

Warrumbungle Region 2010 Calendar of Events

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Date	Event	Contact
<i>January</i>		
<p>Until Thu 28</p>	<p>Pandora Gallery - Coolah memorabilia An interesting display of items dating back to the early 1800's including desks, photos, prams, milk pails and dingo traps. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
<p>Tours on January 2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27 and 30</p>	<p>School Holiday Activities at Siding Spring Observatory Join an astronomer for a guided tour behind the scenes at Australia's largest optical research centre, Siding Spring Observatory. Venue: Siding Spring Observatory, John Renshaw Parkway, Coonabarabran Time: 10.30am Cost: adults \$16.50, concessions and children \$12.50, family \$37.50</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255 www.sidingspringobservatory.com.au</p>
<p>Sat 2</p>	<p>Chicka and the Boys Concert Local band Chicka and the Boys will have you partying till late. Bring your family and friends and welcome in 2010. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: 8.30pm til late Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jakki Brady P. 02 6842 1349</p>
<p>From Mon 11</p>	<p>Coonabarabran TAFE Enrolments Enrolments will be taken for all courses offered at Coonabarabran TAFE. Call into the Campus and pick up a brochure. Venue: Coonabarabran TAFE, Robertson Street Time: 9am - 4pm Monday to Friday Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Christine Nash P. 02 6842 0700 E. christine.nash@tafensw.edu.au</p>

Sat 16	Greyhound Racing Venue: Coonabarabran Dog Track (No.2 Oval) Time: from 5pm Cost: adults \$6.60, concessions \$4.40, children under 15 free	Coonabarabran Merle Clark P. 02 6888 1102
Fri 22	Movie and Pizza Night - Monsters VS Aliens Who will win? Catch the animated film and find out who is victorious. Time: 6pm - 8pm Venue: Coolah Library, Binnia Street Cost: \$5 per child including pizza and juice	Coolah Bronwen Owen P. 02 6377 1910
Sun 24	Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free	Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170
Tue 26	Australia Day Celebrations Award presentations recognising outstanding local achievements and service in the community. Events are held throughout the Shire. 7.15am: Binnaway Lions Breakfast @ Len Guy Park in Binnaway 7.30am: Mendooran Breakfast @ Mendooran Mechanics Institute 10am: Baradine Morning Tea @ Baradine Multipurpose Centre 12pm: Dunedoo Lunch @ Dunedoo Golf Club 5pm: Combined Church Service @ Coolah Presbyterian Church with 6pm presentation at Coolah Swimming Pool 7pm: Coonabarabran Ceremony - Neilson Park (weather permitting, wet weather venue Town Hall).	Warrumbungle Region Warrumbungle Shire Council P. 02 6849 2000
Fri 29 Jan - Fri 26 Feb	Pandora Gallery - Blue Mountains Watercolours Well known artists living in the Blue Mountains, Margaret Aalders and Ian Olsen, will present paintings of the many faces of the Blue Mountains. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: contact for details Cost: free	Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030

February

Sat 6	Binnaway's Big Weekend A reunion weekend of all past and present Binnaway residents. <u>Binnaway Races</u> Bring your friends and enjoy lunch at the races. Great racing, children's entertainment, Lion's BBQ, and bar. Venue: Binnaway Racecourse Time: 12.30pm Cost: Adults \$10, concessions \$8, children under 16 free	Binnaway Roz Tolmie P. 02 6844 1555
Sat 6	<u>Binnaway Central School: School Reunion</u> After the races grab your photos and memorabilia from the past	

<p>Sat 6</p>	<p>and see what everybody is up to now. Venue: Binnaway Central School, Yarran Street Time: Saturday from 4pm - 7pm <u>Saturday Evening Dinner</u> Share an evening with friends and family. Venue: bookings required - Exchange Hotel P. 02 6844 1524, Binnaway Bowling Club P. 02 6844 1524, Royal Shiralee Hotel P. 02 6844 1928 <u>Official Opening of the Pumphouse Camping Ground</u></p>	<p>Dennis Frater P. 02 6844 1433</p>
<p>Sun 7</p>	<p>Big BBQ brunch courtesy of the Lions Club. Sale of CD and DVD set - Binnaway Oral History. Lots of great yarns and a trip down memory lane. Venue: By the banks of Castlereagh River, Warrumbungles Way Time: 10am</p>	
<p>Sat 13</p>	<p>Greyhound Racing Venue: Coonabarabran Dog Track (No.2 Oval) Time: from 12.30pm Cost: Adults \$6.60, concession \$4.40, children under 15 free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Merle Clark P. 02 6888 1102</p>
<p>Sat 13</p>	<p>Dunedoo Show The best one day show in the west! A great country atmosphere with ring events, rural displays and Miss Showgirl competition. Venue: Dunedoo Showground, Wargundy Street Time: 7.30am - 9.30pm Cost: adults \$12, children \$5, concession \$6</p>	<p>Dunedoo Margie O'Leary P. 02 6886 6218 M. 0409 030 996 F. 6886 6218 E. currawong1@bigpond.com.au</p>
<p>Fri 19 - Sun 22</p>	<p>Coolah Campdraft Showcasing the great skill of horse and rider in a variety of Campdraft events. Dinner, BBQ , bar and live entertainment Saturday night. Venue: Coolah Recreation Ground Time: starts 7am Friday, continues from 6am Saturday and Sunday Cost: free entry</p>	<p>Coolah Sue Duggan P. 02 6376 4210</p>
<p>Sat 20</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jockey Club Race Meeting Have some fun in the sun at Coona's first race meet of 2010. Venue: Coonabarabran Racecourse, Nelson Street Time: 1pm Cost: Adults \$10, concession \$8.</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Helen Wilson P. 02 6842 1990</p>
<p>Fri 26 Feb - Tue 23 Mar</p>	<p>Pandora Gallery - Lithgow Correctional Centre Paintings Paintings by inmates of the Lithgow Correctional Centre's Art Group promises to be a very interesting exhibition. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
<p>Sun 28</p>	<p>Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170</p>

<p>Sun 28</p>	<p>Breakfast Bike Ride A breakfast ride from the Stephenson family's property on Timor Road. Remember to bring your togs for a swim. Venue: Contact for further information Time: 7.45am for an 8am start Cost: free, but bookings must be made for catering purposes</p>	<p>Coonabarabran John or Bronwyn Stephenson P. 02 6842 1480</p>
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March

<p>Wed 3</p>	<p>"Mate Helping Mate" Dinner A free dinner for local farming families, featuring guest speaker John Harper. Venue: Poplars Motel, Newell Highway (opposite No. 1 Oval) Time: 7pm - 10pm Cost: free (RSVP essential)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jenny Croft P. 0429 446 417</p>
<p>Thu 4</p>	<p>"Mate Helping Mate" Dinner A free dinner for local farming families, featuring guest speaker John Harper. Venue: Dunedoo Golf Club, Wargundy Street Time: 7pm - 10pm Cost: free (RSVP essential)</p>	<p>Dunedoo Jenny Croft P. 0429 446 417</p>
<p>Thu 4 - Fri 5</p>	<p>Healthier Men Workshop Offering lots of interesting health information, practical ideas with a touch of comedy from Neville Brady. Venue: Thursday - Binnaway Bowling Club, Bullinda Street Friday - Baradine CWA Hall, Darling Street Time: 6.30pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Binnaway + Baradine Renee Webster M. 0417 072 031 Robina Otrupcek M. 0429 422 615</p>
<p>Thu 4 Fri 5 Sat 6 Sun 7</p>	<p>Dunedoo Bush Poetry Festival The NSW State Championships will be held at the annual festival in Dunedoo in 2010.</p> <p>Thursday - Meet and greet at Dunedoo Caravan Park, BBQ available. Free entertainment and campsite this night.</p> <p>Friday - Book for the 5th annual bus tour of the local area. 9am - 3pm leaving from Dunedoo Caravan Park. \$15 per person (bring lunch). - Dunedoo Yarns Competition - Dunedoo Golf Club - 7pm. Meal available. Free entry.</p> <p>Saturday - Markets and demonstrations - Milling Lions Park from 9am - 1pm. - Dunedoo Central School Poetry Competition. Free entry. Time to be advised. Followed by awards evening at the school at 7pm. \$25pp. Entertainment provided.</p> <p>Sunday - Poets Brawl and Breakfast in Milling Park from 8am.</p>	<p>Dunedoo Sue Stoddart P. 02 6375 1975 E. dddgroup@bigpond.com</p>
<p>Sat 6</p>	<p>Binnaway Show The annual show has the hallmarks of a great country show with strong local competition across sheep, horse and cattle sections. Venue: Binnaway Showground Time: from 8am Cost: TBC</p>	<p>Binnaway Swegn Smith P. 02 6844 1336 E. binnaway.show@gmail.com</p>

<p>Sat 6</p>	<p>Creedence Clearwater Recycled Recapturing the sound, the voice, and the exceptionally unforgettable songs that were Creedence Clearwater Revival...are (drumroll) Creedence Clearwater Recycled. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: Doors open 8pm for an 8.30pm start. Cost: members \$20, non-members \$28, group bookings of 10 or more \$20 each</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jakki Brady P. 02 6842 1349</p>
<p>Wed 10</p>	<p>Magic for McGrath Anthony Laye Magic presents a new show featuring mind control, in a bid to raise funds for the McGrath Foundation. Even sceptics will be baffled - are you ready to be amazed? Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: 7.30pm - 10.30pm Cost: \$15 per ticket (no children due to adult content)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jakki Brady P. 02 6842 1349</p>
<p>Fri 12 - Sun 14</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Show A huge lineup of events including Friday night rodeo, horseriding, wood chop, live bands, lawnmower pull, Davidson Cameron Sportsman Challenge, sideshow alley and Saturday evening fireworks. This year, the show will also feature the 2010 NSW Yard Dog Championship. Venue: Coonabarabran Showground Time: 8am - 11pm Friday and Saturday Cost: adults \$14 adult, concession and children (5-17) \$7, children under 5 free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jeanette Fenwick P/F. 02 6842 3177 E. fenwickwestmount@clearmail.com.au</p>
<p>Sat 13</p>	<p>Rock'n at the Racecourse A feast of music, food, stalls, kids entertainment, camping facilities and a licensed bar. Top 5 Aria Artist Col Finley will perform, along with Maureen O'Brien, Steve McCauley and Streamline, Tim Dennis and the The Cardinal Groove. Venue: Coolah Racecourse Time: TBC Cost: adults \$25, child/concession \$15 (under 5 years free), family \$60</p>	<p>Coolah Leonie MacBeth P. 02 6377 1136</p>
<p>Sat 13</p>	<p>Greyhound Racing Venue: Coonabarabran Dog Track (No.2 Oval) Time: from 12.30pm Cost: adults \$6.60, concession \$4.40, children under 15 free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Merle Clark P. 02 6888 1102</p>
<p>Sat 20</p>	<p>Baradine Show Now in its 75th year, the Baradine Show boasts the best produce across a range of categories including sheep, wool, cattle, horticulture and handicrafts. Venue: Baradine Showground Time: from 8.30am Cost: adults \$10, concession \$7, children (under 16), family (2 adults + 2 children), evening only (from 6pm til late) \$7</p>	<p>Baradine Peter Woods P/F. 02 6825 5133 E. herivel@activ8.net.au</p>
<p>Sat 20 - Sun 21</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - Mao's Last Dancer Drama, rated PG, 117 minutes</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley</p>

	<p>Starring: Chi Cao, Bruce Greenwood, Amanda Schull Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	E. laura50@skymesh.com.au
Sun 21	<p>Pilliga Pottery Bike Ride A ride to Pilliga Pottery for lunch. Please note that there is about 10km of dirt road. Transport back may be arranged at a levy. Venue: From Coonabarabran to Pilliga Pottery, Newell Highway Time + Cost: Contact for details</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Milton Judd P. 02 6842 4873</p>
Mon 22	<p>Climate Change and Carbon Farming Seminar A one day seminar from internationally acclaimed author and educator, Graeme Sait, will teach you how to nurture and encourage the biology that builds soil carbon, while reducing your reliance upon expensive chemical-based inputs. Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street Time: TBC Cost: free* fully reimbursed by the Federal Government</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Suzi Nicholas P. 07 5472 9900</p>
Tue 23 Mar - Fri 23 Apr	<p>Pandora Gallery - Coolah Tops Primarily photographs and paintings of Coolah's famous Tops showing its varying flora, bird life, magnificent view and interesting history. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
Sat 27	<p>Water Discovery Centre Tour the Upper Castlereagh Catchment from top to bottom by bus, looking at land and water use. Where does the water come from? Where does it go? Who gets to use it? Venue: Start at Siding Spring and follow the water down - Timor Dam, Landcare projects, water treatment, sewage treatment, irrigation, bores, riverine rehabilitation. Time: 8.30am - 4pm Cost: free - however, there may be costs associated with running the bus (up to \$20)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jane Judd P. 02 6842 4873 E. jandmjudd@dodo.com.au</p>
Sat 27	<p>Mendooran Show Agricultural show featuring equestrian events, pavilion, sheep and cattle, shearing display tractor pull and novelty events for the adults and children. Venue: Mendooran Showground Time: from 8.30am Cost: adults \$12, children (up to 16) \$6, family \$30 (2A + 2C)</p>	<p>Mendooran Pip Archer P. 02 6886 1085 M. 0437 861 070 F. 6886 1019 E. simpip@activ8.net.au</p>
Sat 27 - Sun 28	<p>Flix in the Stix - Up Animated/Family, rated PG, 96 minutes Featuring voices of Ed Asner, Jordan Nagai, Christopher Plummer Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley E. laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>
Sat 27	<p>Orana Arts Writers Workshop A professional development workshop for writers, storytellers,</p>	<p>Mudgee Kerry Ellen</p>

journalists and literary professionals. Guest speakers include Mark Dapin (*Good Weekend* magazine), Kim Goldsmith (Ochre Communications) and Tristan Bancks.

Venue: The Stables, 86 Market St, Mudgee

Time: 10am - 4.15pm (registrations from 9.30am)

Cost: \$25 (lunch and refreshments included)

P. 6817 8705

E. kellen@oranaarts.com

Sun 28

Townlife Markets

Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce.

Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths)

Time: 9am - 1pm

Cost: free

Coonabarabran

Dennis Coulter

P. 02 6842 2170

April

**Fri 2 -
Sun 4**

Hartwood Campfires and Country Music

Enjoy a campfire and fine country music entertainment during the Easter long weekend at Hartwood, located about 40km north of Coolah on the Gunnedah Road.

Program highlights include Peter Horan, Tom Maxwell, Laura Downing and Paul McCloud.

Cost: \$85 for full weekend (includes camping and entertainment), \$25 for day visitors (non-camping), children free.

Coolah

Paul McCloud

P. 07 5445 5937

Hartwood

P. 02 6744 2158

**Tours on
April 3, 5,
7, 10, 12,
14, 17**

School Holiday Activities at Siding Spring Observatory

Join an astronomer for a guided tour behind the scenes at Australia's largest optical research centre, Siding Spring Observatory.

Venue: Siding Spring Observatory, John Renshaw Parkway, Coonabarabran

Time: 12.30pm

Cost: adults \$16.50, concessions and children \$12.50, family \$37.50 (2A + 2C)

Coonabarabran

Donna Burton

P. 02 6842 6255

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**Sat 3 -
Sun 18**

Warrumbungle National Park and The Pilliga Discovery Program

Guided walks, talks and tours covering the natural environment, cultural heritage and astronomy. Suitable for all ages.

Bookings essential.

Venues, times and costs: TBC

Coonabarabran

Warrumbungle National Park Visitor Centre

P. 02 6825 4364

Sat 3

Bunny Bazaar

A street festival atmosphere with market stalls, musical entertainment and jumping castle for the kids; it's like a reunion - visit, browse and buy

Venue: Coonabarabran CBD

Time: 9am - 2pm

Cost: free

Coonabarabran

Peter Young

P. 02 6842 1149

To book stalls:

Dennis Coulter

P. 02 6842 2170

**Sat 3 -
Mon 5**

Greyhound Racing Carnival

Venue: Coonabarabran Dog Track (No.2 Oval)

Time: from 12.30pm

Cost: adults \$6.60, concession \$4.40, children under 15 free

Coonabarabran

Merle Clark

P. 02 6888 1102

<p>Sat 9</p>	<p>Rugby Union - Coona Kookas vs Coonamble Come and watch the gymnastic display of raw masculine talent at the Warrumbungle Cup. The Kookas will have the last laugh!!!! Venue: No. 1 Oval, Newell Highway, Coonabarabran Time: 7.30pm kickoff Cost: adults \$3, children free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Zoe Holcombe P. 02 6842 1922</p>
<p>Sat 10</p>	<p>Bilby Blooms Autumn Open Day The Australian Native Nursery opens its doors to the public. Planting demonstration at 12noon, with guided tours of the gardens and nursery at 10am and 2pm. There will be a large selection of plants for sale. Food and drinks provided by local community groups. Venue: "Munna Springs", Mollyan Road, Binnaway Time: 9am - 4pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Binnaway Anthony O'Halloran P. 02 6844 1044 W. www.bilbyblooms.com.au</p>
<p>Sat 10</p>	<p>Westpac Rescue Helicopter Yabbie Races The quirky annual fundraiser for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter is on again. A BBQ will be operating throughout the evening, while "Tickle Me Chookskin" will keep the crowd entertained. A bus will leave Coonabarabran at 1pm and will leave Mendooran at midnight. Cost is \$10 per person and bookings are essential. Venue: Royal Hotel Mendooran, Bundulla Street Time: First race at 2.30pm, with entertainment til midnight Cost: free entry</p>	<p>Mendooran Amanda O'Neill P. 0438 980 103</p>
<p>Sat 10 - Sun 11</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - Brand Nue Dae Comedy/Musical, rated PG, 85 minutes Starring: Geoffrey Rush, Ernie Dingo, Jessica Mauboy Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley E. laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>
<p>Fri 16</p>	<p>EverGraze Field Day Inspect Greg Piper's rotational grazing system and presentation of the findings from rotational grazing research also water and fencing designs. Venue: "Moorefield, Coolah Time: 9am til lunch Cost: free (lunch provided)</p>	<p>Coolah Bruce Christie P. 02 6372 8900</p>
<p>Fri 16</p>	<p>Carved Burial Tree Return Celebration Baradine Local Aboriginal Land Council wish to extend an invitation to all interested person to help them celebrate the return of a Carved Burial Tree. The tree was removed from a property in 1918, and has been repatriated from Melbourne Museum to be returned to Baradine and its rightful owners - the Gomerioi People. Venue: Baradine Memorial Hall, Narren Street Time: from 10am Cost: free</p>	<p>Baradine Baradine Local Aboriginal Land Council P. 02 6843 1171 F. 02 6843 1151 E. baradinelalc@bigpond.com</p>
<p>Sat 17 - Sun 18</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - Precious Drama, rated MA, 110 Minutes Starring: Gabourey Sidibe, Mo'Nique, Mariah Carey Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley E. laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>

	<p>Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	
Sun 18	<p>Cancer Research Charity Golf Day Have fun in the 18 hole Ambrose competition which is raising funds for Walter and Eliza Hall Cancer Research. There will be lots of prizes and raffles, with a BBQ lunch on the course. Venue: Coolah Golf Club, Goddard Street Time: names in by 9.30am, hit off 10am Cost: adults \$17, juniors \$8, family \$40</p>	<p>Coolah Coolah Golf Club P. 02 6395 2465</p>
Fri 23 Apr - Thu 6 May	<p>Pandora Gallery - ANZAC World War II Local historian Roy Cameron will present a display of photographs and information from on local armed forces. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: Contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
Sat 24 - Sun 25	<p>Flix in the Stix - Bright Star Drama, rated PG, 119 Minutes Starring: Abbie Cornish, Ben Whishaw Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley E. laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>
Sat 24	<p>Rugby Union - Coona Kookas vs Geurie Come and watch the gymnastic display of raw masculine talent at the Kooka's home game. The Kookas will have the last laugh!!!! Venue: No. 1 Oval, Newell Highway, Coonabarabran Time: 3pm kickoff Cost: adults \$3, children free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Zoe Holcombe P. 02 6842 1922</p>
Sat 24 - Sun 25	<p>"Tour de Warrumbungles" Bike Ride The 8th annual cycling weekend that races into and around the magnificent Warrumbungle National Park. Catering for all levels of fitness. Five rides to choose from - 84km (elite), 50km and 43km (fit/very fit) 23km downhill (thrill seekers) and 12km (a gentle but rewarding ride). On Saturday a social coffee ride with leave the Coonabarabran Visitor Information Centre at 9am. Time: Rides start at 8.30am, 9.30am, 10.30am and 11am on Sunday. Rides finish at the Warrumbungle National Park Visitor Centre by 12.30pm, with the 84km ride finishing in Coonabarabran by 3pm. Cost: Adult \$20, child/concession \$10, family \$45.</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Milton Judd P. 02 6842 4873 E. wwbug@coonabarabran.com</p>
Sun 25	<p>Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170</p>

May

<p>Sat 1 - Sun 2</p>	<p>Coonabarabran 150 Year Celebration It's time to renew friendships and share stories about this special town. Families can order a family tile that will be part of public art installations in public buildings around Coonabarabran. Saturday, May 1 Registered reunions, heritage tours, luncheons, school musical, film night and book launch Sunday, May 2 Combined church service in Neilson Park at 9am, street parade at 11am with family picnic from 12 noon.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To download a program of events visit www.warrumbungleregion.com.au/events.cfm</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Coonabarabran Visitor Information Centre P. 1800 242 881 E. cbnpromo@hwy.com.au</p> <p>Join the facebook group: www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&gid=79392071226</p>
<p>Sat 1 - Sun 2</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - The Road Drama, rated MA, 112 Minutes Starring: Viggo Mortensen, Kodi Smit-McPhee Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley E. laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>
<p>Fri 7 May - Thu 10 Jun</p>	<p>Pandora Gallery - Photographs of birds and other animals Local photographer, Robert Clark, will present his exquisite photograph collection. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
<p>Sat 8 - Sun 9</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - A Single Man Drama, rated M, 100 minutes Starring: Colin Firth, Julianne Moore Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley E. laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>
<p>Sat 15</p>	<p>Rugby Union - Coona Kookas vs Trangie Come and watch the gymnastic display of raw masculine talent at the Kooka's home game. The Kookas will have the last laugh!!!! Venue: No. 1 Oval, Newell Highway, Coonabarabran Time: 3pm kickoff Cost: adults \$3, children free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Zoe Holcombe P. 02 6842 1922</p>
<p>Sat 15</p>	<p>Sustainable House and Garden Explore a number of local houses that work with the environment, saving on energy, water and money. Explore permaculture, worm farms, plant selection and propagation. No garden digs. Venue and Time: Details available when booking Cost: free - however, there may be costs associated with running the bus (up to \$20)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jane Judd P. 02 6842 4873 E. jandmjudd@dodo.com.au</p>
<p>Sat 15 - Sun 16</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - AVATAR Science-Fiction/Drama, rated M, 162 minutes Starring: Sam Worthington, Sigourney Weaver Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>

<p>Fri 21 - Sun 23</p>	<p>ArtUnlimited - Dunedoo Presented by Dunedoo Lions Club, this is an eclectic art exhibition with photography, hanging art and ceramics displays. Artists from across the region and around the country will be exhibiting and competing for prizemoney of \$3000 in each category. Venue: Dunedoo Central School Hall, Digilah Street, Dunedoo Time: Friday (opening night) from 7pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am - 4pm Cost: Friday \$20 entry includes drinks and finger food, Saturday and Sunday \$2 entry</p>	<p>Dunedoo To enter artworks contact: Ron and Norma Gallagher P. 02 6375 1107 Penny Stevens P. 02 6375 1540 W. www.artunlimitednsw.com.au</p>
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<p>Sat 22 - Sun 23</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - It's Complicated Comedy/Drama, rated M, 96 minutes Starring: Meryl Streep, Alex Baldwin, Steve Martin Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>
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<p>Sat 29 - Sun 30</p>	<p>Baradine Campdraft The Baradine Campdraft Association will be trialling a May Campdraft which showcases the skill of horse and rider across campdrafting events. Venue: Baradine Showground Time: Saturday - 10am - late, Sunday 10am - midday Cost: TBC</p>	<p>Baradine Max Purdy P. 02 6843 1659 Roy Tanner P. 02 6843 6214</p>
<p>Sat 29 - Sun 30</p>	<p>Flix in the Stix - Somewhere Near Tapachula Documentary - 54 Mexican kids, 37 surf boards, 2 Australian parents Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Saturday @ 7.30pm, Sunday @ 2pm Cost: adults \$8, concession \$6</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Laura Hartley laura50@skymesh.com.au</p>

June

<p>Tue 1</p>	<p>Bodyheat Australia - The Ultimate Guys Night Out Venue: Royal Hotel Binnaway, Renshaw Street Time: from 8pm</p>	<p>Binnaway Royal Hotel P. 02 6844 1928</p>
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	Cost: \$25 pre-sold, \$30 on the night	
Thu 3	WAACI Open Day Warrumbungle Arts and Crafts will hold an open day in a bid to raise money for the World's Biggest Morning Tea. Come and see "Aprons Old and New", and check out the displays and trading table. Venue: Anglican Hall, Dalgarno Street Time: 10am and 2pm Cost: donation	Coonabarabran Janet Head P. 02 6842 4435 E. waacipeople@yahoo.com.au
Fri 4	Flix in the Stix - Invictus Drama, rated PG, 133 minutes Venue: Children Services Building, John Street (opposite Acacia) Time: Friday @ 7.30pm Cost: adults \$15 (includes supper at the Acacia following film)	Coonabarabran Laura Hartley laura50@skymesh.com.au
Sat 5	Rugby Union - Coona Kookas vs Yeoval Come and watch the gymnastic display of raw masculine talent at the Kooka's home game. The Kookas will have the last laugh!!!! Venue: No. 1 Oval, Newell Highway, Coonabarabran Time: 3pm kickoff Cost: adults \$3, children free	Coonabarabran Zoe Holcombe P. 02 6842 1922
Sat 5 - Tue 8	North West Equestrian Expo The largest pony club event in Australia outside the Sydney Royal Easter Show. More than 500 high school students from across NSW compete in a range of equestrian events including eventing, show jumping, polocrosse, sporting and hacking. Venue: Coonabarabran Showground Time: from 8am till dark each day, with events under lights Sunday and Monday. Cost: free for spectators	Coonabarabran Coonabarabran High School P. 02 6842 1099 W. www.coonabarab-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/whatsnewin2010_Expo.htm Rebecca Moxham P. 02 6844 1609
Sat 19	What the heck is Biodiversity? Travel by bus around the area examining biodiversity in the bush, on the farm, in the soil. Find out about ecosystems and the services they provide, the connections between plants and animals, birds and bees, snakes and ladders. Venue and Time: Details available when booking Cost: free - however, there may be costs associated with running the bus (up to \$20)	Coonabarabran Vivian Evans P. 02 6842 0721 E. vivian.evans@det.nsw.edu.au
Sat 19	Greyhound Racing Venue: Coonabarabran Dog Track (No.2 Oval) Time: from 12.30pm Cost: adults \$6.60, concession \$4.40, children under 15 free.	Coonabarabran Merle Clark P. 02 6888 1102
Sun 20 - Sat 26	Anglo Australian Telescope Astronomy Symposium This conference marks the handover of the Anglo Australian Telescope to the All Australian Telescope. A week gathering astronomers from across the world.	Coonabarabran Aileen Bell P. 02 6849 2140
Tue 22	<u>Free Public Events</u> David Malin Talks about Astro-Photography	Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255

	Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street Time: 7.30pm	W. sidingspring.blogspot.com
Fri 25	Prof Malcolm Longair Talk Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street Time: 7.30pm	
Sat 26	Siding Spring Open Day Venue: Siding Spring Observatory, 27 km from Coonabarabran along John Renshaw Parkway Time: 10am - 4pm	
Sat 26	Sidewalk Astronomy Venue: Coonabarabran Visitor Information Centre, John Street Time: from 6.30pm	

Thu 24	Bodyheat Male Revue - The Ultimate Girls Night Out Venue: Royal Hotel Binnaway, Renshaw Street Time: from 8pm Cost: \$25 pre-sold, \$30 on the night	Binnaway Royal Hotel P. 02 6844 1928
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Sun 27	Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm	Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170
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July

Tours on June 29 and July 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17	School Holiday Activities at Siding Spring Observatory Join an astronomer for a guided tour behind the scenes at Australia's largest optical research centre, Siding Spring Observatory. ***Please note it is cold in July so warm clothes and closed in shoes are essential*** Venue: Siding Spring Observatory, John Renshaw Parkway, Coonabarabran Time: 11am Cost: adults \$10, concessions/children \$7.50, family \$30 (2A, 2C)	Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255 www.sidingspringobservatory.com.au
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Sat 3	Rugby Union - Coona Kookas vs Mudgee Come and watch the gymnastic display of raw masculine talent at the Kooka's home game. The Kookas will have the last laugh!!!! Venue: No. 1 Oval, Newell Highway, Coonabarabran Time: 3pm kickoff Cost: adults \$3, children free	Coonabarabran Zoe Holcombe P. 02 6842 1922
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Sat 3 - Sun 18	Warrumbungle National Park and The Pilliga Discovery Program Guided walks, talks and tours covering the natural environment, cultural heritage and astronomy. Suitable for all ages. Bookings essential. Venues, times and costs: TBC	Coonabarabran Warrumbungle National Park Visitor Centre P. 02 6825 4364
Sat 3	Pandora Gallery - Sunday Painters Local artists from Coolah and Binnaway will be on show. A great collection of photographs, pastels, ink, oil and acrylic artworks. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Binnia Street (library building) Time: contact for details Cost: free	Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030
Sat 10	Charity Trivia/Auction Night A fantastic night of trivia and entertainment, in aid of Chloe Austin. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: 6.30pm Cost: \$10 per person (nibbles supplied)	Coonabarabran Kodi Brady P. 0411 696 490
Sat 24	Rugby Union - Coona Kookas vs Wellington Come and watch the gymnastic display of raw masculine talent at the Kooka's home game. The Kookas will have the last laugh!!!! Venue: No. 1 Oval, Newell Highway, Coonabarabran Time: 3pm kickoff Cost: adults \$3, children free	Coonabarabran Zoe Holcombe P. 02 6842 1922
Sun 25	Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free	Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170

August

August	Pandora Gallery - Ken Tuckey's Matchstick Art Venue: Pandora Gallery, Binnia Street Time: contact for details Cost: free	Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030
Sun 8	Warrumbungle Wheelers - Tambar Springs Cycle to Bomera Station, Premier for lunch and back to Tambar Springs. Option to stay at Tambar Spring Pub. Time: 10am start from Tambar Springs Distance: about 40km	Tambar Springs Milton Judd P. 02 6842 4873
Tue 17	Screening of Sculptures in the Scrub Documentary A public screening of the popular documentary which captured the creation and installation of Aboriginal themed sculptures in Dandry Gorge. Nibbles provided. Bookings essential by COB Friday, August 13. Venue: Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre, Wellington Street Time: 6.30pm for 7pm start	Baradine Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre P. 02 6843 4011

	Cost: free	
Sat 21	Miss Universe Ball The Westpac Rescue Helicopter is celebrating 10 years of Fundraising for the New England region with a unique approach to the common ball. Don't miss the swimsuit section and talent show! Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street Time: 7pm til late Cost: \$50 per ticket, available from Chalkies Citi-Country Clothing	Coonabarabran Amanda O'Neill P. 0438 980 103
Sun 22	Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free	Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170
Sun 22	ABBA solutely Fabulous <i>Sunday night and the lights are low</i> <i>Looking out for the place to go</i> <i>Where they play the right music, getting in the swing</i> Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: TBC Cost: TBC	Coonabarabran Coonabarabran Bowling Club P. 02 6842 1349
Fri 27	Public Forum - Landholders and Wind Farms Wind turbines produce clean energy, they generate jobs in regional communities and landholders that host turbines can earn significant revenue. Hear from Experts - people working in the industry - about the steps involved in wind farm development for landholders. Venue: Coolah Sporting Club, Goddard Street Time: 8.30am for 9am start Cost: free, but RSVP by Monday, August 23	Coolah Pauline Dunne P. 02 4908 6848 E. pauline.dunne@environment.nsw.gov.au

September

September	Pandora Gallery - Coolah Quilters Venue: Pandora Gallery, Binnia Street Time: contact for details Cost: free	Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030
Sat 4	Coinda Spring Fete Celebrating the warmer weather, the Coinda Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a free fete in the sunshine with crafts, cake stall, plants, vintage car display, white elephant stall and BBQ. Venue: Coinda Nursing Home Grounds, Cassilis Street Time: 10am - 2pm Cost: free entry	Coonabarabran Lorna Clare P. 02 6842 1563
Sat 4	Coonabarabran Trivia Night The Coonabarabran Christian Education Association will host fantastic trivia night to help support High School scripture.	Coonabarabran Gary Furnell P. 02 6842 1093

	<p>Venue: Coonabarabran Golf Club, River Road Time: 7pm for 7.30pm start Cost: \$10 adults, \$5 children under 14</p>	
Sun 5	<p>Warrumbungle Wheelers - Warkton A scenic ride to Warkton, with an option to ride out and back to Coonabarabran. Morning Tea included. Time: 9.30am start from Apple Stall, corner of Newell Highway and Mendooran Road. Distance: about 22km</p>	<p>Warkton Milton Judd P. 02 6842 4873</p>
Wed 8 - Sat 11	<p>Sculpture Workshop - "A Portrait in Clay" at Pilliga Pottery Join famous sculpture artist, Kate French in the fantastic bush surrounds of Pilliga Pottery, for a workshop exploring methods of ceramic hand building and facial modelling. The two and four day courses cater for beginners AND experienced artists. Lunch, morning/afternoon tea will be available at the Blue Wren Bush Café, while accommodation will be available on site. Book today to secure your place!!!! Venue: Pilliga Pottery, Dandry Road, Coonabarabran Time: to be confirmed on booking Cost: two day workshop \$275, four day workshop \$520 ***Please note cost of clay and firing is extra***</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Pilliga Pottery P. 02 6842 2239 E. pottery@tpg.com.au</p>
Fri 10	<p>CWA Awareness Day The Country Womens Association prove there is more to their role than tea and scones. Check out the Mini-Masterchef demonstrations - learn how to bake top quality scones, pikelets, zucchini slice. A fantastic display of the work the CWA ladies are undertaking. Venue: CWA Hall, Lachlan Street Time: 10am - 3pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Baradine Liz Cutts P. 6843 1166 M. 0447792464 E. lizcutts@bigpond.com</p>
Fri 10	<p>Mendooran Racing Weekend A weekend of racing festivities... <u>Calcutta</u> Jason Martin from Christie and Wood will host a Calcutta on Friday evening before the races kick off on Saturday. Venue: Royal Hotel Mendooran, Bundulla Street Time: 7.30pm</p>	<p>Mendooran Norm Lewis P. 02 6889 7970</p>
Sat 11	<p><u>Mendooran Turf Club Races</u> The sport of kings comes alive at Mendooran once a year at the annual horseraces. Venue: Mendooran Racecourse Time: Luncheon from 11am, racing from 1pm Cost: adults \$10</p>	<p>Royal Hotel Mendooran P. 02 6886 1051</p>
Sat 11	<p><u>Post-races Entertainment</u> Call back to the pub and enjoy some free live entertainment from Tickle Me Chookskin. Venue: Royal Hotel Mendooran, Bundulla Street Time: 7.30pm - 11.30pm</p>	
Sat 11	<p>Bilby Blooms Open Day The Australian Native Nursery opens its doors to the public. Planting demonstration at 12noon, with guided tours of the gardens</p>	<p>Binnaway Anthony O'Halloran P. 02 6844 1044</p>

	<p>and nursery at 10am and 2pm. There will be a large selection of plants for sale. Food and drinks provided by local community groups. Venue: "Munna Springs", Mollyan Road, Binnaway Time: 9am - 4pm Cost: free</p>	W. www.bilbyblooms.com.au
Wed 15	<p>Free Business Seminar Part of Small Business September - this free business seminar will provide speakers on a government services theme - Business Advisory Services, Workcover and support available to small businesses from Industry and Investment. Venue: Acacia Motor Lodge, John Street Time: 5.30pm start Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Warrumbungle Shire Council Aileen Bell P. 02 6849 2140</p>
Fri 17	<p>St Lawrence's Parish Debutante Ball Young ladies from Coonabarabran are officially presented to society. Come along for a fantastic night of dancing! Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street Time: 7pm til late Cost: \$45 per ticket available from Chalkies</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Marg McKinnon P. 02 6842 2558</p> <p>Cathie Amiet P. 02 6842 2247</p>
Sat 18 - Sun 19	<p>Baradine Campdraft Enjoy the spectacular skill of horse and rider as they compete in campdrafting events. A great family day out with competitions for several age groups. Venue: Baradine Showground Time: Saturday - 10am - late, Sunday 10am - midday Cost: TBC</p>	<p>Baradine Max Purdy P. 02 6843 1659</p> <p>Roy Tanner P. 02 6843 6214</p>
Mon 20	<p>GECKO red Restaurant Launch Join the new faces for morning tea at the Imperial Hotel to help launch the family friendly restaurant...<i>GECKO red</i>...which is sure to become Coonabarabran's hottest new dining place! Venue: Imperial Hotel, John St, Coonabarabran Time: 10am Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Kodi Brady P. 0411 696 490</p>
Sat 25 Sept - Sun 10 Oct	<p>Warrumbungle National Park and The Pilliga Discovery Program Guided walks, talks and tours covering the natural environment, cultural heritage and astronomy. Suitable for all ages. Bookings essential. Venues, times and costs: TBC</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Warrumbungle National Park Visitor Centre P. 02 6825 4364</p>
Sat 25	<p>Sandstone Caves Aboriginal Cultural Experience Join a local Aboriginal Discovery Ranger on this easy walk around the beautiful Sandstone Caves. Bring: your own vehicle, sturdy footwear, hat, sunscreen, snacks and water. Venue: Sandstone Caves Walking Track - about 36km north of Coonabarabran on the Newell Highway, take the Yaminbah Trail turnoff on the right handside Time: 10am - 1pm Cost: \$15 adult, \$8 child, \$10 concession, \$40 family</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre P. 02 6843 4011</p>

<p>Sat 25</p>	<p>Jazz at the Bowlo Coonabarabran Arts Council proudly presents award winning Galapogus Duck, a unique jazz band that has become a household name across Australia. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: from 5.30pm Cost: \$29 per ticket (includes nibblies) available from Prezzies</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Aileen Bell M. 0429 422 712</p>
<p>Sat 25</p>	<p>Coonabarabran High School Reunion A local reunion of students who were in Year 10 in 1988 and Year 12 in 1990. Bring the family and celebrate 20 years of catching up. Venue: Acacia Motor Lodge Dining Room, John Street Time: 12pm Cost: \$35 per person (drinks not included) Menu: Two course meal</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Angela Gordon P. 02 6872 1364 E. jnagordon@activ8.net.au</p>
<p>Sun 26</p>	<p>Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170</p>
<p>Mon 27 September - Fri 1 October</p>	<p>Tennis Holiday Camp Learn a sport you can play for a lifetime! Beginners to advanced, learn new strokes, tactics, play games, prizes, party, friendships, fun and fitness, healthy environment, come and enjoy! Venue: Coonabarabran Tennis Club, Chappell Avenue Time: 9am - 12noon (Kindy to Year 5), 1pm - 4pm (Year 6 to 12) Cost: \$150 per child</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Modern Tennis Australia Alison Scott P. 0418 200 548 E. alison@hothotactionevents.com</p>
<p>Tue 28</p>	<p>Womens Business Breakfast Details to be confirmed.</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Aileen Bell P. 02 6849 2140</p>
<p>Tours on Sept 21, 23, 25, 28, 30 and Oct 5, 7, 9</p>	<p>School Holiday Activities at Siding Spring Observatory Join a guided tour for look behind the scenes at Australia's largest optical research centre, Siding Spring Observatory. Bring: Closed in flat footwear, sunscreen, hat, water and warm coat Venue: Siding Spring Observatory, John Renshaw Parkway, Coonabarabran Time: 11am Cost: \$10 adults, \$7.50 concessions/children, \$30 family (2A, 2C)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Siding Spring Observatory P. 02 6842 6211 P. 02 6842 6399 www.sidingspringobservatory.com.au</p>
<p>Mon 27</p>	<p>Sculptures in the Scrub Take an Aboriginal guided tour through the spectacular Dandry Gorge to view and learn about the Sculptures in the Scrub. Bring: your own vehicle, sturdy footwear, hat, sunscreen, snacks and water. Venue: meet at the Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre, Wellington Street, Baradine Time: 10am Cost: \$15 adult, \$8 children, \$10 concession, \$40 family</p>	<p>Baradine Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre P. 02 6843 4011</p>

<p>Wed 29</p>	<p>Aboriginal Jewellery Making for Kids Design and create beautiful Aboriginal inspired jewellery guided by a local Aboriginal Discovery Ranger with jewellery making experience. Venue: Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre, Wellington Street, Baradine Time: 11am - 12pm Cost: \$5 per child</p>	<p>Baradine Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre P. 02 6843 4011</p>
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October

<p>Until Sun 10 Oct</p>	<p>Warrumbungle National Park and The Pilliga Discovery Program Guided walks, talks and tours covering the natural environment, cultural heritage and astronomy. Suitable for all ages. Bookings essential.</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Warrumbungle National Park Visitor Centre P. 02 6825 4364</p>
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<p>Fri 1</p>	<p>Science in the Pub - <i>Can Astronomy Shed Any Light?</i> Two scientists debate hot topics in astronomy over a beer or two with plenty of audience participation. Venue: Royal Hotel, John Street, Coonabarabran Time: 6.30pm Cost: \$5 entry, dinner also available</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255 E. donna@mso.anu.edu.au</p>
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<p>Sat 2</p>	<p>Open Day at Siding Spring Observatory This is your once a year opportunity to take a closer look at the work of astronomers as they unlock the mysteries of the universe. Guided tours to telescopes with astronomers. Venue: Siding Spring Observatory, John Renshaw Parkway Time: 10am - 4pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255 E. donna@mso.anu.edu.au</p>
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<p>Sat 2</p>	<p>The Bok Lecture The annual presentation is a light hearted look at astronomy and is accessible to even the most non-science mind. This year, Professor Ray Norris, CSIRO astrophysicist, will discuss the role of Indigenous Astronomy. Venue: Coonabarabran Primary School, George Street Time: 7pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255 E. donna@mso.anu.edu.au</p>
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<p>Sat 2</p>	<p>Dunedoo Railway Centenary Celebrating 100 years of trains in Dunedoo... Saturday, 2nd October Events <u>Morse Code Demonstrations</u></p>	<p>Dunedoo Joy Beames P. 02 6375 1173 E. edgefield57@bigpond.com</p>
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<p>Sun 3</p>	<p>Venue: Dunedoo Railway Station Time: 10am - 12pm & 3pm - 5pm <u>Dunedoo Museum Open</u> Venue: Westpac Building Time: 9am - 12pm & 3pm - 5pm <u>Lions BBQ</u> Venue: O.L. Milling Memorial Park Time: 10am - 2pm <u>Train Ride from Gulgong to Dunedoo</u> Venue: Dunedoo Railway Station Time: 1.50pm Cost: \$15 per day or \$20 both days (pay at Dunedoo Library) <u>Dinner and Book Launch</u> Venue: Dunedoo Central School Time: 6.30pm til late Cost: \$45 (pay at Milling Stuart, Dunedoo) Sunday, 3rd October Events <u>Morse Code Demonstrations</u> Venue: Dunedoo Railway Station Time: 9.30am - 12pm <u>Dunedoo Museum Open</u> Venue: Westpac Building Time: 9am - 12pm <u>Lions BBQ</u> Venue: O.L. Milling Memorial Park Time: 10am - 2pm <u>Vintage Car Display</u> Venue: Along Bolaro Street (Main Street) Time: 9.30am - 12pm <u>Tractor Display</u> Venue: "Nullen", Golden Highway Time: 9.30am - 12pm <u>Entertainment - Dunedoo School Choir and Sydney Male Choir</u> Venue: Dunedoo Central School Time: from 1.45pm Cost: \$15 adults, \$5 children (pay at the door or Milling Stuart) <u>Train Ride from Gulgong to Dunedoo</u> Venue: Dunedoo Railway Station Time: 3.35pm Cost: \$15 per day or \$20 both days (pay at Dunedoo Library)</p>	<p><i>Train tickets and Saturday Evening Dinner can also be paid by mail to: PO Box 92, Dunedoo, NSW, 2844</i></p>
<p>Sat 2 - Sun 3</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Invitation Prize Shooting Meeting Two days of competitive shooting at the newly opened Box Ridge Rifle Range. Lunch and snacks available. Venue: Box Ridge Rifle Range, Box Ridge Road, Coonabarabran Time: Saturday @ 11am, Sunday @ 8.30am Cost: Contact club for entry details</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Mick Davies P. 02 6842 7842</p>
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<p>Mon 4</p>	<p>Pilliga Tag-Along Adventure Driving Tour Join a Discovery Ranger for an historical adventure into around the amazing Pilliga Forest. Bring: your own vehicle (high clearance 2WD or 4WD only), chair, water, snacks and lunch. Venue: meet at Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre, Wellington Street, Baradine Time: 9am (4-5 hour duration) Cost: \$15 adult, \$8 child, \$10 concession, \$40 family</p>	<p>Baradine Pilliga Forest Discovery Centre P. 02 6843 4011</p>

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<p>Sat 9 - Sun 10</p>	<p>Mendooran Rodeo The annual Mendooran Rodeo is a true blue Australian country rodeo experience featuring a full program of events including barrel racing, steer wrestling, breakaway roping and bull riding. Free unpowered camping sites at the Showground with showers and toilets. Venue: Mendooran Showground Time: Saturday rodeo activities start 5pm, Sunday 7.30am -3pm Cost: \$15 adults, \$7 children, \$50 families (2 adults, 4 children)</p>	<p>Mendooran Matt and Rachel Adams P. 02 6886 1402 E. mendooranrodeo@y7mail.com</p>
<p>Sat 9</p> <p>Sat 9</p> <p>Sat 9</p> <p>Sun 10</p>	<p>Galaxy Festival Weekend Hosted by the Coonabarabran Chamber of Commerce. <u>Spring Star Bazaar</u> Stalls, food music and entertainment. Venue: Coonabarabran CBD Time: 9am - 2pm Cost: free</p> <p><u>Larry the Lizards Bike Show</u> Enter your chopper for a chance to win fantastic prizes. Kids award for best decorated bicycle. Presentation of prizes in Imperial Hotel Beer Garden. Venue: Timor Street Carpark, behind Imperial Hotel Time: Bike registrations from 9am, bike show 10am - 1.30pm, judging 12pm - 1pm, presentation 2.30pm Cost: \$10 entry fee per bike</p> <p><u>Golden Galaxy Business Awards Dinner</u> A fun evening celebrating the best and brightest businesses in Warrumbungle Shire. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: 7pm til late Cost: \$45 per person. Tickets available from Prezies, Peter Young Clothing and Sole Impression in Coonabarabran, or from HO Haynes Store in Coolah.</p> <p><u>Wildflower Wonder</u> Join a Discovery Ranger for a tag-along tour through the Pilliga and Warrumbungles. Venue: details on booking Time: 9am til sunset Cost: \$25 adults, \$15 concession, \$6 child, \$58 family (lunch not included)</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Warrumbungle Shire Council Aileen Bell P. 02 6849 2141</p>
<p>Sat 9</p>	<p>Coolah School Holiday Fun Night - <i>Outdoor Cinema</i> Face painting, jumping castle, choc tops, popcorn, hot food! Bring a blanket and kick back for a relaxing night of outdoor cinema. Venue: Junior Sports Field (behind Bowen Oval), Coolah Time: 5pm Cost: TBC</p>	<p>Coolah Coolah Preschool P. 02 6377 1124</p>

<p>Sat 9 Oct - Mon 8 Nov</p>	<p>Pandora Gallery - Sheila Galbraith <i>Botanical Watercolours</i> Venue: Pandora Gallery, Binnia Street Time: contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
<p>Sat 16 - Sun 17</p>	<p>Acrylic Painting Workshop Join Chris Bates for a two day workshop in the idyllic surrounds of Camp Cypress. This course is ideal for beginners or for those wishing to extend their skills. Please note that for \$25 all lunches, morning and afternoon teas will be provided. Venue: Camp Cypress, Lachlan Street Time: from 10am Saturday Cost: \$160 per person (includes course fee and all art materials except canvases)</p>	<p>Baradine Kerry McDonald P. 02 6843 1873 or Kerry Campbell P. 02 6843 1145</p>
<p>Sun 17</p>	<p>Garden Open Day Tour Sue Rains beautiful three acre cottage and parkland style gardens. Local artist, Lucy Watts, will have a display of her vivid Australian paintings, and Emma Bowman will have an exhibition of her photography. There will be jewellery, honey, organic eggs, and gifts for the home. All money raised will go to Can Assist. Venue: "Mayfield", Birriwa (26km from Dunedoo) Directions: from Dunedoo head east along the Golden Highway for 9km. Turn right onto the Castlereagh highway to Birriwa and follow the balloons and streamers. Time: 10am - 5pm Cost: \$5 adults, school age children free</p>	<p>Birriwa Sue and Geoff Rains P. 02 6375 8291 E. sue.rains@bigpond.com</p>
<p>Wed 20 - Sun 24</p>	<p>Warrumbungle Arts and Crafts Annual Exhibition and Arts Expo A display of arts and crafts created in 2010 by talented artists. Local artists vie for the Warrumbungle Shire Council Acquisition Award. Venue: Coonabarabran Town Hall, John Street Time: 10am - 6pm daily Cost: \$5 per person, single four-day pass \$10, family four-day pass \$20</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Janet Head P. 02 6842 4435 E. waacipeople@yahoo.com.au www.waaciartscrafts.wetpaint.com</p>
<p>Fri 22 - Sun 24</p>	<p>Practical Astronomy for Beginners Workshop Warrumbungle Observatory, in conjunction with Warrumbungle Mountain Motel is conducting a telescope workshop over two days and evenings. Bring your own telescope and SLR camera, or use the equipment provided. Venue: Warrumbungle Mountain Motel, Timor Road Time: 8am - late Cost: \$250 for workshop (does not include accommodation).</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Peter Starr P. 0488 425 112 E. starr_peter@hotmail.com W. www.tenbyobservatory.com</p>
<p>Sat 23</p>	<p>World Screening of <i>Save Tibet...Why?</i> Be a part of the World Premiere Screening of the documentary, <i>Save Tibet...Why?</i> Venue: Dramatic Society Hall, John Street Time: 11.30am - 1pm Cost: free</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jennie Berthet P. 02 6844 1036 E. jennie@healthwithhjen.com</p>

Sun 24	Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free	Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170
Sun 24	Yabby Races The annual yabby races raise much needed funds for the Coona Cancer Support Group. Don't miss the "race that stops Coonabarabran" - the highly coveted Royal Hotel Cup. Auction and BBQ during racing. Venue: Royal Hotel, John Street Time: 12pm until late Cost: free entry	Coonabarabran Tamara-Lee Slade P. 02 6842 2755
Mon 25	Community Breakfast Sponsored by Coonabarabran Chamber of Commerce, enjoy a free full cooked breakfast and mingle with the locals and racegoers. Venue: TBC Time: 7am Cost: free	Coonabarabran Peter Young P. 02 6842 1149
Sun 24	Spring Racing Carnival A weekend of racing festivities... <u>Welcome BBQ for Race Visitors</u> Hosted by the Coonabarabran Jockey Club, this event kicks off the race carnival and is a great time to renew acquaintances in preparation for a fun weekend of racing activity. Venue: Coonabarabran Race Course, Nelson Street Time: 3pm Cost: hosted by the Jockey Club	Coonabarabran Helen Wilson P. 02 6842 1990
Sun 24	<u>Calcutta</u> Gather at the Bowlo and buy your horses for the Coonabarabran Cup, an evening program of entertainment and festivities. Chicka will provide some light entertainment. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club, Edwards Street Time: 7pm Cost: you choose your prices	
Mon 25	<u>The Coonabarabran Cup</u> A spring racing carnival for the whole family with Fashions in the Field, TAB operating, champagne marquees, punters clubs, ringside bookmakers, food stalls and bars operating and children's entertainment. Venue: Coonabarabran Race Course, Nelson Street Time: first race at 1pm Cost: adults \$15, concession \$10	
Mon 25	<u>Post Races Entertainment</u> End a fantastic day with an evening at the Club where Dan Murphy and his band perform live. Venue: Coonabarabran Bowling Club Time: following the races Cost: free	
Sat 30	Coonabarabran Rugby Union Football Club Presentation & Ball Supporters are welcome to attend this awards evening with guest speaker Owen Finegan.	Coonabarabran Phil Wark P. 02 6842 9130

Theme: Black Tie/Masquerade
Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street
Time: 6.45 til late
Cost: \$50 per person includes pre drinks, dinner and entertainment.
RSVP: Friday, 15th October

November

Thu 4	<p>Dorothy the Dinosaur's Travelling Show Dorothy flies her own plane around the world in search of the perfect rose to make the best ever rosy-posy cake! Fairy Clare, Fairy Larissa, Captain Feathersword, Wags the Dog and Henry the Octopus will join Dorothy on her search. Venue: Coonabarabran Shire Hall, John Street Time: Doors open 9.30am, show starts at 10am Cost: general admission \$20.70</p>	<p>Coonabarabran OzTix P. 1300 762 545 W. www.dorothythedinosaur.com.au</p>
Sat 6 - Sun 7	<p>18th Annual Veteran's Touch Footy Carnival A great weekend of touch footy competitions and town entertainment, attracting teams from across NSW. To enter, players must be over 30 years of age. Venue: Bowen Oval, Coolah Further details to come.</p>	<p>Coolah Wayne Burgess P. 02 6377 1005</p>
Mon 8 - Tue 16	<p>Pandora Gallery - Macquarie Library 40th Anniversary A craftperson will be working in the Gallery area on Tuesday, 9th November, with art and craft displays for the remainder of the exhibition. Venue: Pandora Gallery, Binnia Street Time: contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Pandora Gallery P. 02 6378 5030</p>
Sat 13	<p>Crooked Mountain Concert GET READY because the 2010 headline artists have been announced - Ian Moss (Cold Chisel) and Wes Carr (Australian Idol winner) - who will be supported by Loving Cup, Green River and Annie McKinnon. Past performers include Jon English, Kate Cebrano, James Reyne and James Morrison. Relax and watch the colours change on the peaks and spires as the sun sets in the Warrumbungle National Park and the music begins. A great family night out with kid's entertainment. Bring your own seating, a sweater and aerogard. Stock up on yummy bits from local and regional wine and food stalls, then settle back to enjoy an evening of wonderful Australian entertainment in the best outdoor music centre. Venue: Canyon picnic area in the Warrumbungle National Park (37km from Coonabarabran along John Renshaw Parkway) Time: 4.30pm til late Cost: adults \$55, concession \$50, family \$135</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Warrumbungle Visitor Information Centre P. 02 6825 4364 W. www.outbacknow.com.au/crookedmountainconcert</p>
Sat 13	<p>Warrumbungle Wheelers - Siding Spring Ride to the top of Siding Spring, with lunch on the mountain. Time: 11am start from NAB, Dalgarno Street, or join the ride at 12pm from the Stephenson's property at Mirrigundi.</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Marty Rehwinkel P. 02 6842 1874</p>

Distance: 60km return to Coonabarabran, or 15km return from Mirrigundi.

Sat 20	Peter Cousens in <i>A Life on Earth</i> Coolah welcomes Peter Cousens and Anne-Maree McDonald for their performance. Venue: Coolah Central School Hall, Binnia Street Time: 7pm Cost: TBC	Coolah St Andrews Coolah Community Cultural Centre Sid Reynolds M. 0428 362 618
Wed 24 - Thur 25	2010 Frontier Services Classic Outback Trial The Classic Outback Car Rally will visit Coonabarabran and the region for two days of competition.	Coonabarabran W. www.classicoutbacktrial.com.au
Sun 28	Townlife Markets Market focussing on locally made crafts and produce. Venue: Western end of Dalgarno Street, Coonabarabran (between Clocktower and Woolworths) Time: 9am - 1pm Cost: free	Coonabarabran Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170

December

Sun 5	Warrumbungle Wheelers - Warrumbungle National Park Hop on your bike at the Stephenson's property, Mirrigundi, and cycle to the Warrumbungle National Park. Return to Mirrigundi for breaky. Time: 7.30am start	Warrumbungle National Park John and Bronwyn Stephenson P. 02 6842 1480
Tue 21	Warrumbungle Wheelers - Coonabarabran A festive themed ride around town to view the fabulous Christmas Lights Display. Don't forget to bring your lights! Time: start 8pm from Coonabarabran Visitor Information Centre Distance: a leisurely ride around town	Coonabarabran John Stephenson P. 02 6842 1480



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