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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

1ST JUNE 2022

BIG CHANGES TO COMMUNITY POSTAL AGENCY

Woodstock Community Postal Agency NEW trading hours

Monday 9am – 12.30pm Tuesday / Wednesdays 9am - 12.30pm and 4pm - 5pm Thursdays/Fridays 3pm - 5.30pm

General grocery items and bread and bakery items available by pre order.

PROJECTS, PLANS AND POPUPS

Grant opportunities arise often, so we continue to apply for various projects outlined within the Woodstock Village Plan 2020-2030.

We have recently submitted an application to FRRR for a project titled 'Lets Tell some Stories' this project entails the installation of up to 6 storyboards throughout the village at various locations or buildings of significance. A grant opportunity also arose through Arts Out West for the Country Arts Support Package. We have an addition we would like to add to our village entrance feature, titled a 'totem of nation', it will highlight a link to the First Nations people of our area the Wiradjuri people.

The Progress Association has also actively assisted the Woodstock Bowling, Sport and Recreation Club with the development of a Strategic Plan. It is hoped this plan will assist the club with a clear vision, mission. The Association also assisted the Club with a grant application through the Office of Responsible Gambling



Sports and Infrastructure Grants, this grant would see the upgrade to the tennis court area with an all weather tennis court and half court fit for multi sports with a reversible basketball/netball tower and exterior lighting above both the courts and bowling greens.

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CROWN LAND LOTS TRANSFERRED TO LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

For the interest of the Woodstock community, a number of lots previously held by the Crown within the Woodstock village have now been transferred to Local Aboriginal Lands Council. A total of 4 lots in Robinson Street, and 27 lots between Bowen and South Streets. The Local Aboriginal Land Council will now be responsible for weed management and hazard control on above lots.

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Now as always, we cross out fingers and wait with baited breath for the outcomes to the applications.

2022 sees some return to normality (fingers crossed), and the Woodstock and District Progress Association have some fundraising events planned. The Woodstock Memorial Show on September 4th will host a POPUP Pantry on show day, all funds raised will return to the Woodstock and District Progress Association. If you have any homemade preserves, jams, sauces chutneys or other suitable goods please feel free to donate.

On Sunday October 30th we will host the Woodstock Open Gardens, with up to 6 gardens within the village and district opening their gates to the public. Gardens from within the village and beyond will be open on Sunday 30th October 2022 from 9.30am through to 3pm. Refreshments will be available at specific locations. A plant stall will also be included at the 'Conargo' garden. More details will appear closer to the date.

We welcome suggestions and ideas from the community at ANYTIME.

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Sunday June 26th at the Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall at 2pm.





BARRIER FENCE INSTALLED FOR CHILDREN'S SAFETY AT WOODSTOCK LIONS PARK

Approximately 35m of fencing between Parkes St and the Woodstock Lions Park has been installed. The length of fence has a pedestrian access gate and vehicle access gate (for maintenance access). The fence will provide a barrier on the southern side of the park to restrict access by young children to Sheet O Bark Rd and other vehicles pulling in to use the park. This project has been made possible through Round 2 of the Drought Communities Funding.



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ALMOST A FULL HOUSE - FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS

We were thrilled to host the Festival of Small Halls - Summer Tour 2022 on February 26th, the most amazing talent on the stage of the Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall.

The MC for the evening Miss Stassi Austin was excellent, Anna Williams at front of house and the ladies in the kitchen were diligent, and hardworking. All reports from the tour operators were that "We love Woodstock!"

Taking the stage as opening act local artist Clancy Pye, was super lovely and "the best of the tour so far", according to the touring team! Followed by Karen Lee Andrews, her voice was AMAZING and shook the bones of the Hall and one-man band Juzzie Smith, mind blowing. A brilliant night as always!

Almost 170 tickets sold for the evening, once costs have been covered, any profits remaining return to the Woodstock Memorial Hall. A notable donation of \$1000 was received from Cowra Council to assist with the expenses associated with the Festival.

The Festival visited 20 communities up and down the coast and inland of New South Wales in February and March. Fingers crossed we will welcome the tour back again in 2023.

POOLSIDE NEWS

The Woodstock Swimming Pool committee would like to acknowledge the contribution everyone made to the Woodstock pool this season. The pool is now closed. Please return you key to JJ Dresser & Co ASAP.

The Woodstock Swimming Pool Committee will be catering at the Woodstock Memorial Show on Sunday September 4th. It is the major fundraiser for the swimming pool and the committee encourages and welcomes any volunteers that can assist on this day. More hands less work.

The committee is also looking for volunteers to help with the lawn and garden maintenance. If you are between the ages 55-59 you can volunteer and meet your mutual obligation for government benefits.

If you can assist please call Simone a pool committee member on 0427471696.



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CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY - LET'S BLITZ LOCAL LITTER

The Woodstock and District Progress Association participated in CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY on Sunday March 6th 2022.

The Cowra Tidy Towns committee put the call out to community groups to participate in a competition to Clean Up Australia. Woodstock answered the call with a dozen individuals walking and driving the streets and roads of Woodstock. The competition was judged on the amount of litter

gathered and the number of volunteers involved in the activity. Woodstock took out first prize of \$200!

Biggest of commendations to the village of Woodstock as we struggled to find any litter! Other than, that pictured from South Street.

A BIG thankyou, to all those that volunteered their time, for this community activity.



LANDS CLAIM ON SOLDIERS PARK TO BE RESOLVED IN 2022

The Community Land Manager is still awaiting an outcome on a pending Aboriginal Lands Claim over the Soldiers Park that was placed in 2007. Work has also been delayed on the balance of the footpath, funds secured \$22,000, until this claim has been resolved. All funds for this project were secured through Crown Lands by the Woodstock Soldiers Land Manager.

IMPROVING TELSTRA MOBILE COVERAGE

Telstra have notified residents that they are improving Telstra mobile coverage and investing in a better network with a proposed innovative new Telstra Small Cell located on an existing pole on Stuart Street.

Telstra Small Cells use the latest technology to deliver super fast 4G speeds and improve mobile coverage without the need for a big mobile site or a new tower. Telstra Small Cells are connected to existing infrastructure. A Small Cell is a low powered, mini base station designed to provide mobile phone and data coverage to an area of 100-400m.



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HOTEL ACCOMODATION OPEN FOR BUSINESS



The Woodstock Hotel has now completed the refurbishment of the upstairs area, with a total of 13 rooms available for accommodation. Room accommodation is \$75 per night. All rooms are surrounded by a grand wrought iron balcony with elaborate lacework. The Woodstock Hotel is a prominent building in the village and its character, identity and heritage features are a tremendous asset to the village. It is fantastic news to see this massive undertaking complete, congratulations to all involved.



CHILEAN NEEDLE GRASS INFORMATION DAY - WOODSTOCK

Cowra Council's Biosecurity Officers will be conducting an information day on August 9th 2022 from 10am -2pm, primarily aimed at the increasing threat of Chilean Needle Grass (CNG) in the Cowra Shire.

This invasive weed has been present in the community for a long time, but recent favorable weather conditions are leading to extremely rapid establishment events.

Chilean Needle Grass is currently listed in the Central Tablelands Strategic Weed Management Plan 2017-22 as a Regional Priority Weed Containment, and is also a Weed of National Significance.

Council hopes to work with local landholders and other key stakes-holders to try to prevent increasing establishment in the area and utilize best practice management on Council owned or managed areas, as well as using local knowledge to help identify infestations so we can target management in Spring.

Local contractors, landholders experienced with

CNG, Local Land Services and bordering Council Biosecurity Officers will be available to speak with, so we can hopefully come up with some efficient strategies to combat this weed together.

We will also have information about Sticky Nightshade which has moved rapidly from the core infestation area and is increasingly being identified in Woodstock properties, as well as Blackberry, St Johns Wort, Coolatai Grass and Silverleaf Nightshade manage-

ment.

The day will be catered for with morning tea and BBQ lunch, and will be limited to 50 interested landholders, with a lucky door prize of a 20 litre drum of Grazon Extra.

Please contact Alison 0428 405 523 or Tina at Cowra Shire Council 02 6340 2070.



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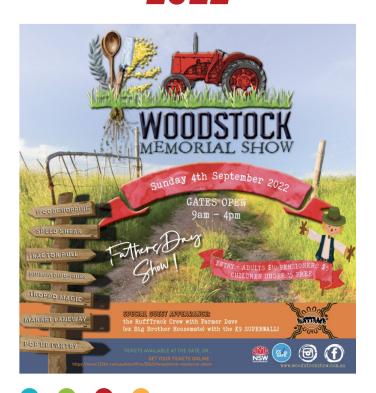








SHOW IS BACK IN 2022



We are BACK! The show returns to the calendar on Sunday September 4th 2022

Planning is underway with attractions secured including Troppo Magic, Dinkum Dinosaurs and Rufftrack Boys with their K9 Superwall. Sections are being finalised, with all the old favourites returning such as woodchopping, heavy horses, vintage tractor pull, chainsaw racing, speed shear and the car, ute and bike show.

The Market Laneway and PopUp Pantry will also be returning. All funds raised from sales on the Pop-Up Pantry will be donated to the Woodstock and District Progress Association. Sponsorship and prizes are currently being sourced.

This is the biggest event on the Woodstock calendar and takes months of preparation. Additional volunteers are ALWAYS welcome. We are always on the scout for volunteers show day to help with gate entries.

Membership for 2022 is now available at \$17 double and \$11 single, and forms can be accessed via the website www.woodstockshow.com.au or on request.

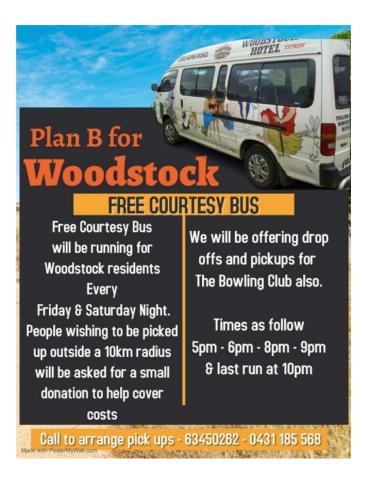


VENUE HIRE

Are you planning a wedding, party or ANYTHING in 2022?

Woodstock Memorial Hall is available for your next function.

Details on the website woodstocksoldiersmemorialhall.godaddysites.com or contact 02 6345 0271









SOCIAL ACTIV AT THE CLUB

The Woodstock Bowling, Sport and Recreation Club has been a hive of activity in recent weeks and this will be ongoing with new regular social events.

The Cowra Country Music Club will perform Saturday 4th June at 1pm. This will be the second visit to the club. The visit in early May packed the club and provided great entertainment.

Woodstock Bowling Club Three Bowl Pairs on Sunday 5th June at 10am with great prize money up for grabs.

Open Mic afternoon will feature the third Sunday of every month, everybody is welcome to come along and showcase their talent!



WHAT'S ON

4th June

Cowra Country Music Club Woodstock Bowling, Sport and Recreation Club

18th June

Woodstock Hotel Camp oven Cook Off

19th June

Open Mic Woodstock Bowling, Sport and Recreation Club

26th June

Quarterly Meeting Woodstock and District Progress Association 2pm

26th June

Round 4 CMRC Woodstock Speedway

17th July

Open Mic Woodstock Bowling, Sport and Recreation Club

23rd July

Christmas in July Woodstock Hotel

9th August

Council/LLS Chilean Needle Grass Field Day

21st August

Open Mic Woodstock Bowling, Sport and Recreation Club

28th August

Round 5 CMRC Woodstock Speedway

4th September

Woodstock Memorial Show

25th September

Round 6 CMRC Woodstock Speedway

1st -3rd October

NSWERA State Championships Woodstock Showground

22nd October

CMRC Annual Presentation

30th October

OPEN GARDENS Woodstock and District

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Woodstock now has it's very own website.

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WOODSTOCK PUBLIC SCHOOL 2022 KINDY ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Students who will be commencing Kindergarten at Woodstock Public School for 2023 are invited to participate in visits to the school. While at the school the children will participate in the Infants' classroom. They will have opportunities to learn and play, explore the school and become familiar with the school routine.

DATES:

Wednesday 3rd August 2022

Morning 9:00am - 11:30am Classroom familiarisation, stories and play.

Wednesday 17th August 2022

Morning 9:00am - 11:30am Literacy Session

Wednesday 31st August 2022

Morning 9:00am – 11:30am Numeracy Session

Wednesday 14th September

Morning 9:00am - 11:30am Science/Arts Session

Term 4Term

4 dates and times will be advised near the end of term 3.

VENUE:

Woodstock Public School (Infants Classroom with Mrs Cooke)

WHAT TO BRING:

Hat, water bottle, fruit break, backpack. If you feel your child may require a change of clothes please pack these along with a plastic bag into your child's bag.

INFORMATION:

Please register your child's participation by contacting the school on 6345 0217 or email woodstock-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Woodstock Public School P&C Association

Woodstock Public School P&C Committee are dedicated to raising funds for Woodstock Public School and its students. Recently our funds have gone towards a covered play area for the students.

Please support our Small School when we are having a sausage sizzle, bake sale or selling raffle tickets. Any donations gratefully received.

President: Mrs Pamela Emms
Vice President: Mrs Emma Wood
Secretaries: Ms Taren Witkowycs
Ms Katrina Whittacker

Treasurer: Sue Hoskins

Pictured below: Students dressed up as Pirates on Pirate Day to raise money for Brain Cancer.











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NEXT MEETING

Sunday June 26th 2022 at Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Hall 2pm

