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LISMORE SKATEPARK UPDATE

Excitement is building for the new Lismore Skatepark, after two major consultation sessions in late May offered locals a front-row seat to the project's progress over two days.

On day one, Councillors and senior Council staff joined the CONVIC team onsite for a detailed construction update, seeing firsthand how Australia's top skatepark designers are turning plans into reality. The feedback? Genuine pride in the quality, design and ambition on display.

The next day, young skaters—many involved since the initial design workshops, were joined by key figures from the local skating scene and Richmond District Police for another walk-through. Their input has shaped everything from the layout to security and lighting, ensuring the park reflects what locals want.

The sessions both had plenty of excitement with no shortage of suggestions for the opening event once the fences finally come down.

Once complete, the \$3.9 million facility, funded by the NSW Government—will feature more than 2,300 square metres of skate terrain, seating pods, shaded areas, CCTV and safety lighting that switches off after 10pm.

The drainage system, built on a 400mm ballast rock layer, will handle Lismore's wild weather, moving water away fast to keep the park dry and safe.

Next to the main skating features, a new bouldering wall will soon take shape which was added by request, and already a talking point for local climbers and families.

This skatepark is more than just ramps and rails. It's designed to be a genuine hub for Lismore's youth—a place to meet, move and make the most of the city. With construction moving forward, despite the wet weather, it's being talked up as a future venue for major skate competitions, adding to Lismore's reputation for top-tier regional sporting facilities.

The official opening is set for August. Council will announce key dates and updates as the finish line approaches. For more details visit Council's website by scanning the QR Code.



COUNCIL DECIDES

At the Extraordinary June Council meeting on 3 June, Councillors resolved to:

Notices of Motion

- Revoke policy number 5.17.10
- Immediately implement a reporting policy which requires a report be made to Council at least quarterly highlighting any Budget variations to any line item which equates to 5% or more, to be included in Council's Quarterly Budget Review Statement; and **(2)** reported Budget variations include at least the following information: **a)** Budget Item Name **b)** Budget Amount, **c)** Budget Variation, **d)** Budget Variation Reason, **e)** Budget Variation Resolution.
- Include upgrades to Dunoon Road (including the Dunoon/Alexandra Parade intersection/roundabout) in the 2025-2026 budget.
- Apply a 100% discount to Sections 64 and 711 for: **a)** secondary dwelling development applications (within sewered areas), **b)** development applications lodged by not-for-profit community groups from the LGA (within sewered areas), **(2)** conclude the policy on 30 June 2027 and the policy be reviewed at this time; and **(3)** receive a report detailing the number of applications submitted and costs every 6 months.
- Enter discussions with Rous County Council regarding transfer of ownership of the Lismore CBD Levee to Lismore City Council; and **(2)** have a workshop to consider the implications of transfer.

RECONCILIATION WEEK CEREMONY BRINGS THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER

Lismore City Council marked National Reconciliation Week with a moving Flag Raising and Welcome to Country Ceremony.

Aunty Thelma and Aunty Ros shared reflections on culture, healing and connection. Mayor Steve Krieg spoke of Council's commitment to walking the path of reconciliation, and Acting Chief Corporate and Community Officer Graham Snow provided an update on Council's Reconciliation Action Plan.

The event also saw the launch of the 2025 Cory James Memorial Scholarship, named in honour of Cory James — a proud young Bundjalung man and former Council employee. The scholarship supports Indigenous staff to pursue education and training opportunities at Lismore City Council. The ceremony was well attended by staff and community and sets the excitement for the upcoming 2025 NAIDOC Day celebrations on Wednesday, 9 July at Crozier Field.



LISMORE LANTERN PARADE RETURNS FOR 31ST YEAR

Lismore's most iconic community celebration, the Lismore Lantern Parade, returns for its 31st year on Saturday, 21 June, promising a vibrant day and evening of colour, creativity and connection.

This year's event will feature a packed program of family-friendly entertainment and a new-look Fiery Finale in Oakes Oval.

The festivities kick off from 12pm with the beloved Market deLight, offering an eclectic mix of regional food stalls, arts and crafts and pop-up shops from local Lismore CBD businesses.

Families can also enjoy Kids Fest from 12pm to 4.30pm, with fun activities hosted by local community groups and organisations. Children can enjoy street performers, a jumping castle, giant street games and lantern decorating provided by Summerland Credit Union and even take part in decorating a lantern to carry in the parade.

The Heartbeats Festival Stage, located on Carrington Street near Dragonfly Café will provide live music throughout the day. Running from 12pm to 9.30pm, the stage will showcase a variety of local performers from across the Northern Rivers.

The magical Lantern Parade begins at 5.30pm, with the parade route travelling through the heart of the Lismore CBD. Spectators can line the streets to witness the procession of glowing creations, community groups, musicians and performers as they light up the winter night.

This year, the Fiery Finale moves back to Oakes Oval, running from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. The spectacular performance, titled The Return of the Sun, will include fire artistry and gentle pyrotechnics. The audience can enjoy this finale from ticketed grandstand and accessible seating, or free grass seating inside the oval via the Magellan Street entrance.

Guests are encouraged to bring blankets and cushions, but chairs are not permitted in the grass area.

All your questions are answered in the FAQ section of the website.

The Lismore Lantern Parade is brought to the community by the team at LightnUp Inc. and is proudly supported by Lismore City Council.

For the full program, event route and to purchase grandstand tickets, visit www.lismorelanternparade.com.au or scan QR code for direct link to tickets.





NAIDOC DAY TO BRING CULTURE, MUSIC AND COMMUNITY

NAIDOC Day is back in Lismore on Wednesday, 9 July, with Crozier Field set to come alive from 10am to 2pm for a free celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, music and community.

This year's theme, The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy, is about looking to the future while honouring the knowledge and stories of the past. The day kicks off with a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony before a full program of live music, activities and stalls.

Local talent is in the spotlight. Mitch King, a proud Yaegl and Widjabul Wia-bul man from the Bundjalung Nation, returns to the stage with his mix of music, theatre and dance. He's joined by Blakboi (Tom Avery), a Bundjalung-based singer-songwriter whose sound blends folk, reggae and hip-hop with stories from Gomeroi and Māori roots.

Families can expect craft and hands-on cultural activities, plus more community stalls than ever—offering food, support services, handmade goods and unique finds. Mayor Steve Krieg encourages everyone to come along, bring the family, and take time to check out the wide range of stalls and services on offer.



Whether you're a regular or first-timer, NAIDOC Day at Crozier Field is your chance to connect with community and experience the best of Lismore. No bookings needed just show up and enjoy the day.

Date: Wednesday, 9 July

Time: 10am–2pm

Location: Crozier Field, Lismore

Cost: Free

DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUE

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the provisions of Section 4.59 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

DA24/026-2 5 & 7 McDermott Avenue and 1 Phillip Street, Goonellabah: Section 4.55(2) modification to development consent 5.2024.26.1 by:-

- removal of the central courtyard resulting in a reduced site cover and consolidated built form;
- reduction in the number of 2 bedroom units and replacement with additional 1 bedroom units;
- internal design changes to the unit types;
- modified earthworks and landscaping design; and
- other minor design amendments

DA24/267 117 & 180 Upper Tuntable Falls Road, Nimbin: To undertake the construction of a suspension footbridge over Tuntable Creek and associated footpaths to link the bus stop with the community school.

DA25/028 38, 104 & 106A Union Street, South Lismore: To undertake the demolition of the existing concrete batching plant including all buildings, structures, plant / equipment and hardstand areas.

DA25/037 5 Rockview Court, Nimbin: Staged development:

1. construction of a dwelling and associated earthworks and driveway (Stage 1); and
2. construction of attached secondary dwelling (Stage 2). The stage 1 development being the main dwelling would normally have a classification of 1a, however as the stage 2 development will change the overall classification to class 2, (being two dwellings located one above the other) it is considered pertinent to maintain the classification of 2 for the whole development regardless of the stage so as to ensure the stage 1 design is compatible with the requirements of the stage 2, class 2 development requirements.

DA25/049 12 Sandalwood Drive, Caniaba: Detached carport

DA25/074 24 Renwick Street, Lismore Heights: Shed and retaining walls

DA25/079 176 Lindendale Road, Lindendale :Construction of a shed

DA25/080 14 Peter Street, East Lismore: Carport with a building line variation to Peter Street

DA25/082 43 Bruxner Crescent, Goonellabah: Dwelling addition including a double garage, home workshop, new deck and plunge pool

DA25/084 110 Gungas Road, Nimbin: Erection of a structure to be used as part dwelling and shed

DA25/085 27 Paradise Court, McLeans Ridges: Inground swimming pool and retaining wall

DA25/086 87 Fletcher Road, Dunoon: Dwelling alterations and additions and aboveground pool

DA25/087 52 Phyllis Street, South Lismore: Construction of a mezzanine within an existing shed to provide a flood free storage area

DA25/091 12 Evergreen Drive, Goonellabah: Dwelling with attached carport

DA25/093 10 Schurr Drive, Goonellabah: Dwelling and retaining wall

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.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT

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

DA NUMBER: 25/103

LOCATION AND DP LOT: 45 McKenzie Street, Lismore (Lot 2 DP 526964).

APPLICANT: Newton Denny Chapelle.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Change of use from an existing residential care facility to supported temporary accommodation for homeless persons.

CLOSING DATE: 7 July 2025.

If you wish, you may make a submission to the Council in relation to the Development Application. Any submission must specify the grounds of objection (if any).

The above Development Application(s) and accompanying documents may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, 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.

13TH LISMORE WORKERS MASTERS GAMES RETURNS

Get ready—Lismore's much-loved Lismore Workers Masters Games are back for the 13th time, running from Friday, 26 to Sunday, 28 September.

It's three big days of sport, mateship and community, with players and spectators from across NSW and Queensland joining the action.

Since 1999, the Masters Games have been a staple on Lismore's sporting calendar, welcoming anyone aged 30 and over—whether you're out to win or just keen for a fun run-around. This year, you can sign up for Netball, Softball, Lawn Bowls, Oztag, Football (11-a-side), Cricket, Baseball, Golf or Hockey.

The Lismore Workers Club is once again front and centre as major sponsor, hosting the event HQ and all the off-field social activities that keep the Games buzzing. Their support is a big part of what makes this event so special for Lismore.

The 2025 Games will also run alongside the Lismore Workers Club Lismore Cup on Friday, 26 September, giving you a chance to experience two of the city's biggest sporting highlights in one weekend.

Expect a festival atmosphere right across town—with local businesses, restaurants and hotels set to benefit from the influx of visitors. It's a great showcase for Lismore's hospitality and sporting spirit.

The Lismore Workers Masters Games are expected to generate more than \$400,000 for the local economy.

Early bird registrations are open now until Monday, 14 July, with standard registrations available until late August. Whether you're dusting off the boots or cheering from the sidelines, don't miss your chance to be part of it.

Dates: Friday, 26 – Sunday, 28 September

Who: Ages 30+

Sports: Netball, Softball, Lawn Bowls, Oztag, Football, Cricket, Baseball, Golf, Hockey

Register: www.lismoremastersgames.com.au

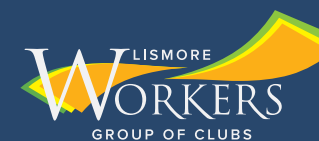
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26, 27 & 28 SEPTEMBER 2025

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Winter Events Calendar

- Live Music In The Quad | **5 June**
- Lismore Speedway | **7, 8 June**
- Project Pride | **7-21 June**
- Tropical Fruits Pride Ball | **7 June**
- NSW State Golf Croquet Championships | **11-15 June**
- 2025 NSW Men's Masters Hockey | **13-15 June**
- Viking Village Solstice | **21-22 June**
- Lismore Lantern Parade | **21 June**
- NAIDOC Week | **6-13 July**
- Lismore Friendship Festival – LisAmore | **6 July**
- NSW Regional PGA Qualifier | **27-29 July**
- Laneways of Lismore Arts Festival | **23 August**
- Darrel Chapman Fun Run | **31 August**
- Fruitopia Fair Day | **31 August**



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on upcoming events
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WHAT'S ON AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Dying Matters Cafe

Monday, 16 June, 10-11:30am

Join us at Goonellabah Library for a facilitated discussion over a cuppa to talk - or sometimes, just listen, whatever feels right - about death, grief or end-of-life planning. It might sound morbid, but the experience can be uplifting, freeing, and even help participants embrace life and change in a new way. Bring your questions and thoughts - be they practical, funny, scary or spiritual. **No need to book.**

Free Youth Slam Poetry Workshop

Sunday, 15 June, 1:30-3:30pm

Speak up thru SLAM! Got something to say? If you're aged 12-18, we want to hear from you at our free workshop with Poets Out Loud at Lismore Library. Explore writing and spoken word to express yourself with prize-winning poets Sarah Temporal and Andrew Cox. You'll leave with your own 2-minute slam poem and the opportunity to join Poets Out Loud Youth Slam. Materials and snacks provided. **Bookings essential.**

Free Youth Winter Beanie Knitting Workshop

Third Thursday of the month during winter, 3:30-5:00pm

Knit your very own beanie this winter at our monthly knitting club at the Lismore Library Youth Lounge. Using circular needles, you'll learn to cast on, knit stitch, purl stitch and cast off. Needles and wool will be supplied at the first session on Thursday, 19 June, 3:30-5pm. Workshops are free and for 12-18-year-olds only. **Bookings essential.**



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