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LISMORE MAIL FLIGHT THE FIRST IN AUSTRALIA

A re-enactment of the first official air mail flight in Australia took place last month at Lismore Regional Airport.

Lismore made Australian history 100 years ago when a plane transported mail from Lismore to Tenterfield via Casino.

Until then, mail destined for Lismore and other coastal towns was sent via train to Tenterfield and then transported down from the tablelands by truck on rough and often treacherous roads.

Problems with communication were at the core of growing criticisms early in the 20th century that regional Australia was not getting a fair go, prompting calls for government investment.

Local politicians and the mail contractors Walter and James Lynn lobbied the Postmaster-General, William Webster, for an air mail service from Lismore to Tenterfield as early as 1916, but to no avail.

It wasn't until World War I fighter pilot Lieutenant Frank Roberts flew into Lismore on 12 June 1920 that things changed.

In an impassioned speech, the pilot convinced the town fathers, who in turn convinced the Postmaster-General, that delivering mail between Lismore, Casino and Tenterfield by air would be safe, cost effective and fast.

He and his company volunteered to conduct a trial flight at their own cost. About 8000 letters were carried on the flight – and the rest is history.

A special mention must go to Geoff Wotherspoon who rediscovered Lismore's role in the nation's first air mail delivery and was the driving force behind its historical re-enactment. Thanks also to Richmond River Historical Society, the the Richmond River Philatelic Society and the Lismore Chamber of Commerce.

Lismore City Mayor Isaac Smith was joined by Federal Member for Page Kevin Hogan and State Member for Lismore Janelle Saffin for last month's re-enactment.



CHANGES TO WASTE VOUCHERS IN THE 2020/2021 FINANCIAL YEAR

Lismore City Council will provide one waste voucher per eligible property this financial year, capped at 5000 vouchers, as stated in the 2020/21 budget adopted by Council on 16 June.

Council is currently putting a new automatic voucher system in place and expects this to be operational before rate notices are issued in late July for the 2020/21 financial year.

To ensure equitable distribution of the 5000 waste vouchers across the year, the following will apply:

- A maximum of one voucher per property, per annum.
- A pre-determined allocation of waste vouchers will be released at the start of each month (e.g. 5000 vouchers ÷ 12 months = 416 vouchers typically issued per month, depending on the number of vouchers that are redeemed).
- Each voucher will have an expiry date of 30 days from the date of issue.
- Once expired, any unused vouchers will be returned to the pool of remaining vouchers and made available for issue in future months. Returned vouchers will be allocated evenly across all remaining months in the year.
- Once all vouchers available within a month are issued, no further vouchers will be issued until the following month (unless issued vouchers are cancelled). This will be monitored and reviewed depending on take up and may be changed to a weekly or daily issue of voucher allocations.



SPREADING THE ANZAC SPIRIT

Lismore's first war memorial for the Great War was first erected in 1926 and now sits close to the showground in North Lismore – the location where those who answered the nation's call boarded trains to take them to army training camps.

Thanks to local Vietnam Veteran Ken Jolley, the image of the memorial is now part of a multimedia production screened at the end of the National Anzac Centre experience at the War Museum in Albany, Western Australia.

Albany is poignant as it is where many of our nation's servicemen and women last sighted Australia as they steamed towards the 'war to end all wars'.

It is not known how many young men from Lismore and surrounding towns fought in the Great War, but 145 never came home. All of their names are listed on the memorial.

Mr Jolley worked with the State Member for Lismore, Janelle Saffin, who liaised with the museum to ensure the image of our memorial was shown on the other side of the country, and that

the sacrifice of those 145 young diggers from Lismore and surrounds will be remembered.

It comes after three years of restoring the memorial led by Mr Jolley, with the support of local businesses including Richmond Sand and Gravel, Beckinsales Monumental Masons, Matthews Metal Fabrication, Holcim Concrete, Onesteel and Twin View Turf.

The memorial was moved from near the showground to the garden of the South Lismore RSL Hall in 1988, but when the RSL sold the hall in 2004, the monument again needed moving. It was then placed at the South Lismore Railway Station before returning home near the showground in 2017 with the assistance of Council.



LISMORE LANEWAYS PROJECT TO REVITALISE CITY CENTRE

Council has launched a new grant-funded Lismore Laneways Project to revitalise and transform Lismore's inner-city areas.

In partnership with VEE Design, Fourfold Studio and DFJ Architects, the project aims to work collaboratively with local businesses and community members to bring new life and activation to some of Lismore's most under-utilised spaces.

Already rich with local art, the aim is to improve amenities to make the city laneways a destination that is truly unique to Lismore.

The Lismore Laneways Project is fully funded through a \$510,000 NSW Government grant and will help to stimulate the vibrancy, safety

and visitor appeal of the city centre.

In late 2019, Council held workshops as part of an extensive community consultation process to develop a new Economic Development Strategy.

The revitalisation and activation of Lismore's laneways came through strongly in these engagement activities



and was identified as a key priority.

The Lismore Laneways Project will assist in activating underutilised land, support local businesses, create new public space at the city core, showcase local art, provide new space for activations and programs, and result in increased time and money spent in our city centre.

For more information, visit yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

WILSON CYCLEWAY SET TO RE-OPEN

The newly repaired Wilsons River cycleway is scheduled to reopen this week.

The popular cycleway was significantly damaged in the March 2017 flood and has been closed since.

Council received funding under the NSW Government's Natural Disaster Relief Assistance Program to repair the site.

New timber piles and a concrete cycleway have been installed so that the community can once again enjoy a walk or ride along the Wilsons River.

The cycleway is below the Kirklands Carpark along the riverbank at the western end of Magellan Street and provides an important link to other shared paths throughout the city.



DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Act and Clause 124 of the EP&A Regulation, notification is given that the undermentioned developments have recently been granted consent.

Application Details

DA17/399-2 122 Caniaba Street, South Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) application to modify consent 5.2017.399.2 to amend Condition 2 to allow the site to import fill material that is Excavated Natural Material (ENM) rather than only being able to import fill material that is Virgin Excavated Natural Material (VENM) as defined in the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*.

DA19/089-2 16 Taylor Street, South Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) application to modify Condition 4 of development consent 5.2019.89.1 to enable a 12-month extension for the completion of the required building audit.

DA19/157 134 Crofton Road, Nimbin: Proposed additions to the existing dwelling to create an expanded dwelling; alterations to an existing shed to create a second dwelling (detached dual occupancy); and alterations to part of an existing shed to create a studio.

DA19/241-2 128 Johnston Road, Clunes: Section 4.55(1A) application to modify consent to amend the approved roof form to a dutch gable design; remove the verandah roof on the northern side of the dwelling; and undertake cut and fill to reduce the finished floor level of the verandah to be a maximum height of 900mm above the finished ground level so as not to have to construct the balustrade.

DA19/305 61 Brunswick Street, Lismore: Construction of a 12-metre tower for training purposes.

DA20/045 57 Coleman Street, Bexhill: To undertake the erection of a new dwelling (building line variation to North Street) to create a detached dual occupancy.

DA20/58 132 and 174 Howards Grass Road, Goonellabah and 33 Haywood Lane, Lagoon Grass: Subdivision (boundary alteration) for three lots into three lots.

DA20/77 78 and 78A Conway Street, Lismore: To undertake a change of use of an existing premise to a funeral home (38-seat capacity) and associated alteration and additions.

DA20/95 171 Wilson Street, South Lismore: Concrete batching plant with associated civil works, car parking, fencing and landscaping.

DA20/125 1 Homestead Avenue, Goonellabah: Demolish existing rear awning and construct new insulated patio awning.

DA20/129 62 Waratah Way, Goonellabah: Dwelling, inground swimming pool and retaining walls.

DA20/138 109 Alexandra Parade, North Lismore: To undertake the removal of four existing grandstands (one 8m x 4m and three 6m x 3m stands); removal of two liquid amber trees; erection of three new 6m x 2.2m x 2.8m grandstands; construction of three 7m x 3m (approx.) concrete slabs; construction of cantilever awnings over the grandstands; and construction of a concrete path.

DA20/146 143 Rocky Creek Dam Road, Dunoon: Dwelling additions and alterations (deck and carport) and replacement of existing shed.

DA20/148 7 McDonald Place, Wyrallah: Two-storey dwelling.

DA20/160 21 Garrard Street and 14 Eden Place, Girards Hill: Secondary dwelling (manufactured home).

DA20/163 229 Coraki Road, South Gundurimba: Shed addition (awning).

DA20/164 89 Pinchin Road, Goolmangar: Dwelling alterations and additions (new kitchen and living area and new ensuite).

DA20/172 8 Spurfield Road, Boat Harbour: Shed on an existing building pad.

DA20/173 17 Somerville Avenue, East Lismore: Shed.

DA20/175 113 Wyrallah Road, East Lismore: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/182 4 Melaleuca Court, Caniaba: Shed.

DA20/190 10 Mahogany Parade, Goonellabah: Dwelling.

DA20/191 558 Caniaba Road, Caniaba: Dwelling and retaining walls.

DA2/194 17 Daniel Drive, Goonellabah: Dwelling alteration (demolish existing roof and replace with insulated roof over existing entertainment area).

DA20/199 2A Miriam Street, Wyrallah: Inground swimming pool.

DA20/200 11 Selena Avenue, Lismore Heights: Second-storey dwelling addition (covered deck).

DA20/213 21 Clare Street, Goonellabah: Inground swimming pool.

DA99/649-05 64 Newbridge Street, South Lismore: Section 4.55(1A) modification to the approved awning by: (a) converting the steel roof canopy to a shed by adding side walls; (b) maintaining the same width as the roof canopy but lengthening it (the canopy's dimensions 7.87 x 18m and shed's dimensions 7.87 x 24m); (c) incorporating the office/WC with a floor area of 9m2 into the shed; and (d) increasing the area under roof by 38m2 (i.e. canopy and office/WC = 150.66m2 and proposed shed = 188.88m2) and to modify Conditions 17 and 43 and delete Conditions 19 and 45.

Details of applications and consents, together with conditions attached, may be inspected at our Corporate Centre with prior appointment during business hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

As the consent authority, Council has received the following development applications for consideration.

DA NUMBER: 20/228

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 173 Wilson Street, South Lismore (Lot 18 DP 1185249).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

DESCRIPTION: To undertake the erection of an industrial building and associated driveway, car parking, civil works and landscaping.

CLOSING DATE: 29 July 2020.

DA NUMBER: 19/41

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 60A and 62 Cullen Street, Nimbin (Lot 1 DP 587552 and Lot 13 DP 5446).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

DESCRIPTION: Amended proposal and plans for DA5.2019.41.1 to undertake the redevelopment of 60A and 62A Cullen Street (former Nimbin Museum site) including:

Carparking shortfall – the amended proposal withdraws the offer to enter into a Voluntary Planning Agreement with Council to undertake works to the western car park to the value of not more than \$153,000 to off-set the parking shortfall of 16 spaces; and

Amended plans – the amended plans redesign the rear communal open space area (including deletion of 'Kombi' café and replacement with space for a mobile food service, deleting the viewing deck and deck around the fig tree, re-aligning Rainbow Lane by retaining part of the existing concrete path from the western carpark to the accessible garden, deleting all fencing and gates to allow a 24/7 right of footway through the site, providing an accessible ramp to an accessible garden and deleting the retaining wall along the Rainbow Cafe property, and minor amendments to the shop facades fronting the laneway.

CLOSING DATE: 29 July 2020.

If you wish, you may make a submission to the Council in relation to the development application.

The above development applications and Statement of Environmental Effects may be inspected at our Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, with prior appointment during ordinary office hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

Further information relating to written submissions is available on Council's website. There are laws regarding the mandatory disclosure of political donations in relation to planning matters. Political donations disclosure reporting forms are available from the Department of Planning at www.planning.nsw.gov.au.



Fire Safety Storytime: Online at 3pm on Wednesday, 15 July



We are visiting the Clunes Rural Fire Brigade for Fire Safety Storytime. Join some real firefighters as we 'Get Down Low and Go, Go, Go' and 'Stop, Drop, Cover and Roll!'

See them race off to a fire and join them in the truck as they radio headquarters. It's all happening online, and everyone is welcome. Tune in via the RTRL Facebook page or YouTube channel.

Teen Book Club: 4-5pm on Monday, 27 July at Lismore Library

Feel like sharing the stories you love with other like-minded teens? Lismore Library's Teen Book Club lets you chat, argue, laugh and explore the wonderful world of reading. Ages 13-17 welcome. For enquiries, phone the Lismore Library on 02 6621 2464.

ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Planning proposal to amend the Lismore Local Environmental Plan (LEP) in relation to land at 48 and 49 Lincoln Avenue, McLeans Ridges.

At its ordinary meeting on 12 May 2020, Lismore City Council resolved to support a planning proposal to amend the Lismore LEP 2012 to allow a rezoning of the land at 48 Lincoln Avenue, McLeans Ridges (Lot 13 DP1130169) from RU1 Primary Production to R5 Large Lot Residential and to amend the minimum lot size at 49 Lincoln Avenue, McLeans Ridges (Lot 14 DP 1130169), from 2ha to 3ha in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The objective of the planning proposal is to facilitate the subdivision of the land to create one additional lot.

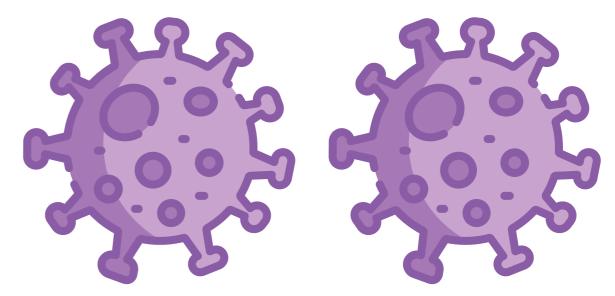
On 23 June 2020 the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment issued a Gateway Determination with standard conditions. The Minister for Planning has issued delegation to Lismore City Council for the making of this LEP.

The planning proposal is on public exhibition from 15 July to 14 August 2020. Copies of the planning proposal, Gateway Determination and technical studies are available on Council's website **www.lismore.nsw.gov.au** via the 'Your Say Lismore' link.

Submissions outlining grounds of objection or support can be made online, emailed to council@lismore.nsw.gov.au or addressed to the General Manager, Lismore City Council, PO Box 23A, Lismore, NSW 2480.

For enquiries, phone our Strategic Planning Project Officer Andy Parks on 1300 87 83 87.

Submissions must be received by close of business on Friday, 14 August 2020.



COVID-19: CONTINUE TO STAY SAFE

With the closing of the NSW/Victorian border following a significant jump in COVID-19 cases in Melbourne and the opening of the Queensland border, it is important that our community continues to practice the following precautions:

- Social distancing, as it reduces the potential for transmission.
- Wash your hands.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes.
- Stay at home if you're feeling sick.

If you have a fever, cough, sore throat or shortness of breath.

- Phone your GP for advice.
- Phone Health Direct on 1800 022 222.
- Visit the Lismore Base Hospital COVID-19/flu clinic. The clinic is for people who have respiratory symptoms or fever and who are at risk of COVID-19, for example being returned travellers or contacts of a confirmed case.

For the latest information about COVID-19, visit the NSW Health website www.health.nsw.gov.au or phone the National Coronavirus Health Information Line on 1800 020 080.

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