

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

I was delighted to join our community and visitors in celebrating the official opening of the Burrima Boardwalk on Saturday 21 October 2023.

The opening was exceptionally well-attended and I would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who was involved not only in preparation for the event, but most importantly, the Macquarie Wetlands Association in the delivery of such an outstanding project.

In September 2022, Warren Shire Council took over maintenance of the Oxley Highway between Nevertire and our boundary with Gilgandra Shire Council.

Thus far, Council has completed works including the flood emergency response and heavy-patching of the floodways between Tiger Bay and the 5 Mile Cowal. The permanent works in these sections were then undertaken by Patches Asphalt Pty Ltd who were directly engaged by Transport for NSW.



Gilgandra Shire Council, who initially managed the section of the Oxley Highway within the Warren LGA, had an unfinished project at Dicks Camp. Once it is completed, Warren Shire Council will take over the entire highway section within our Council boundaries.

Upcoming work for Warren Shire Council includes various sections of heavy-patching, rehabilitation of the Milawa Section, along with other maintenance activities.

Clr Milton Quigley
MAYOR

BOOMING BURRIMA BOARDWALK

It was a pleasure to be a part of the official opening of the Burrima Boardwalk by Roy Butler, Member for Barwon.

Also in attendance were Gerry Collins, Regional Director Orana / Far West, Department of Regional NSW; Sarah Mitchell MLC, Shadow Minister for Western NSW; and Tony Wass, Chairman of the Macquarie Wetlands Association. Tony outlined the many obstacles that were overcome in bringing this iconic piece of infrastructure to fruition.

The boardwalk offers visitors an immersive experience into one of the largest remaining inland semi-permanent wetlands in south-eastern Australia. Located on Wayilwan Country, this accessible asset stretches for 2km at the western edge of the nature reserve and is set to become a tourism drawcard, attracting people both within Australia and internationally to experience first-hand around 260 animal species living in the wetland reserve.

A special thanks to the Macquarie Wetlands Association and the NSW Government for funding this extraordinary project.

See exclusive footage from the grand opening on [Council's Facebook page](#).



WARREN STREET CHRISTMAS PARTY

Save the date and join us for a Christmas celebration on the main street of Warren on Friday 8 December 2023. With 2022 festivities named Community Event of the Year and seeing over 600 people lining the street, we believe the more the merrier for this year's celebration!

The Warren Street Christmas Party is the event of the year, and a great opportunity for residents and visitors alike to get in the Christmas spirit and come together to celebrate the end of another fantastic year across our region.

We also encourage anyone interested in holding a market stall to submit a Stallholder Application. You can find out more on [Council's website](#).

All of Dubbo St will remain an alcohol free zone except a small cordoned off area allocated to Ellerslie Lane as the alcohol licensee for the Warren Street Christmas Party. BYO alcohol will not be permitted at any part of the event.



Damaged garbage bin at Ravenswood Park

CCTV CAMERA INSTALLATION

Following recent incidents of vandalism across Warren Shire, the Town Improvement Committee has analysed areas within Warren's parks and gardens for the installation of CCTV cameras.

Council urges community members to assist in reporting any known incidents of vandalism, so that we can keep our Shire facilities open for public use.



WASTE TRANSFER STATION

A retaining wall has recently been constructed at the Ewenmar Waste Depot as part of a transfer station after the project was substantially delayed due to flooding.

Funded by the NSW Government Waste Less, Recycle More, Landfill Consolidation and Environmental Improvements Stream 2 grant, the transfer station will enable better supervision of deliveries and easier segregation of materials. It is anticipated to be operational later this year.



ROADWORK IN WARREN SHIRE



Recent resal works on the Marthaguy Road, Victoria Park, Gillendoon Street, Johns Ave, Roland Street, Bore Flat, Oxley Highway and Readford Street have been completed by Fulton Hogan.

Meanwhile, great progress has been made on both the reconstruction of Segments 28, 30, and 32 of Warren Road, funded by the Federal and State Governments Roads of Strategic Importance (ROSI), and the Dragon Cowal project. Upcoming work under the Road Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC) includes various sections of heavy-patching and rehabilitation of the Milawa Section of the Oxley Highway.

Stay up to date with all works in Warren Shire on [Council's Facebook page](#).

LEST WE FORGET: REMEMBRANCE DAY 2023

The Warren Shire community is invited to commemorate and pay respects to all those who have served our country at a Remembrance Day service to be held at the Warren Cenotaph.

The service will take place on Saturday 11 November 2023 at the Warren Cenotaph at Macquarie Park, Warren.

Those planning on attending are asked to please arrive by 10.45am, ahead of the official ceremony to kick off at 11am.

Please avoid attending if you are feeling unwell or have any respiratory or COVID-19 symptoms.



AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2024



It's time again to recognise the invaluable contributions made by our local individuals, organisations and businesses.

Know a Warren Shire citizen worthy of recognition? Nominations are open for a number of categories in the 2024 Australia Day Awards.

Submissions close on Thursday 11 January 2024.

[Submit an online nomination](#) or [download nomination forms](#) on [Council's website](#).

BUZZ OFF!

Despite recent drier conditions, Warren Shire Council is reminding residents to remain vigilant in protecting themselves against mosquitoes coming into the warmer months ahead.

Take the steps to protect: screen up, cover up, spray up.

Find out more on [Council's website](#).

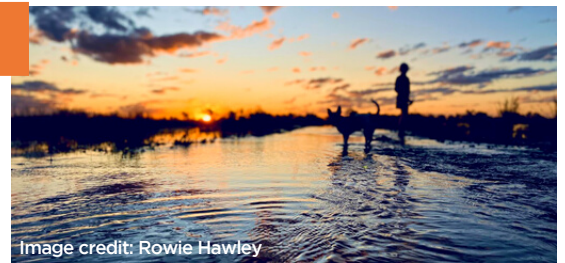


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ON THE ROADS



Crews are continuing to make progress on damage repairs and standard maintenance works across the Shire. Recent work includes spreading gravel, rehabilitation work, grading, shoulder work, traffic control, patching, guideposting and sign spraying.

In addition, upcoming maintenance and rehabilitation work includes: **Warren Road, Elsinore Road and Carinda Road.**

Read the full Road Report on [Council's website](#).

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