot and the Walbundrie showgrounds.
<b>Computers &amp; TV's (ewaste)</b>	Must be separated from general waste. Council is providing free drop off at all our shire facilities to enable the collection and recycling of Computers and TV's.
<b>Green Waste</b>	Must not be contaminated. Green waste consist of prunings, cut up trees and shrubs only. Separate areas are provided at waste centres for green waste disposal.
<b>Mobile Phones (ewaste)</b>	Must be separated from general waste. Recycling boxes are located in all Council service centres (Culcairn, Henty, Holbrook, Jindera and Walla Walla).
<b>Waste Oil</b>	Accepted free for recycling at Burrumbuttock, Culcairn, Gerogery, Holbrook and Jindera waste centres. Southern Oil contractors also provide a free on farm/business collection service contact 0438 661 401.
<b>Prohibited Substances</b>	Council, at least bi-annually, provides a Household Hazardous Chemical Collection day. Hazardous materials (which cannot be disposed of at landfills and transfer stations) include paints and varnishes, thinners, strippers, acids, arsenic and mercury, pesticides, fungicides and herbicides, out of date medicines to name a few.
<b>Scrap Metal</b>	Must be separated and deposited on the area set aside at each waste facility. All scrap metal is recycled.
<b>Tyres</b>	Must be separated from general waste. Tyres are accepted at Culcairn, Holbrook and Jindera waste centres.

**LANDFILL/WASTE TRANSFER STATION PRICES 2014/2015**

DESCRIPTION	FEE (inc GST)
<b>Car or Station Wagon (up to 2MGB's)</b>	Resident \$10.00 Non Resident \$17.00
<b>Utilities &amp; Box Trailers (3 plus MGB's)</b>	Resident \$15.00 Non Resident \$21.00
<b>Tandem Trailers</b>	Resident \$15.00 per m <sup>3</sup> Non Resident \$28.00 per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Trucks</b>	Resident \$15.00 per m <sup>3</sup> Non Resident \$32.00 per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Commercial Waste</b>	Resident \$15.00 per m <sup>3</sup> Non Resident \$28.00 per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Asbestos (accepted) Culcairn ONLY</b>	Over 1 tonne Under 1 tonne \$150.00 \$110.00
<b>Green Waste</b>	Resident \$7.00 per m <sup>3</sup> Non Resident \$17.00 per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Oil</b>	No Charge
<b>Batteries</b>	No Charge
<b>Clean Fill (not contaminated – Landfills only)</b>	No Charge
<b>Fill (contaminated)</b>	\$20.00 per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Scrap Metal (not contaminated)</b>	No charge
<b>Mattresses, Couches, Lounge Chairs</b>	Resident \$11.00 each Non Resident \$16.00 each
<b>Fridges</b>	Gassed \$30.00 each Ungassed No Charge
<b>Concrete</b>	\$48.00 per m <sup>3</sup>
<b>EWASTE - TV's, Computer Monitors, Printers and Peripherals</b>	Resident No charge Non Resident No charge
<b>EWASTE - Game Consoles and Peripherals</b>	Resident \$4.00 each Non Resident \$5.00 each
<b>Car or Motorcycle Tyres</b>	Resident \$6.00 each Non Resident \$9.00 each
<b>Light Truck and 4WD Tyres</b>	Resident \$8.00 each Non Resident \$12.00 each
<b>Truck Tyres</b>	Resident \$13.00 each Non Resident \$16.00each
<b>Super Single &amp; Small Tractor Tyres (diameter &lt; 1.5m)</b>	Resident \$20.00 each Non Resident \$20.00 each
<b>Tractor Tyres (&gt; 1.5m)</b>	Resident \$40.00 each Non Resident \$60.00 each



Photos L to R: Greater Hume Children Services celebrated 20 years of service with a fantastic Children's Festival on 4 October. Over 150 people enjoyed the free day of drumming and dance performances, jumping castles, face painting, petting zoo and a free sausage and drink; Planting a tree to celebrate the Centenary of Burrumbuttock Hall, Member for Farrer, Susan Ley, Cr Annette Schilg, Marion Vile, Secretary of the Hall, Jeff Litchfield (back), President of the Hall, Ken Lindner (back) (Vice President) Dulcie Schmidt OAM (Past President, Hall Auzillary), Graham Beesley (Past Secretary), Peter Jelbart (Past Treasurer), Darryl Jacob OAM (Past President); Attending the dedication of Walla Walla's Historical Signs on 2 November are the Lieschke family from left Kim, his son Isaac, Cecil (father of Kim and Anthony), Luke, Anthony and Joshua (Luke and Joshua sons of Anthony); Gerogery Public School has purchased a World Peace Flame to be kept burning at the school and within the Gerogery Community. Maggie Baker presented the flame to school captains, Rebecca Emmerton and Will Baldwin, with community member Heather Scollard watching on.



Greater Hume Shire Website

## SPECIAL RATE VARIATION

Community consultation in relation to Council's proposal to apply for a Special Rate Variation to achieve a better road network is continuing. Over the past ten months, residents have actively participated in this important discussion on the financial sustainability of Greater Hume Shire Council and their expectations for Council services. Residents have taken the opportunity to have their say through randomly selected voluntary telephone surveys, a postal ballot from a publication letter box dropped to all households and meeting Councillors and Council officers face-to-face at information sessions held at shopping centres across the shire. Many residents have also commented through social media or made written submissions.

Community feedback, combined with adopted strategies of Council, will assist in the development of a three year Special Rate Variation proposal. Council will notify the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) of its intention to apply for a special rate variation in December 2014. Once the final phase of engagement is concluded, a report will be developed for Council on the outcomes of the consultation process, along with all survey results and submissions received over the past months. Council will make a final decision on whether to proceed with an application to IPART in February 2015.



Full details of the proposed Special Rate Variation can be found on Council's website [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/)

*SpecialRateVariation*. Residents can continue to participate in this important discussion. Email your thoughts to [mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) or if you prefer write to us at PO Box 99, Holbrook NSW 2644. You can also ring our Freecall number 1300 653 538 if you wish to speak to a member of staff.



## WISHING ALL RESIDENTS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

### Message from the Mayor

Your Councillors have been discussing for several years, the notion of a Special Rate Increase to assist in the financing of infrastructure upgrades e.g. Roads, ageing swimming pools etc. across the shire. There is a detailed report elsewhere in this newsletter and a special brochure has been written to explain the proposal, and I encourage all residents to become fully informed, as there will be an opportunity for some to participate in a telephone poll on the issue. Also, residents may wish to participate in the discussion through other ways as suggested.

The weather is proving to be a real challenge again this year for the many grain growers in our Shire, with several severe late frosts, and for some insufficient rain at the right time. It would appear by our records, that 2014 has been a drier year than average, although there appears to be plenty of dry matter in the paddocks, so please be vigilant for the forthcoming fire season, which has seen a Total Fire Ban Day recently invoked. I encourage you to prepare fire breaks around your properties, and to have a good clean-up around your house and sheds, and to prepare a fire plan for your family.

Congratulations and thanks to Rose Nauer and the team at Greater Hume Children Services, which is celebrating 20 years of service of wonderful childcare and education to children over a large area in our shire and beyond. Great work.

The festive season is almost upon us, and it's a special time for friends and families to celebrate together. On behalf of all Councillors, I wish to extend to all residents a Very Joyous and Holy Christmas and a Happy New Year. And please travel safe.

regards Cr Heather Wilton, Mayor

## GREATER HUME SHIRE - FIT FOR THE FUTURE

Greater Hume Shire Council Office's will be closed on Thursday 25 December 2014 and reopen on Monday 5 January 2015.  
Council's Waste Facilities will be closed on Thursday 25 December 2014 and Thursday 1 January 2015.  
The Visitor Information Centre at Holbrook will be closed on Thursday 25 December 2014.

# GREATER HUME SHIRE - FIT FOR THE FUTURE

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM – FIT FOR THE FUTURE COUNCILS

As advised in previous editions of Community News over the past three years local government in NSW has been subjected to the most extensive review for several decades. In October 2013 The NSW Independent Local Government Review Panel released its final report – Revitalising Local Government containing 65 recommendations to strengthen local government in NSW. These recommendations covered a range of issues to strengthen the sustainability of local government including mergers.

In September of this year the State Government released its response to the final report of the NSW Independent Local Government Review Panel with its 'Fit for the Future' package for local government.

The 'Fit for the Future' package includes:

- A Blueprint for the Future of Local Government
- A roadmap for Stronger, Smarter Councils
- The establishment of Joint Organisations for greater intergovernmental collaboration in NSW.

By 30 June 2015 all Councils in NSW will be required to prepare a roadmap to demonstrate that they are 'Fit for the Future' which will include demonstrating that they have the scale and capacity to meet the reasonable expectations of the community, industry and government.

Councils that are unable to demonstrate that they are 'Fit for the Future' will be encouraged to investigate other models such as mergers. Council's proposal for a special rating variation will form a vital part of ensuring that Greater Hume Shire Council is a 'Fit for the Future'. However this is not the only strategy being employed by Council with significant remodelling of the organisation undertaken in the past three years including:

- Review of service levels and methods of service delivery to achieve efficiencies including:-
  - construction and gravel resheeting crews working longer hours during daylight saving period,
  - implementation of the Waste Management Strategy which rationalised the operation of landfills and transfer stations in the shire
  - using volunteers at the Holbrook Visitor Information Centre on weekends,
  - aligning library services with Riverina Regional Library and participating in the winding up of the Upper Murray Regional Library,
- Better utilisation of debt financing to ensure capital projects can be undertaken in a timely manner. Council has recently been successful in obtaining a loan subsidy through the NSW State Government to widen and reconstruct 10.7kkm of Alma Park Road.
- Withdrawal from residential aged care and sale of assets to the 'not for profit' sector.
- Withdrawal from being provider of aged and community services.

Council's role in the future will be one of facilitation to ensure the continuation of an appropriate level of aged and community services throughout the shire.

- The removal of a number of administrative/office based positions.
- Equivalent full time positions being reduced from 149 in June 2011 to the current level of 115.

The State Government has announced a number of incentives to kick start the reform process including:

- \$258m to have councils who have decided to merge to make the transition and provide services and facilities communities need.
- \$13m to support local transition committees and ensure elected representatives are involved in the process.
- \$5.3m to get new regional Joint Organisations up and running.
- \$4m to help small Councils (<10,000 population) develop innovative ways of working.
- Up to \$600m potential savings from cheaper finance for 'Fit for the Future' councils to invest in local infrastructure.

Council is steadfast in the view that Greater Hume ratepayers and the communities they support are best served by being part of a rural based Council. However prior to finalising our 'Fit for the Future' submission to NSW State Government, Greater Hume Shire Council will undertake significant community consultation with its constituents to ensure that Council is on the right track in seeking to remain a rural based Council".

Further information on the 'Fit for the Future' package can be found at [www.fitforthefuture.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fitforthefuture.nsw.gov.au)

## Shire Wide Shire Pride

### What is Shire Wide Shire Pride?

It's about telling the story about the many unsung, quiet achievers who 'live in and put in' to our community.

We think it is time these stories are shared ...

To read our Shire Wide Shire Pride stories visit our Facebook page or view the stories soon at your local library.



**BETTER TELEVISION RECEPTION** - Greater Hume Shire Council has been advised by the Federal Government that viewers who live in regional areas and are unable to receive adequate terrestrial television reception from the transmitters that serve the area in which they live, are able to receive their digital television service through the government-funded Viewer Access Satellite Television (VAST) service. To determine their eligibility to receive commercial television services through VAST, householders should go to the [mySwitch facility online at http://myswitch.digitalready.gov.au/](http://myswitch.digitalready.gov.au/) and enter their address. If your terrestrial coverage is inadequate, then go to mySwitch for access to services on VAST.



## GREATER HUME SHIRE COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2013-2014

It is an honour to again report on the activities of Greater Hume Shire Council over the past twelve months on behalf of the our Council team. The year has been characterised by a number of major accomplishments while, at the same time, responding to the most extensive review of local government for several decades. A snapshot of the major accomplishments of the last twelve months include:

- Record spending on regional and local roads right across the shire.
- Completion of \$2.8 million of contract works on behalf of Roads and Maritimes Services.
- Continuation of the Streetscape Improvement Program.
- Investigation and establishment of shared service opportunities with neighbouring councils.
- Completion of the Henty Library extension and refurbishment.
- Upgrades in park and sportsgrounds across the shire including Woomargama, Brocklesby, Holbrook and Culcairn.
- Completion of structural assessments at all Council swimming pools.
- In house assessment of the Gerogery Organic Composting Facility that has stood up to the scrutiny of the Joint Regional Planning Panel and the NSW Land and Environment Court.

In addition to the accomplishments listed above, Council has also completed a number of strategic planning documents in relation to land use planning, flood studies, asset management planning, waste management, roads, tourism and economic development, aged and community care, medical services and children's services. Council has continued to reform and streamline its operations in recent years including:

- Withdrawn from being provider of aged and community services. Council's role in the future will be one of facilitation to ensure the continuation of an appropriate level of aged and community services throughout the shire.
- Removed a number of administrative/office based positions.
- Reviewed service levels and methods of service delivery to achieve efficiencies including:-
  - construction and gravel resheeting crews working longer hours during daylight saving period,

- implementation of the Waste Management Strategy to better manage landfills and transfer stations
- use of volunteers at the Holbrook Visitor Information Centre on weekends,
- winding up Upper Murray Regional Library and aligning Council with the Riverina Regional Library.
- Better utilisation of debt financing to ensure capital projects can be undertaken in a timely manner.

The completion of Council's 2013/2014 Annual Financial Statements indicates that Council's short to medium term liquidity position remains strong and will continue to enable the organisation to respond to unexpected occurrences in the short to medium term. As reported last year, the long term view is not as optimistic; the NSW Treasury Corporation describing Council's financial position as moderate with a negative outlook. This means that Council's ability to maintain and improve its infrastructure, particularly the road network, will be compromised if strategies are not identified to address this issue. Your Council team has been implementing changes right across the organisation, however it is clear to adequately maintain our extensive infrastructure, particularly the road network Council needs to increase its revenue and will be seeking approval to implement a special rate variation. Council understands that rate increases of any kind are never welcomed, however we believe a sustainable and affordable increase in rates is essential if Council is to meet the needs and expectations of the community across a range of services. In relation to the review of Local Government, Council remains steadfast in its view that residents of our towns and villages and surrounding rural areas are best served by a rural focussed council and has resolved to seek the retention of Greater Hume Shire Council in its current form. The balance of this four year term concluding in September 2016 will be exciting but challenging, as we chart a new and sustainable direction for Greater Hume Shire and its residents thus ensuring that our shire is 'simply greater'.

*Finally, I extend my sincere appreciation and thanks to my fellow Councillors, all staff and our countless volunteers that have all worked towards a common goal - to make our communities more liveable.*  
Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton

## CENTENARY OF WORLD WAR ONE

**Major Events (with particular relevance to Australia) - December 1914 to February 1915** (source: *Australian War Memorial*)

- 2 December 1914 - First Australian military aircraft despatched to war. Australian aircraft and their crews left to form the 'Mesopotamian Half Flight', fighting in what is now Iraq. Many were captured at the fall of Kut in 1916.
- 3 December 1914 - First AIF disembarked in Egypt. Though many had expected to go to Britain, after Turkey's entry into the war the first Australian troops were sent to Egypt to protect the vital Suez Canal.
- 31 December 1914 - The second convoy of the first AIF departs Albany. Volunteers for the AIF enlisted so readily that a second convoy left within two months of the first. Many of those on board landed on Gallipoli on 25 April 1915.

### Culcairn RSL Sub Branch is Seeking Information

Culcairn RSL Sub-Branch is working to compile a book for ANZAC Day 2015 with the records of all servicemen who enlisted for the First World War from the Culcairn area. They have found records of 90% of those listed on the Honour Roll; however, they are still missing details of the remaining 15 and ask you for your help. Information required: Full name; Service Number; photo, if possible (copy only). Names of the remaining 15 are Anderson G, Bowran J, Dunn AE, Fitzgerald D, Gibbons SJ, Harvey J, Howell H, Lewis SJ, Lucas AE, Mark R, McGrath J, Murray WJ, Pinkerton J, Smith GS, Woodward W. Please forward information to Ken Gardiner, Culcairn RSL Vice-President, 18 Elizabeth Street Culcairn, 2660 or by email to margandken1@bigpond.com.au.

## 2015 ANZAC Day

The Henty & District committee of the 100 years of ANZAC wish to invite descendants of the defence force personnel whose names are listed on the cenotaph in Henty Memorial Park to participate in honouring these persons at the 2015 100 Years of ANZAC. The committee wish to invite the descendants to participate in the Street March and also by providing information, anecdotes, copies of letters and forms or memorabilia that can be displayed at the Henty Civic Centre at the Celebration Evening on ANZAC Day 25 April 2015. If you are able to help us in this endeavour, please contact Bruce Whitlock by phone – 02 6929 3173 or email – jandbw@bigpond.net.au. Go to henty.nsw.au or read next Henty Headerlines for a full list of names on the cenotaph.

## REMINDER: World War One Touring Exhibition at Holbrook, Henty & Culcairn Libraries - All welcome to visit.

As advised in previous newsletter this exhibition has been developed in partnership with the Light Horse Museum, North Bandiana, this object rich exhibition portrays a nation at war, a regional community at war and families at war. **Currently on display at Holbrook Library until 19 January 2015.** Future exhibitions at Culcairn Library – 1 August to 27 September 2015 and Henty Library - 5 October to 21 December 2015.



*On Tuesday 7 October, Holbrook Red Cross members met in the Submarine Park to dedicate their Centenary tree, an Autumn Blaze maple. The tree and information plaque marks 100 years of continuous service by Red Cross in Holbrook. President Beverley Cottrell welcomed Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton, Zone 20 Rep Anne Knox and local members.*

## BLACKBERRY (*Rubus fruticosus* agg. species)

Blackberry was declared a Weed of National Significance (WoNS) in 1999 and infests about 9 million hectares of land in Australia. Mostly restricted to areas with temperate climates (warm summers, cool winters annual rainfall of at least 700 mm) plants can also grow in lower rainfall areas under favourable environmental conditions. Being a vigorous plant the negative impacts include:



- reduced grazing land and restrict livestock access to water,
- reduced productivity of land - shading out of pastures/crops and competition for soil moisture and nutrients,
- problems in forestry eg prevention of regeneration, reduced capacity of plantation seedlings and hinder access to forests
- degradation of natural environments, displacing native plants and reducing habitat for native animals
- devaluation of visual/recreational aspects of public land, parks and reserves
- harbour for vermin, eg rabbits
- food for exotic animals eg starlings, blackbirds and foxes.
- fire hazard from dead blackberry material
- obstruction of access to fire trails and water for controlling fires.

## SWEET BRIAR (*Rosa rubiginosa*)

Sweet briar is a native of Europe. The fruit or hips are rich in vitamin C and have been used in making syrups. The worst infestations are usually found on the tablelands and cooler slopes. Sweet briar reduces the carrying capacity of land, harbour rabbits, restrict vehicle access and restrict stock movements, especially where it occurs in clumps or patches. Invading unimproved grasslands and disturbed bushland, preferring well-drained areas of moderate fertility with little competition and light grazing. The weed grows in most soil types. Infestations are often heaviest in hilly and rocky country around trees on creek banks and along fence lines.

## ST JOHN'S WORT (*Hypericum perforatum*)

St John's wort was brought to Australia in 1875 as a garden plant, now found in pastures, water catchment reserves, forests and national parks. St John's wort contains the toxin hypericin, which causes photosensitisation in sheep, cattle, horses and goats. The skin damage associated with this problem leads to weight loss, reduced productivity and, in extreme cases, death. St John's wort also adds vegetable fault to wool. St John's wort competes with useful plants in pastures, and large infestations reduce property values. It is most suited to areas receiving more than 600 mm annual rainfall and above 500 m altitude.



*Legislation - Blackberry, Sweet briar and St John's wort are declared Class 4 noxious weeds under the NSW Noxious Weeds Act 1993. Class 4 control requirements are that 'the growth of the plant must be managed in a manner that reduces its numbers spread and incidence and continuously inhibits its reproduction'. The responsibility for control of noxious weeds on private land rests with the landowner or occupier of the land. Failure to do so could result in the local control authority issuing a weed control notice, court action and a fine.*

## BUSHFIRE DANGER PERIOD COMMENCES 1 NOVEMBER

### *The Bushfire Danger Period for the Southern Border Team commenced on Saturday, 1 November 2014.*

This area includes the shires of Albury, Berrigan, Corowa and Greater Hume. Contact the RFS Office in Corowa 02 6033 4550 or Albury 02 6051 1511, for more details. Watch for days of Total Fire Bans as no fires are permitted on these days.

The grass is now curing or drying out, the landscape is becoming more susceptible to fire. Grass fires can be especially dangerous because they start quickly and spread rapidly, destroying not only homes and stock, but also lives and livelihoods. Farmers can help **protect their properties by establishing firebreaks around paddocks, homes and other valuable assets like sheds and equipment.** Firebreaks can assist in slowing a fire's spread and also help stop a fire from entering or leaving your property. People living in areas where there is grass growth should also have a plan for what they will do if there is a fire. **Bush Fire Survival Plans are available from the NSW RFS website or from the Southern Border Team Fire Control Centre at 25 Airport Drive, Albury.** These can assist in making decisions which can protect you, your home and your family.

**Motorists** also need to be aware that stopping in long grass can also start fires. Heat from the vehicle exhaust can easily ignite grass under the vehicle. **Motorbikes** without adequate exhaust systems can also easily start fires in long grass, ensure these are in good working order. It is important that everyone understands the risks of grass fires across the Southern Border Team area this season. **Preparation is the key to increasing your level of safety.** Everyone has a part to play, whether you farm, live in town or have a lifestyle block. Everyone needs to take responsibility for themselves, their family and their property.

## **Prepare, Act, Survive.**

## TRAVELLING IN A BUSH FIRE AREA

If you're travelling during the bush fire season, you could be affected by a fire. Bush and grass fires often cross roads and highways. Smoke can reduce visibility and roads may also be closed without warning. Make sure you have all the information you will need to keep safe.

### **Check before you go:**

- Fire Danger Ratings and Bush Fire Alerts at or on the Fires Near Me smartphone application
- Weather conditions on the Bureau of Meteorology website.
- How you can call for help
- Emergency Survival kit is packed, including a working battery operated radio, protective clothing, woollen blankets and water.
- If caravanning or camping read our Caravan and Camping Bush Fire Safety fact sheet or brochure
- If bushwalking read our Bush Fire Safety for Bushwalkers fact sheet or brochure

### **If you are caught in a fire:**

- Call Triple Zero 000
- Park off the road in a clear area away from trees, scrub and tall grass
- Face the front of your car towards the fire
- Stay in the car below the windows to protect yourself from radiant heat
- Turn off the engine and turn on headlights and hazard lights
- Close windows and air vents
- Cover yourself with a woollen blanket
- Drink plenty of water
- Cover your mouth with a damp cloth
- Stay down until the sound of the fire has passed, carefully leave the car (it will be hot)



# What's On

## December

- 4 Buy, Swap, Sell @ Walla Walla
- 5 Henty Community Christmas Fair
- 12 Christmas Party @ Lankeys Creek
- 12 Main Street Christmas Shopping @ Holbrook
- 13 Norman Holbrook VC Centenary Dinner @ Holbrook
- 14 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 14 Holbrook Community Markets
- 14 Brocklesby Christmas Carols
- 14 Holbrook Christmas Carols
- 17 GHS Council Meeting @ CTC Holbrook
- 19 Jindera Christmas Carols
- 20 Culcairn Christmas Carols
- 21 Henty Christmas Carols
- 21 Gerogery Christmas Carols
- 21 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 24 Burrumbuttock Christmas Carols
- 28 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 31 Holbrook B&S Ball

## January

- 1 Buy, Swap, Sell @ Walla Walla
- 4 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 11 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 18 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 21 Ed's Old Farm Machinery Museum Open Day @ Henty
- 25 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 26 Greater Hume Shire's Australia Day Celebrations@ Gerogery

## February

- 5 Buy, Swap, Sell @ Walla Walla
- 8 Holbrook Miniature Railway
- 14 Henty Agricultural Show
- 15 Holbrook Triathlon
- 18 GHS Council Meeting @ Council Chambers, Culcairn
- 22 Holbrook Miniature Railway



# Visitor Info

## HOW TO OBTAIN VISITOR/TOURIST INFORMATION

For visitor or tourist information including maps, brochures, information on events as well as local information please contact our:

### Accredited Visitor Information Centre

L: Submarine Precinct, Wallace Street, HOLBROOK NSW 2644  
 P/F: +61 02 6036 2422  
 E: [tourism@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tourism@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)  
 W: [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)  
 O: 10 am - 4.30 pm



Scan for more  
Visitor Information

More event and visitor information can be found at [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) or [www.facebook.com/pages/Visit-Culcairn-Henty-Holbrook-Jindera-WallaWalla](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Visit-Culcairn-Henty-Holbrook-Jindera-WallaWalla).

Visitor Information Points are located at Dales Highway Store at Henty, Doodle Cooma Craft Shop at Henty, Burrumbuttock General Store, Woolpack Inn Museum at Holbrook, Gerogery Supply Store, Jindera Pioneer Museum, Culcairn Red Cross Craft Shop, Woomargama Post Office, Walla Store and Walbundrie Co-op.

An application for a business to become a Visitor Information Point can be obtained from the Visitor Information Centre, Holbrook.

# Tourism News

## GREATER HUME SHIRE MUSEUM'S UPDATE

**Identity Project Completed** - Identity explores the stories within our region by working in partnership with five museums from Greater Hume Shire, Corowa Shire and Albury City to explore what is unique in their museum collections. Significant objects and their stories from the collections at Corowa Federation Museum, Yarrowonga-Mulwala Pioneer Museum, Albury Library Museum, Jindera Pioneer Museum, Henty's Headlie Taylor Blacksmith shop and the Holbrook Submarine Museum are currently on exhibition. This project tells unique stories in each museum's collection that explores their town's identity and showcases our region's history. Promotional material such as story boards, videos and banners have also been developed on the museums and the significant objects identified.

**ABC Open** - Greater Hume Shire's Museum Adviser, Kim Biggs has been busy conducting museum workshops in Jindera and Holbrook to develop creative writing and identify items in the museums collections of significance. As part of these workshops several items were placed on ABC Open Stories. **Enjoy the different stories.** Please find below the ABC Open links to these stories:

- <https://open.abc.net.au/people/culcairn-stationmaster-s-museum-86ck9hf>
- <https://open.abc.net.au/people/headlie-taylor-header-museum-11ws1pj>
- <https://open.abc.net.au/people/jinderapioneermuseum-22rp7ge>
- <https://open.abc.net.au/people/holbrook-submarine-museum-92iu4ri>
- <https://open.abc.net.au/people/woolpack-inn-museum-holbrook-90uf7cd>

A second workshop was based around audio. Please find below audio links to ABC Open:

- Jindera Pioneer Museum- The Postman's Mailbox- <https://open.abc.net.au/explore/78810>
- Jindera Pioneer Museum- Funk Family Wagon- <https://open.abc.net.au/explore/78162>
- Wymah Museum- The Wymah Ferry Story- <https://open.abc.net.au/explore/78907>
- Headlie Taylor Blacksmith Shop- Anvil Story- <https://open.abc.net.au/explore/78374>
- The Woolpack Inn- Lagerphone Story- <https://open.abc.net.au/explore/79130>
- The Holbrook Submarine Museum- Christening Bell Story- <https://open.abc.net.au/explore/79007>

Kim also assists many of our museums on an individual basis from assisting with grants, cataloguing to training and promotion.

## DIGITAL PLATFORM UPDATE

We have commenced work on the digital platform following a successful workshop being held recently. This is a major project in the Murray region and will take some time to complete. The platform includes state of the art mapping and booking programs ensuring easier planning by visitor to the Murray Region. More information soon.

## VISITOR'S GUIDE UPDATE

Planning for the new guide is underway, with release in early 2015. For more information contact: Kerrie Wise, Tourism and Promotions Officer on 02 6036 0186 or [kwise@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kwise@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

## BE CAREFUL

### WHEN DRIVING ON OUR COUNTRY ROADS BEWARE OF WILDLIFE AND STRAY LIVESTOCK.

If you hit an animal please contact:

- Albury Police - 02 6023 9299
- Wildlife - WIRES - Albury area 0427 493 716 or 1300 094 737
- Stray Livestock - GHSC Ranger 0427 556 659

### WHEN DRIVING YOUR FARM MACHINERY ON PUBLIC ROADS, HARROWS AND OTHER DEVICES SHOULD BE RAISED OFF THE GROUND.

#### SAFE HOLIDAY DRIVING

Christmas is fast approaching so it is time to prepare your vehicle for those long holiday journeys and start thinking about how you will get safely to and from your holiday destination. If you're going to be driving for more than two hours plan a rest break where you can get out of the car, stretch your legs and maybe have something to eat or drink. The NSW Centre for Road Safety has some great tips for staying safe by not driving tired – check their website at <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/fatigue/index.html>. If you're planning Christmas or New Year celebrations remember to have a Plan B for how you're going to get home after the event. Ideas to consider include arranging a lift with somebody who has not been drinking or using drugs, staying at a friend's house, or walking home. Finally, remember that double demerit points will be in force from Wednesday 24 December until Sunday 4 January inclusive, so slow down, drive to the conditions, arrive alive and have a safe holiday!

#### WORKS PROGRAM FOR SUMMER

- Alma Park Road widening and reconstruction is due to commence early March, the project will start from the Lockhart Boundary end with works anticipated to last 3-4 months.
- The continuation of 1km road works on Henty Cookardina Road is also due to commence early March.
- Young Street, Holbrook construction will commence early next year, this project will include road works, kerb and gutter and drainage works.
- A section of roadway on Tunnel Road, south of Ferndale Road will be reconstructed to widen the road pavement. A part of Ferndale Road will also be done in conjunction with this project. Tunnel Road will be widened over culverts that had been extended previously.
- Replacement of kerb and guttering and road rehabilitation at the western end of Elizabeth Street, Culcairn will commence shortly.
- The temporary roundabouts in Jindera have aided in traffic flow through the town centre. Thanks to the Jindera Community for their patience and support during the construction period.
- Modifications to the entrance of Ten Mile Creek Park have been undertaken to restrict vehicle access and to ensure the safety of patrons at the park. This also enhances the appearance and compliments the new play area and BBQ. Kerb and guttering works are still yet to be completed.

#### NSW BIKE WEEK A SUCCESS IN SHIRE

Students at Walla Walla Public School embraced NSW Bike Week, going all out to decorate their bicycles and helmets before enjoying a morning of fun and cycling, and prizes donated by The Full Cycle were well received. The morning started off with a short safety talk from Greater Hume Shire Council Road Safety Officer Shelagh Merlin, who explained how to correctly fit a bicycle helmet for maximum safety. A highlight of the morning was a competition to see which student could ride the length of the school cricket pitch the slowest without falling off.



#### SHARE THE ROAD

With the grain harvest in full swing, motorists driving on country roads are reminded to slow down and watch out for farm machinery, animals and birds on the roads. "At this time of year there is an increase in the number of tractors on the road, many of them towing farm implements, and there are also grain bins and combine harvesters on the move. These vehicles can be slow moving, may be oversized and often take up more than a lane width, particularly on the narrower country roads, and they are nowhere near as manoeuvrable as a car. "The safest measure to take is to slow down, pull off the road if you can and be prepared to stop while the vehicle drives past you", said Greater Hume Shire Council Road Safety Officer Shelagh Merlin. While grain is being transported to silo it occasionally spills on the road, providing a feast for local birds, who can become drunk on the grain if it starts to ferment. "You will often find large flocks of birds eating spilled grain on the road and when they are drunk, they don't always react to an approaching vehicle as fast as they might otherwise. "Scan the road well ahead of your vehicle as you drive, reduce your speed and toot your horn to give the birds plenty of time to fly out of your way", Mrs Merlin concluded.

For the most up to date information on the status of roads please phone 1300 653 538 or go to [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/) Emergency Information and Road Conditions.

#### VACANCIES AT AGED PERSONS UNITS HOLBROOK & CULCAIRN RETIREMENT UNITS

Greater Hume Shire Council has vacancies in its affordable aged persons two bedroom units in Kala Court, Holbrook and Elizabeth Street, Culcairn. Expressions of Interest to occupy are invited from individuals.

Interested persons must meet the Department of Housing's eligibility for low to moderate income. Rental is 25% of their income, including the aged pension and the successful tenants will be required to enter into a standard lease agreement. For more information or to arrange an inspection please contact Jody Whitley, Community Health and Wellbeing Coordinator on 02 6036 0100.



# Youth News



L to R: Mayor GHSC, Cr Heather Wilton; Jessica Kane; Emily King; Susan Kane, Library and Youth Services Development Officer GHSC; Hannah Daniell; Emma Parker and Taylor Manton. Absent today, but a member was Mitchell O'Keefe.

## YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL LAUNCHED

The Greater Hume Shire Youth Advisory Council was officially launched on 6 November 2014 at the Culcairn Library. Six young people from the shire have joined the Council coordinated by Susan Kane, Council's Library and Youth Services Development Officer. After being officially received into the new Youth Council, members were given a welcome pack and t-shirt by the Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton. They were then addressed by Terry Watson, the chair of the Gundagai Youth Advisory Council, who inspired everyone with some of the fabulous projects and achievements that the Gundagai Youth Council have completed over the past four years. Council is still accepting nominations for the youth council and if you are interested in being a part of it, Council would like young people of the shire between the ages of 15-24 years to join.

The primary roles of the Youth Council are:

- To advocate for the needs of young people and provide a mechanism for their participation and involvement on community issues.
- To assist young people in developing skills in various areas.
- To assist in planning programs for youth as well as annual youth week events.

For more information contact Susan Kane.



## TAKE CHARGE CONSULTATION

**Where:** Culcairn Library **When:** Monday 8 December 2014  
**Time:** 10.30 am to 12.00 pm **Morning tea will be provided.**

Promoting volunteering to young people and assisting the longevity of so many Riverina volunteer organisations is the aim of Riverina Eastern Regional Organisations of Council's (REROC) new Take Charge and Volunteer project, in conjunction with Greater Hume Shire Council. REROC's Take Charge Riverina Youth Leadership Forum 2013 conducted a survey revealing a large percentage of the 120 students at the forum thought volunteering was important in their home town and that most wanted to become volunteers. The [www.takecharge.org.au](http://www.takecharge.org.au) website is looking for Riverina organisations to sign up and list their volunteering opportunities, which young volunteers can search for via their industry of interest or where they live. The volunteer can register their interest and a volunteering relationship will be formed with the organisation. Organisations are offered a simple training session to guide and prepare for accepting and working with young volunteers, and how to best use [www.takecharge.org.au](http://www.takecharge.org.au). The project will also look at rewarding young volunteers for their efforts and is funded by NSW Government through Youth Opportunities. For more information contact Susan Kane or REROC's Regional Youth and Communities contact, Kylie Dunstan on [kdunstan@reroc.com.au](mailto:kdunstan@reroc.com.au) or 0437 863 426.

## OFF THE BEATEN TRACK (FILM & ACTING WORKSHOP)

Greater Hume Shire Council in partnership with NSW Regional Arts is holding an affordable 3 day, interactive film and acting workshop for all students in Years 7-12. The workshop will be held at the St Paul's College in Walla Walla commencing on the afternoon of Friday 12 December and concluding on Sunday 14 December 2014. Cost is \$100.00 per student. The Off the Beaten Track interactive film and acting workshop will consist of three parts incorporating teaching skills in acting to camera, commercials and presenting. Students form pairs with a film/tv script being directed by a professional actor. A camera and lights will be set up with a set, depending on the scene, to look as real life as possible. The students will have the opportunity to be on a film set, with 2 cameras, microphone etc. It will then be edited together like a tv show with their names in the credits. Students will keep the film. With the support of the Country Arts Support Program, this workshop will provide students with a unique experience to learn film and acting skills from highly regarded professional actors. Details and bookings contact Susan Kane.

**More information contact:** Susan Kane, Library & Youth Services Development Officer, 02 6029 8588, 0417 212 069, [skane@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:skane@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)  
<http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au/SimplyGreaterLiving/YouthServices.aspx>.

**All the YouthROC news is on the Facebook page.**  
**Youth Services Card - DONT FORGET IT**  
**Be active. Be happy. Be you.**



## RED GUIDE POST PROJECT

An E&WRNWAG project to help identify known locations of high risk noxious weeds was officially launched by The Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP at the Henty Machinery Field Days (also in photo is Paula Bosse, Riverina Noxious Weeds Project Officer).

**JUST ANNOUNCED: Red Guide Post Project is a finalist in the 2014 Local Government Excellence in the Environment Awards in the Weed Management Category!** *Watch next newsletter.*

## SQUIRREL GLIDER LAMP

*community shines a light on threatened species*

Murray Local Land Services (LLS) Board and staff members recently visited Burrumbuttock landholders and Wirraminna Environmental Education Centre. The tour included an evening visit to see the squirrel gliders at Thurso, hosted by Fe Coleman. The next stage of the LAMP project will include a series of workshops with interested Burrumbuttock landholders to provide an overview of how the local squirrel glider population is tracking and provide an opportunity for landholders to make decisions about management activities for gliders in their area. Wirraminna's recently updated website now offers a range of resources, including a video about the Squirrel Glider LAMP Project and the LAMP process. The newly-revised Squirrel Glider Habitat Management Guide is also available through Murray LLS. For more information contact Helen Waudby, Senior Land Services Officer, [helen.waudby@lls.nsw.gov.au](mailto:helen.waudby@lls.nsw.gov.au) or 02 6051 2234.



# Library News

## WHAT TO DO WHEN IT'S HOT

With summer on its way everyone will be on their way to the pool to cool off but don't forget that our libraries are very 'cool' places to hang out both for adults and children. We have free internet and Wi-Fi available and air conditioning too! As well as lots of great books and DVDs we have some Leggo for children if they would like a bit of a distraction on a hot afternoon. PLUS we have an ever changing collection of fabulous novels and magazines for adults to read by the pool while the children swim!

Our libraries regular programs are suspended over the summer break. Check website: [greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://greaterhume.nsw.gov.au), Greater Hume Shire facebook page or your local newsletter in January/February for information regarding the resumption of Story time, Adult Computer Club and Homework Club.

## TEDDY BEAR SLEEPOVER

A special teddy bear story time and sleep over will be held at the Holbrook Library during the school holiday on **Thursday 8 January 2015 at 11.00am**. Come and listen to some stories with teddy, have a teddy bear's picnic and afterwards teddy can stay with his friends at the library for a special sleep over. The next day will be teddy bear pick up at 11.00am on Friday 9 January 2015. See what adventures these teddies have had while left alone at the library! *Children up to 5 years.*

## SUMMER READING CLUB

**From Monday 1 December 14 until Friday 23 January 2015.**

Summer Reading Club is taking place at the Culcairn and Henty Libraries throughout the summer holidays. Last year the Summer Reading Club was a huge success!

- 34,756 children participated across Australia and
- an estimated 234,468 books were read.

Now in its fourth year as a national program, it is hoped with the help of your school, this year participation in the Summer Reading Club could be even bigger and better! **The theme for the 2014 iteration of the Australian Summer Reading Club is Adventure. Registration is FREE!** When participants register at our library they will receive a Summer Reading Club pack. Alternatively they can also register through the Summer Reading Club website at [www.summerreadingclub.org.au](http://www.summerreadingclub.org.au). National prizes are also up for grabs for those who participate in the online writing activities.

## HENTY LIBRARY REDEVELOPMENT CELEBRATION

Book lovers and residents from Henty and surrounding districts attended a Public Open Day on Friday 7 November to celebrate the Henty Library Redevelopment. People were invited to walk through and see the new facilities and view community projects which included the Halve Waste Project Owl, 'OWLBERT' in the children's area,



*Children with 'OWLBERT'.*

Henty Active Arts, Peter Mac, and the Henty Preschool's Friendship with Myoora Intergenerational program. This significant redevelopment was funded through the NSW State Government's County Libraries Fund in partnership with Greater Hume Shire Council to transform the Henty Library into a multi-use community hub. Expenditure of \$244,000 has been invested to create two new meeting rooms and a technology area with six workstations, a dedicated children's activities area and a cultural exhibition space. The existing library has been transformed into a meeting place for Henty's diverse demographic and social groups, effectively becoming a multi-purpose facility with flexible interior that can be accessed out of hours. The meeting rooms will provide the opportunity to attract a range of services from visiting professionals and government agencies.

## INTRODUCTION TO ANCESTRY.COM LIBRARY EDITION

Public libraries have long been great sources of family and local history information and the provision of Ancestry.com is another way that libraries save our users money! Personal subscriptions to Ancestry.com.au are very expensive so it is wonderful to be able to come into the library and use it for free. Ancestry is a massive database, with so much information that it can be overwhelming. **The Culcairn Library will be holding an Introduction to Ancestry.com event on Wednesday 10 December 2014 from 10.30am to 11.30am.** Culcairn resident Maggie Morgan will be available on the day to share her knowledge and experience in searching family history.



### LIBRARIES ON FACEBOOK

Follow Culcairn and Henty Libraries on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/CulcairnLibrary>

<https://www.facebook.com/HentyLibrary>

Holbrook Library Complex Facebook page coming soon.

## Contact Details and Opening Hours @ Libraries

	Culcairn	Henty	Holbrook
<b>Phone</b>	02 6029 8241	02 6929 3770	02 6036 3262
<b>Location</b>	40 Balfour Street, Culcairn	32 Sladen Street, Henty	Library Court, Holbrook
<b>Monday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	1pm - 5.30pm	CLOSED
<b>Tuesday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	10am - 2.30pm	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	10am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	CLOSED	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Friday</b>	8.30am - 5pm	10am - 5.30pm	11am - 1pm, 2pm - 5.30pm
<b>Saturday</b>	10am - 12.30pm	10am - 12.30pm	9.30am - 12.30pm

## WHAT WE ARE READING AT HOLBROOK LIBRARY

Previously we mentioned *The Narrow Road to the Deep North* by Richard Flanagan which recently won the prestigious Mann Booker Prize. This seems to be as good a recommendation as anything we could write so if you're looking for something with a bit of substance, add it to your summer reading list. On a lighter side if you liked *The Rosie Project* by Graham Simsion you will enjoy the sequel which continues the adventures of Don, the socially inept, engagingly literal, eternally diverting genetics professor. This time around, he and Rosie, his equally quirky wife have relocated from Australia to New York City, and are expecting their first child, nicknamed Bud! Sometimes sad but often very funny this is a much lighter read for the summer.

## FOOD FOR FINES

Food for Fines is the annual program where library members are given the option to clear their outstanding overdue fines by donating non-perishable food in lieu of money. It is an opportunity for library customers and staff to support local families during the festive season. Customers have the opportunity to clear outstanding overdue fines and staff have the opportunity to clear outstanding books and charges from the Library Management System. Donated food must be non-perishable, packaging intact and with use by date of March 2015 or later. There is no limit to the amount in overdue fines you can pay off with food, but food donations will only be used to clear overdue fines. Payment for lost and damaged items or other charges such as reservations must be paid with cash. To be in the spirit of this program we recommend that food donated should roughly equate to the amount of overdue fines due.

*The Food for Fines initiative will run from Monday 10 November to Saturday 13 December 2014 at Culcairn, Henty and Holbrook Libraries.*

## HOLIDAY PROGRAM TREASURE BOXES

**Culcairn Library - Tuesday 13 January 2014, 10.30am to 11.30am**

**Henty Library - Wednesday 14 January 2014, 11.00am to 12.00noon**

**Holbrook Library - Wednesday 21 January 2014, 11.30am to 12.30pm**

Treasure Chests is a children's craft activity which the libraries will be running during the summer holidays. What a great opportunity to make a special place to keep your Christmas treasures. Open to children from 5 to 12 years and costs \$5 for library members and \$7 for non members. Bookings are essential!

## FAB FRIDAYS

Come along to the Henty library on Friday's to hear guest speakers or learn a new skill while enjoying community fellowship in your new library space. Next Fab Friday is 12 December, the topic is iPad basics.

**LOOK OUT FOR MORE FAB FRIDAYS COMING IN 2015!!**

## COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY CENTRE @ HOLBROOK

### SERVICES AVAILABLE

- PASSPORT PHOTOS - Available while you wait.
- OLD PHOTOS RESTORED
- Free Wi-Fi and computer access
- RMS Services DRIVER KNOWLEDGE TESTING, HAZARD PERCEPTION TESTING AND DRIVER QUALIFICATION TESTING AVAILABLE AT THE CTC FOR ALL LICENCE CLASSES Bookings essential.
- Colour Printing and publishing services. Small/large jobs welcome.
- E-tags for hire for NSW, VIC & QLD toll roads.
- Boat & fishing licences
- Meeting room hire and equipment hire including data projector, sound system & laptops

# Mobile Library Services

*The smaller towns and villages within Greater Hume Shire are provided with a mobile library service. The mobile libraries carry a wide range of books and materials including large print, picture books, talking books and videos. All borrowers have access to a complete collection through the reservations facility. Internet access is also available, although at most sites the time is limited so booking access in advance with the mobile operator is recommended if you wish to use this service.*

### CONTACT DETAILS FOR RIVERINA REGIONAL MOBILE LIBRARY

Phone 02 6926 9771

Fax 02 6926 9769

Email [rrl@wagga.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rrl@wagga.nsw.gov.au)

Website [www.rrl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rrl.nsw.gov.au)

**ALL LIBRARIES CLOSED ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS: Christmas Break will be 22 Dec 2014 to 3 Jan 2015, Australia Day 26 Jan 2015**

Town	Location	Day	Time	Dates
<b>Brocklesby (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Balldale Road	Wednesday	2.00pm - 3.00pm	3 Dec, 17 Dec, 14 Jan, 28 Jan, 11 Feb, 25 Feb, 11 Mar, 25 Mar.
<b>Burrumbuttock (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Burrumbuttock Brocklesby Road	Tuesday	9.30am - 10.30am	2 Dec, 16 Dec, 13 Jan, 27 Jan, 10 Feb, 24 Feb, 10 Mar, 24 Mar.
<b>Gerogery (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Main Street	Wednesday	9.00am - 9.45am	10 Dec, 7 Jan, 21 Jan, 4 Feb, 18 Feb, 4 Mar, 18 Mar.
<b>Jindera (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent to bus stop (opposite the hall), Urana Road	Saturday	9.30am - 12.00pm	13 Dec, 10 Jan, 24 Jan, 7 Feb, 21 Feb, 7 Mar, 21 Mar.
<b>Mullengandra (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Hume Highway	Wednesday	10.15 am - 11.00am	10 Dec, 7 Jan, 21 Jan, 4 Feb, 18 Feb, 4 Mar, 18 Mar.
<b>Walbundrie (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Culcairn Road	Monday	11.15am - 12.15pm	1 Dec, 15 Dec, 12 Jan, 23 Feb, 9 Mar, 23 Mar.
<b>Walla Walla (weekly)</b>	Adjacent public school, Commercial Street	Monday	9.00am - 11.00am	every Monday (except, 29 Dec - no service on this day).
<b>Woomargama (fortnightly)</b>	Adjacent post office, Woomargama Way	Wednesday	11.30am - 12.00pm	10 Dec, 7 Jan, 21 Jan, 4 Feb, 18 Feb, 4 Mar, 18 Mar.

## GREATER HUME SHIRE COUNCILLORS



**Back Row (l to r): Cr Heriot; Cr McInerney; Deputy Mayor, Cr Meyer OAM; Cr Quinn; Front Row (l to r): Cr Schoff; Mayor, Cr Wilton; Cr Schilg; Cr O'Neill; Cr Osborne.**

### Mayor, Cr Heather Wilton

PO Box 240, HOLBROOK 2644

Tel: 02 6036 2610

### Deputy Mayor, Cr Doug Meyer, OAM

12 Graham Street, HENTY 2658

Tel: 0429 690 999

### Cr Stuart Heriot

604 Thugga Lane, MORVEN 2660

Tel: 02 6036 5243

### Cr John McInerney

69 Bowler Street, HOLBROOK 2644

Tel: 0429 363 332

### Cr Jenny O'Neill

Bungwannah Road, JINDERA 2642

Tel: 02 6026 3417

### Cr Denise Osborne

135 Jindera Street, JINDERA 2642

Tel: 02 6026 3381

### Cr Tony Quinn

21 Thomas Street, GEROGERY WEST 2642

Tel: 0429 674 933

### Cr Annette Schilg

1098 Walla-Walbundrie Road, WALBUNDRIE 2659

Tel: 0429 906 401

### Cr Karen Schoff

RMB 157a, WALLA WALLA 2659

Tel: 0428 860 833

A Public Forum is held between 4.30pm to 4.45pm (open to members of the public) followed by a monthly meeting of Council.  
See What's On Section for Council meeting dates.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Please find below the contact details for community newsletters and newspapers in our shire.

### Burrumbuttock Bulletin: (Monthly)

burrumbulletin@hotmail.com

02 6029 3240

### Culcairn News: (Monthly)

kirndeen5@bigpond.com

02 6029 8265

### Henty Headerlines: (Bi Monthly)

hentyheaderlines@hotmail.com

02 6929 3770

### Holbrook Happenings: (Fortnightly)

holbrookctc@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au

02 6036 3262

Available online at [www.holbrook.nsw.au](http://www.holbrook.nsw.au)

### Jindera News: (Monthly)

jinderanews@ruralcarelink.org.au

0412 717 121

### Walla Walla Hello Hello Newsletter: (Monthly)

wallanewsletter@gmail.com

02 6029 2218

Go to [www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au) to download a copy of many of our community newsletters.

## PRIVATELY OWNED NEWSLETTER

### Eastern Riverina Chronicle Newspaper: (Every Wednesday)

mail.erchronhenty@ruralpress.com

02 6929 3434

Greater Hume  
**Children**  
Services



NICA  
National In-Home  
Childcare Association

**In Home Child Care**

*(in your home)* is a highly desirable childcare option available to families:

- who live in a rural setting where there are no other child care options, or
- work extended hours, shift or weekends which means that existing services cannot meet their needs, or
- who are experiencing illness or disability, or
- who have three or more children under school age.

Government child care benefits and rebates are available making the service cost effective especially for larger families.

Educators are experienced and qualified.

Find more information about In Home Child Care at [www.ghchildren.com.au](http://www.ghchildren.com.au)



**In Home Care**

Greater Hume Children Services  
[www.ghchildren.com.au](http://www.ghchildren.com.au)  
Tel: (02) 6026 3877

## COUNCIL OFFICES AND CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTRES

### Holbrook Office

General Manager  
Corporate Services  
Community Services

39 Young Street  
HOLBROOK NSW 2644  
Phone: 02 6036 0100  
Fax: 02 6036 2683

### Culcairn Office

Engineering  
Environment and Planning

40 Balfour Street  
CULCAIRN NSW 2660  
Phone: 02 6029 8588  
Fax: 02 6029 8607

### Customer Service Centres

#### Henty RTC/Library

32 Sladen Street  
HENTY NSW 2658

Phone/Fax: 02 6929 3770

#### Jindera

Shops 8/9 Jindera Plaza, Urana Street

JINDERA NSW 2642

Phone: 02 6026 3800

#### Walla Walla RTC/WAW Credit Union

Commercial Street, WALLA WALLA NSW 2659

Phone: 02 6029 2392

### Address all correspondence to:

General Manager  
PO Box 99  
HOLBROOK NSW 2644  
Email: [mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mail@greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

[www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greaterhume.nsw.gov.au)

**1300 653 538**  
**LOCAL CALL**

# Greater Hume Shire's Australia Day Celebrations

- WHEN:** Monday 26 January 2015
- WHERE:** Gerogery Public School, Coach Road, Gerogery
- TIME:** 8 am for Breakfast  
9 am Official Ceremony commences
- COST:** FREE
- EVENTS:** Australia Day Breakfast  
Australia Day Ambassador's address  
Presentation of Citizen, Young Citizen, Sports Award  
and Community Event of the Year  
Presentation of School Citizenship Awards
- FACILITIES:** Plenty of shade will be provided.  
Please bring chair, rug, sunscreen, hat and insect repellent.



The Gerogery Community is finalising family fun entertainment to be held during breakfast and morning tea. Following the Australia Day celebrations a display of Gerogery's history and entries in art competition will be held in the Gerogery Community Hall and the Gerogery Hotel will be holding a BBQ lunch from 12 noon for a small cost, with farm animals on show, children's playground and live music during the afternoon.



## ART COMPETITION SHOWING "WHAT AUSTRALIA MEANS TO ME"

An invitation to Primary School students to submit an artwork, poem, colouring, drawings, photos or anything creative.

Open to children to 12 years (one piece per child).

Name, school, address, phone number to be placed on entry.

**GREAT PRIZES GREAT PRIZES GREAT PRIZES GREAT PRIZES**

Public voting (by gold coin) on the day.

Artwork will be displayed at the Gerogery Hall.

Artwork can be left at Holbrook, Jindera, Culcairn Shire Offices, Gerogery Public School or Gerogery Store for collection.

All entries must be received no later than 12 December.

For more information phone: Tanja Trethowen-Schramm 0457 396 777.



Further information can be obtained by phoning Tourism and Promotions Officer, Greater Hume Shire Council on 02 6036 0100 or 1300 653 538.

## Greater Hume Shire Council Swimming Pool Opening Hours and Admission Fees 2014/2015

### Season Tickets (can be purchased from Greater Hume Shire Council's Customer Service Centres)

Family	(2 Adults & Children 18 yrs & under)	\$160.00
Single Adult	(1 Adult only)	\$90.00
Pension Family	(2 Adults eligible for Pension & Children 18 yrs & under)	\$110.00
Pension Single OR Child	(1 Adult Pensioner OR Child Secondary School & under)	\$50.00

All season ticket prices will be discounted by 50% if purchased after 17 January 2015.

### Daily Admission Prices

Adult	\$3.50
Children, Students & Pensioners	\$2.50
Spectators & School Events	\$1.50

**Contact each Swimming Pool Manager for Pool Inflatable dates and times.**

### Culcairn (phone 6029 8455)

Start Date	End Date	Monday to Thursday	Friday	Saturday and Sunday	
Sat 08/11/2014	Sun 21/12/2014	2:00 - 6:30	2:00 - 7:30	2:00 - 7:00	Closed Mondays
Mon 22/12/2014	Sun 01/02/2015	2:00 - 7:30	2:00 - 7:30	2:00 - 8:00	Open 7 days
Mon 02/02/2015	Sun 15/03/2015	3:00 - 6:30	3:00 - 7:30	2:00 - 7:00	Closed Mondays

Morning swims at Culcairn will depend on numbers.

### Henty (phone 6929 3032)

Start Date	End Date	Monday to Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
Sat 08/11/2014	Sun 21/12/2014	3.30 - 7:00	2:00 - 7:00	2:00 - 7:00	Closed Tuesday
Mon 22/12/2014	Sun 01/02/2015	1.30 - 7:00	1.30 - 8.00	1.30 - 7.00	Open 7 days
Mon 02/02/2015	Sun 15/03/2015	3.30 - 7:00	2:00 - 7:00	2:00 - 7:00	Closed Tuesday

Morning swims at Henty are conducted from 6.30 to 7.30 am, weekdays only.

### Holbrook (phone 6036 2024)

Start Date	End Date	Monday to Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
Sat 08/11/2014	Sun 21/12/2014	2:30 - 6:30	2:00 - 6:00	2:00 - 6:00	Closed Wednesday after 7 am
Mon 22/12/2014	Sun 01/02/2015	12:00 - 6:30	12:00 - 7:30	12:00 - 6:00	Open 7 days
Mon 02/02/2015	Sun 15/03/2015	2:00 - 6:30	2:00 - 7:00	2:00 - 6:00	Closed Wednesday after 7 am

Morning swims at Holbrook are conducted from 6.00 to 7.00 am, weekdays only.

### Jindera (phone 6026 3900)

Start Date	End Date	Monday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday	
Sat 01/11/2014	Sun 14/12/2014	1:30 - 6:30	12:30 - 6:30	Closed Mondays
Mon 15/12/2014	Sun 01/02/2015	12:00 - 7:00	12:00 - 7:30	Open 7 days
Mon 02/02/2015	Sun 15/03/2015	1:30 - 6:30	12:30 - 6:30	Closed Mondays

Morning swims at Jindera are conducted from 6:00 to 8:00 am. Contact Swimming Pool Manager for dates.

### Walla Walla (phone 6029 2408)

Start Date	End Date	Monday to Friday	Saturday and Sunday	
Sat 08/11/2014	Sun 21/12/2014	2:00 - 6:00	12:30 - 6:30	Closed Tuesdays
Mon 22/12/2014	Sun 01/02/2015	12:00 - 7:00	12:00 - 7:00	Open 7 days
Mon 02/02/2015	Sun 15/03/2015	2:00 - 6:00	12:30 - 6:30	Closed Tuesdays

Morning swims at Walla Walla are conducted from 6:00 to 7:00 am Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**All pools are closed on 25 December 2014 (Christmas Day).**