

Welcome to the Coonamble Shire Community Newsletter



Dear Coonamble Shire Residents,

Welcome to Edition 2 of the Coonamble Shire Community Newsletter! Our team at Coonamble Shire Council is excited to re-launch this quarterly printed newsletter, designed to keep you informed, engaged, and connected with the latest updates, events, and initiatives happening across our vibrant community.

This newsletter will be included with your quarterly rate notice mailout and will also be available on the Council's website for easy access. Our goal is to provide you with timely, relevant, and interesting information about local projects, services, and opportunities that matter to you. From community events and infrastructure updates to important announcements and ways to get involved, we aim to make this newsletter a valuable resource for every resident.

We are committed to fostering a strong, inclusive, and thriving community, and we hope this newsletter serves

as a platform to celebrate achievements, and keep you in the loop about what's happening in Coonamble Shire.

We look forward to bringing you regular updates and working together to make our community an even better place to live, work, and grow.

It is a great pleasure to live in a community where community members give freely of their own time and skills to enable us to have quality events. Coonamble Shire is renowned for having more events per year than any of our surrounding centres.

Thank you once again to all those members of the community and service clubs involved in the recent events.

Daniel Keady
Mayor, Coonamble Shire Council

Christmas Hampers - Participation Opportunity

Coonamble Visitors Information and Exhibition Centre is asking for Expressions of Interest from local small businesses and residents with creative ideas across the Coonamble Shire to participate in the Annual 'Taste of Coonamble' Christmas Hamper.

These hampers are the perfect gift for out-of-town family and friends, visitors, or a special treat for yourself! They show-case a delightful selection of Coonamble Shire's finest products, including items like candles, relishes, handmade key rings, and more.

The hampers will be available for purchase at the Centre and can also be pre-ordered.

To be a part of this year's hamper or if you have any questions, please contact the Centre on (02) 6827 1923 or email vic@coonambleshire.nsw.gov.au

Expressions of interest to participate in this opportunity close 5pm Friday 7 November.



'Taste of Coonamble' Christmas Hamper 2024

Be Water Wise this Summer!

As temperatures rise, Coonamble Shire Council urges residents to embrace waterwise habits to conserve our precious water resources and avoid potential restrictions this summer.

By working together, we can ensure our community thrives through the warmer months.

To use water sensibly, please:

- **Water smart:** Restrict watering gardens and lawns to between 7:00 PM and 7:00 AM to reduce evaporation
- **Fix leaks fast:** Regularly check taps, pipes, and irrigation systems for leaks and repair them promptly.

- **Wash wisely:** Clean vehicles on the lawn rather than the road or driveway to keep water use efficient.
- **Run Full Loads:** Only use washing machines and dishwashers with full loads to maximize water efficiency.
- **Use a Broom, Not a Hose:** Sweep driveways, paths, or patios instead of hosing them down to save liters of water.

By adopting these simple practices, we can all help conserve water and keep Coonamble Shire sustainable and water efficient.

Lets work together to make every drop count! Small actions add up to make a big difference.



Tooraweenah Road

The tender for Tooraweenah Road has been called. The manatory site visit has been completed and complying tenderers have until Friday 7 November 2025 to complete their submissions.

UPCOMING ORDINARY MEETING DATES OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL:

12 November 2025, 9:00am in Coonamble at Council Chamber Admin Building
10 December 2025, 9:00am in Coonamble at Council Chamber Admin Building

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

Water & Sewerage 0428 217 420
Other Emergencies 0458 271 881
Regulatory Officer 0427 255 881

Visitors Centre



'School bus' Sculpture by Brian Campbell at the Coonamble Visitors Information and Exhibition Centre

Remind family and friends visiting over the Christmas period the excellent opportunity, to come in and visit The Coonamble Visitors Information and Exhibition Centre.

The Coonamble Visitors Information and Exhibition Centre is a little part of Coonamble that is able to tell big stories. A highlight of this centre is the 'School Bus' Sculpture by Brian Campbell.

Brain Campbell is a local artist that has always had a love for the Outback and has a big interest in preserving and illustrating the history of the bush, which is reflected in his work.

'School Bus' gives a nod to days gone by and memories of growing up in rural Australia. Many visitors are amazed by this culture with its detail as well as the story that goes along with it.

Along with the school bus there is also the The Coonamble District War Memorial Exhibition, honouring our veterans. This display of memorabilia - medals, photographs and personal items - celebrates the courage, sacrifice, and enduring legacy, as well as offers a glimpse into the lives of brave individuals from our close-knit rural community who served.

The centre also has a selection of merchandise, some of which is made by local talent here in the Coonamble Shire.

Australia Day

Nominations will be opening soon for Australia Day Awards 2026, recognising outstanding effort and achievement of 2025.

Now is the time to start thinking if there is a person or organisation in Coonamble who stands out for their contributions to the community or their achievement in sport during 2025.

Nomination categories include:

- Young Citizen of the Year (under 26 years on 26 January 2026)
- Community Group of the Year
- Community Event of the Year
- Sportsperson of the Year (over 18 on 26 January 2026)
- Junior Sportsperson of the Year (aged under 18 years on 26 January)

New Section in Coonamble Lawn Cemetery

The design for the new section in the Coonamble lawn cemetery is near completion.

Construction will commence as demand requires.

Harvest Road Safety

With harvest kicking into gear, there is an increase in oversized loads, trucks and agricultural equipment, including headers and tractors

During this busy period please be vigilant when driving, slow down, give way, and be cautious around these vehicles, especially on narrow roads or when approaching bends.

Together we can keep our roads safe for everyone. Have a safe and happy harvest!



Yarran Street

Request for Tenders are being prepared for the finalisation of the road and kerb & gutter, Stage 2 water and sewer and electrical and NBN works on the Yarran Street subdivision. This follows Council's receipt of the approvals for Electrical Design and NBN Design. It is hoped that the successful tenderer for the road and kerb & gutter works will be determined at the December Council Meeting to enable commencement of construction early in the new year

Core and Cluster

The development application for the Core and Cluster project was approved by Council at the extraordinary meeting held on 17 October 2025. The development will consist of a core building that includes the main entry, reception, office, consulting rooms, storerooms, accessible toilet, multi-purpose room, communal kitchen, communal living

areas, staff accommodation and crisis room. The cluster will be made up of 6 accommodation units for temporary stays for people experiencing domestic violence. The facility will be fitted with CCTV, screening devices, alarms and panic buttons.

Youth Accommodation

Construction has officially started on the Youth Accommodation in Gulargambone and Coonamble. Construction is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year.



WHAT'S ON

11 Nov, Remembrance Day
13 Dec, Christmas Markets
26 Jan, Australia Day



Keep up to date with events!

Are you hosting an event in 2026?

Contact council to add to the 2026 Events Calendar

Email: vic@coonambleshire.nsw.gov.au with your event and date