

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Christmas spirit is now spreading across Warren Shire with the Community Christmas Tree now shining brightly in front of the Community Room. The countdown is on to the Warren Street Christmas Party to be held on the evening of Friday 8 December 2023. Both the Santa Street and the Business House Front Window Christmas Display Competitions are now underway.

I'm pleased to report that November saw the completion of the long awaited CBD and Lions Park amenities buildings collages. These mural designs were a community driven project and as such, I'd like to invite the community to the official opening ceremony taking place on Thursday 7 December 2023 at Lions Park.

A number of projects across our Shire have progressed in recent weeks, including the impressive reconstruction of the Dragon Cowal Causeway after significant flood damage, completion of the Five Mile Cowal Bridge Rehab Project, and improved drainage works at the intersection of the Old Warren Road and the Industrial Access Road.



Additionally, new amenities were constructed at Monkeygar Creek, with a bird viewing platform soon to follow.

And finally, I'd like to again remind residents that nominations for the Warren Shire Australia Day Awards are open. If you know someone you'd like to see recognised, then I highly recommend you submit a nomination. It is important for us to recognise those who contribute to our community.

Clr Milton Quigley
MAYOR

MORE MAGNIFICENT MURALS



In exciting news, the highly anticipated mural wraps have officially been installed on the CBD and Lions Park toilet amenities. Both collage designs were derived from image submissions from our community and curated by Signarama to create these fantastic Warren Shire and Macquarie River themed collage vinyl wraps.

Funding for these projects came from restricted funds for infrastructure improvement/replacement (\$192,000), Aubrey Dinsdale's bequeath to Council (\$52,813.78), the Murray Darling Basin Economic Development - Improvement of Regional Structures Grant (\$24,500), Warren Lions Club (\$16,000), and the Drought Communities Extension Program (\$129,789).

The official opening of these murals will be held at Lions Park at 1pm on Thursday 7 December 2023.

See more images on [Council's Facebook page](#).

WARREN STREET CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for a Christmas celebration on the main street of Warren on Friday 8 December 2023. With 2022 festivities 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 encourage anyone interested in holding a market stall to submit a Stallholder Application. You can find out more on [Council's website](#).

We would also like to remind pet owners to please ensure your pets are secure prior to the fireworks display at 9pm, as the loud noises can be distressing for animals, and may cause them to try and escape or run away.

AN EVENT FOR ALL FAMILY TO ENJOY
FACE PAINTING, STALLS, LIVE MUSIC, REFRESHMENTS,
SANTA VISIT, FIREWORKS AND MORE!

FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER, 2023
IN THE MAIN STREET
6PM - 10PM



TEMPORARY LIBRARY RELOCATION



Warren Shire Library is still currently operating out of the old tourist information centre in Burton Street, Warren.

There has been a delay to renovations at the main library with completion of the project now expected by early February 2024.

Don't forget to pop into the temporary library service and browse a large variety of new items across all collections for some holiday reading!





WORKS IN WARREN SHIRE

Works in Warren Shire continue to forge ahead as we near the end of the year, with recent developments including the completion of construction on both the Dragon Cowal Causeway and the Five Mile Cowal Bridge Rehab Project, as well as Old Warren Road and Industrial Access Road intersection drainage works.

A new toilet building has also been recently built at Monkeygar Creek, Macquarie Marshes, following approval of a Development Application for the construction of a bird viewing platform and amenities.

See more works in Warren Shire on [Council's Facebook page](#), including before and after footage of the [Dragon Cowal Causeway](#), the [Five Mile Cowal Bridge Rehab Project](#), [Old Warren Road and Industrial Access Road intersection](#), and [Monkeygar Creek amenities](#).



Dragon Cowal causeway.

WOMEN OF WARREN SHIRE



What was meant to be a six-week stay in Warren turned into 38 years and counting for Jacquie Lomas, who fell in love with the people and the "feel of the town" back in 1985.

Since then, Jacquie has dedicated her time to countless local organisations, including Fire and Rescue NSW, Warren Central School Breakfast Club, the Warren Squash Club, and Warren Museum and Art Gallery.

Read Jacquie's full profile on [Council's website](#).

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

IT'S TIME TO LIGHT UP THE SHIRE!

With Christmas just around the corner, it's time to dust off the decorations and add some sparkle to your home for the chance to be crowned Warren Shire's 2023 Santa Street.

Plus, deck the halls in your local business for our Business House Front Window Christmas Display Competition and you could **win a \$100 voucher** to spend locally. If you'd like to participate, get in touch with Council on 02 6847 6600 or via council@warren.nsw.gov.au

Official judging of both competitions will take place from Saturday 16 December to Sunday 17 December 2023, however, businesses are encouraged to have their displays dressed to impress in time for the Warren Street Christmas Party on Friday 8 December 2023.



2022 Santa Street winners, Oxley Parade.

MEET THE TEAM: LARRY WILSON



As Council's Waste Depot Operator, Larry Wilson spends his days keeping the Shire's waste disposal services running smoothly and making sure everything at the depot is in order.

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

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](#).



ON THE ROADS



Maintenance crews are diligently advancing in the execution of flood damage repairs and standard maintenance operations across the Shire. Recent undertakings involve gravel resheeting, rehabilitation initiatives, grading, shoulder grading, traffic control management, patching, guidepost installations, and sign spraying.

In addition, upcoming maintenance and rehabilitation works include: **Warren Road Reconstruction Sealing, Carinda Road, Billybingbone Road and Gibson Way.**

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