

AGEING WOODEN BRIDGES TO BE REPLACED

Lismore City Council will replace 10 ageing wooden bridges across the Local Government Area, thanks to almost \$10 million in funding under the State Government's Fixing Country Bridges Program.

The wooden bridges will be replaced with concrete bridges, making them safer and more resilient to natural disasters.

These bridges are important access routes for local farming families and also link our villages and allow residents to easily travel to their jobs, schools and hospitals.

The ten bridges to be replace are:

- Sexton Bridge: Gundarimba Road, Monaltrie (\$550,000)
- Tucki Creek Bridge: Mathieson Lane, Marom Creek (\$400,000)
- Bungabbee Bridge: Bungabbee Road, Bungabbee (\$300,000)
- Town Bridge: Terania Creek (\$600,000)
- Walsh Bridge: Rosehill Road, Blakebrook (\$2,745,925)
- Boomerang Creek Bridge: Rosebank Road, Corndale (\$1,275,000)
- Greens Bridge: Stony Chute Road, Nimbin (\$1,260,000)
- Ridgewood Bridge: Mackie Road, Rosebank (\$1,620,000)
- Dudgeon Bridge: Dudgeon Road, Keerrong (\$350,000)
- Hensen Road Bridge: Hensen Road, Nimbin (\$350,000)

The Federal Government has also contributed \$300,000 towards the replacement of Bungabbee Bridge, and additional funding for replacing Town Bridge.

All of the bridges will be replaced within the next 24 months with work starting on the first bridge – Bungabbee Bridge – in April 2021.



LISMORE QUAD IS BACK!

This one-of-a-kind cultural precinct in the heart of Lismore has announced an exciting and inclusive cultural program of events for the first 6 months of 2021 (with more announcements to come!).

Lismore Quad's 2021 program is curated by Placemaking Officer Marisa Snow, "We're thrilled that funding from Create NSW will enable us to reactivate this wonderful public space, for our community to connect again safely."

The Quad's 2021 program is full of music, art, performance, play and activities. All events have a Covid Safety Plan in place. For more information and to sign up to Lismore Quad's newsletter visit www.lismorequad.org.au

Lismore Youth Festival

Thursday 15 & Friday 16 April

The Quad, Dream Bigger, Lismore Regional Gallery, Lismore Library and NORPA have partnered to present the third Lismore Youth Festival (15 & 16 April). Two days packed with awesome activities and events to inspire and engage young people. The Quad will be transformed into an open-air hub with a half-pipe, DJs and ping pong tables. The Gallery will host a comedy workshop, open mic sessions, and youth exhibitions with Defiant (Beyond Empathy) and The Rainbow Collective (LGBTIQ Youth Group). A masterclass series will take place across multiple venues, with many more exciting announcements to come! Check the Quad website for details.

Flood Stories

Wednesday 28 April - Thursday 6 May

Part of the Plein Air residency series, Flood Stories is an immersive work in residence in the Quad from 28 April – 6 May. The work is a compelling invitation for people to follow in the footsteps of a community impacted by the 2017 Flood. Audience members wear headsets and raincoats and listen to first-hand stories of community members. Created by Jeanti St Clair, an audio documentary maker, sound artist and Lismore Local Government Area resident, Flood Stories provides an important opportunity to reflect on the lessons learnt and our preparedness for future climate events.

Quad Outdoor Cinema

Friday 21, Saturday 22, Sunday 23 May

The Quad is delighted to present its first ever outdoor cinema. The film program over three nights offers something for everyone; a selection of music and performance-oriented features on Friday night, family friendly classics on Saturday and a deeper dive into the world of arthouse on Sunday. The program will be presented with headsets delivering crisp and perfect sound in a truly immersive experience. Bring picnic blankets and hampers, and join us for a great night of outdoor cinema in the heart of Lismore.

Playground Festival

Saturday July 3

The hugely successful Playground Festival is back for its third year! Playground Festival is a dynamic, immersive kids festival for children 8-12 years and their families. Co-presented by Lismore Regional Gallery and The Quad, Playground Festival transforms the precinct into a kid's wonderland.

Backyard Music Series

Every month from May

Our Backyard Music Series is the free live music program in The Quad. Great local acts perform tunes under the stars. Bring a picnic blanket and the kids. Keep your eye on The Quad's social media (FB @LismoreQuadrangle Insta @lismorequad)

For more information and to subscribe to The Quad's newsletter go to www.lismorequad.org.au



AT THE LISMORE REGIONAL GALLERY

Lismore Regional Gallery is hosting *Real Worlds*, the fourth *Dobell Australian Drawing Biennial* on its national tour from the Art Gallery of New South Wales.

The prestigious exhibition is on display at Lismore Regional Gallery until 25 April.

Supported by the Sir William Dobell Art Foundation, this exhibition presents new work by eight contemporary Australian artists who create astonishing new worlds in drawings of great complexity and invention.

Real Worlds features extraordinary drawings by Martin Bell, Matt Coyle, Nathan Hawkes, Danie Mellor, Peter Mungkuri, Becc Ország, Jack Stahel and Helen Wright.

Exhibition curator and Art Gallery of NSW curator of Australian Art Anne Ryan said the exhibited works evoke distinctive ways of seeing and making sense of the world.

"Real Worlds brings together the work of eight artists who seek to interpret and comprehend the world through subjective reinvention via drawing. For some, it is grounded in a deep connection to place or country. For others, it is a reinvention that springs forth from imagination and the subconscious, inflected by subjective experience and rich with narrative suggestion," she said.

"The immediacy and intimacy of drawing is particularly attuned to the urgency of our times, and the work of each of these artists reflects the human capacity to imagine something better, or different.

"The real world can be reckoned with, be re-seen, be understood anew, as we face its mercurial challenges. While conceived before the wild year of 2020, and created both before and during it, the drawings of *Real Worlds* speak with urgency and directness to where we are now."

REAL WORLDS: DOBELL AUSTRALIAN DRAWING BIENNIAL



Until 25 April 2021 Lismore Regional Gallery, 11 Rural St, Lismore www.lismoregallery.org

Admission to Lismore Regional Gallery is a suggested \$5 donation

Gallery opening hours:

Wednesday 10am - 4pm, Thursday 10am - 6pm, Friday 10am - 4pm, Saturday & Sunday 10am to 2pm. Monday & Tuesday closed.

Lismore Regional Gallery has a CovidSafe plan in place.

Photo: Becc Orszag's Fantasy of virtue

COUNCIL DECIDES ...

At Council's Ordinary March meeting on Tuesday, 9 March, Council decisions included the following:

- Council resolved (4/4 plus Mayor's casting vote in favour) that Council establish a Planning Review Committee along similar lines to Byron Shire Council's Planning Review Committee.
- Council resolved (8/0 in favour) that the Lismore Memorial Baths remain open for the April school holidays until 18 April (with reduced hours).
- Council resolved (8/0 in favour) to restore Documents for Signing and Sealing to the Chamber for decision as it was pre-COVID.
- Council resolved (5/3 in favour) to amend planning controls to allow additional tourism activities in Zone RU1 (Primary Production).

All relevant business papers, minutes and live webcasts can be found at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Ordinary Meeting of Lismore City Council will be held on Tuesday, 13 April from 6pm.

The public are welcome to attend the Council Chambers. The meeting will also be broadcast on Council's Facebook page and website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.



CREATING A MORE INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE LISMORE

Lismore City Council is developing its new Disability Inclusion Action Plan and wants your feedback.

We want to hear from people with a disability, people with mental health conditions and anybody interested in how we can make Lismore and its villages more inclusive.

The new plan will outline Council's commitment to people living with a disability and list what actions we will take to:

- Make our services and facilities more accessible.
- Promote positive attitudes towards people living with disability.
- Encourage a diverse and inclusive workplace at Council.

How you can give feedback

There are three ways you can be involved and provide us with your feedback:

- Fill in our survey
- Join a workshop
- Talk to us

Consultation is now open and closes 31 July 2021.

To find out more please go to www.yoursay.lismore.nsw.gov.au or call Flora Zigterman, Community Engagement Officer 1300 87 83 87.



If you prefer to talk to us in person, staff are available between 9.30am and 10.30am every Friday until the end of April in the foyer of Lismore Library at 110 Magellan St.



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.

DA20/97-2 454 Boatharbour Road, Boat Harbour: Section 4.55(1A) modification to condition 19 to reduce the size of the water tank from 45000L to 22500L for supply of potable water.

DA20/149 100 Bishops Creek Road, Coffee Camp: The erection of a dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy, inclusive of an LEP Clause 4.6 variation to the requirement that each dwelling be situated within 100m of each other.

DA20/186 32 and 34 Tweed Street, North Lismore: To undertake: 1) the use of the existing building and adjacent areas as a depot (storage of builder's equipment), 2) erection of a new two-storey building to be used as a depot (with flood storage and ancillary office) and car parking, 3) associated driveway, parking and manoeuvring areas, and 4) the consolidation of the two subject lots.

DA20/232 84 James Gibson Road, Clunes: Staged development being a detached dual occupancy development with associated earthworks and driveway being Stage 1 - principal dwelling, carport, retaining walls, pool, cabana and shed relocation and addition, and Stage 2 - dual occupancy dwelling, retaining walls, and carport.

DA20/367 60 Lancaster Drive, Goonellabah: Use of land as a depot including the relocation of existing buildings and structures and the construction and installation of new buildings and structures.

DA20/480 4 Avalon Avenue, Clunes: Dwelling additions and alterations (ensuite and new carport).

DA20/487 17 Blue Hills Avenue, Goonellabah: Removal of 6 Fig Trees, 9 Gum Trees and 16 Tallowwood Trees from Blue Hills College grounds.

DA20/494 207 Alphadale Road, Lindendale: Re-sited dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy.

DA20/506 16 Minshul Crescent, North Lismore: Dwelling.

DA20/512 4 Spurfield Road, McLeans Ridges: Shed.

DA20/514 36 Oakland Road, Buckendoon: Re-sited dwelling to create a detached dual occupancy.

DA20/532 4 Douglas Place, Chilcotts Grass: Dwelling.

DA20/536 2 Douglas Place, Chilcotts Grass: Dwelling and retaining walls.

DA20/542 2 Vintage Drive, Chilcotts Grass: Secondary dwelling, alterations and additions to existing dwelling, inground swimming pool, gazebo and removal of trees.

DA20/546 116 Fischer Street, Goonellabah: To undertake the erection of an exhibition home for a period of 6 months.

DA21/9 103 James Street, Dunoon: Dwelling and shed with carport.

DA21/11 33 Hidden Valley Circuit, Chilcotts Grass: Dwelling.

DA21/19 35 James Road, Goonellabah: Secondary dwelling.

DA21/25 6 Douglas Place, Chilcotts Grass: Dwelling.

DA21/26 45 Deloraine Road, Lismore Heights: Dwelling alterations and additions (bedroom, ensuite, dining room and deck).

DA21/29 303 Repentance Creek Road, Repentance Creek: Demolition of unapproved dwelling.

DA21/038 12 Alfred Place, Goonellabah: Dwelling alterations and additions (covered deck).

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

IT'S ALL HAPPENING AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Pink Box Vending Machine

Free sanitary items for women and girls in need are now available in the 2nd floor accessible toilet at Lismore Library, with thanks to sharethedignity.com.au

Free Tech Lessons at the Library

Available at Lismore and Goonellabah libraries

If you need help to master your phone, tablet or laptop, make an appointment for a one-on-one tech lesson. These are available at Lismore Library on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and at Goonellabah Library on Thursday and Friday afternoons. Phone Lismore Library on 6621 2464 or Goonellabah Library on 6625 1235, for technology help that is tailored to your needs.

Quilling Group - Lismore Library

Thursday, 18 March - 4.30pm-6pm

Create designs by coiling and shaping paper strips. Make decorations or bring personality to your hand-made cards. We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 4.30pm-6pm at Lismore Library. Adults and children aged 8+ are welcome. Phone the library on 6621 2464 to book a spot.

Regional Readers Facebook Group Author Event

Thursday, 18 March - 10.30am

Join Jenny Dowell in conversation with Deborah Rodriguez, talking about her new book The Moroccan Daughter and her humanitarian work. Debbie is an American author and hairdresser, who creates safe spaces for women in crisis. Her other books include The Little Coffee Shop of Kabul. Enjoy this chat via zoom. Phone Lismore Library on 02 6621 2464 to book your link.

Junior Book Club - Lismore Library

Thursday, 25 March – 4pm-5pm

Feel like sharing the stories you love with others? Lismore's Junior Book Club is the place to do it. Join a group of 8 to 13-year-old's as they share stories, laughter and a love for reading. We meet at Lismore Library on the last Thursday of the month from 4pm-5pm. Phone Lismore Library on 6621 2464 for enquiries.

Creative Writing Masterclass - Lismore Library

Thursday, 25 March – 5pm-6.30pm

Hone your craft with help from well-known authors and industry professionals. We have a primary and a high school group for young writers from 10 to 18-years old. New writers are always welcome and yes, we still serve pizza! Find us at Lismore Library every second Thursday during school terms 5pm-6.30pm. Masterclasses are free.

Teen Book Club - Lismore Library

Monday, 29 March – 4pm-5pm

Join fellow readers to chat, argue, laugh and explore the wonderful world of reading. We meet at Lismore Library on the last Monday of the month from 4pm-5pm. All welcome, ages 13 to 17-year-olds. Phone the library on 6621 2464 for enquiries.

Puppet Workshops with Sydney Puppet Theatre – Lismore Library

Two really engaging puppet creation workshops are coming on Thursday, 8 April. Puppet Pals 10am-12.30pm, and Peek-A-Boo Pop Up Puppets 2pm-3pm. Suitable for 4+ years, however under 7 years will need to be accompanied by a parent. Bookings are essential. Phone Lismore Library on 6621 2464 to secure you place.

APPLY FOR AN ARTIST RESIDENCE AT NORPA

NORPA is offering two \$15,000 residencies in 2021 to support independent artists from across the Northern Rivers region to begin the process of creating, researching and developing new performance works.

"Through these two funded-residencies, we aim to provide supported development opportunities that enable artists to create work that animates place, speaks to our region and shares its stories," Julian Louis, NORPA's Artistic Director and Chief Executive, said.

"We are looking for projects that share NORPA's passion for new, bold and ambitious works, that play with form and challenge the conventions of theatre."

NORPA's new Executive Producer Jenna Mathie said: "Applications are welcome from artists across the Northern Rivers region and we encourage projects that demonstrate partnerships or support from other arts organisations, community organisations or venues. NORPA believes in work that is connected to our place and its people, taking inspiration from the country and community around us."

Each residency will be provided with up to \$15,000 in cash, and in-kind production and venue support should successful applicants wish to work in Lismore City Hall.

Information Sessions for Artists

Jenna Mathie, NORPA Executive Producer will be conducting informal meet-up and information sessions about NORPA's artist residencies. To register your interest and confirm location please email info@norpa.org.au with the subject 'Artist Residency'.

Tuesday, 16 March. 10:30am - 11:30am. Mullumbimby.

Tuesday, 16 March. 1:30pm – 2:30pm. Murwillumbah.

Wednesday, 17 March. 10:30 – 11:30am. Lismore. NORPA Studio.

Applications are now open and close on Wednesday,31 March 2021.

For more information on the residencies visit www.norpa.org.au/opportunities

COUNCIL LAND PLANS OF MANAGEMENT (POMS)

The introduction of the *Crown Land Management Act 2016*requires all councils in NSW to prepare Plans of Managements for the Crown land reserves they manage that have been classified as 'community' land, and to manage such land as if it were public land under the *Local Government Act 1993* (LG Act).

Council managers must ensure a compliant PoM for each reserve has been adopted by 30 June 2021.

Lismore City Council has 31 Crown reserves that are to be managed as 'community' land under the LG Act and 28 of these had PoMs adopted by Council in December 2020.

The final three relate to areas of urban bushland. They are:

- Rotary Park
- Claude Riley Lookout Reserve
- Currie Park

Rotary and Currie Parks contain areas of significant native vegetation and Council has used the opportunity to undertake detailed ecological surveys and develop site action plans for these sites that have been included as attachments to the PoMs.

Council is now seeking feedback on these draft PoMs that will guide the long-term use and management of the land.

To view the draft PoM and make a submission, go to www.yoursay.lismore.gov.au

Submissions close on 28 April 2021.

For further information, please contact Council's Strategic Planning Coordinator Paula Newman on 1300 87 83 87.



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