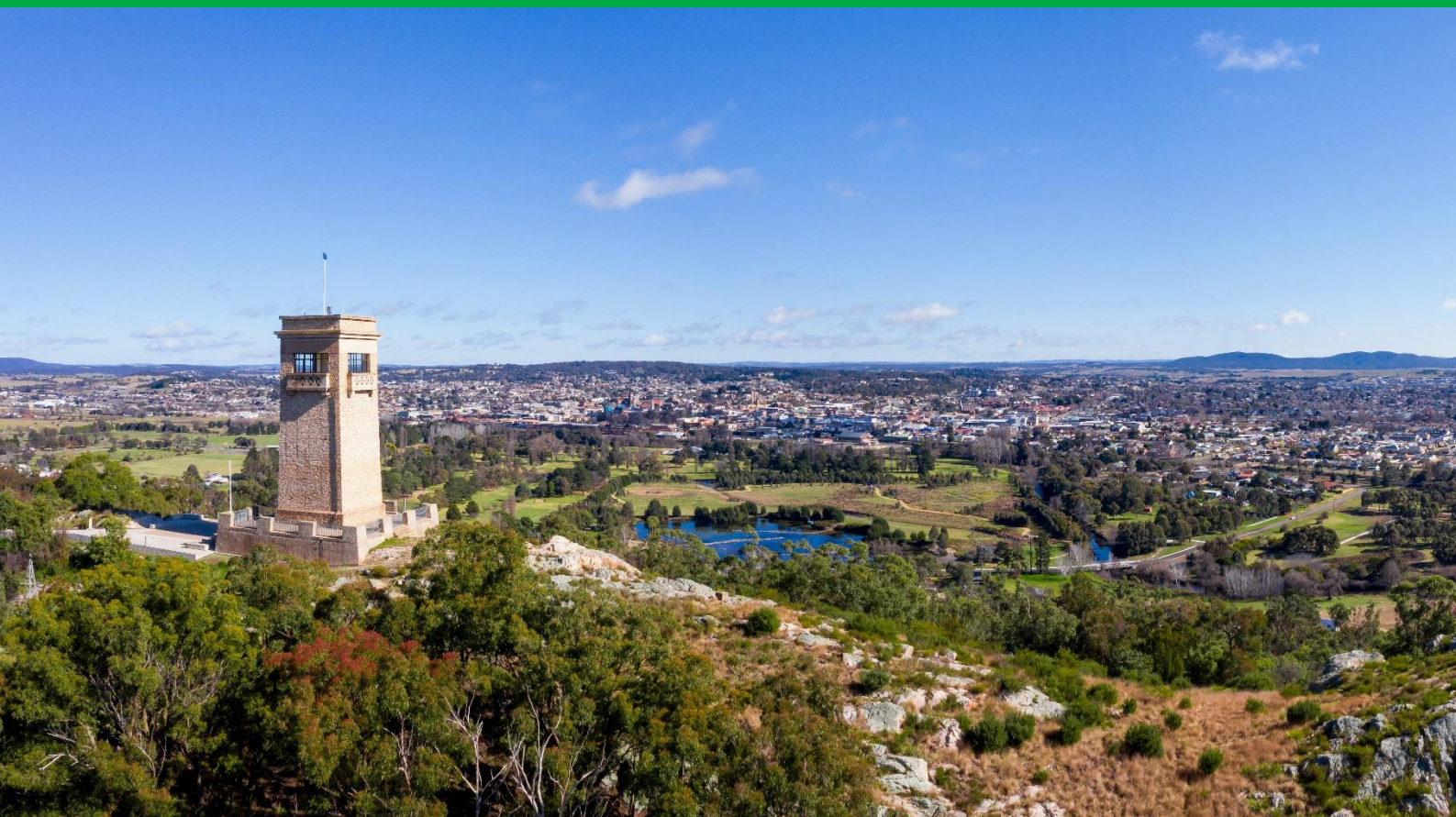


# Welcome Kit

Information and resources we hope will help newly-arrived workers and their families

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Belmore Park, looking towards Goulburn Courthouse. Credit: Goulburn Mulwaree Council



# Respecting Country

We acknowledge we meet, learn and live on Country which always was and always will be Aboriginal land.

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land and waters, and we show our respect for Elders past and present. We are committed to providing places in which Aboriginal people are included socially, culturally and economically through thoughtful and collaborative approaches to our work.

We invite you to recognise, respect and learn about the rich heritage, culture, sacred sites and special spaces of this Country and all Aboriginal people.

I look forward to meeting and collaborating with you, as has happened for thousands of years, while on Country.



Title: Family Connections  
Artist: Jasmine Tooth



# Let's get you connected!

This Welcome Kit and the resources within, along with your Local Connector will help you make great connections and lasting relationships in Goulburn

## What's in the kit?

- Your Cultural Welcome
- Local Connector contact details
- Quicklinks to local services and notice boards
- What's on in Goulburn
- Places and groups to meet people



# Hi, we are the Welcome Experience Goulburn Region Team



**Alexandra Dunwoodie**  
**Local Connector**

welcome@rdasi.org.au  
0487 099 032

Hiya! I'm all about creating awesome transitions to Goulburn. I've got a background as a high school English teacher, but now I'm all about helping people make the big move to town. When I'm not busy, you'll catch me crushing it at trivia and bingo nights, or taking long walks with my four children to soak up the outdoors. Let's work together to make your move to Goulburn a success!

*Working hours: Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm*



**Jane Purcell**  
**Admin Assistant**

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0409 765 287

*Hi!! I'm here to assist Ally in helping you feel safe and comfortable in your new home. I'm currently studying law at University and love everything summer. I'm here to be the friendly face as a Goulburn local and connect you with others!*

*Working hours: Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm*

If it's urgent contact  
Goulburn Police 4824 0799



# Why RDASI?

Regional Development Australia – Southern Inland is the Host Agency of The Welcome Experience Goulburn. RDASI is part of a national network of 52 RDA Committees across Australia. Comprised of local leaders who work with all levels of government, business and community groups, RDASI aims to support the development of regional Australia.

*The vision of RDASI is for the Southern Inland Region to be the most desirable place in NSW to invest, work, live and play in by 2025.*



# Quick Links

Here are some handy websites with access to local services and notice boards



Website	URL	Details
Goulburn Mulwaree Council – New Resident's Guide	<a href="https://www.goulburnaustralia.com.au/live-and-work/new-residents-guide/">https://www.goulburnaustralia.com.au/live-and-work/new-residents-guide/</a>	A great local guide – includes information on nearly everything you may need to know!
Tourism Websites	<a href="https://www.goulburnaustralia.com.au/">https://www.goulburnaustralia.com.au/</a>  <a href="https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/country-nsw/goulburn-area/goulburn">https://www.visitnsw.com/destinations/country-nsw/goulburn-area/goulburn</a>	You're going to be a local soon! But while you are looking to move, you can find real estate agents, things to do, local businesses, and calendar of events here.
Goulburn Facebook Groups	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/308249765027017/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/308249765027017/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/606012029458685/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/606012029458685/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/707001753892112/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/707001753892112/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/351478678299696/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/351478678299696/</a> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/412809588739638/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/412809588739638/</a>	<p>While these can be quite problematic at times, it is a good starting point to get a hang of what people are talking about in town.</p> <p>We are the admins of 'New Faces of Goulburn NSW' (the first link)</p>

# Why Goulburn?

## Map Location

Goulburn is located 2 hours from Sydney, 1 hour from Canberra and 2 hours from the coast.



## Food and wine nearby

Lots of people recognise how great Goulburn is, bringing high quality cooking right to our door!

- Trappers Bakery Goulburn
- Southern Railway Hotel Goulburn – recently voted in the Top 10 places to have a Sunday Roast
- Argyle Inn – Hatted restaurant in nearby Taralga
- Laggan Pantry – Located in Laggan, this is a unique dining experience with locally brewed beer and wine
- The Sir George – 40 minutes from Yass, this bespoke bakery and restaurant is well worth the drive!





# A short drive away

Embark on a delightful rural drive through the scenic areas and visit Bungendore and Braidwood, both just a short distance away.

Bungendore is 50 minutes from the centre of Goulburn. This heritage town has a hidden French bistro, and well-trained Jack Russell terriers trained to sniff out hidden truffles.

Extend your journey with an additional 35-minute drive to the 'ACT Top Town Award' winning Braidwood, a National Trust-classified town well worth the visit. Positioned as a popular midway point for those heading to the South Coast, Braidwood is a vibrant center surrounded by breathtaking natural wonders such as Deua National Park, which features caves and waterfalls.

Take the time to visit the wonderful towns surrounding you.



# WE'RE LOOKING FOR ON-CALL FIREFIGHTERS

**Join the team who are  
prepared for anything**

Comprehensive training is provided for all on-call firefighters, covering all aspects of the work involved to keep your community safe.

You can become an on-call firefighter alongside your primary job.

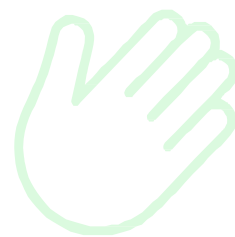
Our firefighters are a diverse group of men and women who balance their work, study and family commitments. They enjoy being part of a team, working with the community and other emergency services.



For more information or  
to apply, visit  
[fire.nsw.gov.au/on-call](https://fire.nsw.gov.au/on-call)



# What's on in Goulburn?



There's a lot to do in Goulburn, so come along to a few of the events around town

Event	Date	Location
Markets	1st Sunday	St Saviours Cathedral – Bourke Street
	2nd Sunday	Belmore Park – Montague Street
	3rd Sunday	Windellama
	4th Sunday	Farmers Market – Peden Pavillion
Cars at the Courthouse	Last Sunday	Montague Street between the Courthouse and Belmore Park
Belltower Tour at St Saviours	First Saturday	St Saviours Cathedral Bourke Street
Parkrun	Saturday 8am	Marsden Weir, Fitzroy Street
Australia Day	26th January	Victoria Park
Goulburn Show	1-3 March, 2024	Goulburn Recreation Centre 45 Braidwood Road
100th Anniversary of the First Australian Grand Prix	21-23 June, 2024	Goulburn Recreation Centre 45 Braidwood Road
Lilac City Festival	28th September, 2024	Auburn Street, Goulburn
Steam Punk Victoriana Fair	14th October, 2024	Marsden Weir, Goulburn

# Want to meet some more locals?

Here are some places where you can go to meet some Goulburnians!



### Goulburn Multicultural Centre

*Heni and the team support migrants, refugees and asylum seekers to access resources and make connections*

### Goulburn Mulwaree Library

*Open 7 days, the library offers a range of services including children's programs and monthly author talks. There is also unlimited free wifi and Paperback Café (open Monday to Friday)*

### Wollondilly Riverwalk

*An extensive river walkway program covering over 18km alongside the beautiful Wollondilly River*

### Goulburn Aquatic and Leisure Centre

*Offers a range of programs and services. Open all year. 25m indoor pool, baby and toddler pool, outdoor pool (Open October to March only), gym and kiosk/café*

### Back to the Arcade

*A local arcade centre with bowling, arcade games, laser tag and a karaoke room.*

### Goulburn Regional Art Gallery

*Open six days a week. Two gallery spaces. Extensive education opportunities for people of all ages*

### Local Theatre Groups

*The Lieder Theatre and Rocky Hill Musical Theatre Company stage various performances throughout the year*

### Hume Conservatorium

*The centre for music education in Goulburn. Offers music lessons from early childhood through to university courses via UNE.*





Credit: Goulburn Mulwaree Council



# GPAC

The Goulburn Performing Arts Centre is located in Goulburn's historic town hall, known as the McDermott Centre. When you step inside, you'll find a stunning glass atrium that connects to a state-of-the-art auditorium with 400 seats. They've made sure to include wheelchair seating and a hearing loop for accessibility.

The auditorium is equipped with all the modern tech you could imagine, like a fly tower, a counterweight fly system, lighting bridges, an opera pit, and a powerful 15,000-lumen projector. GPAC also has four dressing rooms, a band room, a green room, workshops, and a loading dock.

GPAC also holds a Box Office, and an awesome wine bar and boutique performance space called 'the Meeting Place', where you can meet before all performances.

GPAC is known for its fantastic annual Season of live performances. They cover a wide range of genres, including drama, opera, classical and contemporary music, dance, circus, children's shows, and programs for seniors. They also make a point to feature works from First Nations artists and culturally diverse performances.

# Places to meet people



## Here are some local groups and places to meet people

Please let your Local Connector know if you would like an introduction to a group

Group	Days	Location
Craft Canapes	Tuesday 1-3pm	Goulburn Mulwaree Library
Library Genre Book Club	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month	
Lunchtime Language Learning	Wednesday 1-2pm	
Mah Jong	Wednesday 2-5pm	
Splash Time	Monday & Wednesday 10am Tuesday 9:30am	Goulburn Aquatic and Leisure Centre
Playgroup – Braddy	Tuesday 11:30am &	Bradfordville School
Hume Music Time	Wednesday 9:30am Wednesday 10am	Hume Conservatorium
Messy Time	Thursdays 10am	PCYC Goulburn
Playgroup – St Joeys		St Joeys
Bingo	Monday 12pm	Goulburn Workers Club
Mixed Carpet Bowls	Monday 6:45 & Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday 1:45	
Trivia	Tuesday 7pm	
Darts	Wednesday 7pm	
Poker	Thursday 8pm	
Pool (billiards)	Thursday 7pm	
Karaoke	Thursday 8pm	
Euchre	Tuesday 7pm & Friday 2pm	Goulburn Soldiers Club
Snooker	Friday 7:30	
Goulburn Park Run	Saturday 8am	Marsden Weir



# Places to meet people



Group	Days	Location
Poker Housie/Bingo Musical Bingo	Monday & Thursday 6:30 Tuesday & Thursday 11am Tuesday 7	Goulburn Bowling Club
Drag Queen Bingo Trivia	Wednesday 7:30 Thursday 7:30	Astor Hotel
Drop in and Draw	Thursday 1-2:30pm	Goulburn Regional Art Gallery
Goulburn Men's Shed	Monday to Friday 9:00- 1:30pm	67 Blackshaw Road
Rotary Club Lions Club CWA Morning CWA Evening Quota Club Probus Club Goulburn Soroptomists' International	Monday 6:15pm 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 7pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday 10am 4 <sup>th</sup> Monday 6:30pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 6:30pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 10am 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday 6pm	Goulburn Workers Club Goulburn Soldiers Club CWA Rooms (2 Montague St Goulburn) Cascades Restaurant Goulburn Soldiers Club Best Western Plus Goulburn
Board Games Magic: The Gathering Dungeons and Dragons YuGiOh + more!	Times and dates vary	Priority Games 113 Auburn Street Goulburn Games 148 Sloane Street
Goulburn Film Group	Last Sunday of each month	Lilac City Cinema 1 Lilac Place
GPAC Plus One	Depending on events – contact GPAC	Goulburn Performing Art Centre
Trivia – Specific topic	Last Saturday of the month	Back to the Arcade 1 Sports Way



# Taralga Wildlife Park

Taralga is a small town located 30 minutes drive from Goulburn.

Taralga Wildlife Park has hands-on experiences for all visitors including cuddling wombats, playing with dingoes and hand feeding a variety of animals including quokkas, albino kangaroos and wallabies. There are over 700 birds and animals at Taralga Wildlife Park, and it is well worth the drive.

Open Thursday to Monday year round from 10am to 4pm, and every day during the school holidays.



Credit: Taralga Wildlife Park Facebook





# Local shows

Goulburn's location means that it is perfectly placed for numerous Agricultural shows in the lead up to the Sydney Royal Easter Show. Check them out if you have the time, and consider entering an item – produce, flowers, baking, cooking, arts and crafts and more!



**Queanbeyan Show**  
11-12 November 2023  
<https://www.queanbeyanshow.com.au/>



**Crookwell Show**  
10-11 February 2024  
<https://www.crookwellshow.com.au/>



**Canberra Show 23-25 February 2024**  
<https://www.canberrashow.org.au/>



**Tarago Show**  
3 March 2024  
<https://www.tarago.org.au/show-society>



**Goulburn Show**  
4-5 March 2024  
<https://www.goulburnshow.com.au/>



**Taralga Show**  
9-10 March 2024  
<https://taralgashow.wordpress.com/>



**Yass Show**  
16 March  
<https://www.yassshow.org.au/>



**Sydney Royal Easter Show**  
22 March-2 April  
<https://www.eastershow.com.au/>

**We are  
excited to  
have you  
join our  
community**



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