

# Rural City Connection

Friday 17 January 2025



## Australia Day

26 JANUARY 2025 | 9AM-12 NOON  
KING GEORGE GARDENS

### Australia Day

Join us for Australia Day as we honour the remarkable achievements and contributions of individuals and community groups in our region. The celebrations will include a citizenship ceremony, where we welcome our newest Australians and the presentation of Australia Day Awards for Wangaratta's Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, and Event/Project of the Year.

Have Your Say on the following projects via Connect Wangaratta



### Council Plan Survey

We need your feedback to develop our new Council Plan. The Plan reflects the voice, experiences, ideas, and aspirations of our whole community. Complete the survey online and discover other ways to get involved via the QR code.



### Rates, Revenue & Spending Priorities

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We're seeking community input to help us shape the 2025-26 Budget and the Revenue & Rating Plan 2025-29. Tell us how you think future funds should be raised and invested. Have your say by completing the survey online and/or by making a direct budget submission via the QR code.

### Climate Adaptation Strategy

Have your say on the draft 10-year Climate Adaptation Plan for council's assets, operations and service delivery. This strategy will prepare council to become more resilient to the effects of climate-related natural hazards. Get involved online via the QR code or in person at a drop in session.

#### Drop-in Sessions

**7 Feb** | 11am-1pm | Wangaratta Library  
**10 Feb** | 6pm-7pm | Online \*registrations required  
<https://events.humanitix.com/draft-climate-adaptation-plan-drop-in-session>



### Backyard BBQ Showdown

Join us at the Summer Sizzle on Sunday 26 January at Wangaratta Splash Park, Mitchell Ave for the Backyard BBQ Showdown. Prove your grilling prowess and compete for some fantastic prizes! You'll need meat & utensils. BBQs are generously supplied by My Slice of Life. Registration is essential. For more info and to register visit the What's On section of our website.

### Tenders

**T15852** Parking Machines Supply & Install  
Tender closes at **4.00pm Friday 24 January 2025**

**84661** Apex Park Changing Places Facility  
Tender closes at **2.00pm on Wednesday 5 February 2025**

**T14871** Aged Care Management Software Program  
Tender closes at **12.00pm Wednesday 12 February 2025**

Further details may be obtained by visiting eProcure on Councils website.



### Annual Business Forum

Local business owners, leaders, and entrepreneurs are invited to the 2025 Annual Business Forum. This event is aimed at connecting and empowering the local business community with a keynote address by Michael Licenblat. The forum will take place on **Thursday 20 February**, from 6 - 9 pm at the WPACC. For more information and to book visit: [www.investwangaratta.com.au](http://www.investwangaratta.com.au)

### Detox Your Home

Help keep toxic household chemicals out of the environment by spring cleaning your home and delivering them to the *Detox Your Home* event on **Saturday 22 February 2025** 9:00am - 12:00pm at the Council Works Depot, 51-69 Newman Street Wangaratta. Registrations are essential and close 20 February 2025. Register via [www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome](http://www.sustainability.vic.gov.au/detoxyourhome)

### Transfer Station Holiday Hours

Transfer stations will be open on the following days:

- **Markwood & Eldorado** | open 19 January 2025 (then returns to fortnightly cycle)
- **Moyhu** | usual operating hours apply
- **Wangaratta** | usual operating hours apply



Do you need extra help in the home?



Aged & Community Care

### Aged Care Packages

If you need extra help at home, our Aged & Community Care team can assist. Our Aged Care packages support local people to stay living in their homes and communities. Experienced local case managers understand our community and are there when you need them. Servicing Wodonga and Wangaratta regions. Visit our website or call us on 1300 982 662 to find out more.

### Contact your Councillors

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PO Box 238, Wangaratta, VIC 3676. Open - Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 4.30pm Closed - Public Holidays

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