



Murrurundi
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THE Links

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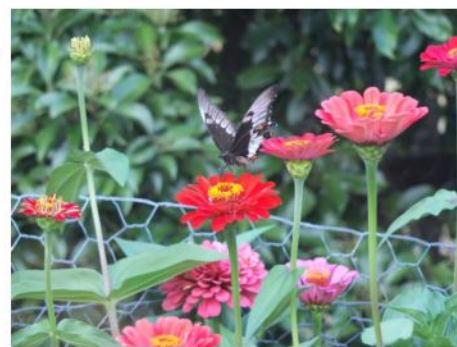
SEPTEMBER 2026



OCTOBER LWE 'NORVILLE' PUBLIC OPENING, 3rd 4th and 5th OCTOBER, 2026. FREE ENTRY.

9am to 2pm Sat and Sun and 9am to 12 midday Monday

168 YEARS OF NORVILL FAMILY AUSTRALIAN HISTORY
LOTS TO SEE, ART, AVIATION, PHOTOGRAPHY, GEOLOGY,
CROP CIRCLES, GARDENS,
KIDS' ENTERTAINMENT, STAGE,
PROJECTS, Peacocks.



- SECRET TOMB
- NEW LARGE PAINTINGS ON SHOW TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE FIRST TIME
- ELIZABETH VINE ROOM TABLE FOR 25 SET FOR DINNER

Picnic if you wish. Camping and cabins. Tea/coffee.

Night sky watching for those staying over.

"Norville" is on the property ROCK DHU, Scotts Creek Road, Murrurundi.

See www.norvilleaustralia.com.au for map to get here and more.

Allow plenty of time. We do vehicle tours where possible. Own 4WD or AWD an advantage but not essential.

SOME VISITORS' BOOK

COMMENTS: Imagination brought to life. Stunning place. Amazing views. Mind blowing. A hidden gem. Never seen artworks like this before.

Ph 0448 861 863 or

email ck.norvill@bigpond.com.



Photo above: HISTORY: 60 YEARS AGO. PETER NORVILL AGED 15. Drought 1966



All visitors must have sensible fully enclosed footwear. NO THONGS

UPPER HUNTER SHIRE COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

Ph. 6540 1100

After hours Ph. 6540 1199

Email council@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Murra County

**Next markets
Sunday 30th August
Plus AGM after markets**

@ Remembrance Park 113
Mayne Street Murrurundi

Local honey, knitted
scarves, beanies, baby
clothes, home made cakes,
jams, pickles, herbal
products, handmade
soaps, Betsy Steel
Sculptures, Bibs & Burps,
Home made bird Houses &
letterboxes.

Come along and
support our local markets.

Cakes and biscuits are
available at VIC every day .

To book a stall, please
contact:

Robyn Orman:
0419 705 753 or

Sandra Coffey
0429 042 620

Garden Club

Once again, we hibernated
at St Paul's Hall as we wait
out winter in Murrurundi and
our August meeting was
cosy and full of citrus
delights and good chatter.

Our afternoon tea was
influenced by the citrus in
our gardens this month and
we had many beautiful
slices, butters and cakes
that were tangy and sweet
all at the same time. We
were delighted to enjoy
Limoncello – infused for
weeks and so delicious!
The orange cakes & juices
were equally scrumptious.
Our members all are truly
talented.

We discussed the antics of
the nesting Magpies and
their love of coconut fibre
for their nests. They are
certainly busy at this time of
the year. We wished we
could talk the birds into
making their nests out of
the chickweed around at the
moment – there is so much
of it – we wouldn't miss it!!!!

Frost devastation this last
week – irises, hyacinths,
chrysanthemums,
hellebores and daffodils are
all flowering so this is
particularly disheartening.

The point score was won by
Janene Nolan with a
stunning cyclamen, 2nd was
Cath Wright with an
in-season hellebore.

The raffle was won by Marie
Burraston.
Congratulations all.

Our next meeting is on
Monday 7th September
2026, at 1.30pm at the
home of Jane Sullivan and
Peter Carlin,

The address is 'Haydon
Hall' 66 Mayne Street,
Murrurundi, 2338.

Bring your chair, teacup, a
plate of yummys, a trading
table offering and a point
score flower which this
month will be 'Any Flower'.

See you all in your gardens,

Mary Benn, Secretary.
Murrurundi & District
Garden Club Inc

murra.gc@gmail.com

MURULLA RAIL ACCIDENT 13TH SEPTEMBER 1926

On the afternoon of 13th September 1926, the North West Mail train departed Moree bound for Newcastle. Just before midnight at Murulla, the North West Mail was struck by runaway wool-laden wagons which had broken away from Goods Train 62. The collision resulted in 27 deaths and around 38 injuries. This was the highest toll in a rail accident until Granville in 1977.

Members of the Murrurundi community have joined with Transport For NSW and Upper Hunter Shire Council to produce a Memorial to the Murulla Rail Accident.

The Commemoration of the Centenary of the Accident and Dedication of the Memorial will be Sunday 13th September 2026 from 2:30pm.

The Murulla Memorial is at Burning Mountain New England Hwy between Blandford & Wingen.

CENTENARY OF THE MURULLA RAIL ACCIDENT

DATE:

**Sunday 13th September
2026**

TIME:

2:30pm for 3:00pm

LOCATION:

**Murulla Memorial,
Burning Mountain,
New England Highway
(between Wingen &
Blandford)**

**New England Highway
(between Wingen &
Blandford)**

*Sculpture: Fran Wachtel
Stonework: Peter Morris*



MURRURUNDI TRANSPORT SERVICE with TransCare.

- CT 200 Murrurundi to
Tamworth: First & Third
Tuesday 8.45am- arrives in
Tamworth 10am, departs 2pm.
CT 400
- Murrurundi to Scone and
Muswellbrook: every Wednesday
9.30am, Thursday 8.20am.
*Bus arrives in Muswellbrook in
time to meet the Country Link
train from Muswellbrook to
Newcastle
on Thursdays.

Bookings are essential; please call
TransCare on (02) 6545 3113

Bookings are essential by 3pm the day
before, and fee is \$12 each way to
Tamworth, \$7 each way to Scone and
\$10 each way to Muswellbrook from
Murrurundi



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Museum News

Book in 26-27 of September for a number of reasons but mainly for the unveiling of the Murrulla railway accident movie by the Museum with the financial assistance of the Railway Historical Society and directed by Blandford moviemaker, Lesley Wand, husband of renowned artist Hanna Kay and the Pioneer Cottage movie of the Twins, Carmel and Gwen. The movies will be on at 10:30 and 12:30 both Saturday and Sunday and will be shown in God's Waiting Room alongside the museum. Sunday of course is market day – the first following the winter break. It is also the KOR weekend.

Enquiries ring Jenny or Des on 0418 647 176.

Mens Shed

Welcome back market day and the return of the Murrurundi Men shed stand with lots of goodies and some of its latest works. We are on a Monday and Thursday morning from 9-00 to 12-00 with cuppa at 10:00 each day. You can come down on both or either day, whichever suits. Look forward to having a chat at Sunday's markets . . . new members are welcome.

Ring Des on 0418 211 404. E: mcmsuhv@gmail.com

Murrurundi SES:

Murrurundi unit has had a few tree jobs this month with bad weather and high winds. The highest wind speed recorded at the gap 106 km. The swinging bridge crossing was shut for a couple days. Rain has been forecasted and with future falls of rain will bring the pages river up due to more runoff. So take care when crossing.

The Murrurundi unit also has been busy with training and maintenance on vehicles and building.

Any emergencies requiring SES Please call 132500 or 000 ask for SES.

PLEASE STAY SAFE: Joseph Ahern; Unit Commander M 0437 401 253

Gardening September 2026

Spring into Action! It's an exciting time to be in the garden and a busy time ahead. Frosts will be with us for a while yet. Plant all frost tender seedlings in trays and leave in a sunny space.

Fertilise absolutely every plant in your garden now with an organic fertiliser suitable for plant type.

Trim back Azaleas after flowering, Prune all winter flowering natives. Trim formal hedges and topiaries to ensure snick edges. Divide crowded waterlilies and replant into a fresh mix. Put a layer of pebbles on top to keep soil in the pot upon re-entry to the pond. Mulch established roses with aged compost and lucerne hay. Add a later of compost to veggie and flower beds. ENJOY SPRING!!

Veggies to plant in your patch now:

Artichokes (globe), Asian Greens, Asparagus crowns, Basil, Beans French, Beetroot, Broccoli, Cabbage, Capsicum/Chilli, Carrot, Celery, Coriander, Eggplant, Ginger, Kale, Lettuce, Onion,, Peas, Potato, Pumpkin, Radish, Rocket, Silverbeet, Snow pea, Spring, Onion, Sweet Corn, Tomato, Zucchini/ Squash

Flowers to plant in your patch now:

Amaranth, Bedding Begonia, Blue Lace Flower, Brachyscome daisy, Button Everlasting, Celosia, Cineraria, Cosmos, Delphinium, Dianthus, Everlasting Daisy, Gerbera, Globe Amaranth, Gypsophila, Kangaroo Paw, Linaria, Marigold, Mulla mulla, Native Bluebell, Phlox, Pink clusters everlasting, Polyanthus, Portulaca, Salvia, Snapdragon, Sunflowers, Virginia Stock & Zinnia.

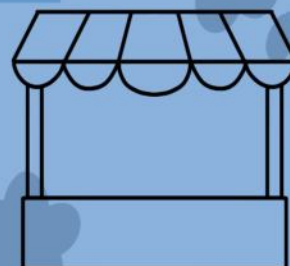
MINI MARKET

29 August

12th Sept.

26th Sept

10AM
1PM



Coogah Harvest Lincoln Farm Flowers
Vendors welcomed

27 - 31 Mayne St

MURRURUNDI

Small Motor Repairs Larry and Dinah Norton

"Did you know?"
"We CAN DO Mig Weld repairs?"

Quad Runner Repairs
Lawn Mowers
Ride On Mowers
Brushcutters
Chainsaws



8 Pages River Road, Murrurundi

Monday to Friday
Mobile: 0447 833 340

Ring Larry to book in!

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Halls Road, Murrurundi:

Monday 10am to 3pm
Friday 9am to 2pm

Saturday 10am to 4pm
Sunday 10am to 1pm
Closed public holidays

Council News

Mayors Column 24 August 2026

September is shaping up to be a busy month across the Upper Hunter, with several great initiatives bringing people together, supporting important conversations and creating opportunities for people in our community.

Council is proud to once again support Jared's 949 – "Every Step Mattas", which returns to Aberdeen for its third annual Nine for Nine Walk on Wednesday 9 September. The walk brings family, friends and the wider community together to raise awareness around mental health and suicide prevention, while raising funds for Lifeline.

The official walk begins at 10.00am at the Aberdeen Sport and Recreation Centre, with an earlier start from 7.00am for those wanting to take part before work. Participants can walk any distance up to nine kilometres, with no entry fee and donations of \$9 or more encouraged. This year Australian sporting legend Wally Lewis and his family will join the walk, alongside Jared's 949 ambassadors, Hunter Therapy Dogs and Next Step Mental Health.

Events like this are about more than the kilometres covered on the day. They create an opportunity to come together, check in with one another and keep conversations around mental health going. I encourage anyone who can to get involved, whether that means walking, donating or simply showing your support. There are several other Jared's 949 activities happening across the region throughout September, with further details available through their Facebook page.

September will see another Hunter Learner Night Drive held at Scone Memorial Airport. The program gives learner drivers practical experience in a safe and controlled environment, including interacting with police, breath testing, vehicle manoeuvring, roadcraft and understanding real-world situations they may encounter once they are driving independently. It is a great initiative for learners of any age and their supervising drivers, and places are limited. More information and booking details are available through the Events section of Council's website.

Another opportunity coming to Scone is the Stablehand Job Ready Program through the Team Thoroughbred NSW Training Academy. Beginning on Monday 7 September, this free three-week program is designed for people interested in taking their first step into a career in the racing industry. Participants will receive hands-on training with thoroughbred racehorses, learn daily stable operations and safe work practices, and connect with employers and industry professionals. No previous stable experience is required, and only ten places are available.

The thoroughbred industry is such an important part of the identity and economy of the Upper Hunter, so it is encouraging to see opportunities like this being delivered locally and creating



MURRURUNDI BOWLING CLUB

Thanks Bowlo Restaurant

Meat Raffles Every Friday from 5.30pm

AUDITORIUM HIRE
EVENTS, BIRTHDAYS, TEAM BUILDING,
WAKES AND WORKSHOPS

131 Mayne Street, Murrurundi

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

- Cold Beer
- Raffles
- Asian Cuisine
- Great atmosphere
- Members Loyalty

All at the Bowlo!

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Club: 02 6546 6252
Thanks Restaurant: 02 6546 6532

MORE CONTACT INFO:
murrurundibowlsclub@bigpond.com
Follow us on Facebook

pathways for the next generation of workers.

Whether it is supporting one another, helping young drivers build confidence or opening the door to a new career, these initiatives are a good reminder of what can be achieved when opportunities are created close to home.

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The Bengalla King of the Ranges returns to the Rosedale Equine Complex for its 22nd year on the 25 - 27th of September.

Murrurundi is expected to welcome around 5,000 visitors for the event, featuring a Stockman's Challenge, goat races, off-the-track Thoroughbred competition, working dog trial, rodeo, live music, dog high jump, whip crack clinic and competition, bush poetry, market stalls and so much more.

It's a fun and entertaining weekend where you can catch ups with mates and enjoy a huge range of impressive skills on display. Kids under 12 get free entry, and Friday attendance is free for all. Come along for an action-packed and social weekend right on your doorstep.

For tickets and program information visit kingoftheranges.com.au or find them on Facebook.



*Photo courtesy of Andrew Franks Action Photography;
King of the Ranges Wild Catch*

JOBS AT COUNCIL

Have you considered a career working for Council? We have quite a number of job vacancies for a range of positions.

Head to upperhunter.nsw.gov.au to find out more.

Read more news on our website!

Stay up to date with news, what's on and more at

upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

MURRURUNDI MEALS ON WHEELS: MORE THAN JUST A MEAL

ARE YOU STRUGGLING TO FEED YOURSELF A NUTRITIOUS MEAL? ARE YOU SICK OF COOKING FOR YOURSELF OR IN NEED OF A CHANGE OF DIET?

MURRURUNDI MEALS ON WHEELS CAN CATER TO YOUR NEEDS.

And importantly As Always....

Need support with meals for an aged or disabled loved one?

Need support with meals after a time in hospital?

Or would like support for yourself as a Carer? MEALS ARE COOKED BY

MURRURUNDI HOSPITAL KITCHEN STAFF who provide excellent

hot meals and delicious desserts.

Volunteers will deliver meals for lunch Monday to Fridays.

CONTACT Murrurundi Meals on Wheels service for support.

Gilliane 0431 664 934

Barbara 0419 844 306

*Example
of a roast
lamb meal
provided
by
Murrurundi
Meals on
Wheels*



Library Update

Murrurundi Library was a lucky recipient of funding for NSW National Science Week 2026, which was used to purchase LEGO for the library.

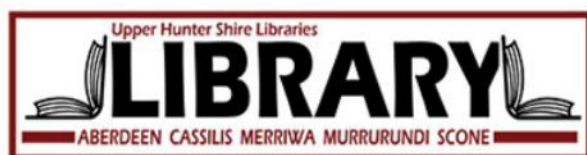
Based around the 2026 theme, "*Seeds of science: Nurturing knowledge for all*", the project encouraged children to explore sustainable structures and future-focused design through LEGO building activities. Children from Blandford Public School, KLM Family Daycare and Murrurundi Public School put their ideas into practice, creating their own LEGO builds as part of the program.

The LEGO purchased through the funding will remain at Murrurundi Library and will continue to be used for future library programming and school holiday activities, allowing many more local children and families to enjoy and learn with it.

This Inspiring Australia NSW initiative is supported by the Australian Government as part of National Science Week.

Murrurundi Library

- 47 Mayne St, Murrurundi
- 6540 1363



"Free Farmer Assist"

Hunting, trapping & native animal conservation

- Feral pest management
- Drone aerial & trail camera - pest & stock monitoring
- Thermal detection & hunting
- Wild dog, pig & fox trapping
- Self-sufficient site set up
- Multiple modes of transport including quad bike, side by side & Suzuki Sierra
- Stock & fence monitoring, reporting & repairs

We aim to further support your community by purchasing food, fuel & other goods & services available within the community.



If this is of interest, please call Patrick on 0484 777 164 or email pat0073@hotmail.com
Michael on 0403 829 185 or email slats67@icloud.com

Murrurundi Walking Group Inviting you to join us

Meet at front entrance to Wilson Memorial Oval

Every Thursday @ 9.30am during winter

Contact Dale for more details
on 0427 845 734



MURRURUNDI CWA CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Tickets now on sale for CWA Murrurundi
100 year Celebration Lunch

18th September Murrurundi Bowling
Club 12pm. \$35 per person.

To purchase tickets Contact: Sandy on
0414 563 112 or

Email:

secretarymurrurundicwa@outlook.com

Bookings essential for catering

THE ROAR: LIONS CLUB OF MURRURUNDI INC

Your local Lions Club has been busy this month BBQing and gardening

We have been doing some tidying up the Memorial Rose Garden with some very appreciated assistance from the Murrurundi Garden Club - a big thank you! And we were BBQing at a clearance sale in Blandford and at Pearlbrook to commemorate the Long Tan battle.

Thank to you everyone who supported us.

Future events include:

- Saturday nights - Raffle at the Railway Hotel. There are 6 prizes to be won - \$20 vouchers to be spent at the Railway Pub. We start selling tickets at 6pm and draw the prizes at 7pm.

King of the Ranges - the Lions will be on the entry gates so see you there. Please reach out if you have any events that you

think we may be able to assist you with.

If you would like to (or even just thinking about) join the Murrurundi Lions please contact us as we would love to have a chat.

We would also love to hear from anyone who may not necessarily have the time to commit and join the club but maybe willing to assist us when we are doing events.

Thank you all again for your continual support as we couldn't assist our community without it.

Lions Club Contacts:

President - Leonie Cantrell
0411 352 592

PO Box 54 Murrurundi 2338
E:

murrurundi@lions201n1.au

FB:

[Murrurundi Lions Club](#) | [Murrurundi NSW](#)

MURRURUNDI CWA: NOT JUST SCONES, JAM AND

IT'S a FACT.....

MURRURUNDI CWA IS 100 YEARS OLD

Murrurundi CWA was formed in 1926....

WE will be celebrating a significant milestone of 100 years of service in the community with an Anniversary luncheon at Murrurundi Bowling Club on Friday 18 September 2026. The CWA Hall will be decorated and open for the day on Saturday 19 September 2026 with historical displays, slideshow depicting events and members past and present.

WHATS HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER

NEXT CWA MEETING:

Tuesday 8 September 2026 from 9.30am..... All members Welcome

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT CWA HALL

MONDAYS 10am-4pm
Sewing & Craft Circle \$5
Contact Sandy 0414 563 112
Bring along a project, get some valuable sewing advice or just join a friendly social group.

BOOKINGS & HIRE OF HALL

Airconditioned comfort with a fully functional kitchen and toilet.

Hire of chairs, tables, crockery, cutlery and urns.

Contact Sandy 0414 563 112
The CWA premises is a hub for **SMALL BUSINESSES**

Sandra - Pages on Pages
Bookshop OPEN Saturdays

ROOM FOR RENT - Contact President Sandy Harrison
0414 563 112

FIND YOUR PLACE at Murrurundi CWA

Where you can Fundraise to help support various causes...

Learn something new and

Connect with other women.

NOT JUST SCONES JAM AND CREAM

CONTACT

President Sandy 0414 563 112

Secretary Jenny 0488 283 991

Email: secretarymurrurundicwa@outlook.com

Address: 109 Mayne St

Murrurundi 2338

fb: CWA Murrurundi

Country Women's Association



Moments in history

CHURCH NOTICES

St. Joseph's Catholic Parish

Saturday evening Vigil Mass 5pm:

All are welcome to attend

**Father Graham Fullick
6545 9911**

or
E: scone.parish@mn.catholic.org.au

Anglican Church Murrurundi

OFFERING PRAYER CARE AND HOSPITALITY TO ALL

You are most WELCOME to join us on Sundays at 9.30am at St Paul's Church, Murrurundi.

Clergy of the Upper Hunter Minster:

Reverend Angela Peverell

Reverend Sharon Murphy

Reverend Amanda Wharton

Please contact the

UPPER HUNTER MINSTER OFFICE:

02 6541 2718 | 0400 076 515

officemanager@anglicanmuswellbrook.org

St Paul's Anglican Church
33 Mount Street, Murrurundi



NDIS Connection Day



Come along and have your NDIS-related questions answered by a representative of the NDIS. No booking required.

- Learn more about the NDIS and how to apply.
- Understand the available options if you don't meet the NDIS eligibility criteria.
- Discover how to use your NDIS plan to its full potential.
- Chat with an industry expert about any of your NDIS or disability-related questions.

Additional information: If you have any accessibility requirements please let us know prior to attending. Please note - we need a minimum of two (2) business days' notice to book Auslan interpreters. Please email your request to customercare@ndis.gov.au or call us on 1300 453 303

**Time and Place: Murrurundi Youth Venue
10am-2pm**

**August 26
25/8/26**

**September 26
22/9/26**

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Delivering the NDIS in your community

Murrurundi Visitor Information Centre

113 Mayne Street

Open 7 Days: Monday to Friday from 10.00am to 2.00pm

Saturday and Sunday from 10.00am to 2.00pm



Locality brochures, maps, drinks and lemon butter are available. Murra County products, local artwork, tea towels, fridge magnets, KOR hats, shirts, coffee keep cups, CD's, DVD's, local honey, cakes, tea cosies, baby knitwear, and Wickedweedwitch Natural Herbal Remedies, Bibs & Burps by Julieann, Betsies Steel cutouts are available to purchase.

If you have upcoming events in our area could you please notify the VIC so we know what's on in our town. We are here to advertise your event.

Home made cookies and fruit cakes are available

Come on up!



The Links 2026

The deadline for **October 2026** issue of **"The Links"** will be **18th September 2026**.

Please drop your contribution into the Community Connect Services (CCS) 113 Mayne St Murrurundi or email to murrurundictc@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au
T: 02 6540 1336



Services Australia

Services Australia Agent Facilities are available at the Murrurundi Community Connect Services (CCS).

Agency hours: Monday to Friday between 10.00am to 2.00pm

Call in to the Murrurundi Services Australia Agency to register online
113 Mayne Street Murrurundi
Phone: **02 6540 1336**

Murrurundi Golf Club

The Murrurundi Golf Club offers a nine hole course with sand greens. It is there for your use. Learners and other players are welcome. Outside of program times the community may use the course by way of a \$5 green fee, to be placed in the money box on the first tee.



September 2026

Sat 5: Rick Cooper Trophy-Par Monthly Medal

Sat 12: Boozer & Snuffy 2 Person Ambrose

Sun 13: Paterson Open

Sat 19: Ako & Goody Bash

Sat 26: One Agency Scone trophy

Sun 27: Stroud Open

Clubhouse T: 6546 6038

Secretary T: 6546 6525



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PO Box 90,
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New South Wales



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Delivery Week Commencing

31/08/2026

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TO THE HOUSEHOLDER