

HELP OUR KOALAS

The Northern Rivers Regional Koala Network is excited to announce the Northern Rivers Koala Count will take place from 24 to 30 September.

Counting koalas is hard. They are nocturnal, shy, hard to see among the leaves and branches, mobile, and often distributed widely and thinly across the landscape.

The Network is asking the community to make a special effort to report sightings of koalas during this week on the Friends of the Koala website.

It is also a great opportunity to go for a bushwalk in a natural area, keep your eyes out for koalas and record a sighting.

The week-long project aims to harness the power of citizen science to provide a better understanding about where koalas live and how they use their environment. This can help support important koala research, conservation, and management actions.

If you spot an injured or sick koala you should call the Friends of the Koala 24-hour rescue hotline immediately on 6622 1233.



COUNCIL MATTERS

At last month's meeting, Mayor Robert Mustow acknowledged the recognition Council's three-year Rebuilding the Richmond Valley Recovery Plan received from the Local Government NSW awards.

The Recovery Plan was awarded a Highly Commended award in the Reporting to Your Community category in the awards, which recognises and encourages greater understanding and community by councils with their local community.

Cr Mustow congratulated staff involved in preparing the Plan and those who continue to deliver on the flood recovery program.

The outstanding efforts of our community in the continued journey towards recovery from the floods was also acknowledged by the Council.

Next Council Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 October starting at 6pm.

The meetings are live streamed through Council's Facebook page, and available for viewing on Council's website.

Those who wish to address Council on any listed matter must download and fill out the public access application form from Council's website. The form should be returned to council@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au by 4.30pm on the Monday prior to the public access request date.

EVANS HEAD MALIBU CLASSIC

FRI 29 SEP - MON 2 OCT



Competition from 6.30am - 2pm each day

Come along and watch some of the best longboard surfers around take on the waves at Evans Head this October long weekend.

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This year, meet World Surf League surfer and local Callum Robson on the Sunday.

Visit the Evans Head Malibu Club Facebook page for entry details.



VALLEY VIEWS

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APPLICATION DETERMINATIONS 1 AUGUST - 31 AUGUST 2023

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4.59, notice is given that the undermentioned developments have been granted consent, a complying development certificate, or refused as labelled. Details of the application and a copy of the determination may be inspected without charge at Council's customer service centres in Casino and Evans Head from 8.30am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Application ID	Property Address	Full Details
DA2023/0095	59 Simpson Parade, Casino	Demolition of the existing dwelling and ancillary structures, removal of trees, construction of twenty-nine (29) self-storage units and associated works
DA2023/0159	60 East Street, Casino	Proposed alterations and additions to existing rural supply store, being - Front store addition, meeting room, lunch room and new awning, demolition of an existing dwelling and erection of a new storage building, civil works including car parking & hardstand area.
DA2021/0091.01	80 Reynolds Road, Codrington	S4.55(1A) Modification - Extend deck along the southern side of the dwelling and modify the layout of the bathroom and laundry
DA2023/0010.01	31 Heath Street, Evans Head	S4.55(1A) Modification - as-built open timber deck enclosed with a series of openable bi fold aluminium louvres

DA2023/0189	117 Baraang Drive, Broadwater	Replacement of former administration building
DA2023/0194	Victory Camp Road, Casino	Subdivision of industrial zoned land to create two lots
DA2024/0002	9 George Street, Broadwater	Raise existing dwelling by 2.4 metres and add ensuite
DA2024/0003	24 Country Lane, Casino	Extension of existing shed
DA2024/0005	39 Farley Street, Casino	Construction of a 6.0m x 6.0m shed on a concrete slab
DA2023/0107.01	92-94 Richmond Street, Woodburn	S4.55(1) Modification - Remove condition number 12
DA2023/0174.01	1844 Casino Coraki Road, Coraki	S4.55(1) - Modification to reword Condition No.16
DA2024/0014	55 Richmond Street, Woodburn	Timber deck extension with an insulated roof
DA2022/0234.01	10 Box Ridge Road, Coraki	S4.55(1A) - Modification to include additional street parking

WOODBURN FESTIVAL

The Woodburn Riverside Festival will burst into life on Saturday 23 September from 9am-8pm.

The popular event will return to the river this year with rowing and dragonboat displays, a biathlon and a raft race showing off the waterway.

There will be live music, childrens activities, food trucks and markets.

The day is organised by the Woodburn Event Team, and for more information phone Pam Bellingham on 0414 953 879.



To mark Legacy Week, a wreath-laying ceremony was held at Council Chambers.

Pictured is Chairman of Casino Legacy Darryl Clifford, Mayor Robert Mustow, President Casino RSL Sub-Branch John Davis and Secretary Casino Legacy Robyn Spruce after the ceremony.



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IN BRIEF

WOODBURN CBD UPGRADE MEETING

As part of the community consultation process for the Woodburn CBD streetscape design project, a workshop will be held at 5pm Wednesday 4 October at the Rod 'n Reel Hotel.

Concept plans will be available for the community to view as part of the workshop and community consultation process.

The consultation will help prepare a blueprint for the future of the main street and foreshore areas to revitalise the area and ensure change is approached in a positive and proactive way.

COMMUNITY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Council's Community Financial Assistance Program applications close on Friday 28 September.

Community Financial Assistance is available to support local activities and projects which benefit the local community, help community groups achieve their goals and support Council's Community Strategic Plan

Grants can be for as little as \$100 and up to \$5000.

To apply search for Community Financial Assistance Program on the Richmond Valley Council website.

HALSTEAD DRIVE FIX

Work has started on stage one of the Halstead Drive restoration project in Casino.

Stage one consists of clearing up the concrete from the riverbanks and restoring access for the following stages.

Stage two consists of geotechnical assessment, surveys and design, while stage three will see the construction of the new Halstead Drive concrete accessway.

This project is being managed by Council after receiving funding through the Crown Lands Council Grants Flood Recovery Program.

Due to the significance of this project, time-lapse photography equipment will be installed for the duration of the clean-up work. The photography will be strictly limited to the construction site.

Council looks forward to reconstructing this vital piece of community infrastructure and access to the river.



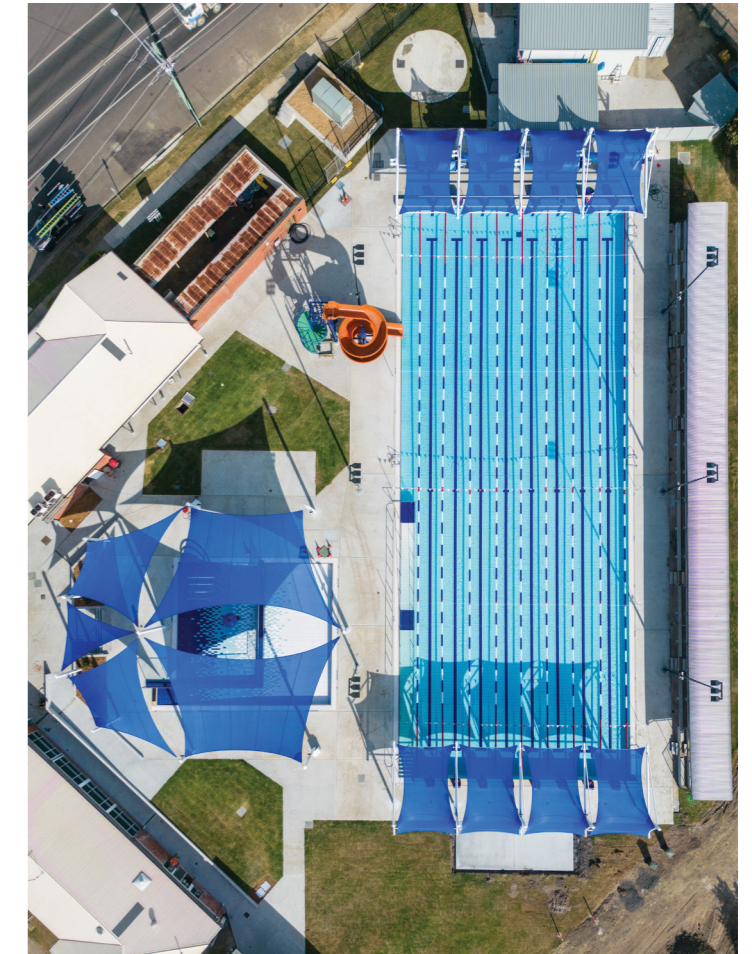
GET READY FOR CASINO POOL OPENING FUN DAY

Get ready to make a big splash as the doors open to the newly upgraded Casino Memorial Swimming Pool on Saturday 23 September.

Entry to the pool complex will be free from 9am, with activities and food available and the official opening at 10am.

The upgrade includes the construction of a new concrete and tiled, eight-lane 50m heated pool with an all-ability access ramp and stairs, a new concrete and tiled, multi-purpose toddlers' splash pool, shade structures, new lighting and new plant room and electrical for the precinct.

The upgrade was made possible with the support of the Australian Government and Richmond Valley Council. The Australian Government contributed \$3.74 million from its Female Facilities and Water Safety Stream Program, with Richmond Valley Council providing the remaining \$2.96 million.



NEW LANDFILL CELL

A new landfill cell at the Nammoona Resource Recovery Facility is in construction, and it will be commissioned early in 2024.

In recent years, Council has transported more than 10,000 tonnes of red bin material to Queensland for disposal each year. Disposing of the material locally will remove the transport costs and reduce Council's carbon footprint.

The money saved will be used to provide more education services to the community to help increase recycling. Landfill space on the Northern Rivers is diminishing, and the new cell gives us more than a decade of disposal capacity.

Securing long-term, red bin material disposal routes is a complex process and Council will continue investigating options through 2024.



EVANS HEAD POOL WORK

The Evans Head Aquatic Centre and its ribbon shade structure are getting a bit of a tidy-up. After 13 years in a coastal environment, the steel structures at the centre showed many areas of corrosion.

MAXCIM, a company specialising in steel recoating, has been engaged to clean, remove the rust and repaint the affected areas on the main roof structure and the ribbon shade structure beside the pool.

This has required the pool to be covered to prevent debris from falling into the pool and significant scaffolding erected to ensure the safety of workers working at heights and over water.

The works are being carried out when the use of the pool is less busy, and it is hoped that work will be completed by the end of this month, ready for the school holidays.



CASINO SHOWGROUND UPGRADE PROGRESS

Construction is well underway for the \$8.2m upgrade of the Casino Showground as work progresses to complete the undercover equestrian arena, stabling complex, day yards, outdoor sand arena, essential services and ancillary infrastructure such as manure bunkers, wash bays and fencing.

Council has completed the upgrades to the sand training track, truck and float parking and improvements to the centre arena.

With the completion of the grass racing track renovation a successful race meeting for the Casino Gold Cup was held on 12 August where an eight-race program had 112 horses hitting the track. The Casino Rodeo & Campdraft Association recently held its annual Casino Campdraft on the newly refurbished centre arena surface where new outdoor lighting had also been completed.

The project is set to be completed in March 2024. The Casino Showground upgrades project has been funded under the Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Fund, co-funded by the Australian and NSW governments.

