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Live Music Returns to Uralla's 2022 Seasons Expo

The countdown to the 2022 Seasons Expo is on for live music lovers who have seen so many of their favourite events cancelled over the past year.

This year's Seasons Expo will include more than 12 hours of live music with 30 artists spread across 12 acts performing from 9am until 9.30pm.

Music coordinator Brendan Mooney says the musicians are excited to be getting back on stage to perform for the Seasons crowd. "It's definitely one of the best events in the region, especially when it comes to music."

With a focus on New England and North West bands the Seasons Expo is a chance to discover new local talent and see some old favourites back on stage. Brendan says the line up will also include an eclectic mix of styles.

"We'll have everything from pop solo artists to blues and jazz, and even a bit of Celtic music. Then into the night it becomes Rock & Roll & Funk, so it's a very mixed bag."

Local favourites Terra Firma will headline the event with their unique rock, country and blues sound, and other bands at the 2022 Seasons Expo line up include The Gravy, OldsCool, The Ruby Rose Trio, Pleasing George and Crooked Tree.

"There'll be some cover bands and some people will be doing original music. CDs will be available and some have Spotify accounts. You can find all of the information on the Seasons website music page and purchase some of their merchandise or listen to their music on a streaming platform."

The stage will be set in the centre of the stalls so visitors



Live music at The Seasons Expo

can listen as they browse around the circle and pick up something to eat along the way.

"It's a really good place to come out, get stuck into the food, enjoy some retail therapy and watch the bands. It's a pretty cool dinner and music kind of thing."

The 2022 Seasons Expo will be held on Saturday 26th of March from 9am to 5pm, followed by more live music, meals and full bar until 9.30pm – all at the Uralla Showground. All stallholders are based in the New England area and are the maker, grower or producer of the products they sell. The evening is capped off with the welcome return of the Uralla Arts Lantern Parade, and the day also offers a shady kids tent with free activities throughout the day.

Tara Toomey

Event Organiser, Seasons of New England

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Robert Bell was elected Mayor of Uralla Shire Council in December 2021, after serving five years as a Councillor. He was previously Director of Engineering for Uralla Shire Council, lives in town, and has a grazing block at Kentucky. Clr Bell gives a personal view of some of the more important matters concerning Council and ratepayers in recent weeks.

Huge congratulations go to Mary Ann Munsie for being named the 2022 Northern Tablelands Woman of the Year. Her work with Meals on Wheels and Can Assist is outstanding. "Behind every great woman there are a large number of other great women."

Following the tragic accident last week, Council has agreed to revisit the review of the intersection of Maitland and King Streets. The available options may include replacing Give Way signs with Stop signs in King Street, placing rumble strips approaching the intersection, constructing a centre island or even a roundabout, if it meets the warrant. It is hoped that a detailed traffic safety study will be presented to the Uralla Local Traffic Committee for its consideration. This committee includes Police, Transport for NSW, a Local State Government member representative and Clr McMullen as Council's delegate. Please spare a thought for all the families affected.

Following a request from RED 4 RE, Council hosted a forum for interested residents to raise their concerns regarding the recent announcement of Uralla being part of the New England Renewable Energy Zone. This forum saw over 80 people attend. With most of the projects being State Significant, it is essential communities have a voice in the very early stage of each proposal prior to the Development Approvals being issued. The list of concerns including no bond for decommissioning, waste management, infrastructure damage, community division, loss of good agricultural land, and biodiversity impact. One speaker talked passionately about his concern of bush fire control if aircraft, including helicopters, set up no fly zones around each of the wind turbines. It was highlighted that the community is very keen for information from organisations such as the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) on how it is managing the future energy demands and what role the New England has in this mix. Uralla is already seeing the tightening of the rental and housing market and we are acutely aware of the "boom and bust" of these projects. I was able to update the forum on the positive steps Armidale Regional Council, Glen Innes Severn Council, Walcha Council and Uralla Council have done in preparing a "Statement of Expectations" forwarded via Adam Marshall MP, to the NSW State Government. These include a significant Community Contribution Plan, a Decommissioning bond, and a formal Local Engagement framework. This document also includes desirables such as Power Purchase Agreements, Carbon offset purchases being from local markets, and upgrades in Telecommunication Infrastructure. NSW

Farmers are now setting up a Renewable Energy working group that includes the new Mayor at Tenterfield, Bronwyn Petrie and Uralla's Richard Croft. Council has already prepared a Development Control Plan to highlight the issues we consider essential to the renewable energy development. This issue has had the very positive impact of bringing all the Councils in the region together to maximise the community benefits and to ensure some consistency between what is offered in each shire.

The final sign off for the ZNet "Let's Talk Water" was held at Ted, Sonia and Kate Williams' property. A lively discussion was held on the way forward for Council. It was wonderful that Adam Marshall MP was able to attend and provide some options for us. We were also provided with outcomes from research that was carried out by a PhD student on Kentucky Dam. These include the Catchment area covers 12,965ha, the current dam is 500ML (however 75ML may be dead space due to silt), the dam hold 16 months of water supply, and about 275ML of water is processed each year through the water treatment plant. The other challenge together with the silt is the evaporation loss of about 390ML per annum. I am assured that there is no current method suitable for reducing evaporation for drinking water dams to reduce this figure. I hope to bring more details to the readers in the coming weeks. Congratulations again to ZNet and their team.

Thought for the week: "The standard you walk past is the standard you accept." LT. General David Morrison AO.

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Robert Bell,
Uralla Shire Resident



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Side By Side

We took our seats side by side
As close to the stage as we could bide.
With bated breath we waited by the stage,
For the arrival of that magical musical mage.
Through the doors they came, side by side.
They go to places far and wide.
But last night they were here at Uralla Bowlo,
Where Keith performed for us solo.

The crowd rocked on their chairs side by side,
Stamped their feet and sometimes cried.
While Keith performed the songs of old,
Our memories were tinged with gold.
We could see them on the stage, side by side,
All four together, singing Morningtown Ride.
We sang with him, we laughed with him.
We breathed him in, our hearts abrim.

We all continued to sit, side by side.
Right to the very end our hearts stayed fired.
And then on a very appreciated whim
Keith Potger asked June to sing with him.
They sang again the song "Side by Side"
June, being June, took it all in her stride.
They'd already done it on Australia Day.
To sing with a former SEEKER was now "au fait".

Pauline Crouch
Uralla Bowlo



June Gregory, Phylis Dade and Keith Potger

Telstra Out-R-age

Telstra customers in Uralla were advised of an upgrade to the network, and "potential impact to our mobile service at various times". We had no idea this would mean 5 days straight with zero mobile service. We are currently on day 5 (Sunday) and HOPING that 21st March will see the service restored. But we really don't know.

No mobile service for retailers generally means no eftpos, no point of sale systems and certainly no phone. The lost income is mounting and has a huge impact on the myriad other small businesses we all support.

Tara Toomey



Armidale's Festival of Short Plays
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March 2022

Overview

Thunderbolt Energy Hub Stage 1 is a 192MW wind farm with the ability to provide affordable, reliable power to New South Wales consumers. The project is proposed near Kentucky, approximately 47km north-east of Tamworth.

Project benefits – Stage 1



The project is predicted to produce enough renewable energy to power approximately **118,000 New South Wales homes**.



The project represents approximately **\$373 million investment in infrastructure**.



During construction the project would create over **190 direct jobs**, with **9 direct jobs during operations** (25-30 years).



32 wind turbine generators.

DA Submission for Stage 1 & Public Exhibiton

Neoen have submitted the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to the NSW Government as part of its Development Application (DA) for Stage 1 of the Project. The Project will go onto public exhibition in the coming weeks.

Community members are invited to view and/or download the EIS documents on the NSW Planning portal:



planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40551

If you would like to receive a copy of the EIS documents on a USB drive, please contact:

Anne-Marie Ward
annemarie.ward.ext@neoen.com

or Joanna
joanna.murphy@neoen.com

USBs will also be available at the local Councils for community members to take with them.



Community review & comment

1

Scoping
Neoen submits the Scoping Report to NSW DPIE

2

SEARs
NSW DPIE provides Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements

3

EIS Preparation
Specialist studies are undertaken; EIS report is prepared

4

EIS Submission
Neoen submits the EIS Report to NSW DPIE

5

Public Exhibition
Exhibition of the EIS Report; Submissions made by the community and stakeholders

6

Response to Submissions
Neoen response to public submissions

7

Assessment
NSW DPIE assesses Development Application and public submissions

8

Determination
NSW Minister of Planning or the Independent Planning Commission make final decision on Development Application



Making a Public Submission for Stage 1

If you would like to make a public submission in response to the Project, you may do so during the public exhibition phase. To learn how to make a public submission, please refer to the below link:



[planningportal.nsw.gov.au/
major-projects/have-your-say](https://planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/have-your-say)

Submissions can be made online or by sending a letter to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment. The Project's application number is **SSD-10807896**.

If you are unsure how to make a submission, please contact us for further clarification.



CCC Meeting

The third Community Consultative Committee (CCC) meeting was held on 21 February 2022. Project updates were provided, including outcomes of some specialist studies. The Executive Director for Planning & Communities from the Energy Corporation of NSW (Department of Planning and Environment) also provided a presentation on the Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) process.

Meeting minutes and a copy of the presentation will be made available on the Thunderbolt website shortly:

[thunderboltenergyhub.com.au/
community-consultative-committee-2/](https://thunderboltenergyhub.com.au/community-consultative-committee-2/)

Neoen Learning Hub Launch

We have recently developed the Learning Hub, an educational resource for local schools, as part of our community engagement.

The Learning Hub is a stand-alone website with materials for Years 5-6 and another for Years 7-8, both centred around electricity and renewable energy.

Developed by an experienced science curriculum writer, each module contains 3 topics each with a video, interactive activities and lesson plans.

We hope you find them useful and that your students enjoy them!



Jobs and Supplier Interest

If you are interested in learning what types of jobs and suppliers are typically required throughout construction and operations, or you wish to register your interest, please visit the Work With Us page on the Thunderbolt website:

[thunderboltenergyhub.com.au/
work-with-us/](https://thunderboltenergyhub.com.au/work-with-us/)

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editors,

When poker machine licenses are moved from one area to another the owner of the license has to gain approval from the Local Government Area to accept an increase into their local hotels more poker machines for their community members to play. How many has Armidale Council recently accepted into their area. Uralla Bottom Pub sold their poker machine licences to whom? Who gave permission for them to leave our community? Who accepted them into another hotel somewhere else? Does anyone know? What benefit does the council get if they approved the movement of poker machine licenses?

Why did the Roche company and the Licensee indicate that the hotel would be developed remodelled, under their ownership when they have now put back onto the market a building minus the licenses attached to the previous hotel? We have seen this across NSW in many small country towns. It is obviously a business plan by major corporations so who is approving the administrative transfers of all these licenses, in some cases against, the will of the local communities? How long will the bottom remain empty, no longer being renovated as an icon of our historical town.

Jann Karp

Dear Editors,

After five years of talking about "Thinking about getting around to it one day", Uralla Shire Council is to be congratulated on allocating funds for the "restoration" of Fuller Memorial Park, a once lovely southern "gateway" to the township.

The intent is very pleasing. But we all know that sometimes Council's stated plan somehow strays from the agreed upon. So, as one of the citizens involved in the discussions, I'd like to put on record precisely what was decided.

The idea is to "restore" this award-winning little site, to something like the original, not curse it with some dramatic new flavours, despite the "creative" suggestions of some Councillors now no longer gracing the Chambers.

The redundant Street Store goes, and so do the two concrete pots. The Award plaques' and rubbish bins' sites are rationalised.

Two or three locally-made replicas of the existing 1960's Picnic Shelter will add to the charm and amenity. To repeat, they are not to be out of a catalogue, but replicas, locally made, just so we've all got the message loud and clear.

Some of the trees need some professional TLC, and new plantings considered. If there must be playground equipment, to occupy the space where the old steam engine stood forlornly, it should be minimal.

It was never suggested that an amenities block, (toilets, y'know), be plonked in Fuller Park.

So, well done, Council. Go for it!

Kent Mayo

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Please check with Event Organisers about the Status of Listed Events

Uralla Rotary Club meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6.15pm at Uralla Bowling Club, dinner optional after meeting

Uralla Lions Club meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month from 5/5.30 in the CWA Rooms

Uralla Fire & Rescue meet on Tuesday nights at the Uralla Fire Station from 6-7.30pm

Uralla CWA meets on the 4th Friday of each month at 10am at CWA Rooms in the Literary Institute

Uralla Computer Bank is open Mon, Tues & Thurs from 9.30am – 3.30pm at Uralla Shire Waste Depot

Uralla Anglican Church meets at 10am each Sunday for worship, prayer, fellowship and Johnno's (kid's programme) in Park Street

Uralla Hospital Auxiliary meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 2pm, CWA Rooms in the Literary Institute

Uralla Show Society meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 7.30pm at the Uralla Showgrounds

Uralla Shire Business Chamber meets 1st Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Uralla Bowliing Club

Uralla Town & Environs Committee meets on the second Monday of each quarter from 6-7pm in the Uralla Shire Council Chambers

Uralla Tennis Social tennis 6:30pm Thursdays. Free court hire, Go to www.play.tennis.com/court-hire/ Hot shots Jnr Tennis, Uralla Sporting Complex Saturday 9am – 10am.

Uralla Auto Club Inc. meets at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of each month at The Bowling Club.

Uralla Red Cross meets on the first Friday of each month at 2pm in the CWA rooms in the Literary Institute

Uralla RSL Sub-Branch meets the last Sunday of the month at 10.30am at the RSL Rooms, The Uralla Memorial Institute, 55 Bridge Street, all veterans welcome.

Uralla Women's Bowling Club 10am Wednesday for Club bowls. Mixed Social Bowls on Sunday mornings, all welcome, Bistro lunch available.

Uralla Historical Society meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 5pm at McCrossin's Mill

Uralla Men's Shed is open each Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am - 1pm in the Old Scout Hall, 18 Uralla Street North, (just off the Bundarra Rd, top of Alma Park) Ph 0419 151 253, e urallamensshedcommittee@gmail.com

Uralla Tigers Supported Playgroup FREE, every Wednesday during school terms, 10am - 12pm, St Joseph's Primary School, contact Sue on 0419149244 or Geneva on 0430440171

Uralla Food Pantry, Mondays 11am - 2pm, Uralla Neighbourhood Centre. Good range dry goods, and fruit/veg. Fill a supermarket coloured bag \$15. New members welcome. Further information from the Uralla Neighbourhood Centre, Ph: 6778 3277 or email : office@unc.org.au Donations welcomed.

Computer Bank New England Computer Classes are each Friday from 9am - 12noon at the Uralla Community Centre. \$5.00 this includes morning tea

Uralla Brewery Book Club meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 5pm at the Brewery

Freemasons (Masonic Lodge of Peace #120, Uralla) meet the 3rd Tuesday each month, interested persons, contact Dennis 0448 576 465 or John 0411 374 3341

High Country Markets are held on the 1st Sunday of the month from 8am until 12.30pm at the Uralla Showground

Events for March - April

Uralla Shire Council Ordinary Council Meeting Tuesday 22 March 2022 9:30am, Council Chambers

Seasons Of New England Expo Saturday 26th March

Kentucky Progress Association, short play: *Favourite Shorts*, Friday 1st April, Kentucky Memorial Hall, 7.30pm.

Local rock line up: Fovndlings, NASCENT and Josh St Ledger in concert, Uralla Bowlo, 8.30pm Saturday 30 April.

Bookings: <https://www.moshtix.com.au/v2/event/fovndlings-nascent-josh-st-ledger/135700>

Deadline for the next edition is
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Woman Of The Year

Uralla volunteer MaryAnne Munsie has been named the 2022 Northern Tablelands Woman of the Year, with local State MP Adam Marshall congratulating her on the achievement and her ongoing dedication to the local community.

Mr Marshall presented the award to MaryAnne this week in Uralla and said her community work had helped improve the lives of the elderly and those going through a cancer journey. "Whenever there is a need in the community, Mary Ann is one of those people community organisations turn to for help," Mr Marshall said. "Guided by the motto of 'pay it forward and get more in return', Mary Ann is the driving force behind a number of vital local community services and charities."

"Currently, she is the Vice President of Armidale and Uralla Meals on Wheels, an organisation she has been a part of since 1979. Also, her involvement as President of charity CanAssist Uralla, and together with members of CanAssist, have helped raise thousands of dollars to provide financial support for those experiencing cancer."

"Without this effort, there would be a large number of people in the Uralla Shire who would have struggled with finding the money for travel, accommodation and treatments. I can't think of anyone more worthy of this accolade, and I sincerely thank Mary Ann for everything she does for the great community of Uralla."

MaryAnne Munsie said she was overwhelmed and honoured to receive the award. "Like a lot of people in regional communities we just turn up, help and support the various groups and events in the community," MaryAnne said. "It is a way of sharing and giving back to those organisations which have greatly contributed to making Uralla special place to live. "My husband Peter, sons David and Sam, their partners and children are a huge support in allowing me to do what I do."

"Most volunteer organisations rely on the same, limited volunteer base. I encourage anyone who can spare the time to get involved with their local school,

sports club or a charity close to their heart, because a small amount of volunteer time can make a huge difference to the lives of many."

Adam Marshall
Northern Tablelands MP



MaryAnne Munsie and Adam Marshall



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Puma	209.9	227.9
Bundarra	218.0	223.0
Invergowrie	203.0	220.0
Kentucky	210.9	220.9

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Uralla Sub-Branch News



Russ French presents a cheque to RSL State President, Mr. Ray James. The Uralla Sub-branch of the RSL has had a busy couple of weeks of late. Uralla hosted the recent New England District Council Annual General meeting followed by a dinner at McCrossin's Mill. It was a fantastic day and evening with our guests of honour being the RSL NSW State President, Ray James OAM and his wife, Coordinator of RSL Auxiliaries Pauline James OAM. Both had a wonderful couple of days here in Uralla and received several substantial donations from the sub-branch for RSL Lifecare and State to help with the care of veterans around NSW. There was also a donation to the Armidale Army Cadets who have given us wonderful support of our ANZAC Days in recent years. All delegates got to taste some of Uralla's hospitality and fine foods. A great time was had by all.

Sunday the 27th of February the Sub-branch held our AGM for 2022. With a lot of the COVID restrictions lifted we had a great attendance at the AGM and also our usual monthly meeting. Some great discussions and ideas came forward which we will put into place in the coming months. Several positions had recently been vacated in the Executive and committee and we had some eager volunteers to fill these places and see the Sub-Branch keep moving forward and fulfilling our important role in our veteran community. A great deal of time was discussing the upcoming ANZAC Day which should go ahead full steam. We learn each time we hold this commemoration and several changes will be made this year just in case of heat or inclement weather. Our Dawn Service will be held at 5.45am followed by "Breakfast in the park" with our friends at Rotary. The main march will form up from 9.30am and marching off at 10am with everyone arriving at the gates by 10.30 for a flypast at around that time. This is still to be confirmed with Defence. Following the service, Veterans and their families are invited to McCrossin's Mill for a light lunch and drinks. We are looking forward to a large crowd again this year for the march and services.

Our office in the Memorial Institute is now completed and this will be opening on a regular basis to help local veterans with any help they might need. We have access to advocates for health and wellbeing as well as pensions and claims so if you need assistance give us a ring and drop into the office. Our number is on the front of the building so don't be worried about getting in touch with us. All enquiries are strictly confidential.

Thank you to all our veterans and volunteers helping with our important work and wish all our veterans good health.

Lest we forget.

Russ French,
President Uralla Sub-Branch, RSL NSW

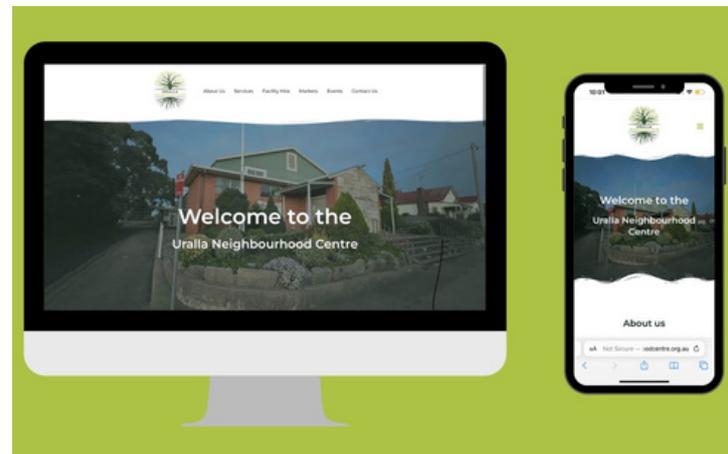
U.N.C. Is Now Online!

The new Uralla Neighbourhood Centre website!

The website is a one stop shop for community members to find information on the services that the centre provides as well as details on facility hire, markets and events.

It provides community members the opportunity to access information from the comfort of their own home at a time that suits them.

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It was two weeks out from Christmas and Bill had been cutting firewood around the back of the cottage at the Thompson Farm, when riders came up the house track. He and 'The Lady' had heard them higher up on the mountain pass. Their hooves clicking and clanking on the loose slate. As they came into sharper view they made them to be the Begot Brothers. The pair had come down from their Ben Lomond run to make pre-Christmas visits on their way further south.

The Thompson Farm was a good point to rest, chat and water their horses for they knew the lady well. It was also an opportunity to give a small Christmas gift, wrapped in waxed paper and tied with rough string, for the lady and one for her man Bill.

Molly and her Ma had been down off the mountain, helping at the farm all morning. As visitors were few and far between in the valley, a flurry of activity and excitement rose as the riders came closer.

The greeting party all met them at the cottage gate, where bright pink roses bloomed over the arbor. After greetings and loosely tying their horses they went inside, gathering around the kitchen table to hear the latest news. The lady made tea and a large plate of oat cakes was soon on the table.

The Begot brothers told the latest story, each providing the critical details that the other may have missed. But that was the way of the brothers, always talking 'hand in glove'. So it went:

After leaving the Armidale depot in the early hours of the morning, the coach stopped briefly at the little coach house in the lower valley, before the steeper climb that followed the mountain stream at the foot of Mountain Black. It was then a flatter route north for mail pickup, then onto Wandsworths for fresh horses, then finally Inverell.

The coach was drawn by a twin horse team and could seat up to eight passengers with driver on-top. Under the rear canvas cover were passengers luggage, limited to 14 pounds, and mail bags. A bundle of notes and some silver coin for the 'Bank at Inverell', held in a strong box chained on top with the driver and his offside, who was armed with a short-barrelled coach gun. Christmas gifts were amongst the load and silver tinsel was wrapped around the coach

pommels.

They were scheduled to arrive in Inverell by sunset and barring a breakdown, they were making good time. The fresh horses were finding their steady rhythm and gait, although the coach was fully loaded for the trip. The party were between Wandsworth and Inverell, finally making the top of a long hill climb. As they rounded the last bend to the grassy flat, a large log lay well across the track. All seemed natural enough, as in most parts tall timber lined the route, and the driver Bob Bates carried an axe or two for these situations.

To Be Cont.....

Daryl Albertson (Kellys Plains)



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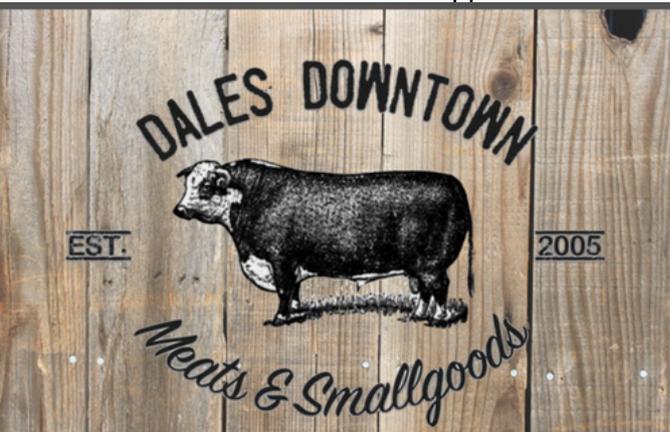
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NEW ENGLAND SOLAR FARM

MARCH 2022

Solar Farm site works update

Up to 150 sub-contractors are now working across the solar farm site, installing perimeter fencing, digging trenches, laying cables and completing piling to support the tracking system.

The work is taking place across four work zones on the solar farm site. Additional sealing works are also occurring along the access roads into the site.

Substation works are also ongoing in preparation for the delivery of two large transformers that will be delivered to site in early April.

Supporting Seasons of New England Festival

The New England Solar Farm is proud to be supporting this weekend's Seasons of New England Festival – another great showcase of Uralla and the region.

Our team will be heading down to the Uralla Showground to discover the new works and treats from the region's artisans and producers. We'll be out and about in our UPC\AC Renewables or Green Light shirts – so stop by and say hello.

Video project to record Indigenous connection to country across the solar farm site

The New England Solar Farm is located in an area known to local Aboriginal people as Ooralla – a place where they gathered to learn from each other, celebrate events and trade items over many thousands of years.

We have been fortunate to learn about their culture, history and great respect and knowledge for the land from several of our Aboriginal partners via discussions, on-country visits and cultural awareness sessions.

These stories and knowledge are now being recorded as part of a video project to share this history and connection to country with current and future generations. The stories will be held by the Armidale Aboriginal Culture Centre and Keeping Place.

We would like to again thank the local Aboriginal partners for giving their time and knowledge for the project as well as our project landowners and our teams from Green Light Contractors and UPC\AC Renewables Australia.



Anaiwan elder Les Townsend with project Anthropologist Dr Phillip Clarke, story-maker Jenny Brown and Archaeologist Ryan Desic.

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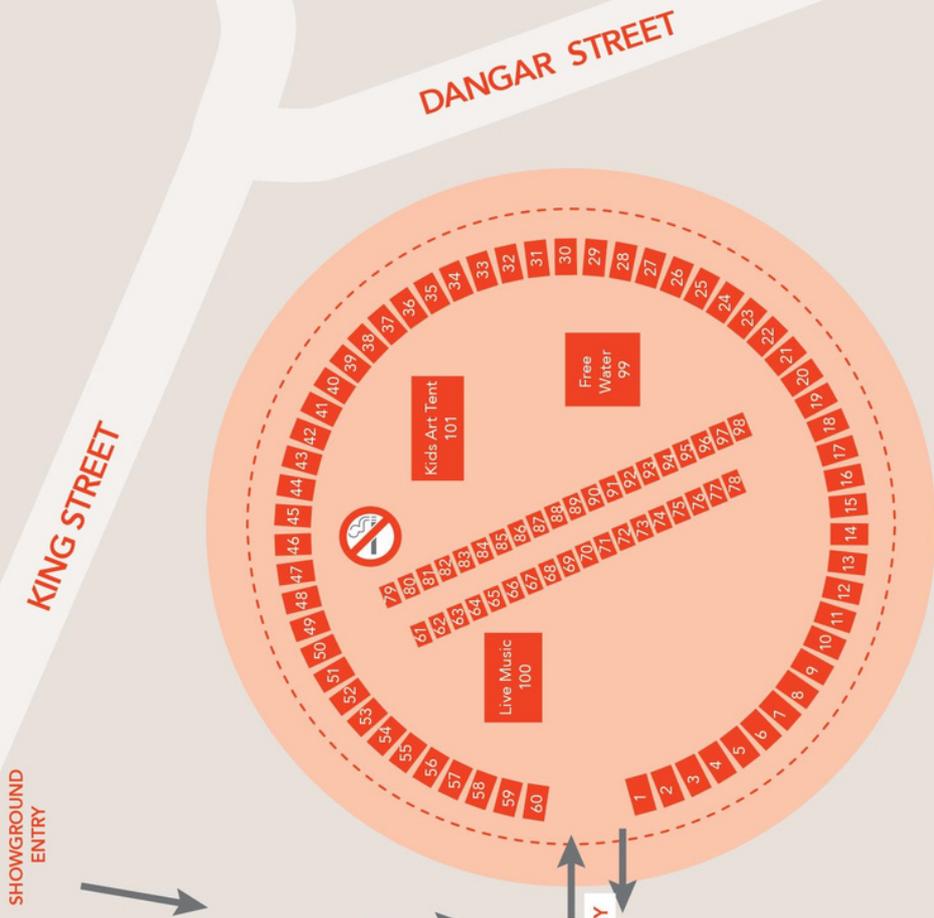
EAT / DRINK / SHOP / RELAX

Producers, Makers & Creators Expo

Uralla Showground — Saturday 26th March, 2022

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| 1 | Glen Gowrie | 37 | Beelike |
| 2 | Buddha Belly Kitchen | 38 | Sharon the love. |
| 3 | Toppers Mountain Wines | 39 | Valinor Sound Sanctuary |
| 4 | Anne's Brew | 40 | Alinta Candles |
| 5 | The Bush Patisserie | 41 | Di Dee Crochet Designs |
| 6 | Herd Bar | 42 | House of Jackson |
| 7 | Little Birdy Cold Drinks | 43 | Get Pickled |
| 8 | Sunhill Dairy Goats & Skin | 44 | Primal Alternative by Fiona |
| 9 | Harmony on Wheels | 45 | Dobson's Distillery |
| 10 | The Welder's Dog | 46 | Balala Station |
| 11 | GlenhopeCo Alpaca Blankets | 47 | Walcha Roasted Coffee |
| 12 | Casting Light | 48 | Cakes by Paige |
| 13 | Freshly Berried | 49 | Tobu Kimmie |
| 14 | YinYang Kombucha | 50 | Stitched by Mary |
| 15 | Squeek's Menagerie | 51 | The Eclectic |
| 16 | Sun Chal | 52 | Hopscotch |
| 17 | Deanos Spring Water Trout | 53 | Chandler and Co. |
| 18 | Glen Olives | 54 | Roumalla Creek |
| 19 | Sole Purpose | 55 | Country Creations by Michelle |
| 20 | Gembug | 56 | Orange Duck Kitchen |
| 21 | Ant Hill Pottery | 57 | Seasons Bar |
| 22 | Richard Moon Silver & Silverware | 58 | Dale's Downtown Meats |
| 23 | Michael Burge "Tank Water" | 59 | The Humble Cook |
| 24 | Dimmy Tea | 60 | Seasons Stall |
| 25 | Corner of the Garden | 61 | Country Farmhouse Furniture |
| 26 | Greenhill Orchards | 62 | Sophie Blue Dog Treats |
| 27 | Colliers Classic Concrete | 63 | Kentucky Tree Nursery |
| 28 | Canvas Peg Bags | 64 | Design to Fab |
| 29 | Dallah & Co | 65 | Sean Nicholson Clay |
| 30 | Crafty Friends | 66 | Sew Anna Baby Boutique |
| 31 | Mumm D Designs | 67 | JOVIN Handbags |
| 32 | Raw Fibre | 68 | HEM Resin |
| 33 | Leigh & Co Designs | 69 | MEA Baby Clothing & Accessories |
| 34 | 2 Wild Souls Meadery | 70 | McKenna Quilts |
| 35 | Bell/Affair Creations | 71 | Highland Weave |
| 36 | Allisweat Fine Woodcraft | 72 | Helen Grace Prints |

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| 73 | Thunderbolt Balms |
| 74 | Grumpy's Ginger Beer |
| 75 | Settle Petal Design |
| 76 | Anna Sutherland Design |
| 77 | Wildheart Candle Co. |
| 78 | Timber Alive |
| 79 | Onyx Castle |
| 80 | ZNET |
| 81 | The New England Bag Co. |
| 82 | Fig and Spoon |
| 83 | Dehydration Station |
| 84 | Princess Pantry |
| 85 | JAMB Millinery |
| 86 | Mountaintop Blooms |
| 87 | Lollipoppy Handmade |
| 88 | K&S Garden Art |
| 89 | Cool Natives Nursery |
| 90 | Tildy Stories |
| 91 | Uralla Arts |
| 92 | Ezidi Produce Stall |
| 93 | Centacare |
| 94 | MIC Fire Tools |
| 95 | Womblectric |
| 96 | Koala Black Garlic |
| 97 | Summer Hill Honey |
| 98 | Anne Reilly Pottery |
| 99 | Water Tent |
| 100 | Live Music |
| 101 | Kids Tent |



SHOWGROUND ENTRY



Important Information

Alcohol purchased from alcohol producers is strictly for takeaway only. The Seasons Bar (site 57) is the only place to purchase a drink to consume at the Expo.

As this is a family friendly event, and as smoking is not permitted near children's play areas or food, we need to ask that you refrain from smoking at the Expo.

Schedule

The Expo runs from 9am - 5pm

Kids Tent 9am - 5pm
Live Music 9am - 9.30pm
Seasons Bar 10am - 9pm
Meals all day, until 9.30pm

Uralla Arts Lantern Parade Muster approx 7pm
 Uralla Arts Lantern Parade approx 7.30pm

New England Unearthed

9:00 - 9:35am Bruce Clarke
9:45 - 10:45am Emma and Ethan
11:00 - 12:00pm Mark Cooper
12:15 - 1:00pm James Cross
1:10 - 2:00pm Crooked Tree
2:15 - 3:15pm Oldschool
3:30 - 5:00pm The Gravy
5:15 - 6:15pm Ruby Rose Trio
6:30 - 7:45pm Pleasing George
8:00 - 9:30pm Terra Firma

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