



## Celebrate A Taste of Italy: Griffith this August

Prepare to savour the tastes, sights and sounds of Italy over one delicious weekend; Friday 27 – Sunday 29 August 2021. From arancini to zeppole, 'A Taste of Italy: Griffith' has it all.

A Taste of Italy: Griffith is a three day celebration of the city's vibrant Italian culture and heritage, offering a host of Italian themed events and experiences.

On Friday evening, the Ferragosto Festival Dinner Dance will kick off the celebrations and is set to keep all guests entertained. The night features delicious Italian food and the ultimate in Italian music and comedy. Bookings are essential and tickets are available at [www.pristineproductions.com.au](http://www.pristineproductions.com.au)

Head to Banna Avenue on Saturday morning, where the street will become a hive of activity with the sidewalk sale - you can shop 'til you drop and then enjoy a macchiato and cannoli.

From midday, make your way to the Griffith Italian Festival for an afternoon filled with Italian food, music, dancing, wine and lots of fun. Melbourne band, Siesta Cartel, will be back by popular demand to get you on your feet! Tickets sold out in 2019 for its first year – get in

quick to avoid disappointment. Tickets can be purchased via [www.griffithitalianfestival.com](http://www.griffithitalianfestival.com) or in person at the Griffith Visitor Information Centre.

Although the famous Griffith Salami Festival will not be held this year, the salami judging will still take place at the Yoogali Club and will be open to the public to view on Saturday afternoon.

True to its name you will be able to enjoy a 'taste of Italy' across Griffith throughout the entire weekend, with La Piccola Grosseria opening their doors on Sunday for those who want to make their way through some authentic Italian products.

You can't go past some local vino, with most cellar doors offering Italian wine varietals for tasting, or for something truly special you can join the long Sunday lunch at Calabria Family Wines or De Bortoli Wines which will truly make you feel like you're in Italy. Tickets available via their websites.

Griffith Tourism Manager, Mirella Guidolin said A Taste of Italy Griffith will feature many local Italian traditions, showcasing our authentic

Italian culture and providing visitors and locals alike with a complete and memorable weekend in Griffith.

"A host of Italian themed events and experiences have been planned for the whole family to enjoy so pick up a program from the Griffith Visitor Information Centre," said Ms Guidolin.

Chair of the Tourism and Events Committee, Councillor Christine Stead said, she was pleased to see local businesses come on board so enthusiastically to offer something Italian for everyone.

"We are fortunate in Griffith to have such a rich Italian culture which is demonstrated through many local businesses and wineries," said Councillor Stead.

"A Taste of Italy: Griffith is a wonderful way to be able to share this and celebrate a significant part of what makes Griffith so unique."

For more information head to [www.visitgriffith.com.au](http://www.visitgriffith.com.au) or call 1800 681 141.

Ci Vediamo a Griffith! (See you in Griffith!)

*Photo above: Courtesy Griffith Italian Festival*



## RETHINKING THE WINTER SOLSTICE

### *A Community Art Exhibition*

**SAT 3 JULY - SUN 1 AUGUST**

*Winter is a season of recovery and preparation. – Paul Theroux.*

An exhibition showcasing local artists, who have been asked to reflect upon what it's like to experience the Riverina winter and what makes our winter like no other time of the year.

**COMMUNITY OPENING EVENT  
6PM FRIDAY 16 JULY**

Isis-Rae Ronan, *Metamorphosis*, Acrylic on Canvas



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[www.griffith.nsw.gov.au/tourismtalk](http://www.griffith.nsw.gov.au/tourismtalk)



## Griffith hosting The Daily Telegraph Bush Summit this August



Griffith will shine on 27 August when Griffith City Council hosts the "2021 Daily Telegraph Bush Summit", with Prime Minister Scott Morrison and NSW Premier, Gladys Berejiklian in attendance.

Council is working closely with organisers on the agenda providing a rare opportunity to discuss matters important to our community such as Housing, Water, Investment, Agriculture, Export and the drought.

Griffith Mayor John Dal Broi said as host city of the event, Griffith was set to benefit in a range of ways.

"The publicity and exposure that an event such as this gives our City is invaluable. This one day summit showcases the opportunities for businesses and families to realise their potential by moving to a rural or regional centre like ours," said Councillor Dal Broi.

"This will be a golden opportunity to share with our political leaders exactly what issues we are facing, and to showcase our large export industry to a wide audience – this is not just a coup for Griffith, but the surrounding and outlying Local Government Areas."

Housing Minister, Melinda Pavey will be in attendance giving Council a rare opportunity to speak frankly about the housing crisis, which is a challenge being faced by most regional centres in Australia.

"Council has been working toward finding solutions for the housing issues, including developing the 2019 Housing Strategy and the \$12M partnership with the State and Argyle Housing to provide 20 affordable housing dwellings and 42 build ready lots for new homes," said Councillor Dal Broi.

"Being able to meet with Ms Pavey in person gives us an opportunity to discuss the need for not only affordable housing, but more social housing projects to help address the increasing housing crisis we face."

The inaugural summit was held in Dubbo in 2019, with Cooma hosting the 2020 event. Numerous political leaders presented at last year's event including the Prime Minister, Leader of the Opposition, the Premier, and several Ministers both State and Federal, with several business leaders presenting.

## Calling potential authors – Free workshop at Griffith City Library

Griffith City Library is calling on budding authors to participate in an upcoming free Writing Workshop with Caroline Tuohey, on Saturday 24 July from 9.30am – 12.30pm.

Have you been thinking about writing your first picture book? Got a fantastic idea and need help putting it to paper? Then this workshop is for you!

Griffith City Library Manager, Karen Tagliapietra said Ms Tuohey, a member of the Griffith Riverina Fellowship of Australian Writers, will be walking participants through the ins and outs of writing and publishing picture books.

"Caroline is a well-established author of picture books, having published several popular books including *Climb*, *Forest Wonder*, and *Book Goes to Beauty School*, along with a large range of short stories and poems," said Mrs Tagliapietra.

"She is passionate about literature and is excited to be able to share her experiences and tips and tricks to writing a successful picture book."

The workshop is aimed at those 14 years and older, who have a manuscript and want to progress it, or those budding authors who have an idea and need advice on how to translate it to paper. Topics covered at the workshop include:

- Writing the story: Rhyme or prose
- Networking: How and why it makes a difference
- How to get a manuscript to final draft, and
- Finding a Publisher: Working with publishers, the fun bit!

If you are interested in participating in the workshop, please register at [wrl.eventbrite.com.au](http://wrl.eventbrite.com.au) – registrations are essential. Bookings are free.



## Save the date

### 2021 NSW Local Government elections

**Saturday  
4 September**

Voting is compulsory

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## Griffith Airforce Cadets Squadron 340 celebrates milestone

Griffith's squadron of the Air Force Cadets, 340 Squadron, celebrated their fifth anniversary with a milestone dinner on Saturday 2 May, attended by 80 members close to the squadron.

The dinner saw Griffith Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi award the 340 Squadron 'Freedom of Entry to the City.'

The honour is conferred by a city council to a military unit, and grants that unit the privilege

of marching into the city with "drums beating, colours flying and bayonets fixed."

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Tuesday 13 July, Flight Lieutenant Michael Borg presented the scroll to Griffith City Council, marking the long standing relationship between Council and the Squadron.

The scroll will be displayed at the Council's Administration building.



## National Tree Day to be held this month

Griffith City Council is working with Owen Toyota Griffith, Murrumbidgee Field Naturalists and local students from Marian Catholic College to plant trees at Campbell's Swamp for National Tree Day later this month.

National Tree Day is a call to action for all Australians to put their hands in the earth and give back to their community. Each year, about

300,000 people volunteer their time to engage in environmental activities that educate individuals about the world around them. It's a day to venture outdoors and get to know your community, and most importantly, to have fun!

To find out more about National Tree Day, please visit [treeday.planetark.org](http://treeday.planetark.org) or their facebook page.

## Yambil Street Update – July 2021

The construction of ramps, driveways and footpaths on the northern side of Stage 3 of the Ymail Street Upgrade has commenced and is progressing well.

Businesses are being individually consulted as works near shop entrances to ensure minimal disruption to their operation. Adjustment of various Telstra pits has also been occurring over the last few weeks to ensure uniformity of levels in the new footpath.

During these works, pedestrian access to businesses remains a priority with temporary paths set

up to detour foot traffic when required.

Works in the centre parking lane are nearing completion with the installation of communication and power conduits, irrigation lines, street light cages and pits.

Construction of the new roundabout at the Yambil Street/Daines Street intersection is continuing, with coloured concrete poured on Thursday 1 July 2021.

To keep up to date with the latest in the Yambil Street, please visit [griffith.nsw.gov.au](http://griffith.nsw.gov.au)



## Merrigal Street Bridge installation nearing completion

Funding made available through the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program has provided for the construction of a pedestrian and cyclist bridge over the canal on the southern side of Merrigal Street between Noorla Street and Kywong Street.

Yoogali Engineering have completed manufacturing and placement of the bridge for Griffith City Council which will provide future connectivity between Westend Stadium and Jubilee Oval. In the future this will allow the Sports Precincts to be linked together in a safe way.

Griffith Mayor, Councillor John Dal Broi said with the creation of the redevelopment of the Westend

Sports Facility, it is expected that pedestrian and cyclist traffic will increase. "Connection from our sporting facilities will be increasingly important with the current works, and providing safe commuter access is paramount," said Councillor Dal Broi

"This new structure is specifically targeted to provide access for pedestrians and cyclists on Merrigal Street crossing the canal safely."

The bridge has a 2.5m walkway and will separate pedestrians and cyclists from traffic. The bridge should be open by September 2021, weather permitting, with the completion of bridge approaches and safety barriers in the next two months.





# Public Notification

## Notice of Temporary Road Closure

Notice is hereby given under the Roads Act 1993, Section 122 for the temporary closing of:

**Palla Street between Wyangan Avenue and Koorringal Avenue, Koorringal Avenue between Cutler Avenue and Animoo Avenue and Binya Street between Koorringal Avenue and Anzac Street will be closed on Sunday 18 July 2021 from 8am until 3pm** for the replacement of a condemned power pole by Essential Energy. Detours around the site will be provided. The Southern lane of Palla Street will be manned at the closures and left open at the roundabout to provide access to heavy vehicles and emergency services.

**Campbell Street between Goondooloo Street and Cutler Avenue to southbound traffic will continue until Tuesday 20 July 2021 from 6am until 5:30pm.** Campbell Street will only be closed when machinery and workers are required to work within 1.2m of the traffic lane. Road will be closed for the period detour signs are in place.

**Hoad Street between Sanders Street and Webster Street will be closed on Tuesday 20 July 2021 from 9am until 11am** for the replacement of a padmount transformer by Essential Energy. Detours around the site and access for residents will be provided.

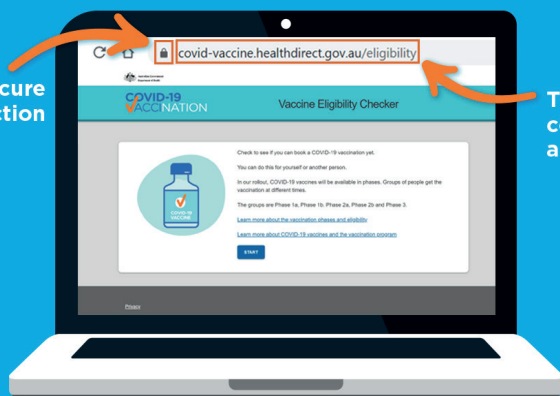
**Yarran Lane between School Street and Yarran Street will be closed on Wednesday 21 July 2021 from 8am until 1pm** as Essential Energy will be stringing conductors and changing poles. School buses will be given priority and access for residents will be provided.

**Crawford Road between Kidman Way and Millis Road will be closed from Monday 19 July until Saturday 24 July 2021 between 8am until 3pm** for the backfilling of a culvert by Murrumbidgee Irrigation. Detours around the worksite will be provided.



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The correct address

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## NOTIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED (Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979)

DA Number: 161/2021(1)	Applicant: Mr D D Dinicola
Address: Lots 886 & 887 DP 751709, Lots 172 & 173 DP 1195677, Lot 170 DP 1195674, Lot 2 DP 1007460 - 1165 Mansell Road GRIFFITH, Little Road HANWOOD, Thorne Road GRIFFITH, 308 Murrumbidgee Avenue GRIFFITH	
Description: 60ML Water Storage Facility	
DA Number: 197/2020(2)	Applicant: The Griffith Hotel Pty Ltd
Address: Lot 12, 13, 14 & 15 Section 4 DP 758476, 75-89 Yambil Street GRIFFITH	
Description: S4.55(1A) Modification – Alterations & Additions to an existing licenced premises, expansion of an approved bottle shop, signage and associated works and subdivision	

Copies of the Development Application and associated plans are available for inspection on Council's website under Council/Public Notification and Items on Exhibition/Development Applications. If you do not have access to the internet, please phone Council's Customer Service Centre on 1300 176 077. This documentation may be viewed up until **4pm Friday 30 July 2021**. **PLEASE NOTE: Section 10.4 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979 requires the disclosure of any Political Donations & Gifts made in the two years prior to the application date.** A form is available from Council's Customer Service Centre or Council's website – [www.griffith.nsw.gov.au](http://www.griffith.nsw.gov.au) Written submissions regarding the Development Application should be addressed to the General Manager and will be received by Council up until **4pm Friday 30 July 2021**. Submissions should include a contact name, address and telephone number. Submissions made on behalf of a company should also include the names and addresses of all company directors. If submissions are received raising concerns with the proposed development a report will be presented to an Ordinary Meeting of Council for determination. As such, copies of all submissions (including the writer's name and address) will form part of Council's Business Paper and be available to the public. Should you wish to have your contact details withheld it is recommended that you request this in your submission.

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**4 September 2021**  
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