# **GEROGERY NEWS**

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"Gerogery", Wiradjuri word for Magpie



Chauvel Anniversary Light Horse
Memorial Ride - Gerogery

Gerogery Store is coming along in steps and hops.

Every week brings us a little closer to achieving our immediate plans. One of those being having fuel, unleaded and diesel for sale. Not long now.

Milton has been practicing his Barista skills so he can make you a great coffee to give your day a boost. You can sit down and relax, read your paper, sip your coffee from a mug and have a chat with Milton or Kim.

Come in and have a look around, we have a selection of everyday grocery lines, laundry and bathroom items. Rather than having to drive into town, you can pop down to the Shop and grab what you need.

With Easter coming up the Gerogery store will be open for reduced hours:

Good Friday 12noon – 8pm Saturday 8am -12noon Sunday – Closed Monday 8am – 12noon Phone number 6026 0540

On Good Friday we are providing Fish and Chip deals. Check out the menu. It is also on our Facebook page and you can pick up one from the shop. It would be great if you can book in advance, we will be taking orders from Thursday, and so we can plan to get your Take-away to you without having to wait around. Alternatively, you can pull up a table at the shop or in the park next door to enjoy your meal.

'Again I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support. It is great getting to know the people in our community.'

Milton

# GEROGERY FIRE BRIGADE

This year's fire season has been pretty quiet (dare I speak too soon). Well done to the community for your fire awareness.

Fire season has ended on March 31st. Though it has ended you are still required to Notify Rural Fire Service if you are doing a burn, be it a stick pile, rubbish pile or back burn. Simply scan the QR code and fill in the details. You can also find the QR code on the Gerogery Fire Brigade Facebook site and NSW RFS web page. It's also a good idea to call the Gerogery Fire Captain and let him know so we are personally aware of local burns. Call Col 0412691889. Remember when you do your burn to clear the ground around to create a fire break and have water handy in case it gets away.

Once again Gerogery Fire Brigade will be participating in collecting money in Thurgoona and Gerogery/West Gerogery for the Good Friday Appeal. This year Good Friday is on Friday 18th of April. Our rattling tins can't take credit card so please have cash.

Cathy Schubert Gerogery fire brigade.





# **CWA NEWS**

The Gerogery CWA meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 11.30am at Gerogery Hall. The next CWA meeting will be on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May. If you would like to attend or to find out more, you can phone Genevieve Knobel on 0412905208 or just come on the day with a packed lunch to have with members after the meeting. They're a really friendly group of women doing great things locally and more broadly.

During March, Gerogery Members attended the CWA Land Cookery & Handicraft Group Day in Holbrook. This was a wonderful day with beautiful handicrafts and cookery on display as well as three excellent speakers. One of the speakers was the owner of the Last Post book shop in Holbrook that's recognised for its impressive collection of Australian military history. The two other speakers were local manufacturers — one produced cordial from all natural ingredients and the other produced a leather polish. The handicrafts will be judged at the CWA State Conference in Wagga in May.

The CWA Country of the Year is South Korea. The Group International Day will be celebrated in Gerogery in August. As part of the Murray Group, Gerogery will host branches as far as Findley and Jerilderie. The day will be a cultural celebration of all things Korean including a traditional Korean lunch.

Jill Coghlan

# Monthly Rainfall for Gerogery

It's been a very dry start for the year with 25ml rainfall total for March and a cumulative total for the year of 76.5ml. We're all looking forward to a good autumn break any time now.

# **Exciting Local News!**

Proud Grandfather, Martin Nicholls has shared the news that, Grace and Daryl Phelps have a new baby daughter Chloe Marie, little sister to Harry.

Congratulations Grace, Daryl, Harry and of course, Martin.

# **COUNCIL NEWS**

Council have released their **Draft Community** Strategic Plan (CSP) for 2025 - 2035. This Plan was updated after Council elections and underpins the Delivery and Operational Plan that details the planned projects for the Shire. The Draft CSP is currently on public exhibition until April 19 and I encourage you to provide comments on this prior to the 19<sup>th</sup>. Once the CSP is ratified, Council will deliver a new Delivery & Operations Plan that will provide a good insight into what's planned for Gerogery. I've emailed a copy of the CSP Draft Plan to any online newsletter recipients. If you'd like me to email you a copy of Council news as it's released or an online copy of the Gerogery newsletter, please email me on: eurimbla@live.com.au

Meanwhile, Gerogery residents responded well to Council's survey for the Structure Plan with about the best per capita response in the Shire. I understand Council will use Consultants to deliver this Plan. I'll keep you posted about this too as its important Gerogery residents be included. Thank you to the Councillors who spent time at Gerogery to hear suggestions and opinions from residents. Your time and interest in Gerogery is very much appreciated.

Jill Coghlan.

# **Gerogery Hall**

The Gerogery Hall is front and centre for many local meetings and April & May are no exception. The Gerogery CWA has a monthly meeting in the Hall on the first Wednesday of each month. The Culcairn Country Music Club uses the Hall for a jam on the second Sunday of the month so 13<sup>th</sup> April and 11 May. You're welcome to join in or for a small fee you can come and just enjoy the music.

The Hall will host the next Federal Elections on 3 May.

Thank you to Ian, Rob, Martin & Grace for maintaining and managing the Hall so well.

# **Gerogery Hotel**



We celebrated 4 years as the licensees of the G-Rodge last month! In many ways the time has gone so quickly and, in others it feels like a long time. Either way, so much has happened in this time, so many changes, so many great times and so much learning. We want to again thank our wonderful community for their continued support, it is much appreciated! Cheers to 4 years!





It continues to be busy at the G-Rodge and a lot has been happening. There's many exciting things coming up at the pub!

# Chauvel Anniversary Light Horse Memorial Ride 2025 - Visit to Gerogery!

The Chauvel Anniversary Light Horse Memorial Ride commemorates the 160<sup>th</sup> birthday of Lieutenant General Henry Chauvel. Organised by Pat Leary and Ross Smith, it's a 750km ride from Shepparton to Harden (for the 1<sup>st</sup> leg) then Young to Tallangatta (2nd leg, over 6 weeks from 4th March to 16<sup>th</sup> April. On 12<sup>th</sup> March, Gerogery was lucky enough to be one of the stops on their journey and we were grateful to have the

opportunity to meet Pat, Ross and a few of their horses as they stopped over for the night, learning about the history. An important part of our history.



G-Rodge Fest, originally set for April 5th, is POSTPONED to November (date TBC) due to limited entertainment availability. We want to deliver the best event possible, and sheep can't be sheared just anytime! The woodchopping is locked in and likely to be a State event. If you'd like to help or get involved, please reach out!

This FREE community event celebrates Gerogery with: • Live Music

- Quick Shear & Woodchop Competitions
- Kids' Entertainment
- Market Stalls & Food Vendors
   Stay tuned for more details!

### **ANZAC Day**

2UP from 2pm and a special ANZAC Day menu!





Markets are back! Kate from Country Makers Markets will be hosting 3 markets in 2025 at the G-Rodge. We are so excited to have the markets again we have been asked so many times and are really happy to get them kicked off again just in time for Mother's Day!



These sessions are so much fun and we're excited to have Albury Wodonga Pinot & Picasso back at the G-Rodge again!

Sunday 27th April 1pm-4pm "Namaste"

Tickets can be purchased directly with Pinot & Picasso and your ticket includes everything you need to create your very own masterpiece as well as \$15 drink credits! You don't need to be an artist, they teach it all! Bring your friends, bring your family - its a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon!

To purchase tickets

- <a href="https://www.pinotandpicasso.com.au/albury-wodonga/session/namaste-57/">https://www.pinotandpicasso.com.au/albury-wodonga/session/namaste-57/</a>

We're now open for lunch from Thursday to Sunday from 12pm!

We are no longer open on Monday nights

Pizza night has moved to Wednesday night along with Steak night!



### The Riverina Hamper Co.

Love Local? So do we! At The Riverina Hamper Co. we offer gifts made in the Riverina Murray and NE VIC regions. Since 2020, we've been curating local gifts for corporate orders and special occasions. From handcrafted skateboards to sauces, chocolates, honey, and more, we've got something for everyone.

Visit our retail space inside Cafe @ the G-Rodge or order a pre-made hamper. With Mother's Day approaching, why not send some local love? Get in touch today—we'd love to help!



#### Easter @ the G-Rodge

Thursday 17th April 5.30pm-7.30pm

Pub is open from 12pm-close

Guess who's coming to the G-Rodge! We know the Easter Bunny is going to be so busy over Easter, so we invited them to come out to the G-Rodge!

Easter Hat Parade - let's have some fun and show some creativity! Bring the kids down with their creations and we'll have some prizes to hand out! We know so much goes in to their creations so why not have another chance to show them off! You must register your kids to help with our planning. Hang out with the Easter Bunny! Have some fun with some old fashioned games - egg & spoon race, cornhole and more! Our kitchen will be open from 5.30pm to feed those hungry bellies and the fun continues until around 7.30pm (weather permitting)

Register your kid/s for Easter @ the G-Rodge!

https://forms.gle/beun5B9hq5sSD1P3A



We're taking a short break over Easter to give our amazing team & ourselves a much-deserved break! We hope everyone has a wonderful Easter break with loved ones!

### Cafe @ the G-Rodge

WOW! Firstly, thank you! We've had such overwhelming support for Cafe @ the G-Rodge and are excited to keep bringing you something new! We're making small changes as we continue to settle in and we're really grateful for your support. Our team is settling in nicely and the feedback we've received from near and far has been positive. Although our village is small, we are so lucky to be spoilt for choice, between the cafe, the pub and the General Store - Gerogery has it all covered!



In a hurry? Call ahead and pick up on your way through! We working on an online ordering option and hope to have something out soon.



We're enjoying seeing the FREE coffees heading out the door as our regulars Coffee Loyalty cards are filled! Buy 7 coffees and get your 8<sup>th</sup> free! Take your card with you or leave it at the cafe. Get yours when you are next in!

# GEROGERY STORE GOOD FRIDAY MENU

# Orders taken in advance from Thursday 6026 0540

# **SEAFOOD BASKET**

# **FULL SERVE \$22**

- 2 battered Flathead fillets
- 2 battered Prawns
- 2 battered Scallops
- 2 Calamari rings

Chips

Free lemon & tartare sauce

# **HALF SERVE \$12**

- 1 battered Flathead fillet
- 1 Fish bite
- 1 battered Prawn
- 1 battered Scallop
- 1 Calamari ring

Chips

Free lemon & tartare sauce

# FISH, CHIPS & SALAD \$15

3 battered Flathead tails

Chips

Salad bowl (Lettuce, Tomato, grated Carrot, Cucumber, Beetroot,

Salad Onion, dressing)

Free lemon & tartare sauce

# **GRILLED BARRAMUNDI MEAL \$20**

Large Barramundi fillet

Chips

Salad bowl (Lettuce. Tomato, grated Carrot, Cucumber, Beetroot,

Salad Onion, dressing)

Free lemon & tartare sauce

# KIDS MEALS

### FISH & CHIPS \$6

2 Fish cocktails

Chips

Free lemon & tartare sauce

# **POTATO WEDGES \$6**

Small Wedges & sour cream

#### OTHER

Vegetarian Dim Sims \$1.50

Onion rings (small serve) \$5

Spring Rolls \$1.50

# **EASTER TRADING HOURS**

GOOD FRIDAY 12 – 8PM

SATURDAY 9 – 12NOON

**SUNDAY CLOSED** 

**MONDAY 8 – 12NOON**