

## MAYOR'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE



who have chosen to make Temora Shire their home. Temora Shire is a truly wonderful place to live, and I remind us all – we get out of

Temora Shire what we put into it.

We are thinking of our farmers and graziers at this time of the year. The excessive rainfall has certainly made harvest extremely difficult, and we all hope you can reap your crops with some success.

We must also take a moment to acknowledge our Shire business community.

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 by shopping locally when we can.

We're extremely grateful to the Federal and NSW Governments for their financial support to get a number of large projects off the ground in 2022. The \$2.2M Temora Pool upgrade has ensured our wonderful Recreation Centre will continue to be a

commodity for the Temora Shire community well into the future. Our Arts Centre was completed and opened and the Library received more upgrades through the Summer Nights Fund. The Temora Airport upgrades will be revealed at an official opening in December.

Temora West Park, Lake Centenary play equipment and Nixon Park all received new shade sails and Gloucester Park footpath and bicycle rack were completed. Our Rural Roads upgrades include centre line marking, Matthews Street sealing, Giles Road gravel re-sheeting, Weises Road Ariah Park and Quandy Road amongst others. It certainly has been a busy year. In particular, we thank our Federal Member for Riverina, The Hon. Michael McCormack MP and NSW Member for Cootamundra, The Hon. Steph Cooke MP (Minister for Emergency Services, Resilience and Flood Recovery) for their ongoing support and friendship with the Temora Shire.

As the "friendly shire" we are known for our hospitality, generosity and kindness. 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. We think of those families who have had to say goodbye to their loved ones. May those individuals remain in our thoughts and prayers, and those who have passed never be forgotten.

Our Emergency Service personnel have certainly been stretched in recent times and we are most appreciative of the work they do and the dedication they continue to show. It takes a special person to devote their working life to doing the jobs they do.

Let's take a moment to acknowledge 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, we say 'thank you'.

Our entire Council staff have continued to show dedication to our Shire citizens in 2022. Whether they

took care of our road network, looked after our parks and gardens, took our rubbish away, or maintained our buildings and other infrastructure, 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 reason for the season, the birth of Jesus Christ. It is also a time to think of our many blessings and be thankful. It has been another challenging year, but I am extremely proud of the way our Shire community continues to tackle adversity.

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. May your Christmas be filled with love, joy and laughter.*

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

Cr Rick Firman  
OAM - Mayor

## Pool to be Officially Opened

AFTER several delays due to poor weather, the Temora pool will be officially opened on December 17th.

The pool has undergone a \$2.2M upgrade including an extension of the pool to include more lanes, resurfacing, recessed ladders and a long ramp and steps for accessibility.

"Who would have thought excess water would cause delays in a pool upgrade?" said Director of Environmental Services, Mr Kris Dunstan.

"The contractors have battled through some of the most ridiculous weather conditions we've seen in some time, but they've done a fantastic job of getting it done, despite the many challenges," he said.

The work has been completed by ELM Aquatics who are also responsible for the work on the indoor pool and splash park.

"The resurfacing of the pool has been done with the Myrtha System which uses a series of stainless steel and waterproof membranes to create a watertight seal," said Mr Dunstan. "It ensures the longevity of the pool which ultimately reduces maintenance costs in the long run."

Mayor Rick Firman looks forward to cutting the ribbon on this project with Member for Cootamundra, Minister for Emergency Services, Resilience and Flood Recovery, the Hon. Steph Cooke.

"We are excited to be

able to hold a Community BBQ to officially open our very special pool," said Cr Firman.

"These upgrades mean more residents can access the pool and that our community has a facility we can all be proud of," he said.

Whilst the pool opens to the public on Monday 28th November, members of the community are invited to the official opening at 12pm on Saturday 17th December.

"With the waterslide, splash park, indoor pool and now an impressive Olympic swimming pool, the Temora Recreation Centre is a drawcard, not only to locals, but to visitors to our community as well," said Cr Firman.

For catering purposes, please RSVP your intention to attend the official opening by 10th December to [arands@temora.nsw.gov.au](mailto:arands@temora.nsw.gov.au).

## New Program to Tackle Workforce Shortages

THE Murray Riverina Local Jobs Program is excited to be rolling out a new initiative, 'The Hiring List', to tackle the critical issue of workforce shortages across the region.

The Hiring is a program that captures details of people who are looking for work, but who aren't registered with Centrelink or other services.

"The program allows for people who may have been 'invisible' to employers up to now to register their interest in employment," said Council's Economic Development Manager, Craig Sinclair.

"This might include students who've left school or are about to leave, students and recent graduates of TAFE and pre-

employment programs, people returning to the workforce after time away, migrants, refugees and others," he said.

"The Hiring List allows potential workers to register their details on The Hiring List website, which can then be used by the Local Jobs Program team to match to employment opportunities across the region."

Visit [www.thehiringlist.com.au](http://www.thehiringlist.com.au) to register and learn more.

## Save the Date - Lunar New Year

ECONOMIC & Community Development Officer, Shontayne Ward, is calling for restaurants, cafes, community groups and local businesses to take part in the 2023 Temora Lunar New Year celebrations to be held on Sunday 5th February.

"This event will celebrate cultures that observe the

Lunar New Year or the Year of the Rabbit. It will see the sale of traditional food, live performances (including Chinese dragon dancing), traditional dress displays, workshops and more," she said.

Benefits for businesses participating in this event include:

- Being part of Temora Shire's first Lunar New Year event
- Sharing your culture with Temora Shire community members

- The Lunar New Year event and participants will be displayed on the community event calendar
- The event and participants will feature in an E-newsletter sent to Temora Shire Council's business database
- The event and participants will feature in social media posts
- The event and participants will be promoted on radio and print advertising

If you would like to be involved in the Lunar New Year event, please contact Shontayne Ward on 02 6980 1111 or [sward@temora.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sward@temora.nsw.gov.au)

## FREE Car Parking for Hoskins Street Businesses

For those people who work on the southern end of Hoskins Street, the carpark behind the Masonic Lodge off Victoria Street is an excellent option for free all-day parking.

Coming into the Christmas period, we ask that those who work in the Temora CBD do not occupy parking on Hoskins Street to allow for shoppers and customers to access businesses with ease during what can be expected as an extremely busy period.

## TEMORA SHIRE COUNCIL - CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR ARRANGEMENTS 2022/2023

Date	Office	RMS Office	Library	Pinnacle Services (HACC)	Visitors Info Centre	Landfill Site/Waste Management	Recreation Centre (Pool)
Friday 23 December	8:00am-4:30pm	8:30am - 12:30pm 1:30pm - 4:00pm	9:00am-5:00pm	8:30am-5:00pm	9:30am-5:00pm	8:00am-5:00pm	6:00am - 8:00am 10:00am - 6:30pm
Saturday 24 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-4:00pm	1:00pm-5:00pm	6:00am - 8:00am 10:00am - 2:00pm
Sunday 25 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Monday 26 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	10:00am - 6:00pm
Tuesday 27 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-5:00pm	CLOSED	10:00am - 6:30pm
Wednesday 28 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-5:00pm	8:00am-5:00pm	10:00am - 6:30pm
Thursday 29 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-5:00pm	CLOSED	10:00am - 6:30pm
Friday 30 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-5:00pm	8:00am-5:00pm	10:00am - 6:30pm
Saturday 31 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-5:00pm	1:00pm-5:00pm	10:00am - 9:00pm
Sunday 1 January 2023	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	10:00am - 6:00pm
Monday 2 January 2023	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	9:30am-4:00pm	CLOSED	6:00am - 8:00am 10:00am - 6:30pm
Tuesday 3 January 2023	8:00am-4:30pm	8:30am - 12:30pm 1:30pm - 4:00pm	9:00am-5:00pm	8:30am-5:00pm	9:30am-5:00pm	8:00am-5:00pm	6:00am - 8:00am 10:00am - 6:30pm

### Garbage Waste Collection

Temora Township Waste and Ariah Park - unchanged  
Temora Trade Waste - unchanged  
SPRINGDALE - Remain as normal

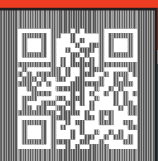
All domestic Garbage Services will remain as normal  
Trade Waste on Monday (26 December 2022) will be rendered as normal  
**All other collection days are unchanged**

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### TBEG - Christmas Street Fair

BREAK out the Christmas stockings and untangle the lights, Christmas is upon us, and Hoskins Street will soon be buzzing with festive cheer.

The annual TBEG Christmas Street Fair, to be held on Friday 9th December, will get you into the Christmas spirit and will help you to support local businesses by shopping local.

"Hoskins Street will be closed between Parkes and Victoria Streets from 4.30 to

8.30pm," said TBEG's Executive Officer and event organiser, Ashlee Smith.

"Our popular Kidzone will have heaps for the kids to do whilst the grown ups browse the market stalls and late-night shopping venues," she said.

With over 20 market stalls, as well as the Youth-Made Mega Market, and all your favourite Temora shopfronts open until late, you'll surely find what you need this Christmas.

"Our TBEG Gift Horse

draw has been happening for several weeks now with the final draw taking place at 8pm at the Street Fair," said Ms Smith.

The Spotto competition will be drawn at 5.30pm and the T-Raffles draw at 6.30pm in Paleface Park.

With live entertainment, RFS displays and a hive of activity in the Kidzone, the TBEG Christmas Markets will be the place to be on Friday 9th December from 4.30pm.

### New Year's Eve Pool Party

JOIN us for a free pool party to celebrate New Year's Eve this year.

Funded by the NSW Government's Reconnecting Regional NSW Community Events Program, attendees will enjoy free entry and water slide, live music, outdoor games and fireworks – all for free!

"Even though the event is free, it is a ticketed event. Tickets can be booked on

Council's events page on the tourism website," said Events Program Coordinator, Robyn Buerckner.

"The fireworks will take place at Father Hannon Oval which will be blocked off from traffic for safety

reasons," said Mrs Buerckner.

The pool party will run from 5pm to 9pm with fireworks to take place between 8.45pm and 9.45pm. People with sensitive animals and family members are asked to make allowances during this time.

Tickets can be booked at [www.temora.com.au/events-1/new-years-eve-pool-party](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1/new-years-eve-pool-party)

### TAKE THE LEAD TO RETURN IN 2023



Pictured are the 2022 Take the Lead graduates with Mentor Megan Fritsch

THE Temora Youth Leadership Program, TAKE THE LEAD, will return in the first half of 2023 to catapult more young leaders towards their goals through the nurturing and inspiring course.

The 2022 graduating leaders gained valuable skills and support through mentorships, activities and workshops that aimed to raise their aspirations to be next generation leaders.

"We had six graduates from the 2022 Take the Lead program," said Youth Development Officer, Sheree Elwin.

"They participated in workshops and activities enabling them to develop their leadership skills by working with a diverse range of local and guest

mentors," she said.

The program is funded by the NSW Department of Communities and Justice and is an initiative of the Temora Youth program through and inspiring course. "Now, we are calling for applicants, aged between 15 and 20, to join our 2023 program," she said.

"Participants who apply for the program are endorsed by their school, local community organisation or employer. In addition to the workshops, the young people complete a minimum of six hours of volunteering with a local organisation as part of the program," she explained.

"The program culminates in a formal graduation dinner with an inspirational guest

speaker and auspicious guests including the Mayor and Councillors, local business owners and the mentors."

2022 graduate, Annelies Soliman was endorsed by the St Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

"The program helped me to practically develop my leadership skills and gave me the opportunity to connect with a wide range of leaders from my community," said Miss Soliman.

"I highly recommend the program to the young people of Temora Shire. It has opened so many doors for me and really enhanced my confidence and skills to become a future leader in our community."

It is expected the 2023 program will begin in late February.

To learn more, to nominate or apply, contact Sheree Elwin on 0447 542 451 or [selwin@temora.nsw.gov.au](mailto:selwin@temora.nsw.gov.au).

### 01 Pastels & Watercolour with Wendy Reardon

10am-3pm - Temora Arts Centre

Practise techniques to utilise the sensation of colour. Contact Denise on [artscentre@temora.nsw.gov.au](mailto:artscentre@temora.nsw.gov.au) or 0428 029 184.

### 03 A Very Merry Cyanotype Christmas with Coralie McKenzie

9.30am-12.30pm - Temora Arts Centre

Learn how to make unique Christmas gifts using this unique technique. Contact Denise on [artscentre@temora.nsw.gov.au](mailto:artscentre@temora.nsw.gov.au) or 0428 029 184.

### 03 Round 5 V8 Jetboats

2pm-9pm - Lake Centenary

[www.v8superboats.com.au/v8-superboats-events/temora-2/](http://www.v8superboats.com.au/v8-superboats-events/temora-2/)

### 05 & 12 Cook & Chat

1.30pm-3pm - Temora Community Centre

Free Christmas cooking workshop for adults – bookings essential 6978 0500 [www.temora.com.au/events-1](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1)

### 06 Adult Christmas Class

1pm-2.30pm - Temora Community Centre

Free Christmas crafts for adults – bookings essential 6978 0500 [www.temora.com.au/events-1](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1)

### 09 Harry Cleverdon

8pm - Temora Hotel

### 09 TBEG Christmas Street Fair

4.30pm-8.30pm - Hoskins Street

Late night shopping, market stalls, Kidzone and entertainment [www.temora.com.au/events-1](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1)

### 15 Card Making with Wendy Reardon

10am-3pm - Temora Arts Centre

Learn some great techniques in time for Christmas at our free cardmaking workshop. Contact Denise on [artscentre@temora.nsw.gov.au](mailto:artscentre@temora.nsw.gov.au) or 0428 029 184

### 19 Christmas Craft

10.30am-11.30am - Arian Park Memorial Hall

1.30pm-2.30pm - Platform Y

To book your spot at either workshop, phone or text Kassi on 0418 357 230

### 19 Girl Power Workshop

2pm-4pm - Temora Community Centre

Free Christmas cooking activities for 10-15 year olds – bookings essential 6978 0500. [www.temora.com.au/events-1](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1)

### 21 Primary Students' Christmas Craft

2pm-3.30pm - Temora Community Centre

Free Christmas craft for primary students – bookings essential 6978 0500 [www.temora.com.au/events-1](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1)

### 31 New Year's Eve Pool Party

5pm-9pm - Temora Recreation Centre

Pool, waterslide, outdoor games, live music and fireworks. Free ticketed event. Limited tickets available at [www.temora.com.au/events-1/new-years-eve-pool-party](http://www.temora.com.au/events-1/new-years-eve-pool-party)

### FREE JANUARY WORKSHOPS AT PLATFORM Y

To book or find out more, text Youth Program Coordinator, Kassi Owen on 0418 357 230.

- **Cooking Workshop with Teresa McCrone** for ages 8-20. Cook passion-fruit slice and receive a free cookbook and apron.
- **Wagga Trip** High school ages only. 2 x games of laser tag, lunch and shopping.
- **Yoga with Bec Wilesmith** for ages 12-24. 45 minute yoga session with free yoga mat.
- **Mixed Media Art Workshop with Kim Baker** for ages 8-12. Explore polymer clay designs, watercolour painting and the art of sketching. Every participant receives a free art bag.
- **Gaming Day** – virtual reality headsets, card games, board games and Switches. Lots of prizes to win

Dates and times TBC – follow @TemoraYouth on Facebook and Instagram

### TEMORA SHIRE LIBRARY

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES The library will be closed from 12:30pm on 16/12.

	<b>One Book One Temora - BEGINS 1st DECEMBER!</b> Join us for a summer book club for the whole community! Meet author-Sulari Gentill – 09/03/2023.		<b>AFTER SCHOOL XMAS CRAFT-</b> 01/12 – sand art 08/12 – clay decorations 15/12 – peppermint balls 3:30pm, \$5 per session, bookings essential.
	<b>Santa Photos—</b> XMAS display available to take your own photos all through December, gold coin donation. Santa dates: 10/12 & 17/12 10am-12pm.		<b>Storytime—</b> 02/12, 09/12, 16/12 10:15am. Stories, craft, music & dancing. Santa visit=16/12.
	<b>XMAS CRAFT workshops with ROS!!</b> Join Ros for fortnightly XMAS craft sessions! 01/12 & 15/12. 10am, \$5 per session. Bookings essential.		<b>Baby Bounce—</b> <b>1ST &amp; 3RD Wednesday of every month!!</b> 07/12 & 21/12, 9:45am
	<b>LEGO CLUB-</b> 05/12, 3:30pm.		<b>Wrap with Love Knitting-</b> 01/12 & 15/12, 2:00pm. All welcome.
	<b>Seniors Tech</b> 14/12, drop in 15 minute lessons between 10am-12pm.		<b>Housebound Deliveries—</b> 13/12. Resume 10/01/2023!
	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/temora_shire_library">instagram.com/temora_shire_library</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TemoraShireLibrary">Facebook.com/TemoraShireLibrary</a>	For enquiries & bookings, please call 6977 1781. CLOSED 24/12/2022 through to 02/01/2023 reopen 03/01/2023	

### TOWN HALL THEATRE

DECEMBER Ph: 6977 1082 to confirm movie times and dates

	<b>ARMAGEDDON TIME (M)</b> 115 mins Wed 7 Dec - 10.30am Wed 7 Dec - 6.30pm Sat 10 Dec - 6.30pm		<b>STRANGE WORLD (PG)</b> 101 mins Sat 17 Dec - 6.30pm Sun 18 Dec - 3.00pm Tue 20 Dec - 10.30am Thur 22 Dec - 10.30am Fri 23 Dec - 6.00pm
	<b>BLACK PANTHER: WAKANDA FOREVER (M)</b> 161 mins Fri 9 Dec - 6.30pm Sun 11 Dec - 5.00pm Wed 14 Dec - 10.30am Wed 14 Dec - 6.30pm		<b>SERIOUSLY RED (M)</b> 98mins Wed 4 Jan - 10.30am Wed 4 Jan - 6.30pm Fri 6 Jan - 6.30pm
	<b>THE MENU (MA)</b> 107 mins Fri 16 Dec - 6.30pm Sun 18 Dec - 5.00pm Wed 21 Dec - 10.30am Wed 21 Dec - 6.30pm		<b>TOWN HALL THEATRE FILM CLUB</b> <b>BABETTE'S FEAST</b> Thur 8 Dec - 7.00pm

Adults \$18 • Child \$12 • Concession \$12 • Wednesday AM \$12 • Family Pass (2Ad & 2Ch) \$50

PROPOSED COMING SOON - JANUARY  
Avatar, Lyle, Lyle Crocodile, The Road Dance, Blueback, Puss in Boots: The Last Wish, I Wanna Dance with Somebody, The Banshees of Inisherin, A Man Called Otto.

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Online Ticket Purchase: [www.townhalltheatre.com.au](http://www.townhalltheatre.com.au)

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