

### shire council

# COUNCIL NEWS JUNE EDITION

## FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

June marks a very exciting time in our Shire, as we eagerly prepare for the annual Warren Show. Taking place on Saturday 3 June 2023, there will be a number of attractions for people of all ages. The Show is also a great chance for our community to catch up with Councillors and have a chat about what's going on in our Shire.

I'm pleased to report there has been progress on numerous projects recently, notably the completion of works on Collie-Trangie Road and the commencement of construction of the Burrima Boardwalk Access Road.

Council has also launched multiple community health and safety campaigns to educate residents about two current points of concern: mosquito borne diseases and water meter safety. Keep an eye on Council's website and Facebook for all the latest on these matters.



The Public Arts Committee is again accepting nominations for one community member to come on board, so I encourage any interested residents to throw their hat in the ring.

Finally, I would like to express my sincerest condolences to the family and loved ones of Ray Holley, who sadly passed away after a battle with illness. Ray was a valuable Council employee and a friend to many, and he will be greatly missed.

Clr Milton Quigley
MAYOR



#### LOCAL ROADS ON THE MEND

Works have continued to progress on priority roads across the Shire, including the finalisation of Collie-Trangie Road and the commencement of construction of the Burrima Boardwalk Access Road.

Funded by Transport for NSW's REPAIR Program and Block Grant, the \$800,000 Collie-Trangie Road project is now complete, with line marking to occur on the 2km stretch of road in June 2023.

Construction has also commenced on 2.6km of the Burrima Boardwalk Access Road as a private project for the Macquarie Wetlands Association. These works will provide an improved, smooth and comfortable all-access road for tourists and residents to access the boardwalk at the Macquarie Marshes.

#### JOIN THE WARREN PUBLIC ARTS COMMITTEE

Do you want to be involved in undertaking work relating to murals, sculptures, and future strategic planning for public art in Warren Shire?

Council is now accepting nominations for one community member to join the Warren Public Arts Committee.

Submit your nomination in writing to Council by 4pm, Thursday 13 July 2023.



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#### PROTECT, DON'T DISCONNECT

In recent years, there have been several instances of people suffering a fatal electric shock while handling water sources.

Council is protecting community health and safety by educating residents about the dangers of water meter disconnection.

You MUST report any water meter issues to Council. Self-disconnection can result in electrocution, serious injury or death.

Find out more at warren.nsw.gov.au/watermetersafety.

#### **FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

It is with deep sadness we share that Warren Shire Council employee, Ray Holley, has passed away after battling with illness. Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this time.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Anglican Church on Tuesday 6 June 2023 at 1 pm.







WOMEN OF WARREN SHIRE

Known for her advocacy efforts within the cotton and wider agricultural industries, Amanda Thomas is a familiar face on many committees, and gives up much of her time to contribute to local fundraisers, charity events and sporting clubs.

An agronomist and farmer, Amanda is dedicated to sharing the heartfelt stories of the individuals who give so much to our local agricultural industries.

Read Amanda's full profile on Council's website.

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

#### PAINT THE TOWN READ

Warren Shire Library has hosted the first "Paint the Town REaD" early literacy event since 2020, with the affair held at the Warren Sporting and Cultural Centre on Wednesday 24 May 2023.

With a great number of children and community members in attendance, the event featured a highly anticipated performance by children's musical group, "The Beanies".

See more images from the event on Warren Shire Library's Facebook page.





#### **BUZZ OFF!**

With cases of potentially deadly mosquito borne diseases detected in Western NSW following recent flooding across the state, Council is implementing several initiatives to protect residents.

The installation of mozzie zappers around the Shire and provision of free mosquito repellent are among the measures we're taking to keep the community safe.

Council is urging residents to **take the steps to protect** through our Buzz Off campaign.

Find out more at warren.nsw.gov.au/buzzoff.

#### **SPORTING FACILITIES UPGRADES**

There have been several exciting project updates for Warren Shire's sporting facilities recently at both Carter Oval and Victoria Park.

Top dressing and turfing at Carter Oval are now complete, with quotations being sought for cricket practice nets.

Meanwhile, investigations for a suitable location for additional changerooms and amenities at Victoria Park are also complete, with further investigation underway for the installation of scoreboards at both sites.





#### MEET THE TEAM - SYLVESTER OTIENO

Recently celebrating his first year at Warren Shire Council, Sylvester Otieno stays busy as the Divisional Manager Engineering Services.

In his time at Council, Sylvester has already led numerous projects to completion and successfully secured a number of grants to benefit our Shire.

Find out more about Sylvester 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 grading, shoulder grading, flood rehabilitation works, patching and slashing.

In addition, upcoming maintenance and rehabilitation works include: Construction of Burrima Boardwalk Access Road, and grading of Pleasant View Lane, Pine Clump Soldiers Road, Marra Road, Booka Road and Billybingbone Road.

Read the full Road Report on Council's website.







