

COUNCIL NEWS MAY EDITION shire council

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

The recent GROW Services Expo has made up for lost time after being postponed twice last year, with the community enjoying the day out and making use of the 25 different stalls offering resources and support.

Residents also commemorated ANZAC Day on Tuesday 25 April with several services across our Shire. We were lucky to be joined by a Catafalque Party from The Bushman Rifles 1st/19th Battalion Royal NSW Regiment Bravo Company Dubbo for our Dawn Service, which was a truly special experience, with Warren locals Mathew Stewart and Mark Ryan forming part of the contingent.

In other news, several important road projects have progressed across our Shire, including the near completion of \$1.67M extension works on Old Warren Road and the beginning of \$800,000 construction work on Collie-Trangie Road. These upgrades will improve road safety and create a better road surface with a much more durable pavement.



Council has also allocated over \$1.31M to 27 community infrastructure projects across our Shire, funded by the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program - Phase 3 Extension Grant and Phase 4 Grant for Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Projects.

With 2023/2024 anticipated to be another busy year in Warren Shire, we encourage residents to have your say on our draft 2023/2024 Operational Plan and budget estimates for the new financial year, which are both now on public exhibition.

Clr Milton Quigley **MAYOR**



LOCAL ROADS ON THE MEND

Major works on a number of roads across Warren Shire have advanced, with the extension works on Old Warren Road for 5.3km being finalised and the commencement of construction on Collie-Trangie Road.

After progress was delayed due to extreme weather conditions, works on Old Warren Road are now practically complete, with line marking currently being arranged.

Construction has also commenced on Collie-Trangie Road, after receiving \$800,000 in funding from Transport for NSW's REPAIR Program and Block Grant

Similar to recent works, the 2km stretch of road will be stabilised with an additive to make it stronger and more durable, as well as a rubber bitumen spray seal to seal the pavement.

GROW EXPO SUCCESS

After being postponed last year due to extreme weather, Council staff and the wider community were excited to finally attend the GROW Services Expo on Thursday 13 April 2023 at the Warren Youth Centre and Community Hub... and it was well worth the wait!

With over 25 stalls on display, there were a variety of helpful resources and support services available for our community, as well as fun and entertainment for people of all ages.

Thank you to Warren Youth Foundation, the Royal Flying Doctor Service, Barnardos Australia, CatholicCare Wilcannia-Forbes and TAFE NSW for facilitating such a successful event.



2023/2024 OPERATIONAL PI



The draft 2023/2024 Operational Plan, in conjunction with the draft budget estimates for the new financial year, is now on public exhibition until 1 June 2023.

2023/2024 is anticipated to be an extremely busy year in Warren Shire, with over \$26M of capital works scheduled, including a large flood restoration program on Council's road network.

For feedback and submissions, visit Council's website.



LEST WE FORGET

ANZAC Day was commemorated on Tuesday 25 April 2023, with the community invited to attend a number of services across our Shire to pay respects to those who have served.

This year's Dawn Service also featured a Catafalque Party from The Bushman Rifles 1st/19th Battalion Royal NSW Regiment Bravo Company Dubbo.

See more images from the Warren services on Council's Facebook page.





WOMEN OF WARREN SHIRE

A familiar face in Warren Shire, Janice Hardman is a dedicated volunteer and advocate for many community causes and organisations.

As a member of the Rotary Club and an ongoing supporter of the Chronically III Children's and Adults' Health Fund, Janice spends her time raising funds for anyone who needs them, from local causes to overseas disasters.

Read Janice's full profile on **Council's website**.

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

BUZZ OFF!

Did you know that cases of potentially deadly mosquito borne diseases have been detected in Western NSW following the recent flooding across the state?

Council is installing mozzie zappers around the Shire and providing free mosquito repellent for residents to keep our community safe and help combat this *pesky* problem.

Now, we're asking you to take the steps to protect: screen up, cover up, spray up.

Find out more on the NSW Health website.





RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP

Under the *Companion Animals Act 1998*, it is an offence if your dog is **not** under **effective control**, meaning if a dog is not confined within a house or yard, or tethered by an adequate cord, leash or chain.

If you come across a dog that is not under effective control, you should contact the Shire Ranger on 02 68476600 for the dog to be seized and impounded.

Find out more about your rights and responsibilities on **Council's website**.

MEET THE TEAM - BRADLEY PASCOE

Bradley Pascoe is Warren Shire Council's newest team member, recently commencing his role as Divisional Manager Finance and Administration.

With over 19 years of practical local government finance and accounting experience and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) (Accounting Major), Bradley is well practiced at improving operational workflows and processes, financial reporting and management accounting, and people management.

Find out more about Bradley on Council's website.





ON THE ROADS

Crews are continuing to make progress on damage repairs and standard maintenance works across the Shire. Recent works include building the levee, flood emergency works, rehabilitation work, grading, pulling out grids, patching, resealing and slashing.

In addition, upcoming maintenance and rehabilitation works include: Elsinore Road, Old Warren Road, Burrima Boardwalk Access Road Construction, Collie-Trangie Road, Warren Road, Oxley Highway, Merrigal Road, Pineclump Soldiers Road, Colane Road, Marra Road and Booka Road.

Read the full Road Report on Council's website.



