

OUR COUNCIL NEWS, NOTICES & EVENTS

AROUND THE REGION

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Calling on Local Food Businesses to Join the Celtic Food Trail!

Cafés, restaurants, pubs and food vendors in Glen Innes and surrounding communities are invited to be part of the annual Celtic Food Trail, a key feature of the 2025 Australian Celtic Festival (ACF).

The ACF attracts thousands of visitors to Glen Innes each year, celebrating Celtic heritage through music, dance, history and food. The Celtic Food Trail offers local businesses the chance to showcase Celtic-inspired dishes, giving both festival-goers and the local community the opportunity to enjoy the rich flavours of Celtic culture.

Participating venues will be listed on the official Celtic Food Trail Map and website, making it easier for visitors to find and support local eateries during the Festival.

This initiative offers several benefits to local businesses, including:

- Attracting more customers, both from the Festival and the local community
- Showcasing the region's hospitality and food culture
- Gaining free promotion through Festival marketing and Council communication channels

Local food businesses interested in participating are encouraged to register early. For more information or to sign up, contact Council's Events Officer on (02) 6730 2400 or email events@gisc.nsw.gov.au.



Extended Pool Season at Glen Innes Aquatic Centre

In response to community interest, we are pleased to advise that Glen Innes Aquatic Centre will remain open until 30 April 2025, extending the usual season beyond the 31 March closure date.

Please note – this extension does not apply to Emmaville Pool, which is set to close on 31 March.

The additional month will particularly benefit local students who have successfully qualified for zone and state swimming events, giving them crucial extra training time. It also provides the wider community with more opportunities to make the most of the pool before the colder months set in.

April 2025 opening hours at Glen Innes Aquatic Centre:

- Monday Friday: 6:30 am 12:00 pm
- Weekends: Closed (however, watch this space weather permitting, we may open on the first weekend of the school holidays!)

Please note:

Season passes will cease as normal on 31 March, and standard entry fees will apply as per Council's fees and charges.

We look forward to seeing the community enjoying the pool throughout April!



Roundabout Light Poles Undergoing Maintenance

As part of the Glen Innes Town Centre Beautification Project, Council temporarily removed the light poles at the Meade Street (Post Office) and Bourke Street (Coles) roundabouts on Grey Street on 18 March 2025 for essential maintenance. The poles will be sandblasted and repainted to ensure their longevity and upkeep, especially alongside the newly installed plants and cauldrons.

We recognise the significance of these fixtures - the light pole on Meade Street is mounted to the ANZAC memorial, while the one on Bourke Street features a heritage theme. To reassure the community, the colour of the poles will not be changed, and there will be no impact to surrounding street lighting during the maintenance period.

Additionally, with the Bourke Street light pole temporarily dismantled, our team will take the opportunity to replace the smashed globes.

The light poles are expected to be reinstated within two weeks. We appreciate the community's patience as we carry out this maintenance.

Learn more about the Project.

Infrastructure Works Program

The following works are scheduled in the period ending Friday, 4 April 2025 subject to weather conditions and unforeseen delays:

- Jet patching in Glen Innes Township, Old Grafton Road and Strathbogie Road
- The Roads Construction Crew will be working at Wellington Vale Road
- Maintenance grading is scheduled Glen Innes Township gravel roads, Fawcett Road, Winters Road, Crotty Road, Six Mile Road, Bargens Road, Severn River Road and Streeters Road
- The Bridge Team is working on Coxs Road
- The Drainage Team is working on Ten Mile Road
- The Heavy Patching Crew will be undertaking urban heavy patching at various locations as part of the urban heavy patching reseal program and assisting grading teams

For upcoming road closures, please visit the <u>Roads page on Council's</u> website.

Got a road issue?

Contact our Infrastructure Customer Service team on (02) 6730 2371 or at roads@gisc.nsw.gov.au. A reminder, the Roads On Call number is just for after-hours emergencies.

JOBS AT COUNCIL

- Plant Mechanic
- Production Coordinator
- Property Officer
- Ongoing Casual Positions

Apply now via the <u>Jobs at Council</u> page on Council's website.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE HIGHLANDS

Every Saturday Australian Standing Stones Parkrun 8am

21 March

Harmony Day Event Glen Innes & District Services Club

9-17 April Youth Week 2025

25 April ANZAC Day Marches & Services Glen Innes & surrounds

28 April - 4 May Celtic Food Trail Glen Innes & surrounds

1-4 May Australian Celtic Festival SAVE THE DATE!





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