



■ IT WORKED FOR ME: A big thumbs up for jobs.com.au from Travis Kilo of Trav's Henty Butchery who was the first business in the Eastern Riverina to use the Eastern Riverina Chronicle and jobs.com.au in his search for a local butcher's apprentice. Travis was more than happy with the number of candidates who have applied through his advertisement.

## You don't have to go far to find a great job

This week the Eastern Riverina Chronicle (ERC) helped officially launch jobs.com.au, the country's biggest local job network.

If you want to work close to where you live then jobs.com.au will let you find the widest range of job opportunities in the Eastern Riverina area and connect you with local employers.

ERC's manager, Justine Isherwood, said "Most of our local customers have been using the paper to advertise positions vacant for years. They are going to love the fact the new website has such a local focus, because that's why they advertise with the paper - they know we're local."

"jobs.com.au sole focus is on the local job market; you won't be bombarded with jobs in the big smoke."

Each job listing has a map to show you exactly where the job is located.

You can search by postcode as well as set up a job alert and have the latest jobs matching your search criteria sent direct to your inbox, daily or weekly.

And many local employers like to reach locals first.

"Of course, they want the best possible applicant but they also like to support local families where possible. It's like shopping locally, it helps build a community," Justine said.

For local employers the booking process remains as easy as ever - simply contact Justine at the ERC on 02 69 293 434 or 0428 254 838 and she can help you publicise your job vacancies.

So, if you want to find the local job which suits you, visit [www.jobs.com.au](http://www.jobs.com.au).

# Residents angered by spotted gums

Tree species in Holbrook's main street have been hotly debated and subject of a community workshop called especially to discuss the matter in early December.

A large number of residents strongly opposed the proposed plantings of spotted gums on the roadway in Albury Street between Bath and Bardwell Streets.

"The overwhelming view of those in attendance was spotted gums should not be the preferred tree species for 'on roadside plantings along the entire length of Albury Street,'" Greater Hume Shire Council Director of

Engineering Greg Blackie reported to the council meeting on December 15.

"There was consensus that Crepe Myrtles and an ornamental pear were appropriate for the nature strip planting but not confined to precinct plantings.

"The view expressed was that planting of Crepe Myrtles and ornamental pears could alternate or have group planting rather than be precinct based," he explained.

Council adopted this recommendation but supported the plantings of spotted gums at the entrances to Holbrook north of Bardwell and Bath Streets.

"This will ensure continuity with the Roads and Traffic Authority's proposed plantings of spotted gums at the Hume Highway entrances and exits," Mr Blackie said.

It was vital to get consensus of tree species for the nature strip in time for autumn planting in 2011.

The selection of deciduous trees for the roadside in the main street between Bardwell and Bath streets will be decided at a later date. These plantings will not take place until the town has been bypassed and the main stream of traffic diverted around Holbrook.



■ Greater Hume Shire's Citizen of the Year John Jacob is congratulated by Mayor Denise Osborne and Australia Day ambassador Prashanth Shanmugan.

## True spirit of our communities

The Spirit of volunteerism was alive at the Greater Hume Shire Council's Australia Day ceremony held at Jindera on Wednesday.

"The ultimate and defining character Australia and we Australians is the desire to help a mate out and to give of oneself. And this is what I love about my country," Greater Hume Shire's Ambassador Prashanth Shanmugan said in his Australia Day address.

John Jacob, a community minded man from Walla Walla was declared citizen of the year from a fine

group of volunteers from Culcairn, Henty and Holbrook.

His community work has spread widely across many spheres of interest such as the fire brigade, football, tennis, the sportsground, blood bank and the cemetery.

Mr Jacob approaches any task with dedication and enthusiasm. He is an active member of the sportsground committee always ready to help out with such projects as the installation of the watering system and the preparation of the ground for the Hume League grand finals last year. He is committed to junior sport with his umpiring of under 14s football for 10 years and coaching of the under 16s side.

People in Walla Walla say, "John is a person who genuinely cares about his fellow man and the community in which he lives."

Across the shire, nominees for Citizen of the Year included Margaret Cook (Henty), Nancy Lee (Culcairn), Dot Livermore (Culcairn), Margot Pitzen (Holbrook) and Jenny Takle (Henty).

## Youth connect with their community

Greater Hume Shire's young citizen of the year encouraged young people to get involved in their communities and be a voice for youth.

"Don't be afraid to have your say," Jindera's Klara Glaw urged at the Australia Day ceremony held at Jindera on Wednesday January 26.

Klara leads by example. She is involved in netball, swimming and local youth groups, and has helped fund raise for the swimming pool and the Jindera bush fire appeal for those affected in the Victorian Bushfires.

She started working at the Jindera pool as a canteen assistant, qualified as a pool assistant, then lifeguard and now is a fully qualified Auswim teacher and swim squad coach. Both parents and children love her and NSW Sport and Recreation is so impressed she is heading their 10 day intensive swim program in January.

Klara accepted a leadership role as school captain of Murray High School last year



■ Australia Day ambassador Prashanth Shanmugan and Greater Hume Shire Mayor Denise Osborne congratulate young citizen of the year, Klara Glaw.

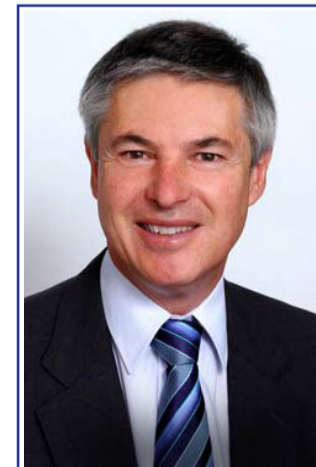
and continues to provide a vital service to the community as a member of the Jindera Fire Brigade.

A second nominee Christopher Bowler of Holbrook exemplifies how young people can become involved in their communities by following their talents and interests.

Christopher's livestock studies at Billabong High School and poultry interest at home on the farm saw him assist in the running of the Holbrook Sheep and Wool Fair and the Holbrook Agricultural Show. He was a wool steward at the sheep show and poultry steward at the agricultural show.

He took pride in mentoring younger students in the school livestock program. Christopher showed that hard work and dedication can be rewarding and a benefit to the community.

He now looks forward to a new challenge of jackarooing in central Queensland in 2011.



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