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### UP-COMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for  
**Monday, 28 November 2011**

This meeting will be held at

**Council Chambers, 32 Salisbury Street Uralla**

The meeting will commence at

**4:00pm**

with "Have Your Say" from

**6:30pm**

and items of public interest to follow

Full details of all Reports to Council's next Meeting are contained within Council's Meeting Agendas which are available for public viewing at Bundarra General Store, Invergowrie General Store, Kentucky General Store, Kingsdown General Store, Uralla Shire Council Chambers, Uralla Visitor Information Centre, Council's Library and on the Website at <http://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au/>

### Australia Day Awards Nominations - Uralla

Nominations are invited for Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Sports Awards, to be presented on Australia Day 2012.

Nominees must be Australian citizens and live in Uralla Shire. Young Citizen of the Year nominees must be under 27 years of age on 26 January 2012.

Nomination forms are available from the Uralla Shire office, Uralla Library, Uralla Post Office, Uralla Branches of the Credit Union and National Bank, or the Secretary of Uralla Australia Day Committee, 14 Dumaresq Street, Uralla, phone 6778 4328.

Nominations will close on Friday, 9 December 2011.

Nominations received after this date will not be considered.



### Uralla Library News

A Christmas children's story-time and craft activity will be held 10:00am Saturday, 17 December 2011. Children of all ages are welcome.

The Summer Reading Club will be running again this year commencing Saturday, 10 December 2011 ending Friday, 27 January 2012. Lots of fun!

Small incentive prizes will be given as the children progress along their reading journey.

Each book they read will give them a ticket in the end of club prize draw.

Children of all ages, who can read are welcome.

Read as much or as little as you like – join anywhere throughout the programme.

### URALLA SHIRE COUNCIL

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Phone: 02 6723 7262  
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### October 2011 Resolutions of Council

Full copies of the Minutes of Council Meetings are available upon request from Council's Administration Centre, the Uralla Public Library and General Stores at Bundarra, Invergowrie, Kentucky and Kingsdown. Minutes may also be viewed and downloaded via the Internet at: <http://www.uralla.nsw.gov.au/>

### Trial Meeting Times

The Council meetings of 28 November and 19 December 2011 will commence at 4.00pm. The first section of the meeting will consist of housekeeping issues with the "Have Your Say" session commencing at 6.30pm followed by matters requiring discussion which could be of interest to residents. The trial will give residents the opportunity to come along to the evening section of a Council meeting to learn how Council operates and comes to decisions that affect residents.

### Swimming Pool Hours

At the 26 September 2011 Council Meeting, Council resolved to provide a twenty week swimming pool season from Saturday, 29 October 2011 to Friday, 16 March 2012. The pools hours of operation during the 2011-2012 season will be:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 6am to 8am and 12 noon to 6pm.
- Wednesday – 6am to 8am and 12 noon to 5pm.
- Saturday and Sunday – 12 noon to 6pm.

**Sport And Recreation's Swim and Survive is starting soon.**

### Council Closures over Christmas

Admin Building Closed 2.30pm 23 December 2011 through to 3 January 2012  
 Pool Closed Christmas Day  
 Library Closed Public Holidays  
 Visitor Information Centre Closed Christmas Day  
 Depot Closed Public Holidays  
 Closed 15 December from 12noon  
 Closed Christmas Day  
 Landfill Normal Garbage/Recycling pickup on Boxing Day (26 December)

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### Street Store Applications for 2012

Applications from local and not-for-profit sporting groups, organisations and charities for the Community Street Store Allocations in 2012 have been called. There remains several vacant times slots being the weeks ending:

12/2/2012;	6/5/2012;	20/5/2012	27/5/2012
3/6/2012	2/7/2012	23/7/2012	12/8/2012
19/8/2012	2/9/2012	30/9/2012	14/10/2012
18/11/2012	16/12/2012	23/12/2012	30/12/2012.

If organisations would like to book the Street Store which is rent free, please contact Council urgently.

### Street Store Allocations for 2011

A rent free store is made available as Council's contribution to local Community organisations.

During the months of November 2011 and December 2011 the following organisations will be holding local Community Stalls and would appreciate your support:

United Hospital Aux of NSW Inc. - week ended 20/11/11  
 Uralla Central School P&C Assoc - week ended 27/11/11  
 Australian Red Cross Uralla Branch - week ended 4/12/11  
 Uralla Masonic Lodge - week ended 11/12/11  
 Girl Guide Association - weeks ended 18/12/11 & 25/12/11.

### Uralla Golf Club Happenings in November 2011

Sunday, 20th Mixed 4BBB for Neil and Tanya Cullen trophies  
 Friday, 25th Uralla Open Veterans Stableford  
 Saturday, 26th Uralla and Central North District Open Mixed 4BBB  
 Sunday, 27th Uralla Men's Open 4BBB



### A Proposal to Abolish Wards

At this coming Council meeting Councillors will consider the following motion:

*"That the Uralla Shire Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 210B of the Local Government Act, make an application to the Minister for Local Government for the abolition of Wards within the Uralla Shire Council."*

Written submissions will be received until Thursday, 24 November 2011. You can also lodge your vote in the on-line survey at:

<https://surveymonkey.com/s/N9B2FVB>

#### To Abolish Wards Or Not

The choice is being put to Council to consider the abolition of wards within the Uralla Shire Council area. The question has been asked what are the pros and cons of having and not having wards.

Currently there are 3 Councillors per ward representing 1,596 electors in Ward A, 1,312 electors in Ward B and 1,472 electors in Ward C; a total of 9 councillors representing 4,380 electors. The boundaries of Ward A and B will need to be altered for this next election, if wards are retained, to transfer approximately 120 electors from Ward A to Ward B, giving each ward approximately 1,470 electors.

The number of electors per councillor is the same for the elections by Wards or without Wards.

With wards geographical area electors vote for their three Councillors; without wards all electors vote for all nine Councillors.

Historically, the pro for wards has been that the Councillors within the ward are known by their electors and will represent the views of those electors. The con to that view is that those electors do not have a say in the election of the other six councillors. The other pro for wards is the proposition that less populated areas of the shire will lose representation without wards especially under the proportional representation counting of votes, the con to that proposition is the electors should have a say in everyone who becomes a Councillor.

While under the ward system the electors can only vote for the candidates in their ward election, the nomination for candidate for a ward need only be from within the council area and not necessarily from within the ward.

Whether there should be wards or not is a personal representational preference, with no financial or governance implications for the Council. Councillors would appreciate your opinion.

### Tablelands Community Support Options

Tablelands Community Support Options is auspiced by the Uralla Shire Council and receives funds from the State and Federal Governments to deliver services that enable people who are ageing and people with a disability to remain in their own homes and provide support for their carers.

Tablelands Community Support Options have been providing service in New England region for the past 18 years and specialise in Case Management. We have built up an excellent reputation for providing quality services which are tailored to meet their individual client's needs. Aboriginal staff are employed to assist the Aboriginal clients.

Case Managers meet regularly with their clients to discuss their needs and have built strong relationships with other service providers ensuring a coordinated package of services are delivered. Services are provided that build on the strengths of the client, supporting them with any deficits.

Services that can be provided include assessment, case management, referral on, personal care, respite, domestic assistance, transport, meal services, shopping and assistance to social activities. Day Centre activities are also available to the Aboriginal elders.

For further information on services that can be provided by Tablelands Community Support Options please call 02 6778 3006.

### Uralla Op-Shop at the Landfill is Open for Business

The Uralla Landfill Op-shop is now open business 7 days a week. A range of items are for sale at very cheap prices. Items include, used bikes, books, crockery, cupboards, desks and even exercise equipment. Go check it out and grab yourself a bargain.

Uralla Landfill and Recycling Centre will now be opened 7 days however is closed on Christmas Day, Good Friday, Anzac Day and public holidays.

#### Opening Times:

Mon – Fri 8am to 4pm. Sat/Sun 9am – 4pm

#### Daylight Savings:

Mon-Fri 8am – 5pm Sat/Sun 9am – 4pm.

### Uralla Visitor Information Centre 20th Anniversary

From the 21 November through to the 25 November 2011, Uralla Visitor Information Centre (VIC) will be celebrating its 20th Anniversary.

The VIC will be offering 20% discount on all local products throughout the week (excluding books).

On Friday, 25 November from 2.00pm to 5.00pm, our local producers will be at the Visitor Information Centre to showcase their products. Come along and taste local Uralla wines, try some olives and olive oils from Moore Creek, and sample our local cheeses.

The Uralla Visitor Information Centre welcomes you to join our staff and volunteers in this celebration.



### Visitor Information Centre 20th Anniversary

The members of the Uralla Historical Society have joined us in celebrating our 20th anniversary by opening the doors of Mc Crossin's Mill Museum for free entry to all shire residents.

Simply cut out this coupon and take it along to the Museum, located in Salisbury Street, from 4pm - 7pm on Thursday 24th November and discover for yourself one of the reasons why so many visitors love our town.

### Would you like a green waste collection?

Council is offering a green waste collection for those residents who would like one. Collections will take place as follows:  
Fortnightly - 1st November 2011 until 1st May 2012 (14 Services),

Monthly - May 2012 until November 2012 (6 Services).

The cost of the service is \$60.50 for the purchase a 240 Litre (vented) green waste bin, and \$38.00 for the service up to 1 November 2012.

Please contact the Council office and arrange payment to start receiving the service.

If you have any further questions please call Mrs Kath Little on 6778 6300.

### Responsibility for Dog Owners

Dog owners please be advised of your responsibility to take all reasonable precautions to prevent your dog from escaping from the property on which it is being kept. Dogs must be on a leash if outside your property excepting in gazetted "off-leash" zoned areas.

Since 1 July 1999 all dogs and cats in NSW must be microchipped at point of sale, change of ownership or by 12 weeks of age, whichever occurs first.

If you purchase a puppy, kitten, dog or cat in NSW, under the Companion Animals Act 1998 it must be microchipped first. If it isn't then you should report this to Council for investigation and action if appropriate.

### Uralla Youth Council

On 26 November 2011 a Craft Workshop will be conducted at the Uralla Indoor Markets held at the RSL Memorial Hall in Salisbury Street, Uralla.

Participants can make their own Christmas Cards – material will be provided for a gold coin donation.

Please contact Jess Barnden via Email:

[jessica\\_barnden@hotmail.com](mailto:jessica_barnden@hotmail.com) Should you have any enquiries.

President : Jess Barnden

Secretary : Scott Sharp

Treasurer : Shania Hourigan

Promotions Co-Ordinator : Amy Jarvis

Events Co-Ordinator : Cody Newton



National recycling week is this month, and to join in with activities around Australia, Uralla Shire Council is having Landfill and Recycling Tours, at the Uralla Landfill and Recycling Centre.

If you would like to see where all your rubbish ends up, and how recycling is sorted, book at the Council office for a tour. You will be amazed what you can learn about garbage.

Tours will occur on Saturday, 19 November at 10am, and Tuesday, 22 November at 10am.

You must pre-book at the Council office. All children under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult. Closed shoes and hats must be worn (sandal and thongs are not appropriate).

Tours will take approximately 40 minutes.

### Claiming the Date **20 November 2011** **10am till 2pm**

Hill Street Business Houses will be open.

Come along and see what bargains are available from Coopers Hardware, The Post Office, Plees Lures, St Vincent de Paul, The Little Blue Shed.

Also featuring some home based businesses and a fund raiser to support the Uralla Community Reserve Hall including a sausage sizzle for lunch and a Trash and Treasure sale.

Look forward to seeing you in Hill Street on 20 November.

### Uralla Squash Club

The Uralla Squash Club would like to invite all current, former and new players to join our competition and play socially in the New Year.

Competition will begin towards the end of January 2012. Please contact Paul (0428 275 563) or Carl (02 6778 4333) for more information.



## Development Applications and Complying Development Certificate Approvals and Refusals for September 2011

**Approvals:**

Application Number	Applicant	Property	Development
DA-69-2010	Mr P R Forrest	33 Queen Street, Uralla	69-2010
DA-44-2011	Uralla Shire Council	Depot Road, Uralla	44-2011
DA-49-2011	Natural Matters Design	73 Marble Hill Road, Saumarez Ponds	49-2011
DA-50-2011	Mrs J M Gray	30 Salisbury Street, Uralla	50-2011
DA-51-2011	Mr G T Hine	Lot 622 Thunderbolt's Way, Uralla	51-2011
DA-53-2011	Mr D Walters	10 Everett Street, Uralla	53-2011
DA-56-2011	Mr D Evans	Lot 2 Kareela Road, Invergowrie	56-2011
DA-57-2011	Mr D Watson	Lot 421 Traceys Road, Kentucky	57-2011
CDC-37-2011	Mrs P Hain	33 King Street, Uralla	Renovations & Extensions
CDC-38-2011	Ms M Wood & Ms C Logan	50 Martins Lane , Kentucky	Extensions to Dwelling
CDC-39-2011	Ms G Noone	13 Park Street, Uralla	Renovation
CDC-40-2011	Mr Geoff & Mrs Ann Hine	Lot 622 Thunderbolt's Way, Uralla	Shed
CDC-41-2011	Mr SA & Mrs JG Wilson	28 Bilga Road, Invergowrie	Covered Deck

**Refusals: Nil**