



Every Monday and Wednesday

Aqua Aerobics at Temora Recreation Centre Pool



6pm-7pm
Temora Recreation Centre Pool
 All levels of fitness welcome.
 Members \$7, Concession \$5,
 Non members \$10.
 0427 898 278 for enquiries.

2021 Street Stall Fundraising

We are now seeking applicants for fundraising street stalls in 2021. Your organisation could raise funds using Council's street van to sell cakes, treats and other goodies. If you would like to secure a date to use the street stall van please contact Sally Hurst at Council on 6980 1100.



Pinnacle Community Services wishes to advise its clients that the Community Transport Services will be closed over the Christmas and New Year break.

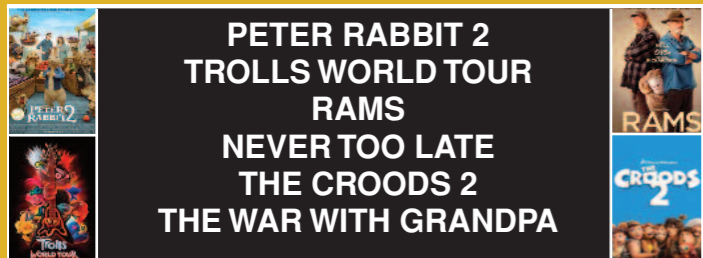
TEMORA TOWN BUS SERVICE
 Last day of Service: Thur 24 December 20, Reopening Mon 4 January 21.
VOLUNTEER CAR SERVICE
 Last Day of Service: Fri 18 December 20, Reopening Mon 4 January 21.
WAGGA BUS SERVICE
 Last Day of Service: Wed 9 December 20, Reopening Wed 6 January 21.

Further details regarding accessing the service and eligibility can be gained by contacting the Transport Coordinator 6977 1326 or calling My Aged Care 1800 200 422 and organising an Assessment.



COMING IN JANUARY 2021

Ph: 6980 1177 to confirm movie times and dates



Cnr Loftus & DeBoos Streets, Temora
 Phone: 6980 1177

NOTE: Due to COVID-19 programme subject to change
 Tickets can be purchased online at www.townhalltheatre.co.au

11 Have a Very Local Christmas Late Night Shopping

3.30pm
Hoskins Street
 Support local businesses and enjoy a family evening out. Christmas photos at Diamonds and Dust (old gym building).

12 & 24 Carols on the Airways

7pm
On your local radio station
 In the absence of Carols by Candlelight this year, enjoy Carols on the Airways by tuning into TEM FM - 102.5FM.

Youth Opportunities these holidays

THE Temora Youth Teams have a cracking schedule planned for school holiday activities and they're all free!
 Held at Platform Y at Temora Railway Station, these workshops allow young people aged between 8 and 25 to enjoy fun and educational experiences.
 "We try to plan a program that covers a range of interests," said Youth Program Coordinator, Melissa Carter.

"Our workshops all cater for natural curiosity, building of life-skills, and social interaction.
 "We have a few favourite workshops making an appearance again these holidays, and a couple of new ones that will be lots of fun," she said.
 Workshops are being held right through December and January, listed below.

Food Science Workshop | Tuesday 29th December 2020 | 2pm – 3.30pm | Platform Y

Explore the magic of science through experiments using food products. You will be engaged with exciting food trials that will satisfy any curious young mind.

Barista Course | Tuesday 5th January 2021 | 10.30am – 1.30pm | Platform Y

This free course has limited spots, so get in quick. Learn how to make a variety of coffee styles in this accredited course that will look great on your resume. *** Fully Booked***

Dance Off Workshop | Monday January 11th 2021 | 2pm – 4pm | Platform Y

Love to dance? This workshop will have your feet moving and your heartrate going as you compete with others to be the dance champion.

Wizard Whisk Workshop | Wed 13th & Mon 18th Jan 2021 | 2pm – 4pm | Platform Y

Back by popular demand, this workshop is just like a Masterchef mystery box challenge. Work in teams to create a dish to impress the judges (and enjoy eating what you make too).

Gaming Tournament | Fri 15th & Fri 22nd Jan 2021 | 2pm – 4pm | Platform Y

This workshop has proven popular since its beginnings last Christmas holidays. Go up against others in a round robin tournament playing two very popular games.

Bookings must be made for each workshop to ensure all Covid restrictions can be followed safely. Workshops have a limited capacity.

To book in for any of these workshops, or for enquiries, please call Melissa Carter on 0418 357 230.



Have a Very Local Christmas

NOW more than ever, we need to support local businesses, and you can do that by attending TBEG's Have a Very Local Christmas Late Night Shopping event.

"The Committee at TBEG knew we couldn't see Christmas come without our usual late night shopping event," said TBEG spokesperson, Jess Stewart.
 "Community members are invited to take advantage of the later hours of our regular stores, added street stalls and food vendors, and grab some family Christmas photos with Anne Cooper Photography."
 Whilst no entertainment is provided this year due to Covid restrictions, the event still promises to be an enjoyable evening out for local families.

Potential market stall holders are invited to sell their wares by contacting Dorothy Anderson on 0408 632 601. Hosting a market stall is just \$20 per stall and an application form must be filled out with an attached insurance details. Stallholders will be given allocated positions to ensure social distancing measures are in place.

Temora's newest shopping experience, Diamonds and Dust, is now open at 266 Hoskins Street (the old gym) and will be the location for family Christmas photos captured by Anne Cooper Photography.

"Our annual Spotto Competition will be back up and running so keep an eye on the TBEG Facebook page for collection and drop off points," said Ms Stewart.

"Businesses are encouraged to dress up their shop windows for the best-dressed window competition. We will also be holding a Lucky Shopper Competition where shoppers who spend \$30 or more in a participating shop or stall can enter to win a Temora Gift Card."

What: Have a Very Local Christmas Late Night Shopping Event
When: Friday 11th December, 2020
Time: 3.30pm – 8pm

To hold a stall please contact Dorothy Anderson on 0408 632 601

MAYORAL CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2020

WHAT a year 2020 has been. Despite the many challenges, we have continued to show that our community is strong, resilient, healthy and united.

Our Council, together with our shire community, has achieved a great deal during the year and I invite you to pause and reflect on these many accomplishments.

The Councillors, the General Manager, our Directors, Managers, and staff of Temora Shire Council have again dedicated ourselves to your service, and we are proud to do so.

We welcome our new residents that have chosen to make Temora Shire their home. Temora Shire is a truly wonderful place to live and I remind us all – we will get out of Temora Shire what we put into it.

We are thinking of our farmers and graziers at this time of the year. We hope the breaking of the drought has been kind to you and that your yields are fruitful and prosperous. It certainly has been a rough couple of years for our agricultural community, but in a year that we need our spirits lifted more than ever, let's pray that the rain has come at the perfect time.

The Federal Government's Drought Communities Program has seen a number of projects get off the ground this year, including the work at our treasured Temora Showground, several upgrades to sporting clubs, community groups, and a number of projects on council assets promoting sustainability and progress.

The program has improved economic activity in Temora Shire through the purchase of supplies and goods from local businesses, including hardware, gardening and landscaping, building materials, paint, concrete, fencing materials, furniture, electrical goods and carpet. The project has provided additional income for local builders, painters, electricians, plumbers and farmers. For all of this, we are most grateful, particularly to our Federal Member for Riverina, Michael McCormack for his ongoing support.

We must also take a moment to acknowledge our business community who have been hard hit by this year's events. These businesses ensure our lives are much more comfortable by their presence and we continue to urge the community

to support local businesses where they can. Local businesses provide employment opportunities and continue to support local sporting and community groups where they are able. Let's continue to return that love and support.

We're extremely grateful to the NSW Government's Stronger Country Communities Fund which has meant we were able to upgrade the Nixon Park Sporting Complex, Temora Rec Centre amenities, Aria Park rec ground and amenities, Aria Park main street beautification, Gloucester Park playground and install the much anticipated waterslide, amongst other things. Temora Shire will continue to reap the benefits from this, and other funding, into 2021. We thank Member for Cootamundra, Ms Steph Cooke, for her solid support.

I feel most humbled by the honour of being your Mayor, and I continue to remind myself how blessed I am to carry out the role and the many 'perks' that come with the job. I thoroughly enjoy my interactions with our shire community members.

This year has made it difficult to come together to celebrate our students, our residents in aged care, and indeed our wider shire community but, as always, each and every one is at the forefront of my thoughts and prayers. I certainly have become much more acquainted with online meeting tools this year, and continue to use the telephone regularly to keep in touch with friends far and wide.

Even though we are continuing to act responsibly within government guidelines for social distancing rules, we must remember to always put our best foot forward as community members. We are, after all, the friendly shire and helping our family, friends, neighbours – and even those we may not know yet, is what makes us a special community. If we continue to show respect for one another, regardless of our personal faith and beliefs, then we continue to honour what is great about our shire.

I take a moment to pause and reflect on those we've lost from our shire this year. It certainly has been a tough one and we think of those families who have had to say goodbye to their loved ones. May those individuals remain in our

thoughts, and those who have passed never be forgotten.

I would also like to encourage us all to reflect on the wonderful volunteers in our community, for without them much of what we enjoy about our town and villages would not be possible. To each and every one who gives of their time freely to help strengthen our Shire community, Council says "thank you".

On behalf of us all, I thank all of our Council staff for their service over the past 12 months. After all, what sort of a shire would we have if no-one took care of our road network, looked after our parks and gardens, took our rubbish away, maintained our buildings and other infrastructure? Whatever work they do, our staff are crucial to the effective operation of Temora Shire Council – and our entire shire community. To our General Manager, our Directors and all our staff, please know your efforts are appreciated.

This year as we celebrate Christmas, may we remember the true spirit of the season. It is not just a holiday, but a time to reflect on our faith and enjoy time with our precious families and loved ones. It is also a time to think of our many blessings and be thankful.

We have been incredibly fortunate to have not been faced with the trials Covid has presented to our more populated areas and we are grateful to our community for remaining vigilant in keeping our citizens safe. Let us also cherish those we love and respect, we must never, ever take them for granted.

In conclusion, and on behalf of my family (Bruce, Beth and Jaime), our Deputy Mayor (Cr Graham Sinclair), my fellow Councillors and all our dedicated staff – I wish you a very Merry Christmas.

I do wish for each and every one of you the many blessings of Christmas and the new year. May your days be filled with fun, love and hope.

Let us always remember just how blessed we are to live in the most wonderful shire in Australia.

Cr Rick Firman OAM
 MAYOR



FOR FULL EVENT DETAILS VISIT
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Views of Temora
 Shire Council



What's On At the Library

TEMORA SHIRE LIBRARY

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES CALL US- 6977 1781

 Seniors Tech Lessons Thursday's 03/12, 10/12, 17/12, 10:00am BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL	 Christmas Food Appeal Donations welcome of non-perishable food
 Wrap With Love Knitting 03/12, 17/12, 2:30pm	 Storytime 04/12, 11/12, 18/12, 10:00am
 Adults XMAS Crafternoon 10/12, 2:30pm	 Housebound Deliveries 08/12, 22/12
 LEGO Club First Monday, 07/12, 3:30pm	 After School XMAS Craft 02/12, 09/12, 16/12, 3:30pm
 One Book, One Temora Starts Tuesday 1st DECEMBER. Most inclusive town book-club!	 Summer Reading Club Starts Tuesday 1st DECEMBER. Get the kids reading over the summer months!!
Reminder: Temora Shire Library will close 24th DEC, 5pm. Reopen Monday 4th JAN, 9:30am.	Temora Shire Library staff wish our library patrons a Merry Christmas & great New Year!!

Pool Safety Spring Clean

SPRING cleaning isn't just limited to the inside of your home.

Here are some helpful pool safety checks to include on your to-do list:

- Does the pool have a barrier that complies with the Australian Standard 1926.1-1993/2012?
 - Is there an appropriate resuscitation (CPR) sign in the immediate vicinity of the pool area?
 - Is the resuscitation sign easily readable, do you require a new one?
 - Is your pool fence clear of any objects such as BBQs, trees, rocks, shrubs, garden items and deckchairs that could assist someone to climb over the fence?
- Please Note: the non-climb zone is measured from the top of the horizontal and should be clear of any object at least by 900mm.**

**To obtain a copy of this standard please contact Council and we will be happy to assist.

- Is the pool barrier well maintained and in a good state of repair as an effective and safe barrier?
- Does the gate swing freely, close and latch by itself from any open position?



Getting on the Map

IS your house decorated for Christmas? Temora Shire Council will be running our online Christmas Light Map again this year and we are urging residents to register their address as a place where locals and visitors can find a decorated home.

"This is something we started several years ago and has proven very popular," said Council's Communication Officer, Kate Slapp.

"We have the two maps,

one for Temora and one for Ariah Park. Quite a few people take the drive from Temora out to Ariah Park to see the lights out there too," she said.

The maps are used by the judges of the Mayor's Christmas Light Competition in each town to find the decorated houses for judging.

"We just love to see our local residents getting into the spirit of Christmas by decorating their homes, and this year I think it's more important than ever," said

Mayor Rick Firman.

"We select a winner in the Temora area and another in Ariah Park," he said.

"We encourage anyone who has the resources and is able to decorate their home this festive season to share their location so the community can enjoy their efforts."

If you plan on decorating your home email kslapp@temora.nsw.gov.au or phone Council on 6980 1100 to register your address.

The Christmas Light Maps can be found at: www.temora.nsw.gov.au/Community/Christmas-Light-Maps

REGIONAL JOB CREATION FUND

THERE has never been a better time to do business in regional NSW.

Business owners looking to expand or relocate operations to regional NSW can now access grants under the NSW Government's new Regional Job Creation Fund.

The \$100 million program will provide businesses with the money they need to fast track expansion plans, create new opportunities and jobs, and attract new customers.

NSW Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional NSW, Industry and Trade, Mr John Barilaro MP, says the new funding initiative is designed to support existing regional businesses to grow and encourage interstate and international businesses to invest in our regions.

Businesses already operating regionally that want to expand, as well as interstate and overseas businesses considering relocating or establishing operations in regional NSW are encouraged to apply.

Read more and apply at www.investregional.nsw.gov.au/investment-support/regional-job-creation-fund/ or contact Council's Economic Development Manager, Craig Sinclair, to discuss your proposal.

The Regional Job Creation Fund will provide co-funding for projects that create and retain regional jobs, including those that:

- replace, upgrade or adapt existing plant or equipment, including technology or energy efficiency upgrades
- enable existing regional NSW businesses to establish an additional production line
- relocate a business from interstate or internationally to regional NSW, or onshore an activity currently being undertaken overseas to regional NSW
- develop new tourism experiences and attractions to create new demand in a region.

For information about the eligibility criteria and program guidelines, go to investregionalnsw.com/RJCFund.

Applications are open now and will close on Friday, 14 May 2021 or when the program funding is fully allocated.

FREE Preschool in 2021

WORKING families and young children in the Cootamundra Electorate will benefit from a year of free preschool with the NSW Government announcing funding for community preschools in 2021.

This \$120 million commitment will help more than 44,000 three to five year olds attending community preschool.

Member for Cootamundra Steph Cooke said the free preschool program has supported

families since the beginning of the pandemic and is providing certainty for parents into the future.

"Since the initial announcement of our COVID-19 response, the free preschool program has saved countless services and jobs while keeping our children learning during their most important years.

"This funding will assist families to get on with working and support them to divert family income into other essentials.

"Families will have certainty moving into 2021, knowing that regardless of their financial situation their child will be able to continue with their preschool education," said Ms Cooke

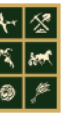
Early childhood services opting into this program must continue to remain open and available to provide education and care. This is particularly important for children as families return to work.

Temora Shire Council - Christmas/New Year Arrangements 2020/2021

	Office	RMS Office	Library	Pinnacle Services (HACC)	Visitors Information Centre	Landfill Site/Waste Management	Recreation Centre (Pool)
Friday 18 Dec	8:00am – 12:30pm	9:00am – 12:30pm	9:30am – 12:30pm	8:30am – 12:30pm	9:30am – 4:00pm	8:00am – 12:00pm	6:00am – 8:00am 10:00am – 6:30pm
Wednesday 23 Dec	8:00am – 4:30pm	9:00am – 12:30pm 1:30pm – 4:00pm	9:30am – 5:00pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	9:30am – 4:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm	10:00am – 6:30pm
Thursday 24 Dec	8:00am – 4:30pm	9:00am – 12:30pm 1:30pm – 4:00pm	9:30am – 5:00pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	9:30am – 4:00pm	8:00am – 2:00pm	10:00am – 2:00pm
Friday 25 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Saturday 26 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1:00pm – 4:00pm	10:00am – 6:00pm
Sunday 27 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	1:00pm – 5:00pm	6:00am – 8:00am 10:00am – 6:30pm
Monday 28 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	CLOSED	10:00am – 6:30pm
Tuesday 29 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm	10:00am – 6:30pm
Wednesday 30 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	8:00am – 5:00pm	6:00am – 8:00am 10:00am – 6:30pm
Thursday 31 Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	8:00am – 2:00pm	10:00am – 5:00pm
Friday 1 Jan	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	CLOSED	10:00am – 6:00pm
Saturday 2 Jan	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	1:00pm – 5:00pm	6:00am – 8:00am 10:00am – 6:30pm
Sunday 3 Jan	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am – 4:00pm	1:00pm – 5:00pm	6:00am – 8:00am 10:00am – 6:30pm
Monday 4 January	8:00am – 4:30pm	9:00am – 12:30pm 1:30pm – 4:00pm	9:30am – 5:00pm	8:30am – 5:00pm	9:30am – 4:00pm	CLOSED	6:00am – 8:00am 10:00am – 6:30pm

Garbage Waste Collection - Temora Township Waste, and Ariah Park - unchanged
Temora Trade Waste - unchanged
All Domestic Garbage Services will remain as normal

Trade Waste on Monday (28 December 2020) will be rendered as normal
SPRINGDALE - Thursday collections instead of Friday 24/12 & 31/12 collections rendered.
All other collection days are unchanged.



Day Trippin'

TRAVEL feels a bit like an enigma at the moment, but there are plenty of small day trips you can share with visiting friends and family.

Each month, we will bring you articles of suggested journeys that can be enjoyed in just a day.

Remember to put in a good word for Temora Shire to other day trippers you run into. There is plenty on offer for visitors in our own backyard.

Cootamundra, Jugiong, Gundagai and Junee (258km return to Temora)

Take a leisurely drive to Cootamundra, via the Old Cootamundra Road and wander through Don Bradman's Birthplace Museum where you will find a wealth of cricket history. Meander through Jubilee Park where the Captains Walk features over 40 bronze sculptures of Australian Test cricket captains. Browse the giftware and

housewares at Wrapped then stop by the Corridor 37 Coffee Shop at the Elm & Wren for a delectable morning tea before heading off on the next leg of your adventure.

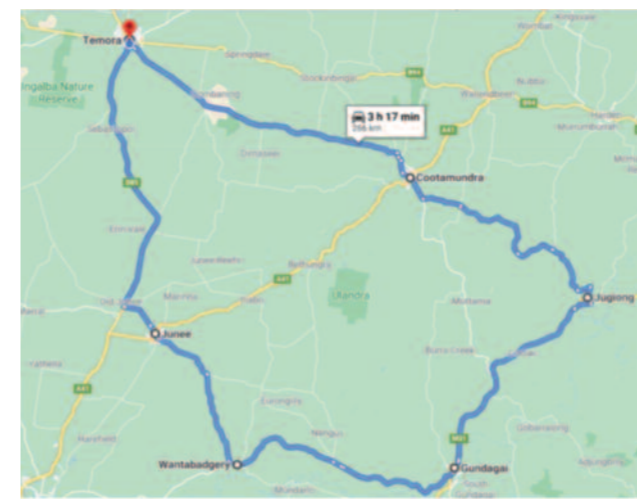
Jump back in the car and enjoy the scenery on your trip to Jugiong where you can indulge in a delicious lunch at the Long Track Pantry or the beautifully restored Sir George Hotel. Take the time to browse the quaint shops of the village and be sure to visit the Jugiong Wine

Cellar before you leave.

Next stop - Gundagai! Most famous for its Dog on the Tuckerbox, this little riverside town packs a punch. Take a self-guided audio tour of Gundagai Gaol which was built in 1859 - its walls can tell some impressive stories.

Off to your final destination - Junee via the picturesque Oura road that follows the Meandering Murrumbidgee River. Take quick stop at Wanterbadgery Nature Reserve to dip your toes in the water at Sandy Beach. See the famous Junee Licorice and Chocolate Factory where you can take a tour, make a giant freckle and enjoy the treats from the gift shop and cafe. If you dare, visit Australia's most haunted house, Monte Cristo before heading home where you can enjoy the treats you've collected throughout your day trip.

Find a selection of "Day Trippin'" maps at the Visitor Information Centre or visit Temora.com.au



ROXANNE Hiscutt is settling into the role of TBEG Executive Officer.

The Executive Officer directly liaises with members and organises a number of TBEG events and initiatives.

"Roxanne is incredibly organised and driven and is looking forward to meeting all our TBEG members and our local business owners," said TBEG committee member, Jess Stewart.

"She's keen to further improve and market the BRED Business Centre.

"High on her priorities is to reinvigorate the Beers N Business and other events offered by TBEG

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which have taken a back foot thanks to covid restrictions," said Ms Stewart.

Roxanne is also employed part time at Granleese and Co and is studying a Master of Business Administration. She brings with her a wealth of experience and a positive attitude.

In other news, the TBEG Committee is proposing to become an incorporated association at the start of next financial year.

The draft constitution is on display for comment and can be found at tbeg.org.au.

"This will mean TBEG will no longer be an s355



Pictured above: TBEG welcomes Roxanne Hiscutt to the role of Executive Officer.

Committee of Council, however the strong and successful partnership will continue as the two organisations are aligned in their objective to grow the economy and provide opportunities for business," said TBEG Chair, Mel Gallagher.

"We are committed to our members and the economic growth of the Temora Shire."