BOTTLE TREE CONNECT

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Welcome to the November edition of Bottle Tree Connect, Maranoa Regional Council's community eNewsletter!

In this monthly edition, you can catch up on what's happening across the Maranoa including Christmas festivities, pool updates, biosecurity and much more!

Don't forget to keep an eye out on the Maranoa Regional Council Events Calendar, your one-stop destination for everything happening across our vibrant region: maranoa.co/MaranoaEventsCalendar



Mark your calendars for the 2026 Maranoa Christmas Street Party!

One of the most anticipated events in the region is back again this year, the Maranoa Christmas Street Party, to be held from 5:00pm to 8:30pm on Thursday, 3 December.

This year's event will be met with a splash with it being pool themed in celebration of the Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre opening! Think Hawaiian shirts, tropical Christmas, pool toys and plenty of summer fun.

Stallholders and food vendors are encouraged to get into the spirit and incorporate the theme into their stall, decorations or outfits.

Read more by scanning the QR Code.

COUNCILLOR CORNER

Welcome to the November Councillor Update.

There has been plenty happening across the Maranoa in recent months, particularly across my portfolio areas of Rural Roads, Major Projects, Stakeholder Engagement and Advocacy, and Facilities and Airports, and I am pleased to share a few updates with you.

A major highlight for our region is the upcoming opening of the Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre on 12 December 2026. With the opening now so close, it is exciting to see this major project nearly ready to welcome the community.

This $36 million project is the largest investment of its kind for our community and marks a significant milestone for the Maranoa. It will be a wonderful asset for our local community and visitors, and a major investment in recreation, health and liveability across our region. This project received funding of $9.5 million from the Australian Government's Growing Regions Program and a $5 million contribution by the Queensland Government.

The opening day promises to be a fantastic celebration for the whole community, with a full program of activities planned. Alongside the official opening ceremony, there will be a First Splash competition, giving children the chance to be the first into the new 50-metre pool and the first to ride the 10-metre and 3-metre slides. Nominations for the competition are now open – I encourage you to be part of history and enter! With a massive day of family fun planned for opening day, I have no doubt the centre will quickly become a much-loved community facility. It is exciting to be so close to opening the doors on the largest investment of its kind in our region.

Another important piece of work has been Council's recent volunteering roundtables, held across October. It was great to see passionate residents, volunteers and community groups come together in Roma, Injune, Surat, Wallumbilla, Mitchell, Yuleba, Jackson and Noonga to discuss the current issues and opportunities facing volunteering, and how we can work together to strengthen and support volunteering across our region.

These sessions provided valuable feedback on the challenges many groups are experiencing. Just as importantly, participants shared practical ideas around capacity building, youth engagement, recognition and Council support. This feedback will now help inform the development of a draft Regional Volunteering Strategy, which participants will have the opportunity to review before it is adopted by Council.



In the Rural Roads space, Council is also looking at ways to improve how we engage with landholders when planning and undertaking roadworks. We recognise the value of local knowledge and the benefits of engaging with landholders early.

These conversations help Council better understand local conditions, identify potential issues before works commence and improve the overall planning and delivery of roadworks. Council is currently trialling a more structured approach to landholder engagement, with a number of landholders already contacted as part of this work.

The trial is already showing some positive benefits, particularly in improving communication, managing expectations and identifying issues early.

The outcomes of the trial will be presented to Council for consideration, with the view of formalising into a new policy.

Ultimately, it's about improving communication, building stronger relationships and delivering better outcomes for our rural road network.

I look forward to continuing to work with the community across these important areas in the months ahead, and if I can assist in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Until next month, take care.

Cameron O'Neil

COUNCIL MEETING SNAPSHOT

Are you curious to find out what happened in the latest Ordinary Council Meeting that took place on Thursday, 29 October 2026?

The snapshot is out now on Council's website and below, providing you a summary of the key topics discussed and what the outcomes were.

Audit & Risk Committee Meeting Report

Council received the Audit and Risk Committee report from the committee's October meeting.

The main items discussed were the draft 2025/26 Annual Financial Statements, including the Queensland Audit Office findings from its annual audit.

The Queensland Audit Office highlighted an emerging issue around water sustainability, and the committee has asked for a paper on the risks associated with water asset sustainability. It also noted that this is a common issue across many rural and remote councils in Queensland.

It was pleasing to see that the five-year sustainability ratios in the draft annual financial statements are within the prescribed targets.

Maranoa Childcare Bursary Program

Council endorsed the Maranoa Childcare Bursary Program Guidelines to help support and retain skilled childcare professionals in our region.

The programme provides financial assistance to eligible people studying and working in local childcare.

This initiative will help to strengthen the workforce that supports early childhood education in our community and ensure our child care centres can continue to operate at full capacity.

Queensland Dinosaur Week and Big Rig 25 Years

Council resolved to deliver Queensland Dinosaur Week activities throughout the region in May 2027, ensuring families can enjoy free and engaging activities in their local communities.



Council is also planning to celebrate the Big Rig's 25th anniversary in 2027. This is a great opportunity for Council to celebrate an important milestone for one of Roma's key tourism attractions.

These activities support local families, strengthen our tourism offering and provide an opportunity to showcase the Maranoa's unique dinosaur heritage and premier tourism attraction to visitors for years to come.

2026 LGAQ Annual Conference – Conference Outcomes and Council Motions

Council attended the LGAQ Annual Conference in Cairns, bringing together councils from across Queensland.
We put forward two motions calling for greater government investment in community facilities, like swimming pools and halls, as well as regional airports.
Both received strong support and will now be taken forward by the LGAQ in its discussions with State and Federal Governments, helping us advocate for better funding for regional communities.
We were also incredibly proud to receive the LGMS Risk Excellence Award at the Conference, recognising our Making Safety Everyone's Business initiative and the great work our staff are doing to make Council a safer workplace.

There's more to know!

You can watch the full Council meeting online to stay up to date with everything happening in the Maranoa region by scanning the QR Code.

THIS WEEK AT THE ROMA SALEYARDS



Tuesday, 3 November 2026

This week's Tuesday cattle sale saw an increase in numbers with more than 4,490 head yarded. Find out more by scanning the QR code.

Roma Saleyards' Holiday Closure Dates

The Roma Saleyards advises that the final cattle sale at the Roma Saleyards for 2026 will be take place on Tuesday, 15 December and the first sale of 2027 will be held on Tuesday, 12 January.

The Saleyards Office will be closed for the holidays from close of business on Friday, 18 December 2026. The office will reopen on Monday, 11 January 2027. During the holiday period, the Val Harms Interactive Centre will remain open. The centre is free to visit and opening hours are from 8:00am to 5:00pm. For further information or enquiries regarding the holiday closure period, please contact the Roma Saleyards team on 07 4624 0404 or your preferred agent.



NEWS FOR OUR RESIDENTS

Seniors in the Maranoa community have enjoyed a busy month of free activities

The Lions Club BBQ, Oliver's Café, and Men's Shed events had attendees sharing stories over a cuppa - connecting different community members. The regional event put on a show with the Annual Seniors Month Luncheon. Classic hits performed by our very own Tom Jones impersonator (and a surprise medley from Elvis Presley) had feet tapping while Seniors enjoyed roast meals, flowing drinks, and trays of desserts. Council was proud to, once again, provide community members with free transport to and from the events, ensuring equal access to those in our outer towns!
Read more by scanning the QR Code.



Council announces upcoming Indian Myna Bird Trapping Information Sessions

Council invites community members to register their attendance in the upcoming Indian Myna Bird Trapping Information Sessions, taking place across the Maranoa from Monday, 23 November 2026 to Wednesday, 25 November 2026. Further to this, the sessions will include live demonstrations and discussions covering trap preparation and setup, effective trapping techniques, identification tips and using FeralScan for monitoring and reporting. Registrations to attend the sessions are open now and close at 5:00pm, Thursday, 19 November 2026. Find out more by scanning the QR Code.



Council wins award for workplace safety initiative

Maranoa Regional Council has been recognised for its commitment to workplace safety, winning the Risk Excellence category at the LGMS Risk Excellence Awards for its '*Making Safety Everyone's Business*' initiative. The initiative focuses on giving staff the skills and support to work safely, strengthening our responsibility for safety across the organisation. Mayor Wendy Taylor said, "Keeping our people safe is an essential part of delivering services to our communities," and thanked staff for their efforts in improving workplace safety. Chief Executive Officer Rob Hayward said the initiative is about "making safety part of everyday work" and ensuring leaders, supervisors and workers all play a role in identifying risks and taking action to keep people safe.
Read more by scanning the QR Code.



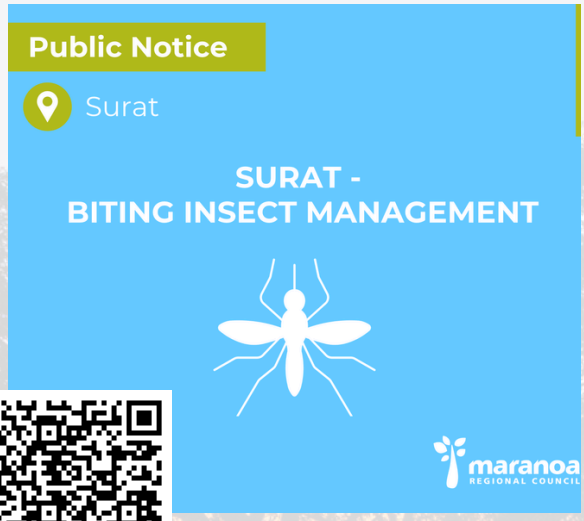
Community and Council tackle volunteering issues head-on

Across the month of October, passionate residents, volunteers, and community groups united to discuss the current issues in volunteering and how we can work together to resolve and strengthen community participation across our region. Six roundtable sessions were held for Roma, Injune, Surat, Wallumbilla, Mitchell and Yuleba, Jackson and Noonga and surrounding residents. Following the development of the draft Regional Volunteering Strategy, participants will have an opportunity to review and provide feedback on the draft before it is adopted by Council. "Volunteers play an incredibly important role in our communities, and hearing directly from those who give their time is vital to understanding how Council can better support volunteering across the region" Mayor Wendy Taylor said.
Read more by scanning the QR Code.



Surat - Biting Insect Management

Receding flood waters from heavy rainfall have provided perfect conditions for biting midge (or 'black fly') and mosquito breeding which will be addressed in the coming weeks by Maranoa Regional Council. Councillor Jane Vincent, Portfolio for Environment, said the increase in freshwater breeding sites would result in larger numbers of biting midge and mosquitoes, in turn increasing the potential for vector borne diseases. "Council is implementing a mosquito management program in the Surat town area to reduce numbers." The treatments will be carried out during the period of 6 November to 15 November 2026 by a licensed contractor. The Council team will be using an environmentally friendly chemical that has been specifically approved for mosquito and biting insect control.
Read more by scanning the QR Code.



LIBRARY CORNER

A Good Story Starts a Conversation

This November, Maranoa Libraries is encouraging men across our region to turn a page, start a conversation, and make time for connection.

November brings 'Movember', a month dedicated to raising awareness of men's health, including mental health and wellbeing. It's also a timely reminder that sometimes the simplest things – a good book, a shared interest or a friendly conversation – can make a meaningful difference.

Libraries have always been about more than books. They're places where people can connect, discover new interests, learn something different, or simply enjoy a welcoming space away from the demands of everyday life.

Whether it's picking up a gripping crime thriller, exploring local history, discovering a new hobby or joining a community activity, there's something for everyone at Maranoa Libraries.

And you don't have to be an avid reader to enjoy what your library has to offer. Audiobooks are perfect for listening while travelling, working around the property or relaxing at home.

This Movember, we're encouraging men of all ages to take a little time for themselves, reconnect with an old interest, try something new, or simply drop into their local library.



A good book can open your mind. A good conversation can make your day. Your local library offers a place for both.
Read more by scanning the QR Code.

Flying fox management in the Maranoa region

Maranoa is home to temporary flying fox colonies. These native mammals are a protected species and play an important role in maintaining healthy ecosystems through pollination and seed dispersal. Council, in partnership with the Queensland Government is implementing the Regional Flying Fox Management Plan (RFFMP). This plan supports proactive management, improved community communication, and the construction of a new roost area to better balance environmental and community needs.
Find out more by scanning the QR Code.



Desex Your Pets - Vouchers Still Available!

Desexing vouchers are still available for responsible pet owners across the Maranoa. Each voucher is valued at $150, helping reduce the cost of having your cat or dog desexed. There is a limit of one voucher per household, with vouchers redeemable at Maranoa Veterinary Surgery and Roma Vet Clinic.

To apply or learn more, contact Council's Community Safety Team on 1300 007 662 or click the button below.
Find out more by scanning the QR Code.

RURAL LANDS

Invasive Species: Parthenium

Parthenium is a highly invasive annual weed that threatens agriculture, grazing land and native ecosystems. It is declared a category 3 invasive plant under the Biosecurity Act 2014. Parthenium produces large quantities of seed, allowing infestations to spread rapidly. It can grow up to 2m tall, forming dense stands that dominate pasture and disturbed areas. Germination occurs mostly in spring to early summer, and dies off in winter. Under stress, parthenium will flower and seed at a very young age. For more information and control options follow the link below via scanning the QR Code.



CHRISTMAS NEWS

Christmas Street Party stallholder & food vendor applications open now

Preperations are underway for the 2026 Maranoa Christmas Street Party which will be held in McDowall Street, Roma on Thursday, 3 December . Council is calling all local businesses and community organisations to join the magic with stallholder and food vendor applications open now. Whether you would like to hold a market or food stall, run a fundraising activity, or showcase your community organisation at this fun-filled event, Council would like to hear from you.

Stallholder and food vendor applications close on Friday, 20 November – to book your stall, please scan the QR Code.



Shop Local This Christmas for Your Chance to Win Big

Christmas is a time for giving, and Maranoa Regional Council is encouraging residents to give a little closer to home this festive season through the return of its Shop Local campaign.

The campaign is back for 2026, giving shoppers the opportunity to support local businesses while going into the draw to win some fantastic prizes.

Getting involved is easy. Simply spend $10 or more at any participating local retailer for your chance to win one of the following prizes:

* $2,000 Mitre 10 Voucher
* $2,000 Betta Voucher
* $2,000 Home Timber and Hardware Voucher
* 2 x Annual Family Passes to the Roma Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre.

Portfolio Chair for Local Business and Procurement, Councillor Amber Davis, said Council was proud to once again support the campaign and encourage the community to make shopping locally part of their Christmas celebrations.

“Christmas is one of the busiest and most important trading periods for many of our local businesses, and every dollar spent locally makes a difference."

Winners will be drawn 10:00am Friday, 18 December 2026, at the McDowall Street Christmas Tree. For more information about the Shop Local campaign and participating retailers, contact Maranoa Regional Council on 1300 007 662 or email council@maranoa.qld.gov.au

Community Christmas Luncheon: an event of community connection and festive spirit

Council is pleased to announce that the Community Christmas Luncheon will take place from 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Roma Auditorium on Wednesday, 16 December 2026. This free event is for community members who may be spending the festive season alone, or who would enjoy sharing a Christmas meal with others in a welcoming and inclusive setting.

RSVPs are essential to attend the Luncheon.

RSVPs close on Friday, 4 December 2026.

To RSVP, scan the QR Code.



Christmas Hamper Appeal spreads joy with every donation

Council is inviting residents to donate non-perishable food items to the Maranoa's 2026 Christmas Hamper Appeal. Your generosity will help ensure local community members can enjoy a little extra Christmas cheer this festive season! Residents can deliver their donations to any of the Council Customer Service Centres across the Maranoa from now until Tuesday, 1 December 2026.
Donations can include tinned and packaged foods, Christmas treats and sweets, cereal and breakfast items, pasta, rice and other pantry staples and tea, coffee and long-life milk. Thank you to our Hamper Appeal sponsors, Cleanaway, Drug ARM, FKG Group and GR Production Services, for their generous support in helping deliver this program to our community.
Find out more by scanning the QR Code.



Maranoa Regional Council 2026 Christmas Closures

As we draw closer to the end of the year, Council would like to notify the community that the Christmas closure dates for 2026 are as follows:

- The Annual Christmas and New Year closure for the general workforce and associated facilities (excluding those services identified as essential services requiring skeleton crews) is from close of business Friday 18 December 2026 and reopening on Monday, 4 January 2027.
- The Roma and Mitchell waste facilities will be closed to the public on Christmas Day, 25 December 2026 and New Year's Day, 1 January 2027. Appropriately sized skip bin/s will be provided outside the facility for public use over closure days. Transfer Stations will remain open over the Christmas/New Year period.
- The closure of the Yuleba Post Office on Friday, 25 December 2026; and Friday, 1 January 2027, with reduced operating hours over the Christmas period of 9am – 1pm from Monday 21 December 2026 to Thursday 31 December 2026.
- The Annual Christmas and New Year closures of Council's libraries in Jackson and Mungallala are from Saturday 19 December 2026 reopening on Monday, 11 January 2027.
- The Annual Christmas and New Year closures of the Injune Visitor Information Centre from Friday, 25 December 2026 to Sunday, 27 December 2026 and from Wednesday, 30 December 2026 to Friday, 1 January 2027.



- The last Big Rig Night Show for 2026 is on Friday, 18 December 2026 with the first Night Show on Monday, 4 January 2027 at 6.30pm.
- The Annual Christmas and New Year closures for the Roma Visitor Information Centre and The Big Rig will be on Friday, 25 December 2026; Saturday, 26 December 2026; and Friday, 1 January 2027 with reduced operating hours over the Christmas period of 9am – 1pm from Saturday, 19 December 2026, to Sunday, 3 January 2027.

POOL NEWS

Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre opening soon

The new Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre opens on Saturday 12 December and you're invited to be part of the celebrations.

Check out the incredible venue and enjoy a swim at the grand opening.

- Saturday 12 December
- 142 McDowall St, Roma

Find out more by scanning the QR Code.



Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre entry fees announced

Planning your visit to Roma's new Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre is a step closer, with entry fees and pass options now confirmed.

Casual entry is $5 for adults and $3 for children / concession holders. Multi-visit and annual passes are also available for regular visitors.

Find out more by scanning the QR Code.



Be part of the First Splash!

Submit your names online! Children in the Maranoa region can soon be nominated for the chance to kick off the grand opening of the Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre. First in the pool and down the water slides on 12 December!
Make a splash in history!

Find out more by scanning the QR Code.





UPDATE: DENISE SPENCER AQUATIC CENTRE

Project Update – October 2026

The countdown to opening is on!
With the official opening of the Denise Spencer Aquatic Centre just weeks away, October has been another busy month onsite as the project moves through its final stages of construction, finishing and commissioning. The focus is now shifting from major construction works to the finishing touches that will bring the entire facility together.

What's Happened This Month
October has seen significant progress across the facility, including:

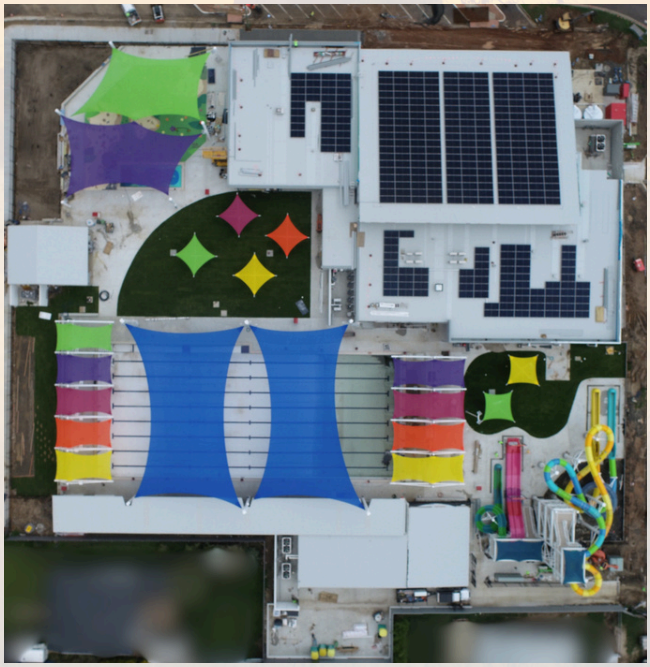
- Pools & Waterplay: Completion of the 25m indoor pool's Myrtha liner and splash pad LifeFloor installation, with pool preparation and commissioning works progressing.
- Landscaping & Outdoor Areas: Installation of shade sails, laying of turf, completion of site fencing and continued construction of external pathways.
- Buildings & Amenities: Internal fit-out nearing completion, including painting, flooring, joinery and final finishes throughout the facility.
- Services & Infrastructure: Continued electrical, plumbing and data installation, with power now connected across the facility to support commissioning.

What's Next?
November will see the final stages of construction and commissioning, including:

- Completion of external pathways, pavement works and landscaping.
- Final internal fit-out and finishing works.
- Filling, testing and commissioning of the swimming pools.
- Installation of furniture, equipment and final facility preparations ahead of opening.



Spotlight Moment: Paving the Way to Opening!
Work is progressing on one of the final pieces of the facility — the main entrance that will soon welcome visitors through its doors!
But there's more to this entrance than meets the eye.
Back in the early stages of the project, we shared some of the engineering challenges associated with Roma's reactive clay soils, including the need to carefully manage areas where buildings supported by deep foundations meet surrounding natural ground.
The main entrance is one of these important transition zones.
Rather than relying on a continuous concrete surface, paving is being installed in these areas to provide greater flexibility in managing potential ground movement over time.
Therefore, if ground movement is encountered, individual pavers can be lifted, the bedding material adjusted and the surface re-levelled, rather than seeing large sections of concrete damaged and requiring demolition and replacement.
It's a relatively simple solution to a complex challenge, helping Council maintain safe, accessible pathways while protecting the surrounding structures.
As the finishing touches come together, it's exciting to see the entrance taking shape — ready to welcome the community into their new aquatic centre on 12 December!



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE MARANOA

November / December 2026

INJUNE & SURROUNDS

What's on in the Injune Library



All Maranoa Libraries host a range of events each month for all to enjoy. Check out the full list of events happening in November.

- **Date:** 1 - 30 November
- **Location:** Injune Library
- **Cost:** Free

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Local Landscapes with Lyn



'Local Landscapes with Lyn' (Tutor Lyn Barnes from Quilpie).

- **Dates:**
  - **Oils Workshop:** 24 - 25 November
  - **Pastel Workshop:** 26 - 27 November
- **Location:** Injune Hall
- **Cost:** $160 per workshop + $10 for non members

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SURAT & SURROUNDS

What's on in the Surat Library



All Maranoa Libraries host a range of events each month for all to enjoy. Check out the full list of events happening in November.

- **Date:** 1 - 30 November
- **Location:** Surat Library
- **Cost:** Free

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As Time Goes By Exhibition Opening



Join us as we celebrate the faces, stories and valuable contributions of our local seniors.

- **Date:** 24 October - 29 November
- **Location:** Surat Shire Hall
- **Cost:** Free

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YULEBA, WALLUMBILLA & SURROUNDS

What's on at the Yuleba, Wallumbilla and Jackson Libraries



All Maranoa Libraries host a range of events each month for all to enjoy. Check out the full list of events happening in November.

- **Date:** 1 - 30 November
- **Location:** Yuleba, Wallumbilla and Jackson Libraries
- **Cost:** Free

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MITCHELL & SURROUNDS

What's on in the Mitchell and Mungallala Libraries



All Maranoa Libraries host a range of events each month for all to enjoy. Check out the full list of events happening in November.

- **Date:** 1 - 30 November
- **Location:** Mitchell and Mungallala Libraries
- **Cost:** Free

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Bricolage Exhibition



Held during National Recycling Week, Bricolage invites artists, makers, and creatives to reimagine the everyday.

- **Date:** 31 October - 12 December
- **Location:** Mitchell Library & Gallery
- **Cost:** Free

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Mitchell Outreach Clinics



True Relationships and Reproductive Health offer reproductive & sexual health services to all clients at no cost.

- **Date:** 20 November
- **Time:** 8:00am - 5:00pm
- **Location:** Mitchell Medical Practice
- **Cost:** Free

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Maranoa Diggers Xmas Fun Day



Let's try this again!
Lock in for your end of year Xmas Party at the Mitchell Racecourse.

- **Date:** 5 December
- **Time:** 11:00am
- **Location:** Mitchell Racecourse
- **Cost:** $10 entry fee for 18+

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ROMA & SURROUNDS

What's on in the Roma Library



All Maranoa Libraries host a range of events each month for all to enjoy. Check out the full list of events happening in November.

- **Date:** 1 - 30 November
- **Location:** Roma Library
- **Cost:** Free

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C&K Maranoa Community Kindergarten Presents - I am me and together, we are kindy!



Be sure to check out the amazing artworks by the littlest members of our community.

- **Date:** 2 October - 13 November
- **Location:** Roma on Bungil Gallery
- **Cost:** Free

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I Love a Sunburnt Roma - Zarabella Bambling art exhibition



I Love a Sunburnt Roma, is a vibrant exhibition by local artist Zarabella Bambling.

- **Date:** 31 October - 19 December
- **Location:** Roma on Bungil Gallery
- **Cost:** Free

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Workforce Attraction and Retention Forum



Helping businesses become employers of choice and strengthen the regional workforce.

- **Date:** 4 November
- **Time:** 5:30pm - 7:30pm
- **Location:** Roma Explorers Inn
- **Cost:** Free

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Queensland Volunteering Two-Day Conference - Roma Satellite Event

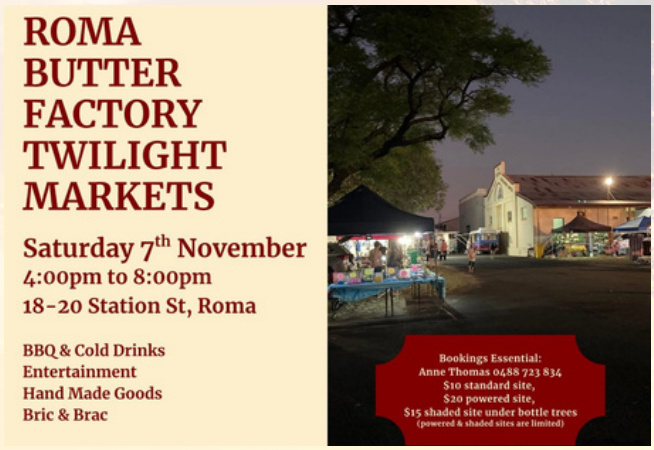


An opportunity for local volunteers, community organisations and people involved in supporting volunteers to connect, learn and share ideas.

- **Date:** 5 - 6 November
- **Time:** 8:30am - 4:30pm
- **Location:** Roma Cultural Centre
- **Cost:** Free

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Roma Butter Factory Twilight Markets



Come for a lovely evening of food, drinks, entertainment, handmade goods and Bric & Brac.

- **Date:** 7 November
- **Time:** 4:00pm - 8:00pm
- **Location:** Roma Butter Factory
- **Cost:** Free

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Child Safeguarding Community Session



Queensland's new child safeguarding laws to help you understand what you must do to keep children and young people safe.

- **Date:** 9 November
- **Time:** 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- **Location:** Cities Rugby League Football Club
- **Cost:** Free

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LAC in Community



Learn about options available to support your National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) journey.

- **Date:** 23 - 24 November
- **Time:** 12:00pm - 4:30pm
- **Location:** Country Universities Centre, Maranoa
- **Cost:** Free

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Lead a happier, healthier life



Getting older is one thing, but making the most of it is another! Learn how to stay healthy, connected, and find purpose in retirement.

- **Date:** 1 December
- **Time:** 9:30am - 11:30am
- **Location:** Roma Men's Shed
- **Cost:** Free

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MoneyMinded Coach Training



MoneyMinded is a flexible adult financial education program that builds knowledge, confidence and skills to help people make informed decisions and manage their money.

- **Date:** 8 December
- **Time:** 9:00am - 3:30pm
- **Location:** Ernest Brock Room, Roma Cultural Centre
- **Cost:** Free

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Coming up later...

Summer School Holiday Program: 12 December 2026 - 24 January 2027

Australia Day Ceremonies: 26 January 2027

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Maranoa Community Groups: What's On!

Roma & Surrounds

- **Roma Community Men's Shed:** Every Monday & Thursday 8:30am - 12:30pm
- **Crescendo Choir (119 Currey Street):** Every Monday 5:20pm - 6:30pm
- **Roma & District Family History Society (Roma Historical Lodge):** Every Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 12 noon & every Saturday 2:00pm - 5:00pm
- **Roma Card Group (CWA Rooms):** Every Tuesday & Thursday 1:30pm - 4:30pm
- **Roma Patchwork & Crafters (Studio 6 Community Arts Centre):** Every Tuesday 9:00am - 7:00pm
- **Roma Butter Factory Museum:** Every Tuesday 11:00am - 2:30pm, every Wednesday and Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm (if volunteers available)
- **Maranoa Music Rehearsal (RSC Middle Campus):** Every Tuesday 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- **Roma Apex Club Meeting (White Bull Tavern):** Every second Wednesday 6:30pm
- **Free Community Kitchens Dinner (Anglican Church):** Fourth Wednesday of the month 6:00pm - 8:00pm
- **Youth Group (Term 4 Grade 6 - Grade 12) (Life Church, Roma):** Every Thursday in the school term 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- **Roma Toastmaster Meet (Roma RSL):** Every first, third & fifth Thursday 7:00pm
- **Roma Monthly Coffee Catchup (rotating):** Last Friday each month
- **Roma QCWA Meeting (QCWA Hall):** Every first Saturday
- **Roma Lapidary Club Rooms Open:** Every first & third Saturday 9:00am - 4:00pm
- **JP Signing Centre Open (Roma Library):** Every Saturday 9:00am - 11:00am
- **Roma Park Run:** Every Saturday 7:00am
- **Multicultural Meet & Greet (Big Rig Parklands):** Last Saturday of each month 11:00am - 1:00pm
- **Roma and District Aeromodelling Club (Near Campbell's Dam):** Saturdays / Sundays depending on club members availability.
- **Roma Showground Markets:** First Sunday of each month 8:00am - 12:00pm
- **Bendemere Garden Club (rotating):** First Sunday of each month

Mitchell & Surrounds

- **Friends of the Gallery Meeting (Mitchell on Maranoa Library/Gallery):** Every second Monday 12:00pm
- **Mitchell Hospital Auxiliary Meeting (Mitchell Hospital):** Every third Monday 3:00pm
- **Booringa Blokes Men's Shed (Old SES Shed):** Every Wednesday 9:30am. During December - February there is a meeting in addition to the Wednesday meeting at 5:30pm to 9:30pm
- **Mitchell Book Club (Mitchell Library):** Last Wednesday of the month 10:30am
- **Booringa Action Group Meeting (BAG Cottage):** Every third Thursday 5:30pm
- **Kenniff Country Quilters Meeting (Mitchell State School Home Ec Room):** Second Sunday of each month, 9.00am – 4.00pm. Travellers, visitors and new members always welcome.
- **Mitchell Social Bowls (Mitchell Bowls Club):** Every Thursday and Saturday 4:00pm
- **Mitchell Art Group (Mitchell on Maranoa Gallery):** Every third Sunday of the month 2:00pm

Injune & Surrounds

- **Book Club (Injune Library):** First Thursday of every month at 5:00pm
- **Creative Injune (Art House):** Every second Sunday of the month 10:30am
- **Injune Golf Club:** Every Sunday
- **Injune Mens Shed Meet:** Every Sunday 9:00am - 12:00pm
- **Injune Churches Together:** Every second and fourth Sunday 4:00pm
- **Bymount Dingo Club (Bymount Community Hall):** First Friday of the month 6:00pm

Yuleba, Wallumbilla & Surrounds

- **Container Pickup in Yuleba, Wallumbilla and Jackson:** Every second Tuesday
- **Social Cards (The Arts Cottage, Yuleba):** Every Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm
- **Yuleba Development Group (The OId CWA Building, Creek St**): Second Tuesday 6:00pm (February, April, June, August, October & December)
- **Jackson CWA Host a BBQ:** Last Sunday of every month at 12:00pm May - August and at 4:00pm September - April
- **Wallumbilla Handy Craft (CWA Hall, College St):** Every Tuesday 9:30am - 10:30am
- **Wallumbilla Town Improvement Group (The Wheat Shed):** Every third Wednesday 6:00pm (January, March, July, September & November)
- **Wallumbilla Men's Shed:** Every Wednesday 9:00am

Surat & Surrounds

- **Surat Bridge Player Meet (The Hub):** Every Tuesday 9:00am
- **Free Counselling and Pastoral Service (Surat Hospital):** Every Tuesday 10:00am - 3:00pm
- **Music Mornings (Surat Hall):** Every third Tuesday 9:30am - 12:00pm
- **Surat Library Book Club (Surat Library):** First Tuesday of every month 6:30pm
- **Men & Women Cards Meet (The Hub):** Every Friday 9:00am
- **Dinner Service at the Bowls Club:** Every Friday 6:00pm - 8:00pm
- **Surat Memorial Park Run (River Walk Park):** Every Saturday 7:00am
- **Patchwork and Craft Group Meet (The Hub):** Every second and fourth Sunday 1:30pm
- **Catholic Church Mass (Catholic Church):** Every second Sunday of the month 4:00pm
- **Inter Denominational Worship Service (The Hub):** Every fourth Sunday of the month 5:00pm

Have a local community group meeting coming up, or had a change of date?

Reach out to communications@maranoa.qld.gov.au to update or add a meeting.

Maranoa Moments

Have you been to an event, tourist attraction, or just had a great experience that's worth sharing? Are you a community group wanting to share your events wrap up?
Send your story through to us by emailing: communications@maranoa.qld.gov.au for the chance to be featured in the next eNewsletter edition.

Council's Commitment to You

As a Council, we are dedicated to working with the community to work towards a better tomorrow by being transparent in every area possible.
We are always open to feedback and want to hear from you and keep you in the loop.
There are many ways you can have your say and hear what Council is doing:

- To report or provide feedback on a Council service, you can fill out a Customer Request Form.
- Find out what decisions are being made in the Council Chambers by watching the videos online, attending in person OR wait for the Council Snapshots released within 48 hours of the meeting.
- Stay tuned to Council's Have Your Say surveys.
- Attend the next Councillor Catchup sessions.

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