Bland Shire New Residents Guide 2025



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Welcome to Bland Shire

We're excited to welcome you to our dynamic and vibrant community, brimming with lifestyle attractions, culinary delights and investment opportunities. Our safe and progressive community offers perfect opportunities for families, retirees and business owners and investors.

Add to this a four-season climate, picturesque scenery and a community with heart and soul; we have a perfect lifestyle envied by others. The Bland Shire covers an area of more than 8557.7 square kilometres and includes the historic towns of Barmedman, Tallimba, Ungarie, Weethalle, West Wyalong, Wyalong, Kikoira, Naradhan and Mirrool.

The Bland Shire is ideally located within a 160-kilometre radius of Wagga Wagga, Griffith, Forbes, Parkes and Cowra, providing an authentic rural lifestyle with the convenience of bigger centres well within reach, whilst maintaining the safe, clean, affordable, comfortable and convenient lifestyle of a friendly country community. We offer jobs and business opportunities in several industries, including Agriculture, Mining, Local Government, Education, Health and Local Small Businesses.

The rich historical legacy of West Wyalong and neighbouring villages is prominently displayed through their historic architecture.

The quality and diversity of the local labour force provides the region with a competitive edge. Our commercial, residential and retail diversity all make our region a great place to live. There are open spaces, parks, sporting facilities, outdoor activities and many events to enjoy. There are activities for children, youth, families and retirees.

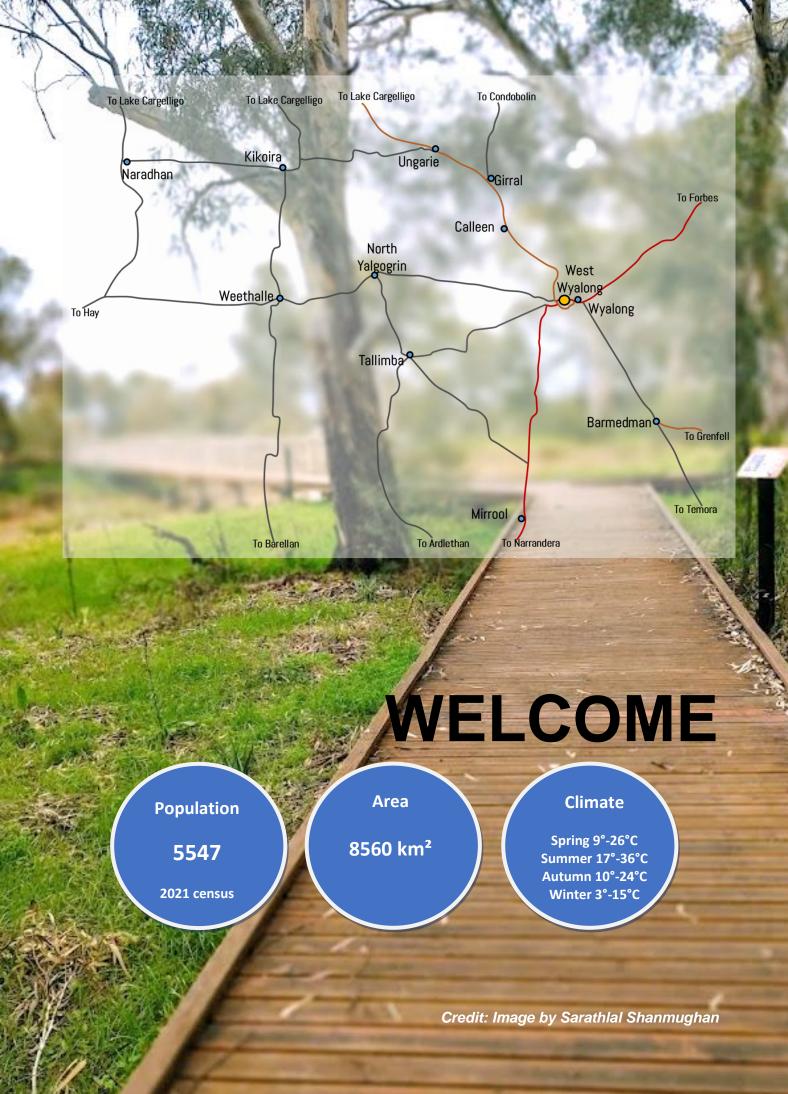
The community is proud of its facilities and services, but our greatest asset is our people and new residents are embraced and valued.

Experience West Wyalong and villages and see for yourself why we are a shire with history, values and fun.

Acknowledgement of Country

The Riverina recognises the Wiradjuri people, who are the traditional custodians of these lands. We pay respect to the Wiradjuri people both past and present, and recognise the culture, strength, resilience and capacity of the Wiradjuri people. We also acknowledge the contributions of Aboriginal Australians to this country we all live in and share together.

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Our Towns and Villages



Barmedman

Barmedman, positioned 35 kilometres southeast of West Wyalong and serving as the midway stop to Temora, boasts a quaint Coffee and Craft shop.

Home to 404 residents, Barmedman is renowned for its mineral pool, which emerged from the flooding of the Barmedman goldmines by an underground stream in the 1880s.

Nestled within a four-hectare reserve and managed by locals, the pool is believed to possess healing properties owing to its rich mineral composition. Adjacent to the pool lies a complimentary camping area, complete with a convenient dump point at the nearby sporting field.

Adding to its charm, Barmedman hosts a primary school and offers recreational amenities at the De Boos Street sporting field, including BBQ facilities and a children's pump track.



Mirrool

Mirrool, situated 46 kilometres south of West Wyalong along the Newell Highway, embodies a rich tapestry of history and community spirit.

Despite its modest population of 79, Mirrool boasts a vibrant past, marked by the pioneering days of squatters and encounters with bushrangers.

A highlight of the town's calendar is the Mirrool Silo Kick, a fiercely contested football kicking competition held annually on the second Saturday of October, drawing participants and spectators alike.

At the heart of Mirrool stands a cherished symbol of community pride: the 'Horsing Around' mural on the side of the museum, the 'Mirrool Memories'..

Adding to the village's allure, the Royal Hotel stands as a welcoming social hub, exuding old-world charm.

Across from this historic establishment lies Sunshine Park, featuring a playground and BBQ facilities for families and visitors to enjoy.

For travellers passing through, a complimentary camping area awaits, offering power access at a nominal fee, ensuring a comfortable stay amidst Mirrool's scenic surroundings.



Naradhan

Naradhan, a quaint township with deep agricultural roots, thrives amidst its pastoral landscape.

With a population of 63 residents, the town prides itself on its primary school and bustling community hall, serving as focal points for local gatherings and events.

Steeped in history, the Naradhan Returned Soldiers League was established in 1926, leading to the construction of the iconic Naradhan RSL Hall. A cornerstone of community life, the Naradhan Public Hall followed suit in 1937, witnessing generations of dances and social gatherings. While their usage has evolved over time, both halls remain steadfast, with the Public Hall continuing to host regular meetings and social affairs.

A testament to Naradhan's heritage, the fully restored Naradhan Historic Woolshed, erected in 1888, proudly stands along the main road, offering a glimpse into the region's rich wool industry legacy.



Tallimba

Located 35 kilometres southwest of West Wyalong, Tallimba exudes small-town charm amidst its rural setting.

Home to a collective population of 185 residents, including those from neighbouring communities, Tallimba embraces a close-knit community spirit.

Tallimba Public School provides education from kindergarten to year 6, complemented by a vibrant playgroup that welcomes young children from the area. A dedicated bus service ensures secondary students have access to schooling in West Wyalong.

Sports enthusiasts are well catered for with various facilities, including tennis and cricket grounds, fostering active lifestyles within the community.

At the heart of Tallimba stands a spacious community hall, serving as a versatile venue for a range of functions and events.

Each January, Tallimba bursts to life with its annual Vintage Harvest Day, paying homage to the region's agricultural heritage and offering a nostalgic journey into the past.

Despite its small size, Tallimba is both a delightful place to reside and a charming destination worth exploring.



Ungarie

Ungarie, nestled 42 kilometres northwest of West Wyalong en-route to Lake Cargelligo, epitomizes rural tranquillity.

With a population of 227 residents, complemented by a thriving farming community, Ungarie enjoys a picturesque setting enriched by the meandering Humbug Creek.

Offering a plethora of attractions, Ungarie charms both residents and visitors alike. The village provides accommodation, dining, pub, and club amenities, along with essential services for the community's convenience.

Ungarie thrives on community spirit, boasting a diverse range of organizations, a central school, and a vibrant sporting scene. The town's sporting facilities, including a bowling club, tennis courts, swimming pool, and football oval, cater to enthusiasts of all ages and interests.

As part of the Bland Art Trail, Ungarie showcases 44 war murals, a spinning globe, and captivating murals, along with a remarkable chainsaw tree carving, adding cultural richness to the area.

A notable landmark in Ungarie is "The Big Footy," paying homage to the Daniher family's sporting legacy, serving as a testament to the town's proud sporting heritage and achievements.



Weethalle

Weethalle, a picturesque farming region within the Bland Shire, lies 58 kilometres west of West Wyalong along the Mid-Western Highway.

With a core population of 268 residents, augmented by the surrounding agricultural communities, Weethalle fosters a close-knit community ambiance with a passionate community and provided education for primary students.

Weethalle takes pride in its array of attractions, notably the pioneering silo art project, the Weethalle Silo Art, which debuted in 2017, marking a milestone in regional artistry. The town also boasts The Road Kill Grillz café, adorned with a mural that befits its whimsical name, adding to the town's quirky charm.

For those seeking local culture and community spirit, the Weethalle agricultural show stands as a highlight event, drawing crowds every August for a memorable celebration of rural life.



West Wyalong

West Wyalong stands as the focal point of the Bland Shire, its rich history intertwined with tales of gold discovery and rural prosperity.

The story begins in September 1893 when Joseph Neeld unearthed gold in Wyalong, leading to the development of West Wyalong just 5 kilometres away in 1895.

The town's layout, haphazardly formed around a bullock track without town planning, bears witness to its unconventional origins, evident in the meandering roads that circumvented trees and structures.

Amidst the gold rush, West Wyalong thrived, fuelled by the productivity of the White Tank water supply, now McCann Park, earning the distinction of the colony's most prolific goldfield by 1899.

As mining waned, West Wyalong seamlessly transitioned into a vital agricultural service hub for the region. Although rivalry simmered between West Wyalong and Wyalong, a compromise led to the establishment of Wyalong Central, a railway station serving both towns via Rail Bus services.

Beyond its industrial legacy, West Wyalong boasts a wealth of natural beauty, with parks and gardens dotting the landscape, offering leisure opportunities for residents and visitors alike.

Adding to its charm, the Tivoli Theatre provides entertainment with the latest cinematic releases, ensuring there's something for everyone in this vibrant community.



Wyalong

Wyalong, nestled a mere 4.4 kilometres from its sister town West Wyalong, holds a storied past dating back to the late 1890s gold rush era. As the region's historic heart, Wyalong's inception in 1894 stemmed from the government's recognition of the flourishing growth spurred by the gold rush.

However, the town's location sparked controversy, with government officials and miners at odds over its placement. While officials favoured a site on the eastern side of the diggings, miners advocated for a western location. Despite initial plans for Wyalong to serve as the primary commercial and residential centre, resistance from miners led to the establishment of West Wyalong, splitting the development.

Over the decades, Wyalong has seen gradual expansion, particularly since the 1970s, with development extending towards West Wyalong.

Central Wyalong now hosts several motels, catering to travellers passing through the area.

In 1994, a significant milestone was reached with the construction of a shared bicycle and pedestrian track, bridging the gap between Wyalong and West Wyalong, fostering connectivity and accessibility between the two towns.

Both Wyalong and West Wyalong contribute to the vibrant Bland Art Trail, featuring numerous artworks scattered throughout the region, showcasing the area's rich cultural heritage and artistic expression.

About Bland Shire Council

Council Structure

Council provides a range of day-to-day services for our community and is responsible for issues that affect our daily lives. Bland Shire Council is committed to ensuring that the Council and the community work in partnership to achieve the best outcome for the Shire.

Council is a local statutory authority with delegates and responsibilities conferred from State and Federal Parliament. All local Councils operate under legislation of the Local Government Act 1993 Bland Shire Council is your Council. We are here to serve you and to help our community prosper and grow through good governance.

Nine Councillors elected by the community make up Bland Shire Council. The mayor is elected by the Councillors.

The current elected members until September 2024 are:

Mayor Brian Monaghan Deputy Mayor Lisa Minogue Cr Holly Brooks Cr Malcom Carnegie Cr Rodney Crowe Cr Jill Funnell Cr Emma Henderson Cr Tony Lord Cr Liz McGlynn

The operational management of the Council is led by the General Manager and supported by two directors.

Grant Baker – General Manager Alison Balind – Director Corporate and Community Services Ray Sexton – Director Technical Services

Council holds monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of the month, except January. The public is welcome to attend at the Council Chambers, 6 Shire Street, West Wyalong.

Council contact details 6 Shire Street PO Box 21 West Wyalong 2671 Phone: 69722266 Email: <u>council@blandshire.nsw.gov.au</u> Website: Bland Shire Council



Key Industries

The Bland Shire is a blossoming rural economy built around sheep, cattle, wheat and other crop varieties. In recent times, West Wyalong has also experienced significant developments away from agriculture.

Evolution Mining operates a successful open pit gold mine at Lake Cowal, 32 km from West Wyalong. The mine has set a path to increase its annual gold production with the development of the Cowal underground mine. The life of the Cowal Gold Mine has been extended to 2040 bringing many more families to West Wyalong and villages.

Pace Farm operate the largest egg producing facility in the southern hemisphere at West Wyalong.

Australian Grain Marketing Solutions and Services have invested heavily in the region through their modern grain handling facility in West Wyalong. Both Graincorp and Grainflow have facilities in the region creating job opportunities especially during harvest time.

Wyalong Solar Farm is situated 7.5 km northeast of West Wyalong and occupies approximately 160 hectares of land. The Wyalong Solar Farm will generate enough electricity to power 27,000 average Australian homes.

NSW Health is another key employer in Bland Shire, as is education with many schools and childcare facilities opening job opportunities in health and education.

Council has strategies in place to attract more new industries to the area and ensure a prosperous and sustainable future.

Employment Opportunities

The Bland Shire has a low unemployment rate with a constant demand for skilled labour. Cowal Gold Operation is the Bland Shire's major employer with a workforce of 500+.

Bland Shire Council is the Shire's other major employer. Bland Shire has fantastic business and investment opportunities to support these major developments and meet the need for housing and other goods and services.

West Wyalong and district offer unique and exciting opportunities for professional people in various areas as well as a vibrant retail sector.

Sureway West Wyalong Office 89-91 Main Street NSW 2671 1300 787 392 Website: <u>Sureway</u> Verto West Wyalong Office 89 -91 Main Street NSW 2671 1300 483 786 Fax: 02 6399 0102 Email: info@verto.org.au

Services

Bland Shire is committed to meeting the diverse needs of its local community by offering a wide range of essential services.

These services are designed to support residents in various aspects of their lives. By offering these services and more, the Bland Shire demonstrates its commitment to serving the needs of its residents and fostering a thriving and resilient community.



Rates

Rates for the Bland Shire are levied annually in July. They can be paid in full by the 1st instalment due date or by quarterly instalments on the 31 August, 30 November, 28 February, and 31 May. Options to make payments are located at the bottom of the rates notice.

For more information about the Bland Shire visit Council's website at https://www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au/Your-Council/Council-Rates

Rates are used to maintain and improve services and facilities for the community. Income that Council receives from rates provides funding for a broad range of services including roads and bridges, car parking, footpaths, cycleways and streetscapes, sewerage, waste management, stormwater, libraries, swimming pools, parks and reserves.

Kerbside Waste Collection

Garbage is collected by Council in West Wyalong, Wyalong, Barmedman, Ungarie and Weethalle. The designated collection days are –

South side of Newell Highway (Main St) in West Wyalong and Wyalong - Bin out Tuesday night to be collected on Wednesday.

North side of Newell Highway (Main St) in West Wyalong and Wyalong - Bin out Monday night to be collected Tuesday.

South side of Showground Road in West Wyalong- Bin out Sunday to be collected Monday.

Barmedman - Bin out Tuesday night to be collected on Wednesday.

Ungarie - Bin out Wednesday night to be collected on Thursday.

Weethalle - Bin out Wednesday night to be collected on Thursday.

Landfill Facilities

Please refer to Council's website for the most up to date opening hours, fees, and charges. Eight waste landfills are currently provided for residents of Bland Shire. Landfills are closed on Public Holidays.

West Wyalong

The Waste Depot (rubbish tip) is located off Racecourse Road in West Wyalong. At present the opening hours are

Monday to Friday: 8 am - 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm - 4 pm Saturday and Sunday: 10 am - 3 pm A Tip "Shop" is available, selling second hand items.

Ungarie

Open Monday and Wednesday: 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm Sunday: 8.30 am - 11.00 am.

Barmedman

Open Tuesday and Thursday: 1.30pm – 3.30 pm Sunday: 12.30 pm - 3.30 pm

Tallimba

Open Tuesday 9 am closing Thursday 9am

Mirrool

Access requires a key. Please contact Council on 6972 2266

Open Saturday 10 am - 4 pm

Naradhan

Access requires a key. Please contact Council on 6972 2266 (residents only)

Kikoira

Access requires a key. Please contact Council on 6972 2266 (residents only)

Weethalle

Open Monday 12.30pm to Wednesday until 12.30 pm

Recycling

Bland Shire residents have a range of practical recycling options available to do their part to benefit the environment.

Council is encouraging residents to take a pro-active approach to recycling to reduce the amount of waste in local landfills and reduce emissions.

Bottles and Cans can be recycled in West Wyalong

- V & L Machinery, Railway Road, West Wyalong
- West Wyalong Landfill (accepted free of charge with no return and earn)

Cardboard and paper can be recycled for free at Kurrajong Waratah on Compton Road. People are encouraged to utilise this service but can also dispose of these items at the West Wyalong landfill for a small fee.

Community Recycling Centre (CRC)

E-waste (electronic waste such as old televisions, computers, and computer peripherals) can be dropped for free at the Community Recycling Centre (CRC) located at the West Wyalong landfill on Racecourse Road.

The CRC also receives paint, batteries, fluorescent globes, oils, gas bottles, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors and some chemicals of domestic quantities, free of charge.

CRC small recycling centres are located at Bernardi's Supermarket in Barnado St. These collection points are suitable for items such as household batteries, fluorescent globes, smoke detectors and mobile phones (Domestic quantities only).

Development & Regulatory Services

Councils Development and Regulatory Services team is responsible for the administration and implementation of a variety of State legislation.

The team covers all planning, health, building, building maintenance, Ranger and Geographic Information System services. We receive, investigate, and take action on a variety of customer concerns to keep the community and environment safe.

Planning and Building

NSW has a variety of State legislation and regulations that each Council must adhere to. Every council also has their own local environmental planning instruments. Our local planning instruments are the Bland Local Environmental Plan 2012 and Bland Development Control Plan 2012, which outlines zonings and rules around different types of development to ensure our local area is developed in a meaningful way.

Council's Planning and Building services include providing planning advice, pre-lodgement meetings, assessing development applications, issuing complying development certificates, construction certificates and final occupation certificates, as well as swimming pool compliance certificates, section 68 drainage and plumbing inspections and building information certificates. You can also elect Council to be the certifier of your development.

All planning and building applications must be lodged through the NSW Planning Portal. The NSW Planning portal website also has all the information you need to understand what is required when lodging an application. Please see the website: <u>Planning Portal</u> for more information.

Public Health

Council is responsible for undertaking a variety of inspections to monitor and reduce risk to public health. These inspections include food shops, skin penetration premises, public swimming pools, cooling towers and onsite sewage management systems.

We also receive and investigate concerns pertaining to public health matters such as potential food poisoning or infectious disease outbreaks. Council works with the NSW Food Authority and NSW Health to meet legislative requirements and report public health matters.

Saleyards

Bland Shire Council Saleyards is a community facility owned and maintained by Council. The saleyards are used on a regular basis bringing together buyers and sellers from across the region. Located on the Newell Highway on the outskirts of the town. Please contact Bland Shire Council on 6972 2266 for more information

Ranger Services

Council's ranger services are responsible for receiving concerns relating to barking dogs, roaming animals, dog attacks, abandoned vehicles and parking infringements.

Council is also responsible for ensuring animals in our LGA are microchipped and registered under the *Companions Animals Act 1998.* Please ensure your pet's details are up to date in case they go missing, so we can contact you and get your pet back to you as soon as possible. Please visit the website: <u>Pet Registry</u> to update your pet's details.

There are often cats and dogs available for rehoming from the Council pound. If you find a lost dog or cat, please contact Council as soon as possible so that every effort can be made to reunite them with their owner.

To book an inspection or ask a question about any of the above, please contact the Development and Regulatory Services team via phone: 6972 2266 or email: <u>council@blandshire.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Mirri Ngurang Dog Park

Mirri Ngurang is both for locals of Bland Shire as well as visitors who would like to exercise their dogs and simply give them a break from the tedium of their journey. It is one of the few dedicated dog parks in regional NSW and offers both play and training facilities. In the Wiradjuri language Mirri means dog and Ngurang means camp, town, place or nest. On the fence are some laser cut dog images, see if you can guess the dog breed.

The Dog Park is located on Neeld St, adjacent to the Cooinda Reserve



Mirri Ngurang Dog Park

Veterinarian

The West Wyalong Veterinary Clinic is open Monday to Friday from 9 am to 5.30 pm and on Saturday morning from 9.30 am to 12 noon. The clinic also offers an after-hours service for emergencies.

West Wyalong Veterinary Clinic 74 Main Street, West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2863

Community and Aged Care

Bland Community Care Service (BCCS)

Bland Community Care Service provides support to older people, people with a disability and people who care for them, as they live at home. Our mission is to empower, build on strengths and promote self-sufficiency of clients to assist to enhance independence, health, and wellbeing by tailoring services to meet the individual's needs and goals. Bland Community Care Service provides services to areas within the Bland Shire.

If you are looking to receive services from the Commonwealth Home Support Programme or need a Home Care Package, you can contact My Aged Care on: Phone: 1800 200 422 Website: www.myagedcare.gov.au

For people with a disability, you can contact the NDIS for information on eligibility. 1800 800 110 or you can visit <u>NDIS</u> If you would like to send an email you can email enquiries@ndis.gov.au.

If you would like any other information on eligibility on the services we provide, please contact Bland Community Care Service on 6979 0287.

Services provided by Bland Community Care Service:

Domestic Assistance

Domestic assistance can support you with practical tasks such as general housework or shopping from a list. Services like these may help you to remain independent in your own home. Staff will provide assistance with the tasks you are unable to complete, while promoting independence by allowing you to do the tasks you can.

Social Support & Activities

Social support services can help you to maintain an active social life by having someone visit you in your home, or by arranging visits and outings in the community. This may include attending medical appointments or shopping assistance if you are unable to attend alone.

Centre Based Social Groups

• Gentle Exercise Group

Gentle Exercise Group focuses on balance and falls prevention in a social environment. The Exercise Group meets on Thursdays 11am to 12pm (Morning tea is included) and 1.30pm to 2.30pm (Afternoon tea included).

Bland Blokes
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Bland Blokes is a group of men who come together to have a cuppa, chat, and an opportunity to make new friends.

Bland Blokes meet from 9.30am to 11.30am Tuesday mornings at Bland Community Care.

• Wednesday Activity Day (WAD)

Wednesday Activity Day refers to the provision of structured group activities designed to assist people develop, maintain, or support the capacity for independent living and social interaction and enables people to pursue interests and hobbies. The aim of the day is to have fun through stimulating cognitive and physical activities, and by mixing with other community members. This activity day is held on a Wednesday from 10am to 3pm. Clients are also provided with morning and afternoon tea and a home cooked meal for lunch.

Goods & Equipment

Goods and equipment services can help you maintain your independence if you have a functional limitation (any health problem that prevents you from completing a range of tasks), or if you just find it difficult to carry out day-to-day living activities.

Home Maintenance

Home maintenance can provide assistance with yard maintenance including mowing, whipper snipping, access pruning and weed spraying. The service is primarily for function and safety and not for aesthetic effect.

Flexible Respite Care

Respite care (also known as short-term care) is a form of in-home support for carers. It gives Carers the opportunity to attend to everyday activities and have a break from their caring role. Respite care may be given informally by friends, family, neighbours, or by formal respite services.

Other Aged Care Services

RFBI West Wyalong Masonic Village

The Royal Freemasons' Benevolent Institution (RFBI) operates the West Wyalong Masonic Village, a fully accredited residential aged care facility. Contact the Village for additional information.

64 Ungarie Road West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6970 1500



Day out at West Wyalong Show

Essential Services

Water

Goldenfields Water County Council Phone: 69773200 Emergency 1800 800 917 Website: www.gwcc.nsw.gov.au

Gas AGL Phone: 13 12 45

Essential Energy Phone: 13 23 91 (General Enquiries) or 13 20 80 (faults) Website: www.essentialenergy.com.au

Licensing and Registration Service NSW 29 Ungarie Road, West Wyalong NSW 2671

Centrelink South West Slopes Credit Union 147 Main Street West Wyalong NSW 2671

Banks and Credit Unions

Commonwealth Bank of Australia 107 Main Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2099 or 13 22 21 Provision of an ATM 9.30am-1pm Mon-Fri

National Bank of Australia 141 Main Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6979 0100 or 13 22 65 9.30am-12.30pm Mon-Fri

South West Slopes Credit Union 147 Main Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone:6972 4400 9am-5pm Mon-Fri

ATMs available at CBA, supermarkets, S&C Club, Tattersalls and Metro hotels.

Australia Post

Tallimba 46 Tallimba Street Tallimba NSW 2669 Phone: 6975 7228

Ungarie 39 Wollongough Street Ungarie NSW 2669 Phone: 6975 9055

Weethalle 9 Railway Street Weethalle NSW 2669 Phone: 6975 6266

West Wyalong 152 Main Street West Wyalong, NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2133

Wyalong 72 Neeld Street Wyalong, NSW 2671 6972 2696

Electoral Commission

Electorate of Riverina 2/209 Baylis St Wagga Wagga NSW 2650 GPO Box 9867 Sydney NSW 2001 Phone 132 326

> Scan below or visit, www.aec.gov.au/enrol



Telecommunications

Telephone and Internet

There are a range of telephone and internet providers which service the Bland Shire. Contact your preferred provider to have your home or business connected.

NBN

The National Broadband Network is now available in most parts of the Bland Shire. Residents can check the availability of the NBN at their address by visiting <u>NBN</u>

Newspaper

The West Wyalong Advocate newspaper publishes on Friday of each week and features local community news and sport. 113 Main Street, West Wyalong, NSW 6972 2033 Advocate

Television

The Bland Shire receives all free to air channels.

Radio Stations

Community Radio Gold FM - 94.5 hit93.1 or hit99.7 Rock FM - 95.5 Triple J - 101.9 Radio National - 104.3 AM 2LF Young - 1350 ABC Local – 549 Triple M Griffith – 963 Triple M Wagga Wagga- 1152

Real Estate Agents

Miller & James Real Estate

148 Main Street West Wyalong Phone: 02 6972 2224 Email: <u>adminww@millerandjames.com.au</u> Website: Miller & James Real Estate

Quade Moncrieff Livestock & Property

166 Main Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2277 Website: Quade Moncrieff

Ray White

124 Main Street West Wyalong, NSW 2671 Phone: 6191 5730 Email: <u>oscar.freeman@raywhite.com</u> Website: <u>Ray White Real Estate</u>

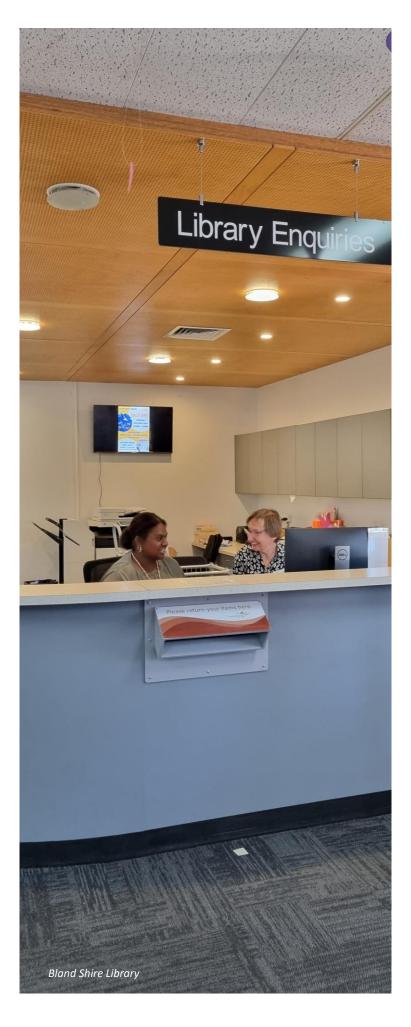
@realty

West Wyalong Phone: 0417 224 222 Website: @realty Email: emma.henderson@atrealty.com.au

Facilities

Bland Shire is dedicated to serving its community with a variety of facilities open for public use.

These facilities serve as vital community hubs, fostering connections, promoting well-being, and enriching the lives of residents throughout the Bland Shire.



Bland Shire Library

The Bland Shire Library delivers lending and informational support alongside an extensive array of resources, events, and activities catering to all age groups. As a member of the Riverina Regional Library, it provides various complementary services to its members, encompassing access to eBooks, digital magazines, and online data services.

The Bland Shire Library hosts a diverse range of programs catering for all age groups, spanning from infants to adolescents and beyond. Additionally, it hosts an annual author in residence program and boasts a distinctive collection chronicling Bland Shire's history and heritage. The Bland Shire Library takes pride in its diverse service offerings for its members.

These services comprise photocopying (Colour and Black/White, up to A3 size), printing, faxing, scanning, laminating, binding, public computers equipped with Microsoft Office, as well as free internet access and Wi-Fi.

Membership remains free for all residents or employees of the Bland Shire. However, individuals must furnish proof of identity and residency. For minors under 18, parental or guardian consent is mandatory for membership enrolment.

Bland Shire Library Services: Housebound Service Book Clubs GOLD Club for Seniors Tech Savvy Seniors Knit and Knatter Lego Club Story Time Baby Bounce Writers' Group School Holiday Programs

Bland Shire Library 6 Shire Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6979 0272 Fax: 6972 4230 Email: <u>issues@blandshire.nsw.gov.au</u> Facebook: <u>Bland Shire Library</u>

Library opening hours: Monday to Friday: 10 am - 5 pm Saturday: 9:30 am - 12 pm Sunday and public holidays: Closed

West Wyalong Visitor Information Centre

The Visitor Information Centre can provide you with all the information you need to explore the cultural and recreational facilities on offer around the Shire.

The friendly staff are on hand to supply you with maps, local information brochures and brochures of neighbouring towns. Also located within the Visitor Information Centre are local products and souvenirs.

The Visitor Information Centre distributes a Bland Bulletin bi-monthly with all the events held in the Bland Shire. Collect this brochure, together with the West Wyalong Booklet and Bland Art Trail from the Visitor Information Centre located within the Library at the Council Office.

West Wyalong Visitor Information Centre 6 Shire Street West Wyalong, NSW. Phone: (02) 6979 0272 Email: <u>visitwestwyalong@blandshire.nsw.gov.au</u> Facebook: <u>West Wyalong Tourism</u> Instagram: <u>West Wyalong Tourism</u> Instagram: <u>West Wyalong Visitor</u> West Wyalong Visitor Centre opening hours: Monday to Friday: 10 am - 5 pm Saturday and Sunday: 9:30 am - 3 pm Closed on Public Holidays

Youth

The Youth of Bland Shire are a valued sector of our community. With our newly established Youth Centre, young people between the ages of 12-24 have a safe place to study, relax and participate in regular activities.

Bland Shire is also creating a Youth Advisory Council which will provide leadership opportunities for youth, a chance to address current issues that affect them, and brainstorm ways to resolve these matters.

Through providing a voice for the younger generation, we will create a more suitable community that facilitates their demographic.

Facebook: West Wyalong Youth

Recreation

The Bland Shire is a haven for nature lovers and outdoor enthusiasts, boasting an abundance of beautiful parks and gardens that delight both locals and visitors alike.

From the tranquil Wetlands to the storied Cooinda Reserve and the ever-green expanses of McCann and Barnado Park, there's no shortage of idyllic spots to unwind, let children play, and gather with friends.

Additionally, the Shire offers ample sporting fields and facilities catering to all ages and interests, ensuring everyone can stay active and engaged in their favourite sports.

With a proud sporting heritage and a deepseated passion for community fitness, the Bland Shire continues to invest significantly in its sporting infrastructure and ovals, reaffirming its commitment to fostering a healthy and active lifestyle for all residents.

To book a park or sporting facility, please complete the form on the Council website: <u>Parks and Sporting fields booking form</u>



Parks, Playgrounds and Sporting Facilities

On offer are an array of beautifully maintained parks within West Wyalong, Wyalong and the surrounding villages of the Shire. Most parks have play equipment, public toilets, picnic and BBQ facilities. They are safe places in which community members can gather, relax, and enjoy the picturesque scenery.

Our parks and gardens are incredibly popular all year round and the community takes great pride in them. Fitness, exercise facilities and walking tracks are also provided. Many of our parks feature displays from the Bland Art Sculpture Trail.

A list of each park and their facilities is available in the Visitors Information Centre located at the Bland Shire Council Office.

Walking and Bicycle Tracks

Numerous scenic walks await exploration throughout the Bland Shire, encompassing the Heritage Trails of Wyalong and West Wyalong, as well as our charming villages.

Other walks include, The Green Corridor, RSL Memorial Walk in Cooinda Reserve, The Wetlands, and through the State Forests and reserves.

For those interested in cycling routes around the shire contact Biking the Bland. Details are available at the Visitor Information Centre located at the Bland Shire Council Office.

Cooinda Reserve

Cooinda Reserve is in Wyalong on Neeld Street.

Cooinda Reserve is home to many facilities including public toilets, BBQs, a dump point and 24 hr free camp, dog park, and many of our gold history displays.

Cooinda Waters

Discover the beauty of Cooinda Waters, a picturesque destination offering a myriad of experiences. Enjoy a leisurely picnic amidst the stunning scenery while observing the diverse birdlife and wildlife. For a more adventurous outing, consider kayaking either with your own equipment or through the services provided by the Wyalong Yacht Club, conveniently situated at Cooinda Waters.

For booking inquiries, kindly reach out to the Wyalong Yacht Club via their Facebook page. They'll be delighted to assist you in planning your memorable excursion on the tranquil waters of Cooinda.

Green Corridor

Embark on a delightful journey along the scenic 5km Green Corridor walking and bicycle track.

Beginning at Cooinda Reserve in Wyalong, the track winds its way through to McCann Park in West Wyalong. Continue your exploration beyond, passing by Lions Park and the Saleyards until you reach the West Wyalong Golf Club, nestled along Tallimba Road. Enjoy the refreshing greenery and tranquil surroundings as you traverse this charming pathway.

Ninja Adventure Park & BMX Track

There's excitement for every member of the family! Teenagers can test their skills by climbing the towering wall at the heart of the Ninja Park. Want to challenge yourself? Time your laps around the track using the automated timer at the park's entrance.

Alternatively, bring your bike and experience the thrill of the BMX track—all conveniently situated at Redman Oval, near Cooinda Reserve in Wyalong.

The Wetlands

Nestled opposite Cooinda Reserve on Neeld Street, Wyalong, lies The Wetlands—an idyllic haven for passive recreation, drawing an array of bird species. Perfect for birdwatching, fishing, kayaking, and leisurely strolls, it offers tranquil experiences for nature enthusiasts. Relax on the boardwalk's seating while taking in the serene surroundings.

Just a gentle reminder, all furry companions must be kept on a leash. Before bidding farewell to The Wetlands, be sure to visit Yindyamarra, the cultural display. Here, you'll encounter captivating artworks, such as a life-sized kangaroo and its joey, as well as the Mallee Fowl, adorned with vibrant cultural designs and colors by a local artist.

Showgrounds

Each of our villages boasts its own showground, fostering community spirit and engagement.

The annual shows, organized by the community show societies, are eagerly anticipated events. Weethalle kicks off the season in August, followed by Ungarie in September together with West Wyalong also in September. These gatherings not only showcase local talent and produce but also provide an opportunity for residents to come together and celebrate.

Moreover, all showgrounds offer affordable camping options and provide convenient dump points for added convenience to visitors.

Skate Park

Situated on Park Street in West Wyalong, the West Wyalong Skate Park serves as a bustling hub for local youth.

Adorned with vibrant artwork crafted by talented young individuals, it's a popular spot in the community. Additionally, the villages of Ungarie, Barmedman, and Weethalle each boast their own modular skate parks, catering to the recreational needs of their residents.

Other Recreational Facilities

In addition, West Wyalong boasts a diverse array of recreational facilities, including a rifle range, a Free Flight Society, Model Aero Club, Yard Dog Association and grounds, two lawn bowling clubs, a harness racing track, camp draft, rodeo and horse facilities, a dirt speedway, and an impressive 18-hole championship grass green golf course.

Pools

The Holland Park Swimming Pool in West Wyalong features a Hydro Play area for children, waterslide, diving board, cafe, and an Olympic sized swimming pool. Several youth-focused events are held at the pool each year. Holland Park swimming pool hosts several major carnivals and is the base for the annual West Wyalong Gold Triathlon which is usually held in April. The pool is open from October to March.

Ungarie Swimming Pool is 25-metre long and well used during the hot months by the community.

The Barmedman Mineral Pool, a generously sized mineral pool, is maintained by the local community. Nestled within a four-hectare reserve, it offers a serene vista of the surrounding bushland, complete with barbecue and changing facilities.

Renowned for its purported health benefits, the mineral-rich water beckons visitors seeking rejuvenation. Located just 32 kilometers (a 25-minute drive) from West Wyalong, it's easily accessible for a refreshing escape during the summer months from November to April.

For more information, please visit or contact the West Wyalong Visitor Information Centre at: West Wyalong Visitor Information Centre

6 Shire Street West Wyalong, NSW. Phone: (02) 6979 0272 Email: <u>Visit West Wyalong</u> Facebook: <u>West Wyalong Tourism</u>



Sports Facilities

The Bland Shire is a proud and enthusiastic sporting community that prides itself on its social wellbeing and community spirit.

Everybody can engage in a wide range of sporting and social activities with over 50 sporting and social clubs to choose from and several state of the art sporting facilities.

Recreational and sporting facilities play a major role within the communities of the Shire.

West Wyalong

Ron Crowe Oval, within the Perseverance St recreational precinct, hosts the annual West Wyalong Rugby League knockout on the last weekend in February. The ground is also host to junior rugby league, touch football and community events. Ron Crowe Oval is located on Short Street, West Wyalong.

The multipurpose West Wyalong Stadium is in Stadium Lane, off Operator St. It includes two full sized basketball courts and commercial kitchen facilities. Local junior and senior basketball are held in the stadium throughout the year along with a range of other indoor sport and community activities for young and old.

The Perseverance Street Sportsground hosts regular cricket, rugby league, rugby union and touch football.

McAlister Oval, within the Park St recreational precinct, hosts cricket, AFL and athletics. McAlister Oval is the home ground for the West Wyalong-Girral Australian Rules Football and Netball teams which compete in the Northern Riverina Football League competition.

West Wyalong Netball Courts are also located in Park Street.

Adjoining McAlister Oval is the West Wyalong Tennis Club, which features several synthetic grass courts that regularly host competitions throughout the year.

Wyalong

Redman Oval is located on George Bland Avenue, Wyalong and has cricket fields. Wyalong has tennis courts with public access within the schoolgrounds.

Share Our Space Program is available at some of our local schools, check the link for details.

Bland Shire Villages

Barmedman has tennis courts, sport and recreation grounds, a bowling club and skatepark. Tallimba has tennis courts, sport and recreation ground and a basketball court in the park. Ungarie has tennis courts, netball courts, bowling club, recreation ground with a skatepark, a basketball court and rifle range.

Weethalle has a golf course, sports ground and skatepark.

Sporting Groups

West Wyalong and the Bland Shire have many different Sporting Groups. Below is a list of just some of them. Please contact the council or Visitor Information Centre for the most current contact details we have for groups. If we don't have the contact details on hand, we can help you find the details you are searching for. Below are current contact details for 2024.

Basketball

Lesa Matthews 0428 723 364 wwjbasketball@gmail.com

Bowls

West Wyalong Sports Club Bowls | Facebook The West Wyalong Bowling And Recreation Club | West Wyalong NSW | Facebook

Barefoot bowls West Wyalong Bowling & Rec Club | Barefoot Bowls West Wyalong

Cricket WWDCA@outlook.com.au

Junior Cricket Holly Brooks 0416 199 719

Golf

West Wyalong Men's Golf | Facebook West Wyalong Ladies Golf | Facebook

Junior Rugby League westwyalongjrl@gmail.com

Junior Rugby Union westwyalongpirates@gmail.com

Little Athletics Deb Leonard 0429 906 264 Netball

Mellissa Ryan mjs152@bigpond.net.au

Senior Rugby League Tiarna Robertson malleemen@hotmail.com

Senior Rugby Union wwrugbyunion@gmail.com West Wyalong Rugby Union - Weevils and Redbacks | West Wyalong NSW | Facebook

Touch Football 0427 757 129

West Wyalong Amateur Swimming Nikki Fealy <u>nikki25812003@yahoo.com.au</u>

West Wyalong Croquet Club Marilyn Widdison The West Wyalong Bowling And Recreation Club | West Wyalong NSW | Facebook

West Wyalong Girral AFL and Netball Belinda Duncan 0429 720 544 wwgbulldogs@gmail.com

West Wyalong Tennis Andrew Bartlett 0422 823 399



Education

Bland Shire values education and provides its residents with access to quality education at all levels.

The town has a range of educational organisations that cater to the diverse needs of the community.

The Shires's educational organisations all provide excellent services that enrich the education experience of all students, whether they are seeking early or primary education, high school education or vocational training.



Early Childhood Education and Care

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Daycare and Early Learning

Aspire Early Learning Centre West Wyalong

206 Neeld Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone:0409 578 747 Facebook: <u>Aspire Early Learning Centre</u>

Little Wattle Preschool & Child Care Centre

50 Park Street West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 1044 Email: <u>littlewattlepspcc@akachildcare.com.au</u> Facebook: West Wyalong Little Wattle Pre-school & Child Care Centre

Bland Shire Children Services Unit

130 Pine Street PO Box 21 West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2795 Email: <u>council@blandshire.nsw.gov.au</u> Website: <u>Bland Shire Council</u> Facebook & Instagram: <u>Bland Shire Children Services Unit</u>

Services offered at Bland Shire Children Services Unit:

Bland Preschool

Bland Preschool is a community based not for profit service, providing high quality Preschool education and care in a safe purpose-built environment. Our play-based program is for all children aged 3-5 years.

Mobile Resource Unit

Bland Shire Mobile Resource Unit currently offers family playgroup sessions and Long Day Care/Preschool sessions in West Wyalong and Ungarie.

It Takes A Village

Bland Shire "It Takes a Village" aims to reach out to members of local communities through playgroups, material aid, parenting programs and events, while providing access to and knowledge of child development and family focused information.

Toy Library

Toy Library is an opportunity for the Bland Shire community to borrow and play with a wide range of quality educational and entertaining toys.

Primary Schools

Barmedman Public School

Robertson Street Barmedman NSW 2668 Phone: 6976 2128 Email: <u>barmedman-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> <u>Home - Barmedman Public School</u> (nsw.gov.au)

Naradhan Public School

Kooba Street Naradhan NSW 2669 Phone: 6896 9808 Email<u>: naradhan-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> Home - Naradhan Public School (nsw.gov.au)

Ungarie Central School (Kindy to year 12)

Condobolin Road PO Box 37 Ungarie NSW 2669 Phone: 6975 9030 Email: <u>ungarie-c.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> Home - Ungarie Central School (nsw.gov.au)

Tallimba Public School

Kikoira Street Tallimba NSW 2669 Phone: 6975 7251 Email: tallimba-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au Home - Tallimba Public School (nsw.gov.au)

Weethalle Public School

Wattle Street Weethalle NSW 2669 Phone: 6975 6154 Email:<u>weethalle-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> <u>Home - Weethalle Public School (nsw.gov.au)</u>

West Wyalong Public School

71 Park Street PO Box 82 West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2157 Email: <u>westwyalon-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> <u>Home - West Wyalong Public School</u> (nsw.gov.au) Facebook: West Wyalong Public School

Wyalong Public School

George Bland Ave Wyalong Phone 6972 2140 Email:<u>wyalong-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u> Home - Wyalong Public School (nsw.gov.au)

St Mary's War Memorial School

England Street PO Box 335 West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 3003 Email: office.smwms@cg.catholic.edu.au St Mary's War Memorial School West Wyalong (smwms.nsw.edu.au)

High School

West Wyalong High School Dumaresq Street PO Box 167 West Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2700 Fax: 6972 2236 Email: westwyalonh.school@det.nsw.edu.au Home - West Wyalong High School (nsw.gov.au)

Adult Education/ Vocational

Training

TAFE NSW Riverina Institute West Wyalong Campus And Connected Learning Centre 86 Wootten Street West Wyalong NSW 2671

Phone: 6979 0800 Fax: 6972 3489 tafensw.edu.au

Health and Medical

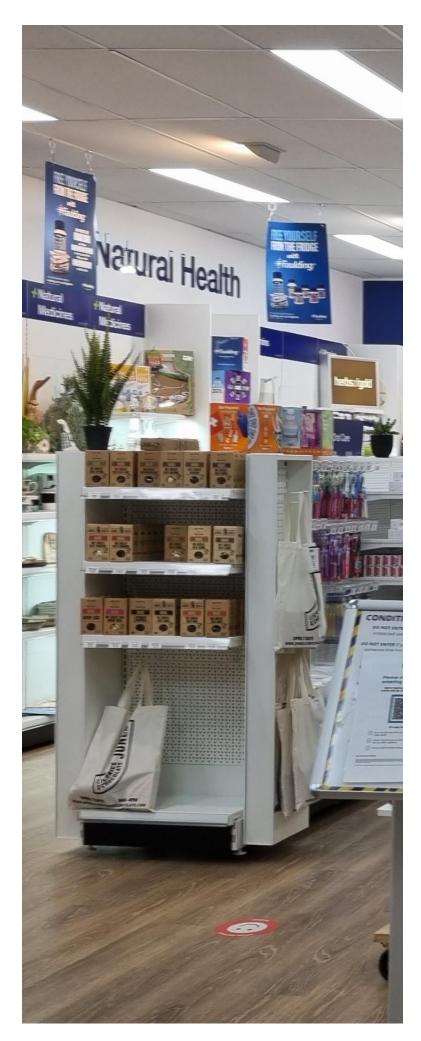
The NSW public health system is the largest public health system in Australia. NSW Health delivers safe, highquality and compassionate healthcare to the people of NSW.

Bland Shire has three GP practices, a Community Health Centre, dental surgeries, pathology, a residential aged care facility and a range of Home and Community Care (HACC) services and other support services.

In recent years medical services in the Bland Shire have expanded to include a full-time physiotherapist and dietician as well as other visiting specialists including a podiatrist, gynaecologist and obstetrician and urologist as well as an ultrasound service.

There are several defibs located across all towns and villages within the Bland Shire for use in the event of an emergency.

For more information about what services are available phone Council on 6972 2266 or visit Council's Website at <u>Blandshire.nsw.gov.au</u>



Health and Medical Facilities

Bland Medical Centre 33 Maitland Street West Wyalong Phone: 6972 1189

Kure Medical Group West Wyalong 72 Ungarie Rd West Wyalong Phone: 7207 9053

Lord and Wells Optometrists 164 Main Street West Wyalong Phone: 6972 2955

Terry White Pharmacy 29 Ungarie Road West Wyalong Phone:02 6972 0101

Ungarie Community Health Centre Condamine Street Ungarie Phone: 6975 9102

West Wyalong Community Health Centre 70 Ungarie Road West Wyalong Phone: 6979 0000 West Wyalong Dental Surgery 80 Main Street West Wyalong Phone: 6972 2018

West Wyalong Public School- Dental Clinic Within the grounds of West Wyalong Public School Phone:6972 2157

West Wyalong Health Service (Hospital) 70 Ungarie Road West Wyalong Phone: 6979 0000

West Wyalong Medical Centre 113 Main Street West Wyalong Phone: 6972 2866

West Wyalong Pharmacy 115 Main Street West Wyalong Phone:6972 2378

Transport

West Wyalong is ideally located on the cross-roads of the Newell and Mid Western Highways and Goldfields Way, offering excellent regional and interstate connections, as well as potential business from passing traffic.

Barmedman 32km (22mins) Tallimba 33km (26mins) Ungarie 43km (30mins) Mirrool 47km (30mins) Weethalle 57km (38mins) Temora 68km (48min) Forbes 104km (1hr 48mins) Condobolin 105 km (1hr 5 min) Lake Cargelligo 118km (1hr 34mins) Griffith 154km (1hr 43mins) Wagga Wagga 156km (1hr 48mins) Hay 256km (2hrs 4mins)



Bus Services

There is a regular Country Link Service from Condobolin through West Wyalong to Wagga Wagga For current Country link Timetables contact Regional Trains and Coaches | transportnsw.info

Kelly's Coaches

106 Railway Rd West Wyalong Phone: 02 69720555

Vinarli Coaches

84 Pine Street West Wyalong Phone: 02 6972 1773

Taxi Services

Murrays Maxi Taxi Phone: 0437 829 468 Email: <u>murraythomas5@gmail.com</u>

Davo's Maxi Taxi Phone: 0493 873 756 Email<u>: Anthony.davies@outlook.com</u>

Airport

An aerodrome is located near West Wyalong. Currently there are no commercial flights, and it is only available for private flights. Aviation fuel is available onsite.

Community Transport

West Wyalong Community Transport 255 Neeld Street Wyalong Phone: 02 6972 3106

Rental Cars

A rental car through Avis Wagga Waga may be available in West Wyalong. Please contact Acacia Golden Way Motel on 6972 2155 for more details.

Electric Car Charger

The NRMA Electric Car Charger is conveniently located on the corner of Water Street and Shire Street in a well-lit caravan carpark to allow for safe night charging and for easy access to our Main Street, West Wyalong.

Art and Culture

The Bland Shire is steeped in a rich tapestry of history, art, and culture, offering a captivating journey for both locals and visitors alike.

At the heart of the Shire lies a blossoming cultural community, eager to share the region's vibrant heritage with all who pass through. From striking sculptures to captivating murals, artistic expressions adorn the landscape, serving as vivid reflections of the Shire's past.

These artistic endeavours serve not only to beautify the surroundings but also to tell the stories of the Shire's history and its people. Each sculpture and mural acts as a window into the past, offering glimpses of bygone eras and celebrating the resilience and creativity of the community.

As visitors wander through the streets adorned with these cultural gems, they're invited to immerse themselves in the Shire's unique identity and to connect with its rich heritage. Through ongoing support for artistic endeavours and cultural initiatives, the Bland Shire continues to honor its past while embracing the diverse voices and talents that shape its future.



Glass Gallery & Splatter Gallery

The Bland Shire showcases a vast array of local artistic talent, including the **Exclusive Hot Glass Gallery** in Neeld Street Wyalong and **Splatter Art Gallery** in West Wyalong's Main Street which hosts classes, workshops, and art exhibitions.

Tivoli

Located in the historic Masonic Hall, The Tivoli is a community cinema situated in the heart of West Wyalong. Featuring the latest digital movie projection technology, the venue brings people together through art, film, and a sense of belonging. The space is fitted out with performance, conference, and art showcase capabilities, making it a diverse and valuable asset to the town. The name Tivoli is a nod to the original Tivoli Theatre that once stood proud in the 1920's in West Wyalong.

Performing Arts

The West Wyalong Town Band and Town Choir perform at various community events and always welcome new members. The West Wyalong Dramatic Society is an active group bringing the performing arts to the community using local talent in the area.

The Wyalong Museum

Housed in the historic Wyalong Court House, The Wyalong Museum exhibits a collection of early objects which portray our local history. The purpose-built shed displays machinery that was used for early industries. The Museum is managed by the Bland District Historical Society Inc and is open from 2pm-5pm Tuesday to Sunday.

Wyalong Heritage Walk

Discover our golden past and bright future with a walk around Wyalong, or "Toppy". Guides for the walk are available at the Museum or The Visitor Information Centre

West Wyalong Heritage Walk

Take a leisurely stroll around town as well as along our crooked main street and absorb some of West Wyalong's heritage. The walk starts in the centre of town, taking in many of the buildings that are still being utilized today.

Bland Art Trail

The Art Trail was born after the Bland Shire acquired many artworks in the form of silo art, murals and sculptures from local and well-known artists. There are art displays throughout the shire for every age. Maps and guides are available from the Visitor Information Centre.

Indigenous Culture

The Wiradjuri were the largest language group in NSW. Wiradjuri means "People of the three rivers" these being the Lachlan, Macquarie and Murrumbidgee rivers. Wiradjuri people moved around the country according to seasonal conditions.

The Wiradjuri people cover one of the largest tribal areas in NSW from Nyngan to Albury and from Hay to Bathurst. The Wiradjuri people generally moved around in small groups, using the river flats, open lands and waterways with some regularity through the seasons as indicated by debris that has accumulated in these areas. Occupation of the land by the Wiradjuri can be seen by modified trees and campsite remainders.

The Yinyamarra Display is permanently located at The Wetlands and features several significant Indigenous artefacts.

For more information: **West Wyalong Local Aboriginal Land Council.** 76-78 Main Street West Wyalong 2671 02 6972 3493

Community Groups, Special Interest Groups and Organisations

Volunteering

The Bland Shire are renowned for our terrific community spirit. Our spirit is driven by our volunteers and community groups.

Bland Shire has many creative community groups and organisations which cater for all interest groups and talents to become involved in or to volunteer with. Below are just some of those.

Contact details for community groups and organisations in the Bland Shire can be found in our local paper and as you get to know others in our community. Information may also be found at the Council or the Visitor Information Centre.

Barmedman Arts Craft and Coffee Shop

74 Queens Street Barmedman Tel: 6900 9846 Email<u>:barmedmanartscafe@outlook.com</u> Barmedman Arts, Craft & Coffee Shop | Barmedman NSW | Facebook

Bland District Historicl Society Inc

69 Neeld Street, Wyalong, NSW, Australia, New South Wales Tel: 6972 3303 museum2671@outlook.com

Bland Blokes

Bland Community Care Services 72 Ungarie Road West Wyalong Tel: 6979 0287

Can Assist - Ungarie Branch PO Box 3

Ungarie Tel: 0428 759 323 Email: <u>ungarie@canassist.org.au</u>

Can Assist - West Wyalong Branch PO Box 246 West Wyalong NSW 2671 Tel: 0438 471 760 Email: westwyalong@canassist.org.au

Community Radio 945 Gold FM Home - 945 Gold

Community Rose Garden Group

Corner Fleece Street & Mid-Western Highway 28 Cedar Street West Wyalong Janice Cattle Tel: 6972 3077

Churches and places of worship

Please refer to the local newspaper for information.

CWA Ungarie

48 Muriel Street Ungarie NSW 2669 Tel: Email: peronne7@gmail.com

CWA Bellarwi 1 Conway Street West Wyalong Tel: 0439 752 548 Email:<u>randbwiddows1@bigpond.com</u>

Heart of Gold Committee

Holly Brooks 0416 199 719 West Wyalong Hearts of Gold Festival | Facebook

Isolated Children's Parents Association Incorporated West Wyalong Branch Sue Buttenshaw Tel: 0428 758 420 www.icpa.com.au

Men's Shed 123 Railway Road West Wyalong Mobile: Ian Tel: 0429 444 196 Ross Tel: 0482 035 956 www.nswmensshed.org

Mirrool Silo Kick Challenge Committee Edward Street

Mirrool NSW 2665 Tel: 0427 741 244 Email: <u>brycespreading@hotmail.com</u> <u>Mirrool Community Page | Facebook</u> Mirrool Silo Kick | Facebook

Royal Far West Children's Health Scheme

West Wyalong Branch 6 Bellarwi Road West Wyalong Tel: 6972 2813

St Vincent De Paul Society

77 Main Street West Wyalong Tel: 6234 7417

South West Antique Engine Society

PO Box 218 West Wyalong Rob & Julie Crerar Tel: 6972 2813 or 0427 725 237 Colin Trethowan Tel: 0408 677 685 Email<u>: juliecrear@bigpond.com</u>

Tallimba Sports Club Inc (Tallimba Vintage Harvest Day)

Wayne Hueske Tel: 0428 257 866 John Staniforth Tel: 0427 757 297 Geoff Mackenzie Tel: 0428 723 236 <u>Tallimba Vintage Harvest Day | Tallimba NSW</u> | Facebook

United Hospital Auxiliary West Wyalong

Branch PO Box 155 West Wyalong Glenys Howarth 6972 4176 Mobile 0427 755 118 Email: <u>westwyalongUHA@gmail.com</u> West Wyalong United Hospital Auxiliary | West Wyalong NSW | Facebook

Ungarie Returned Services League

Ungarie Memorial Hall Meeting Room PO Box 58 Ungarie NSW 2669 6975 9130 Email: <u>UngarieSB@rsInsw.org.au</u> Website<u>: www.rsl.org.au</u>

Weethalle Country Music Muster

Di Read 0428 284 429 Malcolm Pope 0437 756 176 Weethalle Country Music Muster | Weethalle NSW | Facebook

Weethalle Show Society

Betty Fenning 0427 756 191 Email:<u>weethalleshow@gmail.com</u> Weethalle Show | Facebook

Western Wheelers Car Club

West Wyalong NSW 2671 0418 438 592 Email: <u>westernwheelerscarclub@gmail.com</u> <u>Western Wheelers Car Club of West Wyalong |</u> <u>West Wyalong NSW | Facebook</u>

West Wyalong Cubs & Scouts

Scouts Hall 101 Operator Street PO Box 28 West Wyalong Barbara Penny 0417 287 136 <u>1st West Wyalong Cub Scouts & Scouts | West</u> Wyalong NSW | Facebook

West Wyalong & District Country Education Fund West Wyalong - Country Education Foundation

of Australia (CEF) Kate Maslin 0404 424 955 Country Education Foundation of West Wyalong and District | West Wyalong NSW | Facebook

West Wyalong Amateur Dramatic & Choral

Society S & C Club 100 Monash St West Wyalong Cassie Geddies 0439 207 408 West Wyalong Amateur Dramatic and Choral Society | West Wyalong NSW | Facebook

West Wyalong Kennel Club

Michele Beyer 0456176775 Email:<u>westwyalongkennelclub@gmail.com</u> West Wyalong Kennel Club | Facebook

Wyalong Motor Sports Club

Lone Pine Speedway 27 Lone Pine Rd West Wyalong Leanne 0415117894 Email: <u>wyalongmsc@outlook.com.au</u>

West Wyalong Rotary Club

Frances Ross 02 6972 2133 0424 712 968 Tony Lord 0428 690 906 02 6972 295 Rotary Club of West Wyalong | Facebook

West Wyalong Riders

Gillian McKenzie 0423 760 645 Roz Schmidt 0427 411 440 West Wyalong Riders | Facebook

West Wyalong Returned Services League

PO Box 353 West Wyalong 0400 172 713 Email: <u>West-WyalongSB@rsInsw.org.au</u>

West Wyalong Show Society

190 Showground Road West Wyalong Diane 0429 534 334 0428 723118 a/h Email:<u>wwss2@bigpond.com</u>

West Wyalong Smallbore and Air Rifle Club 25 Operator Street West Wyalong Fleur Styles 0427 159 070 West Wyalong Small Bore & Air Rifle Club|Facebook

West Wyalong Horse Sports and Rodeo

Rodeo Ground Tallimba Road West Wyalong Phone Greg Trethowan 0416103 734 Elise Lancaster 0428 722 858 <u>West Wyalong Horse Sports and Rodeo</u> <u>Association | Facebook</u>

West Wyalong Lions Club

0428 753 422 Home - Lions Clubs Australia West Wyalong Lions Club | Facebook

West Wyalong Patchwork and Quilters Group

And Ungarie Quilters 58 Gilbert St Wyalong Rhonda 0400 531 604 Raylene 0407 700 284

West Wyalong Volunteer Gardeners

Monthly Working Bees Dianne Anderson 6972 2556

Wyalong Advancement Group

72 Neeld Street Wyalong NSW 2671 PO Box 111 Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 2696 Email: <u>secretary.wag@outlook.com</u>

Wyalong Art Group

Gilbert Street Wyalong 0427 019 916 Email:francespaul80@gmail.com

Wyalong & District Community Transport

255 Neeld Street PO Box 32 Wyalong NSW 2671 Phone: 6972 3106 Email: <u>wyalongtransport@bigpond.com</u>

Wyalong Yacht Club

The Wetlands Amanda Stitt Email:<u>wyalongyachtclub@gmail.com</u> Wyalong Yacht Club | Facebook









ANNUAL EVENTS











JANUARY

Bland Shire Australia Day Breakfast and Celebrations

FEBRUARY

West Wyalong Rugby League Knockout



MARCH

West Wyalong Crooked Mile Show and Shine

West Wyalong Evolution Gold Triathlon

West Wyalong Rodeo



APRIL

Bland Shire ANZAC Day Celebrations

West Wyalong Daylight Savings Breakfast

Weethalle Country Music Muster

JUNE

West Wyalong Horse Sports Fun Day

AUGUST

Weethalle Show

West Wyalong Horse Sports Sore Butt Ride

SEPTEMBER

West Wyalong Show

Ungarie Show

West Wyalong Kennel Club Dog Show

OCTOBER

Mirrool Silo Kick

West Wyalong Hearts of Gold Festival

NOVEMBER

West Wyalong Melbourne Cup Ladies Day for CanAssist

DECEMBER

Bland Shire Christmas Carnival

West Wyalong Holland Park Pool Party

West Wyalong Carols by Candlelight

West Wyalong International Day of People with a Disability

Ungarie Pool Party

*West Wyalong Show Society Markets held 2nd Saturday of each month

Dates and events subject to change. Please visit the Bland Shire Council website for more information and updates visit www.blandshire.nsw.gov.au





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Emergency Contact Numbers

Emergency	000
West Wyalong Hospital	6979 0000
Health Direct Line	1800 022 222
Poisons Information	131 126
SES NSW Hotline	132 500
Bland Shire Council (Office Hours)	6972 2266
Bland Shire 24-hour Emergency Assistance	0418 402 350
Community Care Services	6979 0287
Community Transport	6972 3106
West Wyalong Veterinary Clinic	6972 2863
Lifeline	131 114
Beyond Blue	1300 224 636



BARMEDMAN LOCATIONS	UNGARIE LOCATIONS	WEST WYALO	NG LOCATIONS
Police Station	Ungarie Showground and Rec	Bland Preschool	McAlister Oval
	Ground	Bland Shire Council Depot	Mens Shed
Rural Fire Truck	Bowling Club	Bland Shire Council Foyer	Ron Crowe Oval
MIRROOL LOCATION	Rural Fire Truck	Bowling Club	Royal Hotel
Rural Fire Truck	Ungarie Pool		S&C Club
NARADHAN LOCATION	WEETHALLE LOCATIONS		
Rural Fire Truck	Weethalle Bowling Club	Holland Park Pool	S&C Sports Club
TALLIMBA LOCATIONS	Rural Fire Truck	John Holland Depot - By-Pass Road	Service NSW Ungarie Road
Tallimba Hall - External	WYALONG LOCATION	Main Street Medical Centre	Sports Stadium
Rural Fire Truck	Wyalong Hall - External	Maitland St Medical Centre	TAFE (Indoors and Outdoors)

