

This week's highlights

NEWS WRAP



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Flood destroyed bridges



Work is advancing towards the replacement of The Bight Bridge and Tiri Bridge. However, The Bight Bridge is expected to take up to two years to reopen.

Meanwhile, our preferred option for the destroyed Tiri Bridge includes investigating the possible installation of a temporary timber bridge while we work to replace it permanently with a new concrete bridge.

Both bridges were severely damaged during the record May flood event. We are actively working with the Disaster Recovery Authority and other government agencies to ensure funding requirements are met. Council will continue to press for betterment funding which means the rebuild can be done at a higher level with the intent that the situation is avoided in the future. [More](#)



A long road ahead

Decades of neglect, compounded by extreme rainfall, have taken a heavy toll on our road network. We know that it's a long and expensive road ahead. [More](#)

Roadworks agenda

Check out our scheduled works for roads, bridges and footpaths across the region over the next two weeks. [More](#)



Meeting summary

Read a summary of the MidCoast Council meeting held on Wednesday 3 September. [More](#)

You can view the agenda and recording online. [More](#)

Park roadworks

National Parks and Wildlife Service have acquired funding to undertake road and drainage improvement works in a number of locations across the MidCoast. The first batch of work will start from Monday. [More](#)





Wingham pipeline

A permanent water supply is expected to be restored to Wingham by early December, with contractors working seven days a week to install a new pipeline under the Manning River. [More](#)

Writing competition

Students across the region are being encouraged to turn their imaginations to the topic of water with the launch of a new creative writing competition. Visa gift cards will be awarded to winners across three age categories. [More](#)



Koala Festival Tinonee

Come along to celebrate and support the region's koala population on **Saturday 20 September** at Tinonee Recreation Reserve. There will be stalls, games, a sausage sizzle and free koala feed trees! [More](#)

Platypus workshop

Join us for a hands-on Platypus Workshop in Stroud. Enjoy a morning of learning, followed by a live eDNA sampling demonstration at Mill Creek Lions Reserve. **Sunday 14 September.** [More](#)



MIDCOAST ROADS HUB

View our fortnightly works schedule, safety info, FAQs, and how we prioritise maintenance work.
www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/roads-hub



Name me to win a family pass!



We've got two family passes to the **Old Bar Beach Festival** up for grabs!
All you need to do is name our cute Kombi drawing!

The most clever and funny name will win, with a runner-up prize too (but *Kombi McKombiface* is already taken!)

How to enter:

Email your best Kombi name and your contact details
to marketing@midcoast.nsw.gov.au

Bring your sense of humour — we're looking for witty and original names to celebrate the festival spirit! Entries close 26 September. [T&C's apply](#).



Aged Services Expo

The Aged Services Expo is heading to Forster! Come along for free tea, coffee and sound advice from a range of services. Join us from 10am, **Thursday 18 September** at the Forster Civic Centre. [More](#)

Bulahdelah flood plan

Have your say before **Sunday 28 September** on the Draft Bulahdelah Floodplain Risk Management Study. The study will assist us to better understand, plan and manage the risk of flooding. [More](#)



At the Gallery

The *Naked & Nude Art Prize* is the only art award of its kind in Australia. Explore the 2025 finalists on exhibition now at the Manning Regional Art Gallery until **13 September**. [More](#)

At the MEC

'Cirque Nouvelle' – a new evolution of circus. After sell out shows in 2024 this internationally acclaimed all-star cast are back and ready to present a truly unique and versatile production. At the MEC, **28 September**. [More](#)





Weekend markets

Saturday 6: Wingham Farmers Market, Real Food Market.

Sunday 7: Hallidays Point Car Boot Sale, SpringFest 2025. [More](#)

Book your bulky waste

Looking to get an early start on that spring clean? Eligible households receive **one free bulky waste collection** per financial year.

Visit our website to book your bulky waste collection! [More](#)



Adopt a pet

Furry friends are looking for loving homes!

🐶🐾 Our dogs are ready to find their perfect match, could it be you? [More](#)

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www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au/recovery



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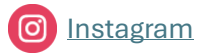


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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we work and live, the Gathang-speaking people and pay our respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who now reside in the MidCoast Council area.
We extend our respect to elders past and present, and to all future cultural-knowledge holders.

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