

QPRC Aquatics Newsletter – June 2026

Welcome to our June Newsletter.

Winter has officially arrived, but don't let the cold weather keep you away. Why not take a cozy dip in our heated indoor pool in Queanbeyan and keep your health and fitness goals alive this winter.

Proposed Fees and Charges

Council is seeking feedback on the Draft Fees and Charges for 2026/2027.

There is still time if you would like to give feedback, please use the link below:

<https://yourvoice.qprc.nsw.gov.au/draft-2026-27-fees-and-charges>

Please note that once the fee is set by Council, staff are unable waive or reduce fees.

2026-27 Draft Integrated Plans



Please note Council are seeking feedback on our draft Integrated Planning and Reporting documents for 2026-27. These are the key planning documents that guide Council's direction.

You are able to give feedback through the link below.

<https://yourvoice.qprc.nsw.gov.au/2026-27-draft-integrated-plans>

They are high level documents but looks to be some aquatic projects listed as below:

- Queanbeyan:
 - Main foyer and Kiosk HVAC
 - Heating/Ventilation of change room
 - Plant Room
 - Outdoor plant surrounds upgrades
 - Queanbeyan Aquatic Centre – New Bulkhead
 - Queanbeyan Aquatic Centre – Hot water service upgrade
- Bungendore Pool – DA options review
- All – Replace recreation and facilities booking system software

If you would like to give feedback in support of the projects or against them, feel free to do so from the link above. You may also want to give feedback for a project not listed.

Queanbeyan Pool Closures

The Queanbeyan Pool was closed for a week for urgent maintenance works – from 3pm Friday 8 May 2026 and re-opened at 5:30am on Friday 15 May 2026. The work was unplanned but looks to have been successful. All memberships have been modified to reflect the unplanned closure.



Staff still plan to close the pool for a week in July for annual maintenance. This time is chosen as the quietest and coldest time of the year. There are no swimming lessons on due

to being school holidays. As staff and contractors were fully committed to getting the filters repaired and re-opened, none of the major tasks scheduled for the July shutdown could be brought forward. In July, the indoor pool at Queanbeyan is due to be partially emptied, cleaned with repairs to the foot valve. These items necessitate another closure.



Queanbeyan Indoor Pool Water Temperature

With one body of water and multiple users, it can be difficult to have a temperature that suits all. Babies and parents sometimes want the temperature quite high, and some lap swimmers prefer it lower. So, the set point is somewhere in the middle for the benefit and enjoyment of all users. It requires a lot of energy to change temperatures and is not a quick process. So unfortunately, for example there is not the option of having the temperature different in the morning to the afternoon.

Spare a thought for those using the Bungendore and Captains Flat pools in summer where there is no pool water heating at all.

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