

FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

In light of NAB's decision to close the local branch in Warren, Council has made the decision to move all of our banking services to Commonwealth Bank. Unfortunately, despite our best efforts, NAB was unwilling to renegotiate the closure, so this transfer in services makes the most operational sense for Council.

In positive news, works in Warren Shire continue to progress, with Marthaguy Road reconstruction works and Dubbo and Stafford Street asphalt re-sheeting completed in August.

The Macquarie River is set to be stocked with over 7,500 Murray Cod fingerlings and over 10,000 Golden Perch fingerlings under the \$2-for-\$1 Native Fish Stocking Program.

Meanwhile, I'm pleased to report that new pump casings have officially been installed at Oxley Park after a number of delays. I would like to thank Ryan Mason Engineering and B & D Brouff Earthmoving Pty Ltd for prioritising these critical works in order to get them finished on a strict timeline.



And finally, we're seeking feedback from residents, business owners and stakeholders on the Draft Masterplan for the Warren CBD Upgrades.

An online survey is now open for submissions on Council's website until 4pm, Friday 22 September 2023 and I strongly encourage the community to have your say.

Clr Milton Quigley
MAYOR



Image Credit: Google Maps

COUNCIL BANKING ON THE MOVE

Following an announcement by the National Australia Bank (NAB) that it would be closing its branches in Warren, Gilgandra and Wellington in August 2023, Warren Shire Council will move all banking services to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA).

This move is based on several factors, including NAB not being negotiable to retaining a local presence, despite strong lobbying and advocacy by Council on behalf of the Warren Shire community, and demonstrates our support for the Commonwealth Bank and its decision to retain a branch in Warren until at least 2026.

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

MACQUARIE RIVER FISH STOCK

Warren Shire Council and Macquarie Cotton have been successful in our joint application for the \$2-for-\$1 Native Fish Stocking Program for 2023/2024.

With contributions of \$3,000 from Council and \$1,500 from Macquarie Cotton, the Department of Primary Industries contributed an additional \$9,000 under the Recreational Fishing Trust-funded initiative for a total of \$13,500.

This will see the purchase and release of over 7,500 Murray Cod fingerlings and over 10,000 Golden Perch fingerlings into the Macquarie River between December 2023 and March 2024.



Image Credit: Department of Primary Industries



Image Credit: Touched by Christopher

COUNCIL SAFETY TRAINING DAY

All local emergency organisations are invited to attend a Council Safety Training Day, held on Wednesday 13 September 2023 from 8.30am.

The event will feature guest speaker, Patrizia Cassaniti, Director and Founder of the Touched by Christopher Foundation, whose son died due to a workplace accident. All Council staff and contractors will attend the event.

WORKS IN WARREN SHIRE

Various infrastructure improvement projects have continued across our Shire this month, including reconstruction works on Marthaguy Road and asphalt re-sheeting in Dubbo and Stafford Streets, Warren.

Council appreciates the patience and cooperation of all residents and road users while these essential infrastructure upgrades are completed.

Several of these works have been made possible through grant funding from the state and federal governments.

For full details visit [Council's website](#).



Marthaguy Road



WOMEN OF WARREN SHIRE

Born and raised in Warren Shire, Robyn Taylor is a mother, educator, keen gardener, bookworm and Warren Pumas fan.

Robyn has been a familiar face at Warren Central School for many years as a student, teacher, and now the Deputy Principal. Here, she works tirelessly to support students academically, socially and emotionally to reach their full potential.



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

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



NEW PUMPS AT OXLEY PARK

New pump casings have been installed at Oxley Park recently after being delayed for several years due to Covid-19 and extended periods of flooding.

With discussions with Water NSW identifying a small window of opportunity for the removal and replacement of old river pump structures, Ryan Mason Engineering and B & D Brouff Earthmoving Pty Ltd prioritised these works to ensure they could be carried out within the tight timeframe.

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

STREET LIBRARY READ-Y TO GO

Warren Shire Library has recently installed a new street library at the Visitor Information Centre for the benefit of both residents and tourists.

Street libraries are self-served, meaning books come and go without the need to be checked in or out. This initiative helps to make reading more accessible and convenient. Once finished, books can either be returned to the Street Library network or shared and passed on to friends.



HAVE YOUR SAY: WARREN CBD UPGRADES

Following the development of a 10-year Draft Masterplan for the Warren CBD, we're currently seeking community feedback on Stage 2 of the upgrade.

The upgrades will take place over several stages, with construction of the CBD toilet and Dubbo Street asphalt overlay works already completed in July/August 2023.

View the Masterplan and have your say on [Council's website](#).

MEET THE TEAM - SUSAN BALOGH

As Council's Economic Development and Visitation Manager, Susan is responsible for promoting and facilitating Warren Shire's economic development, visitation and tourism projects.

Boasting an extensive business background and a wealth of knowledge across many varied areas, Susan has quickly become a valuable asset to the Council team.

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



THE SKY'S THE LIMIT



We're excited to share that Council has won a brand new D1 Store DJI Mini 3 Pro drone, following a great submission by Project Administration Officer, Bec Christian, to Statewide Mutual and AVCRM's 'Win a Drone' competition! This new addition will be a valuable tool for asset management, emergency responses, public relations and communications, environmental monitoring and aerial inspections.

ON THE ROADS

Crews are continuing to make progress on damage repairs and standard maintenance works across the Shire. Recent works include flood restoration and patching, grading, flood damage works, patching and slashing.

In addition, upcoming maintenance and rehabilitation works include: **Marthaguy Road, Kianga-Marebone Road, Warren Road, Pleasant View Lane, Oakley Road, Pineclump Soldiers Road and Carinda Road.**

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



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