

ARE YOU LONELY?

COMMUNITY VISITORS SCHEME

A government funded initiative, a volunteer visits to provide friendship and companionship to older people. Volunteers commit to a fortnightly visit once they are teamed with a recipient.

**CONTACT CINC on
02 6340 1100**

'MY BIG IDEA' INITIATIVE

Following the November meeting of the Woodstock Progress Association we organized the printing and distribution of the MY BIG IDEA postcards, 250 cards distributed to village households and a number of rural mailboxes. We had a great response with nearly 40 cards returned and some BRILLIANT ideas. We will collate all the feedback received and include the ideas in the Woodstock Village Community Plan 2020-2030. One of the hurdles the Progress Association faces is available funds to complete projects, we will be undertaking some grant applications in the near future and contemplating a community event in coming months. Watch

this space!

In the meantime one of our primary focus remain the installation and completion of our feature entry to the Woodstock village. With another high priority of the Association the renovation of the community notice board on the corner of Parkes and Rankin Streets and the replacement of the highway signage of both the highway approaches to the village. Discussions surrounding these projects will be undertaken at the next meeting on 28th February.

We welcome suggestions and ideas from the community at ANY TIME.



WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT?

The **Woodstock Soldiers Memorial Park** is situated on Crown Land and is managed by a community land manager made up of VOLUNTEERS. Positions are advertised approximately every 5 years, these volunteers apply to the Crown and are appointed by the Crown. The community land manager owns the mower that undertakes work in the park and all fuel is donated by an anonymous member of the community.

The **Woodstock Showground** is also situated on Crown Land however is managed by Cowra Council, any enquiries relating to the Woodstock Showground should be directed to Cowra Council.

The **Woodstock Lions Park** is also situated on Crown Land and is also managed by Cowra Council.

The **Woodstock Common** is also situated on Crown Land but is managed by an appointed community land manager.



SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK DEVELOPMENTS

Recent improvements in the park include the first section of the concrete pathway funded by Round 1 of the Drought Communities Funding, a compulsory component of the funding was that all work be carried out by local contractors. The car park area was funded by the Crown Lands Reserves Improvement Fund and completed by a local contractor.

During 2020 the Community Land Manager submitted a grant application for the annual Crown Lands Reserves Improvement Fund, to secure funding to complete the concrete footpath, this work amounts to \$22,000 in value and **has been approved. Work will commence as soon as**

possible. The previous granite path was intended to fit more naturally with the environment however did not withstand the elements and is now a hazard to pedestrians.

The Community Land Manager is also awaiting an outcome on a pending Aboriginal Lands Claim over the Soldiers Park that was placed in 2007. Once resolved, a development application will be lodged with Cowra Council for the construction of an disabled amenities block, funds totaling \$70,000 have been secured for the project through Round 2 of the Drought Communities Funding Programme. It is just a waiting game now.



POOL SIDE NEWS

2020 dealt this community organisation a year of challenges financially, however with the receipt of some helpful grants, upgrades and ongoing maintenance have continued.

Partial funding was received from NSW Sport & Recreation for a defibrillator. The defibrillator was purchased from Lifesaving NSW and has been installed next to the canteen door. Continued financial support from Cowra Council has assisted with the cost of annual insurance. The Council have assisted us with financial support each year and without their support we would not be able to keep the pool open. Cowra Council have also assisted with funding to update the male and female amenities. Funding was also received to paint the inside of the canteen. This work is yet to be completed.

Additional partial funding from Cowra Council to purchase a pool cleaning robot was also secured. The robot is placed in the pool each night when the cover is placed on the pool. Pool maintenance is a major task for the volunteers. This work is carried out, along with the chemical testing and lawn mowing, by a relatively new comer to

Woodstock, volunteer Jeff McInerney. Jeff has taken over from Ken Sigsworth, and his contribution is greatly appreciated by the Committee.

A massive thankyou to Ken Sigsworth for his contribution over the last couple of years. He worked tirelessly to keep the pool in tip top condition during the swimming season.

One of the major expenditures for the pool is the need for chlorine to sanitize the pool. After lengthy discussions with NSW Health we have received permission to convert the pool to salt. The committee are currently investigating options and hope to be able to apply for a grant so the conversion of the pool can be carried out over the winter break. A substantial reduction in costs and volunteer hours is hoped to be achieved.

At the recent Woodstock Swimming Pool AGM, Simone Gough resigned as the Committee President due to work and family commitments. Lee Brien was nominated for and accepted the roll of President. The other positions on the committee remain unchanged.



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDS SHOWGROUND UPGRADE

In March 2020 the Woodstock Memorial Show organization were successful in securing \$124,999 to facilitate the Roofs, Rails and Restrooms project.

An additional 3 toilets and 2 showers plus change rooms have been added to the southern side of the toilet block. This work has been conducted by Cowra builder Bruce Thurtell.

The original ringside grandstand has been dismantled and re-homed with the Starr brothers.

A new covered area was erected in January 2021 with a kiosk to be installed in coming months.

The relocation of the cattle rail is yet to be completed. An undercover area will be constructed to house animals and a fenced parading area will be installed for public safety.

All works are to be completed by June 2021. This project is being managed by the Woodstock Memorial Show, but Cowra Council remains the Land Manager of the showground.



AT the WOODSTOCK HOTEL

Kick start your Saturday and Sunday at the Woodstock Hotel with a royal breakfast and coffee.

COMING SOON
Nathan Whippy Griggs
February 20th

BISTRO MEALS AVAILABLE
Thursday through to Sunday
Lunch 12 noon–2pm Dinner 6pm– 8pm
BOOKINGS PREFERRED

**PLEASE CHECK IN WITH QR CODE
on ARRIVAL**

COWRA INFORMATION & NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

YOU may be eligible if you are a frail aged person, a carer of a frail aged person or person with a disability, a Dept of Veteran Affairs Card holder for a

COMMUNITY HANDYMAN SERVICE.

They can assist with lawn mowing, rubbish removal, changing lightbulbs, smoke alarm batteries, tap washers, cleaning guttering, cleaning windows and much more. Funding assistance levels vary.

Please contact Danny Jackett or Diana Broeksema on 02 6340 1100

SCREENED ONCE UPON A TIME

Once upon a time Woodstock locals could view the latest releases in the iconic Woodstock Memorial Hall. From the mid 1930's through to the 1960's it was a regular occurrence to see movies screened. No different to the modern day local businesses had the opportunity to promote their wares and services prior to the screening. The slides that showcased the businesses were made by Whitfords's Theatre Ads Pty Ltd.

The acquisition of a recent Cowra Community Grant will see a number of these slides enlarged into a poster format and framed to ensure their future preservation. The grant acquired does not cover the entire project and the Hall are seeking financial support of associated families or the broader Woodstock community to help facilitate the project. The enlarged version will be displayed in the Woodstock Memorial Hall permanently.

Those that contribute to the project will be acknowledged on the particular frame.

If you interested in contributing to this project or require additional information please contact 02 6345 0271.



VENUE HIRE

Are you planning a wedding, party or ANYTHING in 2021?

WOODSTOCK MEMORIAL HALL
is available for your
next function.

Details on the website

<https://woodstocksoldiersmemorialhall.godaddysites.com>

Or contact 6345 0271



WHAT'S ON

11th February 2021 Woodstock Public School P & C AGM

February 12th - 13th 2021 NSW Championships Woodstock Park Speedway

20th February 2021 Nathan Whippy Griggs Woodstock Hotel, 7.30pm

TBC Woodstock Show AGM March 2021 date yet to be confirmed

5th September 2021 Woodstock Memorial Show



FORTNIGHTLY COMMUNITY BUS TO COWRA

Cowra Bus Service is proud to introduce this service to provide transport for residents of Woodstock to Cowra. The Service will operate every second week on Thursday's commencing 11th March 2021.

Fares are in line with NSW Passenger Transport fares including Adult, Concession/Child and RED

tickets. Your Red tickets can also be used on the day to travel on the Hail & Ride service to other parts of Cowra.

The service will arrive in Cowra at 10.05am and depart again at 1.48pm allowing customers just over 3.5 hours in Cowra.

TIMETABLE

09.40am	Woodstock Train Link Stop	01.48pm	Macquarie St – Cowra Plaza
09.42am	Woodstock Loop: Waugoola, Robinson, Loftus & Noyeau Streets	01.50pm	Railway Lane - Woolworths
10.05am	Aldi – Medical Centre	01.52pm	Aldi – Medical Centre
10.08am	Railway Lane -Woolworths	02.17pm	Woodstock Train Link Stop
10.12am	Macquarie St – Cowra Plaza	02.19pm	Woodstock Loop: Waugoola, Robinson, Loftus & Noyeau Streets

FARES

Woodstock

Adult \$4.50 one way - \$9.00 return

Conc/Child \$2.20 one way - \$4.40 return

RED \$2.50 (All Day Ticket)

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WHY WOODSTOCK? By Lily Lawler

My name is Lillian Lawler I am a young 16 year old and I have lived in the Woodstock area all my life, my interests are horses and agriculture, which I'm hoping to study once I finish school. I live about 15 minutes from Woodstock on a small family farm, called "Scrubbi". The property has been in the LeMesurier name for over 50 years and one day I hope to call it on my very own, it is made up of 150 acres and we run a few sheep and couple of cows

on it, as well as my horses and our family business "Woodstock Paddock Eggs" which consists of lots of chickens. I go to school at Cowra High and I am about to start year 11, With just a bit under 2 years of school left before I leave to go chase my dreams I can certainly say that I will be returning to the area. I love where I live and I wouldn't change it for the world, I enjoy being able to have the freedom which allows me to do the things I love.



COMMUNITY GROUP CONTACTS

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NEXT MEETING: Sunday February 28th 2021