



NETWORK FOR MUMS: Founder of Central West Mums Amorette Zielinski invites mothers to join the community. **Photo: CONTRIBUTED.**

Mums to join network

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DUBBO mums now have the opportunity to connect with those alike from across the region with the launch of a new website, Central West Mums, which aims to connect and inspire its members. The initiative is the brainchild of Central West Mums founder Amorette Zielinski, who created the network in 2013 after a drastic move to Orange from Vancouver.

"I was heavily pregnant

with my second boy on the way and the big move at this stage was a little daunting and exciting at the same time," Mrs Zielinski said.

"When I arrived in the Colour City, I felt the most isolated I have ever felt in my life. Even though I have a very supportive husband, both back then and now, in the early days he had to spend considerable time and effort establishing his career here. I only knew a handful of people and not terribly well,

so the settling in process was not what I had imagined. I was challenged by finding the most basic of services and items. I soon came to realise that in this region 'word of mouth' is priceless. So I created Central West Mum's, now a trusted source by many women whether they be born and bred here or have had a tree change.

"This group has grown organically with several thousand women. It's a positive and supportive

place where women can share local intel with others. This group has accelerated the settling in process for many women moving here from other cities, states and even overseas."

The community formed in 2019 after Mrs Zielinski launch the annual event Mum Fest Central West, which was enabled through a Facebook grant and 'lots of local support'. "More than 300 women united to enjoy an uplifting and fun

evening," she said. In 2020 Mr Zielinski decided to grow the community using online resources, and in addition to the event she launched the website which aims to connect and inspire mums, and families, while creating conversations and collaboration. Mrs Zielinski said the Central West Mums community is one of the 'friendliest, fun-loving communities you will find.' For more information visit www.centralwestmums.com.au.

THIRD MAN CHARGED

A THIRD man has been charged in relation to an alleged aggravated robbery in Bourke, which occurred on September 20. An 18-year-old was arrested at a home on Taylor Street in Dubbo at about 6.50am on Friday.

The man was taken to Dubbo Police Station where he was charged with aggravated robbery and being carried in conveyance without the consent of the owner. He was refused bail to appear before Dubbo Local Court on Friday.



Ms Scoble, Mr Windsor.

GOOD NEWS FOR ASSOCIATION

LORRAINE Scoble was presented with a recognition award for being an Orana Senior Nominee for the 2020 NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards on Friday. Ms Scoble was nominated for the award for her long and extensive service within the Combined Pensioners and Superannuants Association. The award was presented to Ms Scoble by association presented Ken Windsor during the associations most recent meeting on Friday at the Macquarie Bowling Club, with guest speaker Matthew Dickerson.