

Rural City Connection

Friday 19 June 2026



Rural City of Wangaratta

Council Meeting

This month's Council Meeting is on Tuesday 23 June, at 3pm in Council Chambers, Government Centre. Community consultation takes place from 2.30 pm, this is your chance to raise questions or share feedback directly with Councillors before the meeting begins. You can attend in person or watch the meeting live on our YouTube channel. View the agenda here: www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/Agendas-and-Minutes
Do you have a question but can't attend? Email it through by 10am on the day to: council@wangaratta.vic.gov.au
If you need accessibility support, please contact Customer Service on 03 5722 0888.



Vehicle Registration Discount

Victorians can apply for 20% off their vehicle registration payments through Service Victoria. Applications are open until 31 July 2026 and can be submitted online through the Service Victoria website or app.
Apply now at service.vic.gov.au/rego-rebate



Community Grants 2026

Our 2026 Grant Program is now open. From large scale events to community projects, funding is available to help bring ideas to life and create opportunities for people across Wangaratta to connect and get involved. Applications close 13 July, find out more and apply today: www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/2026-Grant-Program
Council Officers are available to discuss Community, Sponsorship and Quick Release Grants.
Registration for a 15-minute chat is essential, please contact communitygrants@wangaratta.vic.gov.au

10am-12pm Wednesday 24 June | Glenrowan 1880's Café
4-6pm Wednesday 24 June | Wangaratta Library
9-11am Thursday 25 June | Wangaratta Chase Café
12pm-2pm Thursday 25 June | Moyhu Ineeta Café



Half Price Travel

Public transport in Victoria is half price for everyone, every day, until 1 January 2027, delivering immediate cost-of-living relief for millions of Victorians.
Half price travel is for everyone in Victoria, including concession holders, whose already discounted fares will be cut in half again.



Body Superheroes

Register today: <https://events.humanitix.com/body-superheroes>

Seniors Festival EOIs Open

Community groups, clubs and organisations are invited to host events as part of the Wangaratta Seniors Festival this October. The annual festival features free and low-cost activities for older residents across Wangaratta and our rural communities. Whether it's a morning tea, fitness session, cultural event or workshop, hosting an event is a chance to connect with the community and help support positive ageing with purpose.
EOIs close 30 June 2026, Submit yours: www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/EOISeniors

RACV My Country Road Survey 2026

More than half of serious road crashes in Victoria occur on regional roads. Complete the survey and identify highways you believe are high risk or in need of improvement. Your feedback will help build evidence for safer road design and future investment in regional infrastructure.

<https://racv.research.net/r/My-Country-Road-2026>

- Help advocate for safer regional roads
- Takes around 5 minutes to complete
- Responses are anonymous

Rainbow Dumplings at the Youth Hub

Celebrate Pride Month and have fun making rainbow dumplings at the Youth Hub. School Holiday extended hours, 11am – 4pm Monday 29 June. Synergy Youth Hub, 29 Flanagan Street, Wangaratta. This workshop is supported by headspace Wangaratta, and Nest. No bookings required.

Community Satisfaction Survey

From now until Tuesday 30 June, your household may receive a call from TKW Research, an independent research agency conducting a survey for Council. The aim is to assess Council's performance and improve service delivery. Your responses are confidential, only overall results are shared with Council.
Please call Council on 5722 0888 with any questions.

Alliance for Gambling Reform

Want to better understand how gambling harm affects our community? Join our online community webinar with the Alliance for Gambling Reform and help build future action. Learn more and register today:
www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/Understanding-Gambling-Harm

Wangaratta Children's Services Centre Expressions of Interest for 2027 Enrolments

Expressions of interest are open for 3 Year Old Kindergarten and 4 Year Old Pre Prep for 2027. Join our nurturing service, with a focus on positive relationships for children and their families, large play areas, a community garden, excursions and more.
EOI close Friday 26 June. Register your interest today: <https://bit.ly/Childrens-Services-Centre>



Help put our region on the map!

Whitfield and Glenrowan have been named finalists in the Top Tiny Tourism Town Awards, and now they need your support.

Vote for your favourite here www.vtc.com.au/toptourismtown



Have Your Say on the following projects via Connect Wangaratta

- Leasing and Licensing Policy, closes 22 June



Positions Vacant

Role	Closing
Early Childhood Educator - Level 2 & 3	22-Jun-26
Business Systems Analyst	29-Jun-26
Horticulture Coordinator	29-Jun-26
Supervisor - Facilities/Maintenance	29-Jun-26

For further information on these positions please visit www.wangaratta.vic.gov.au/Careers

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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