

Warrumbungle Region 2010 Calendar of Events

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Date	Event	Contact
<i>January</i>		
Tours on January 2, 4, 6, 9, 11, 13, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27 and 30	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	Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255 www.sidingspringobservatory.com.au
Sat 2	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	Coonabarabran Jakki Brady P. 02 6842 1349
From Mon 11	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	Coonabarabran Christine Nash P. 02 6842 0700 christine.nash@tafensw.edu.au
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

<p>Fri 22</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Coolah Bronwen Owen P. 02 6377 1910</p>
<p>Sun 24</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>Tue 26</p>	<p>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 6pm: Coonabarabran Ceremony - Neilson Park (weather permitting, wet weather venue Town Hall).</p>	<p>Warrumbungle Region Warrumbungle Shire Council P. 02 6849 2000</p>

February

<p>Sat 6</p> <p>Sat 6</p> <p>Sat 6</p> <p>Sun 7</p>	<p>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 <u>Binnaway Central School: School Reunion</u> After the races grab your photos and memorabilia from the past 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> 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>Binnaway</p> <p>Roz Tolmie P. 02 6844</p> <p>Dennis Frater P. 02 6844 1433 1555</p>
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Sat 13	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
Sat 13	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	Dunedoo Margie O'Leary P. 02 6886 6218
Fri 19 - Sun 22	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	Coolah Sue Duggan P. 02 6376 4210
Sat 20	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.	Coonabarabran Helen Wilson P. 02 6842 1990
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

March

Thu 4	Dunedoo Bush Poetry Festival The NSW State Championships will be held at the annual festival in Dunedoo in 2010. <u>Thursday</u> - Meet and greet at Dunedoo Caravan Park, BBQ available. Free entertainment and campsite this night.	Dunedoo Sue Stoddart P. 02 6375 1975 dddgroup@bigpond.com
Fri 5	<u>Friday</u> - Book for the 5 th 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.	
Sat 6	<u>Saturday</u> - 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.	
Sun 7	<u>Sunday</u> - Poets Brawl and Brekafast in Milling Park from 8am.	

<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</p>
<p>Sat 6</p>	<p>Creedence Clearwater Recycled Recapturing the sound, the voice, the exceptionally unforgettable songs that were Creedence Clearwater Revival...come to 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>Fri 12 - Sun 14</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Show A huge lineup of events including Friday night rodeo, horseriding, wood chop, live bands, Davidson Cameron Sportsman Challenge, sideshow alley and Saturday evening fireworks. Venue: Coonabarabran Showground Time: 8am - 11pm Friday and Saturday Cost: TBC</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Jeanette Fenwick P. 02 6842 3177</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>
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<p>Sat 20</p>	<p>Baradine Show Check out the pavilions displaying the best produce across a range of categories including sheep, wool, cattle, horticulture and handicrafts. Venue: Baradine Showground Time: from 8.30am Cost: TBC</p>	<p>Baradine Peter Woods P. 02 6825 5133</p>
<p>Sat 27</p>	<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: TBC</p>	<p>Mendooran Pip Archer P. 02 6886 1085</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>
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April

<p>Fri 2 - Sun 4</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>Coolah Paul McCloud P. 07 5445 5937 Hartwood P. 02 6744 2158</p>
<p>Sat 3 - Sun 18</p>	<p>Warrumbungle National Park 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>
<p>Sat 3</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Peter Young P. 02 6842 1149 To book stalls: Dennis Coulter P. 02 6842 2170</p>
<p>Sat 3 - Mon 5</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Merle Clark P. 02 6888 1102</p>
<p>Mon 19 - Sun 25</p>	<p>Coolah Anzac Exhibit Photographs and information from World War II Venue: Pandora Gallery, Coolah Time: Contact for details Cost: free</p>	<p>Coolah Roy Cameron P. 02 6377 1195</p>
<p>Sat 24 - Sun 25</p>	<p>"Tour de Warrumbungles" Bike Ride The 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). Time: Rides start at 8.30am, 9.30am, 10.30am and 11am. 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. wbug@coonabarabran.com</p>

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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. <u>Saturday, May 1</u> Registered reunions, luncheons, film night and book launch <u>Sunday, May 2</u> Combined church service in Neilson Park at 9am, street parade at 11am with family picnic from 12 noon. Further details to come.</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Coonabarabran Visitor Information Centre P. 1800 242 881 E. cbnpromo@hwy.com.au www.warrumbungleregion.com.au</p> <p>Join the facebook group: www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&qid=79392071226</p>
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<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 \$2000 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:</p> <p>Ron and Norma Gallagher P. 02 6375 1107</p> <p>Jann Stuart P. 02 6375 1115 www.artunlimitednsw.com.au</p>
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<p>Sat 5 - Tue 8</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Coonabarabran Coonabarabran High School P. 02 6842 1099</p>
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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. There will be sponsored hot air balloon rides and morning breakfast on Saturday, 26 June. Further details to come.	Coonabarabran Aileen Bell P. 02 6849 2140
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September

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October

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Sun 17	Tour De Coolah An 18km bike ride and walk to raise money for Juvenile Diabetes. Twilight Cricket after the ride/walk concludes. Venue: Starting from Coolah Sporting Oval Time: Registration at 8am, Ride starts at 9am Cost: \$5 per person	Coolah David Fleming P. 02 6377 1644 M. 0428 642 566 E. david_1965@bigpond.com
Wed 20 - Mon 25	★ Warrumbungle Festival of the Stars ★ A fantastic range of arts and astronomy activities which celebrate the uniqueness of the Warrumbungle Region. For a full program of events please visit: www.warrumbungleregion.com.au	Warrumbungle Region P. 1800 242 881 E. cbnpromo@hwy.com.au
Wed 20 - Sun 24	★ 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: 9am - 6pm daily Cost: \$5 per person, single four-day pass \$10, family four-day pass \$20	Coonabarabran Janet Head P. 02 6842 4435
Fri 22	★ Science in the Pub ★ 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	Coonabarabran Donna Burton P. 02 6842 6255
Sat 23	★ Billy Cart Derby ★ Build your own billy cart and join in the race, or come along and cheer the participants to victory. Prizes for best designed billy cart. Venue: Racing commences at the top of Cassilis Street. Time: participants meet at 11am, racing from 12pm - 4pm Cost: spectators free, \$10 entry per billy cart	Coonabarabran Clint Baglee P. 02 6842 4282

November

Sat 6 - Sun 7	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.	Coolah Wayne Burges P. 02 6377 1005
Sat 13 TBC	Crooked Mountain Concert Relax and watch the colours change on the peaks and spires as the sun sets in the Warrumbungle National Park and the music begins. The 2010 headline act has yet to be announced, but judging by the calibre of past performers - Jon English, Kate Cebrano, James Reyne and James Morrison - you're in for a real treat. 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: TBC	Coonabarabran Warrumbungle Visitor Information Centre P. 02 6825 4364 www.outbacknow.com.au/crookedmountainconcert
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Listing promotes events in Coonabarabran, Dunedoo,
Coolah, Baradine, Binnaway and Baradine.

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