

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

There have been several significant developments for Council this month, including the completion of the Public Art on Private Property mural series and the commencement of the Road Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC) and other major road rehabilitation initiatives, to undertake repairs and maintenance on major roads across our Shire.

Council representatives have also been authorised to continue confidential negotiations with alternative health care providers to take over the provision of general practice health services in Warren Shire, following the announcement that RaRMs Health will be withdrawing from the region.

Additionally, we are pleased to be opening the Warren War Memorial Swimming Pool this October long weekend and look forward to seeing residents enjoying this facility as the months begin to warm.



Finally, a number of exciting volunteer opportunities are now available to support the operation of our Visitor Information Centre and boost our local tourism economy.

Clr Milton Quigley
MAYOR



Image Credit: Steven Christian

ART IMITATES LIFE IN WARREN SHIRE

The Public Art on Private Property mural series celebrating life in Warren Shire is now officially complete, spreading colour across Warren, Nevertire and Collie.

The murals were installed in key locations across Warren Shire as indicated by the community, including the Warren Post Office, Macquarie Park, Oxley Park, JC's Cotton Café, Old Bell's Store, Nevertire Community Park and Collie Tennis Clubhouse.

Read more and see the rest of the murals on [Council's website](#).



WARREN WAR MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL OPENS SATURDAY 1 OCTOBER!

Read the full details: warren.nsw.gov.au

CHANGES TO SHIRE HEALTH SERVICES

As previously advised, RaRMS Health will discontinue its Rural and Remote Medical Services Program at the Warren Family Health Centre due to financial constraints.

Council has been actively investigating alternative providers to take over the provision of general practice health services in Warren Shire and at its September Council Meeting, authorised the Mayor, General Manager and Divisional Manager Finance and Administration, to continue these confidential negotiations.

In accordance with its commitment, RaRMS Health has agreed to extend the provision of its general practice health services in Warren Shire until the new service provider has commenced, with Council hoping to make an announcement with details of the new provider next month.

We thank all community members for your patience and cooperation while we undertake these important negotiations to ensure the best possible health services will be provided for the Warren Shire community.

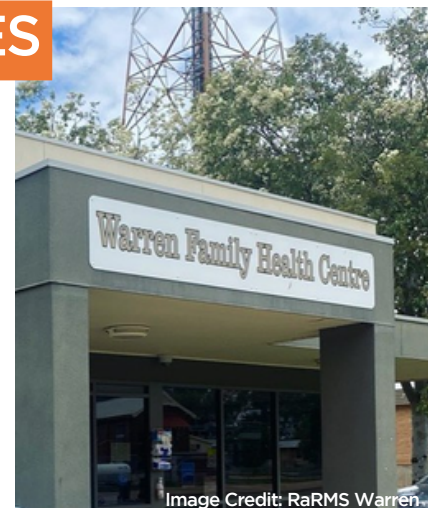


Image Credit: RaRMS Warren

VOLUNTEER AT THE VIC



Image Credit: Window on the Wetlands

We're seeking volunteers to support the operation of our Visitor Information Centre at the Window on the Wetlands Precinct.

Don't miss your chance to meet new people, develop new skills and gain valuable experience while making a difference in your community!

Find out more and register your interest on [Council's website](#).



GROW SERVICES EXPO

10am-2pm, Friday 7 October 2022
Warren Youth Centre and Community Hub
15 Burton Street, Warren

CHANGES TO CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE

Council's new Draft Code of Meeting Practice will be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. Changes include an Acknowledgement of Country read by the Chair prior to each Council Meeting, the ability to conduct meetings by audio-visual link in circumstances like health crises, or natural disasters like floods. Council will also arrange a Welcome to Country by an invited Aboriginal Elder at the first Council Meeting of each new Council term.



For feedback and submissions, visit [Council's website](#).

WOMEN OF WARREN SHIRE



As former Secretary of both Macquarie River Food and Fibre and the Macquarie Valley Cotton Growers Association, Kaye Martin has played an integral role in supporting the local farming community over the years. She is also known for dedicating her time to countless other local organisations. Read Kaye's full profile on [Council's website](#).

Nominate a Warren Shire woman to be featured in this series: media@warren.nsw.gov.au

ROAD TO RESTORATION

Council commenced the *Road Maintenance Council Contract (RMCC)* on 1 September to undertake routine maintenance and ordered works on the Oxley Highway within Warren Shire. After a kick-off meeting with Transport for NSW representatives on 31 August, staff and representatives are now inspecting the highway for required maintenance and improvement works, and have commenced much needed maintenance work.

The *Permanent and Temporary Resources for Council Works Program – Road Flood Damage Restoration Works and Projects* includes all work within the usual annual program, with additional flood damage restoration works and grant-funded projects, including Warren Road, Old Warren Road, and Collie-Trangie Road rehabilitation. Council is in the process of identifying additional plant and workforce (permanent and temporary day labour) requirements for these works to be undertaken.

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



Image Credit: OzRoads



REMINDER: BIN COLLECTION NOW ON TUESDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Read the full details: warren.nsw.gov.au 



MEET THE TEAM - JILL MURRAY

As a long-serving member of Council's staff, Jill Murray began her career at Warren Shire Council as a typist in 1984, working her way through several finance roles to eventually become our Treasurer.

You can read Jill's full profile on [Council's website](#).

WONDERFUL WARREN SHIRE

Warren Shire is a great place to live, work and raise a family.

But don't just take our word for it, listen to The Hon. Scott Barrett's recent parliamentary address sharing what we already know about how great our Shire is with a wider audience. Watch the full address on [Council's website](#).



Scott Barrett's visit to Warren Shire in July 2022.

ON THE ROADS



Ongoing extreme weather conditions have caused further damage to the Shire's roads, requiring additional repair works and delaying capital works in progress. Recent works include grading, signs and guideposts, slashing, patching and standard repair works.

In addition, upcoming maintenance and rehabilitation works include: **Old Warren Road, Sullivans Road, Colane Road, Marra Road, Bundemar Road, Boss Lane, Wonbobbie Lane and Cullemburrawang Road.**

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

Please check [Council's website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for a full list of road closures and the latest conditions updated daily.

