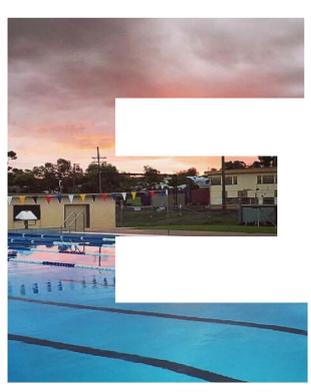


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FROM THE MAYOR

Autumn, my favourite season! Hopefully Autumn 2020 will be an opportunity for Australia to rebuild after our disastrous bush fire season.



I'm heartened, as always, by the capacity of humankind to give in times of need. This has certainly been evident in the way the world, including our Shire residents, have stepped up to assist in so many ways. A heartfelt thank you to all our residents who have done their bit to help.

Australia Day was another rousing success with a terrific attendance, an outstanding number and quality of nominees for the various awards and another fun filled day at our outstanding Recreation and Aquatic Centre. We are so fortunate to have this facility in our town.

Coming up in the next few months we have the following:

YOUTH WEEK in early April with the theme of *"Speak up. Be involved. Get connected. Have fun"*. The Junee Youth Council are presently working on a program of events for this special week so keep your eyes peeled for details.



VOLUNTEERS WEEK in mid May themed *"Changing Communities. Changing Lives"*. As well as celebrating and highlighting the value of volunteers in our communities, it's a timely reminder to suggest everyone consider becoming a volunteer. What a great way to meet new people, get out of the house, expose your mind to new ideas and at the same time, do something for others. Without volunteers, our communities would grind to a halt.



Lastly, I would like to mention that 2020 is an election year for your local council. In early September 2020 residents will be electing a new nine member council to manage Junee Shire for the coming four years. I'd like to encourage people to consider running for council. It's a great opportunity for personal development and exposure to broader ideas and concepts. If you would like to know more, tap one of your local councillors on the shoulder - I'm sure they will be happy to elaborate on what's involved.



Thanks for your time, I hope you enjoy our informative Autumn newsletter.



Mayor, Cr Neil Smith

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VILLAGE FEATURE: EURONGILLY

History runs deep in our Shire villages and localities. For Eurongilly the war made a significant and everlasting impact.

EURONGILLY WAR HISTORY: Accepting the call to arms request that occurred during the history of Australia, a total of 34 locals served during World War II, which equates to approximately 10% of the total locality population. Another four of the Eurongilly population served during the Vietnam War. The 'village' proudly pays tribute to these brave people on the commemorative gate posts of the RJ Cooper D.F.C park.

To assist in preserving this history a successful funding request was made to the *NSW Community War Memorials Fund*. This funding will go towards cleaning and restoring the plaques, restoring the pillars and powder coating the gates at the Memorial.



Pictured at the Memorial (Left to Right): Elissa Drew, Junee Shire Council Assistant Asset Engineer, Braiden Philipse, Fiona Rankin, Member for Cootamundra, Steph Cooke MP, Junee Shire Council General Manager, James Davis, Bruce MacLeod and Junee Shire Mayor, Cr Neil Smith.

REC CENTRE UPDATE

Another busy summer at Junee Junction Recreation and Aquatic Centre (JJRAC) with memberships hitting an all time high peaking at 803 and attendance rates consistently high all summer.

Seven schools chose to host their annual swimming carnivals here at JJRAC keeping the aquatic centre buzzing.

Swim Club and Basketball are both back in action after a short break over the Christmas period. Junee Swimming Club hold their club nights every Wednesday night; Junee Basketball Association are running their open competition Monday nights and juniors Tuesday nights.

We will once again be running the very popular Armd Riverina Ladies Violence Management and Self Defence Program on Thursday, 2 April from 6:00pm to 8:30pm.

For more information please contact the Junee Recreation and Aquatic Centre.



"I AM STRONGER THAN FEAR"

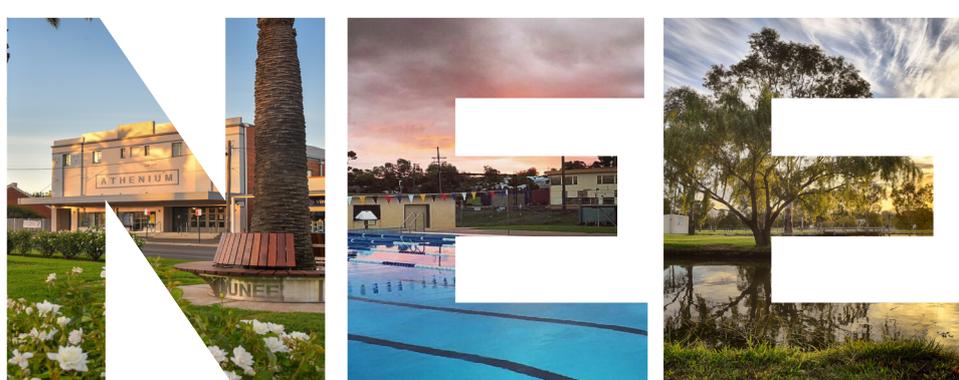
"FIGHT LIKE A GIRL"

VIOLENCE MANAGEMENT & SELF-DEFENCE PROGRAM

THURS, 2 APRIL | 6PM - 8:30PM | REC CENTRE | \$25P/P
 WOMEN ONLY AGES 16+ (parental consent for under 18)
 Bookings: contact the Rec Centre on 6924 4680
 NB: Confronting language will be used during workshop



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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT! COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Community Transport is a quality, flexible, door to door not-for-profit community service that enables frail older people, people with disabilities, carers and other members of our community who are transport disadvantaged to maintain their independence by taking them to medical appointments (locally or out of town), to visit family/friends, to social activities, or shopping.



From 1 July 2019 to 31 December 2019 the nine wonderful Community Transport volunteer drivers

provided 2,934 trips to our customers, travelled 70,286 kms and provided a total 2,310 hours of unpaid work taking the people living within the Junee Shire Council area to their appointments in Wagga, Canberra, Albury/Wodonga, Cootamundra, Coolamon, as well as locally.

A Community Transport customer survey sent out in December 2019 clearly shows how valuable the service is to the people of Junee and how much the drivers efforts are appreciated.

Some of the survey comments include:

- *"The service and drivers have gone above and beyond to help us"*
- *"It gives me independence, and the freedom to live in my own home."*
- *"It means the world to us. It's practically our support when we need it. Keep it up"*
- *"Community Transport is an invaluable and very reliable service to our community"*
- *"It takes the stress out of going to appointments out of town"*
- *"A great service to both the people who use it and those that care for them"*
- *"Wheelchair service is essential to Junee Community"*

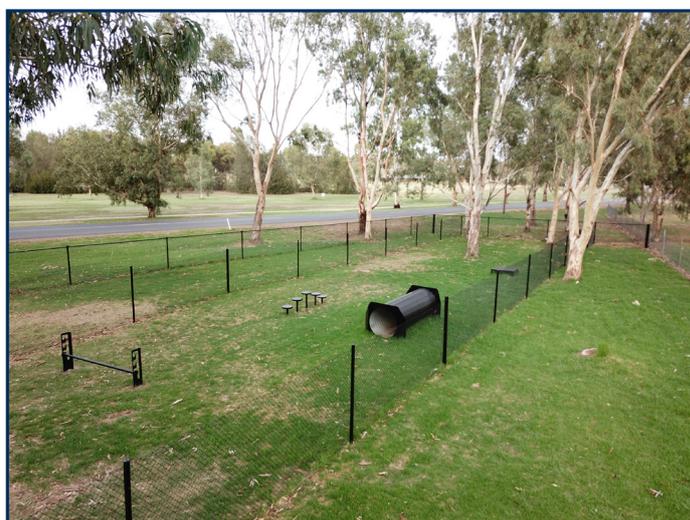
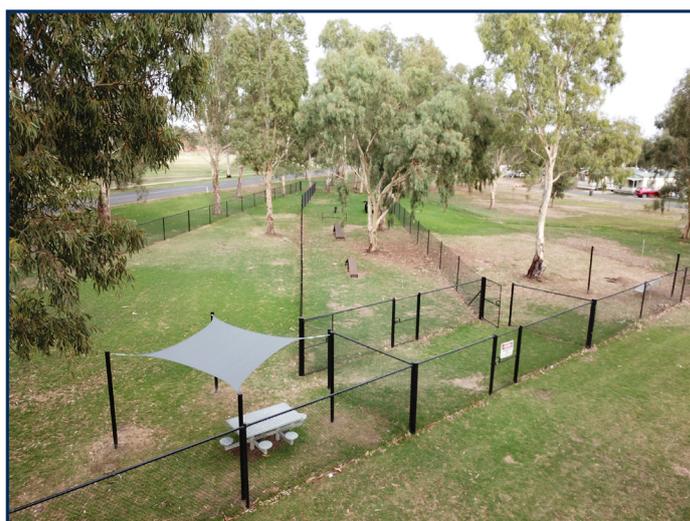


JUNEE "OFF LEASH" DOG AGILITY PARK

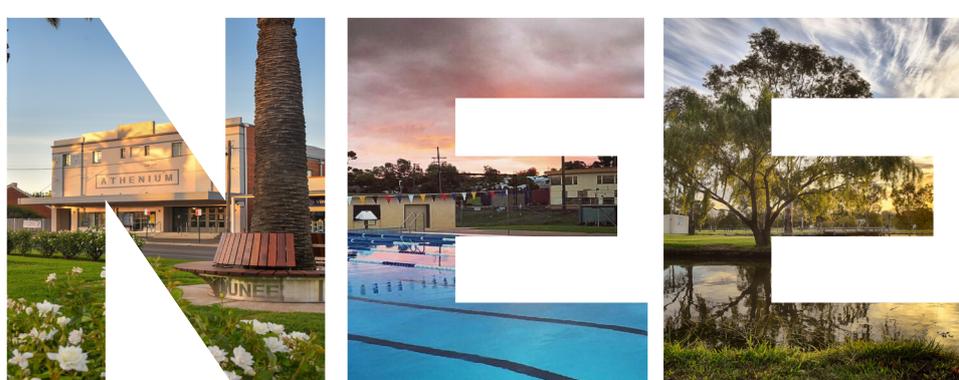
Set to open late March 2020 is a fantastic new off leash dog agility park located next to the Junee Tourist Park along Park Lane.

The park was made possible due to the valued contribution of the GEO Group who constructed the facility for the enjoyment of people with their companion animals.

Keep a watch on Junee Shire Council's Facebook page for further information about official opening dates.



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SHARED PATHWAY

Junee benefits from an extensive shared path network. The network provides a safe environment for shared bike and pedestrian movement around the central part of the town. The paths are a quality wide concrete surface and kept as far away from road traffic as possible. They link residential and business areas with Junee's equally impressive collection of parks and open spaces.

Shared paths are provided for the use of both bicycle riders and pedestrians (including riders of wheeled devices such as wheelchairs and mobility scooters). There are some rules to follow and behaviours that will allow bicycle riders and pedestrians to stay safe and share the path.

BICYCLE RIDERS

When riding on a shared path, the road rules require bicycle riders to:

- Keep to the left (unless it is impractical to do so)
- Give way to pedestrians including wheeled recreational devices/toys. You should always slow down, stopping if necessary to avoid a collision
- Keep to the left of any oncoming bicycle rider.

You can also make paths safer for everyone by:

- Providing pedestrians with a metre of space when passing
- Using your bell to warn others when you are approaching
- If there is room, moving off the path to the left if you wish to stop riding
- Being careful around young children and dogs, as they are often unpredictable in their movements and older pedestrians who may be more vulnerable
- Travelling at a safe speed so you can stop within a safe distance of pedestrians on the path.

PEDESTRIANS

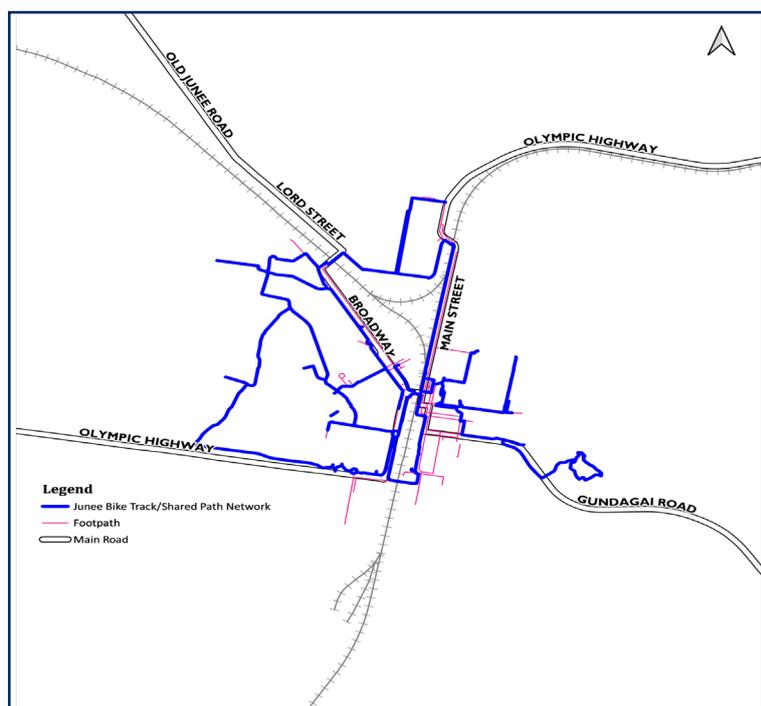
When walking on a shared path, to share the path safely, it is recommended that pedestrians:

- Keep to the left
- If there is room, move off to the path to the left if you wish to stop walking
- Keep animals on short leads and under control
- Be aware of bicycle riders sharing the path - to improve your safety we recommend riders use their bell to let you know they are approaching from the behind. We also recommend you focus on the path ahead when approaching corners.

WHEELED DEVICES

A person using a wheeled recreational device or wheeled toy on a shared path is required to:

- Keep to the left (unless it is impractical to do so)
- Give way to all other pedestrians. You should always slow down, stopping if necessary to avoid a collision.



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PROJECT UPDATES

LAURIE DALEY OVAL AMENITIES

The amenities building is now complete including a ramp to accommodate for disability access.



JUNEE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

Construction of new Junee Sewage Treatment Plant is in the commissioning phase.

WATERWORKS ROAD

Council have been engaged to complete work on a multi-lot residential subdivision on Waterworks Road. This project includes construction of a new road, sewer mains and stormwater drainage system.



JUNEE SEWER PIPE DUPLICATION

The sewer mains project for the Junee Correctional Centre is underway and expected to be completed early March 2020.

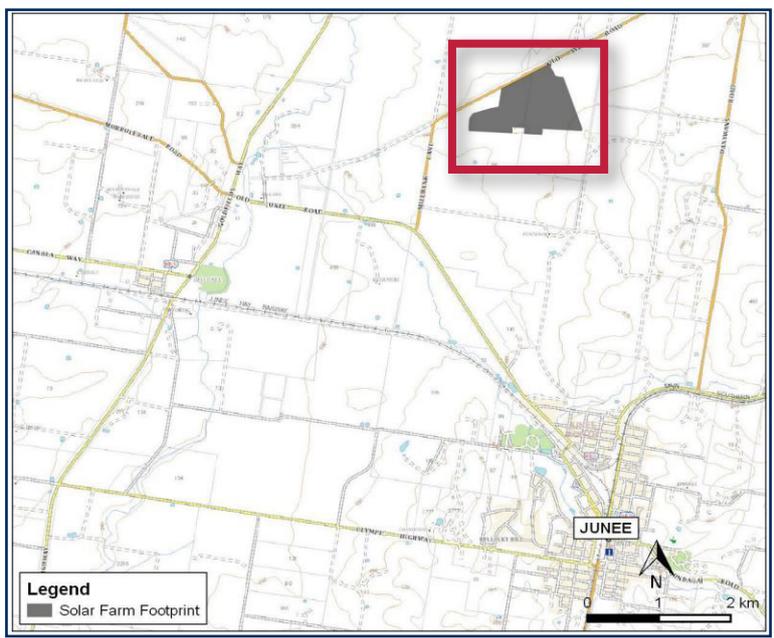
JUNEE SOLAR FARM ABOUT TO SHINE

The much anticipated Junee Solar Farm located north east of town on Old Sydney Road is about to begin the first stages of construction.

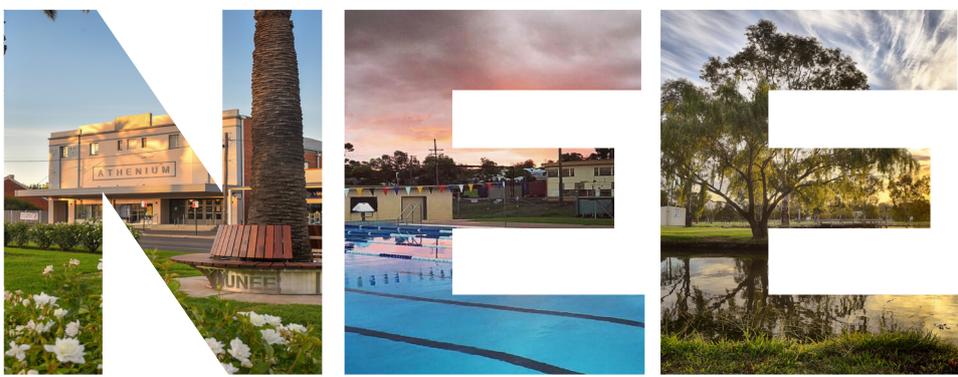
A new 30 megawatt Solar Farm covering approximately 80ha of farmland with over 96,000 individual solar units is about to get under way. A Construction Certificate received approval from Council this month, signalling the final OK to begin construction.

The first initial stages of construction will involve a new access drive being installed off Old Sydney Road and the installation of temporary construction site buildings onsite. The actual installation of the solar panels and associated infrastructure will begin once site setup is complete.

During the 12 month construction phase of the development, it is expected that there will be an increase in the number of heavy vehicles and construction equipment travelling on the Old Junee Road. It is also expected that an increased number of delivery trucks using the Olympic Highway will use the heavy vehicle by-pass near the North Junee Public School, as a route to the site.



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AUSTRALIA DAY FUN!



Junee Shire Mayor, Cr Neil Smith, participates in the Jail Break Fun Run.

Councillor Novelty Challenge Antics:



Left to Right: Deputy Mayor, Cr Matt Austin, Australia Day Ambassador Valerie Parv AM, Mayor, Cr Neil Smith and Aunty Gail Manderson



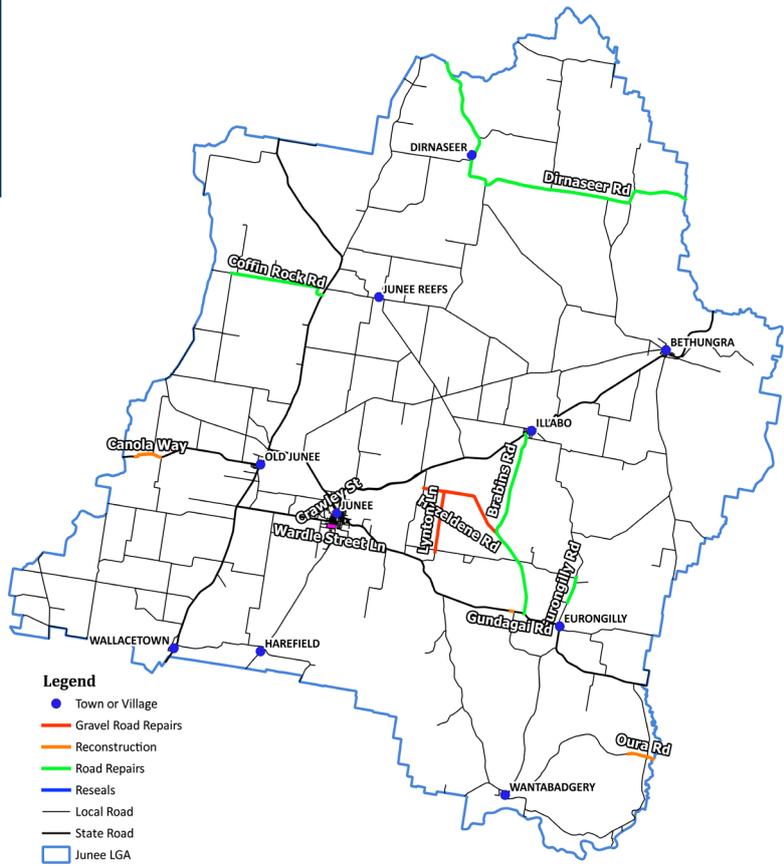
Cr Pam Halliburton presents colouring-in competition winner (and Junior Sportsperson winner), Ellouise Drew with her giant freckle prize.



Deputy Mayor, Cr Matt Austin and Cr Robin Asmus prepare themselves for the Australia Day Novelty Challenge.



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