



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Thank you for all the work you have all done in keeping our communities safe throughout 2020 in a year that we could never have predicted. The fact that our Shire has remained free of any known cases of COVID-19 is all down to the good work of community members taking individual responsibility and doing what needs to happen to protect our communities.

Here we are in 2021 and we need to remain as vigilant as ever. It has been great to see many people enjoying all Buloke has to offer over the holiday season, from our lakes to the silo art, our natural landscapes and our wonderful local businesses. By keeping up-to-date with the latest restrictions and keeping our newfound skills of social distancing and hand hygiene we can continue to enjoy all of this.

Recording your attendances at places to help business owners, caretakers and community groups keep records in the event that contract tracing is needed is one way we can help keep our communities safe. Staying home if we have any sign of symptoms and getting a COVID-19 test is another critical way of helping keep our communities safe. Local testing is available across the Buloke Shire through our health services by phoning ahead and making an appointment.

Whilst mask requirements are easing it is still essential to have one with you when you leave home. For any community members unable to access a mask, please contact the Shire as the Victorian Government has supplied us with an allocation of masks which we can post out to vulnerable community members unable to otherwise get access.

Mayor – Cr Daryl Warren.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Wanted



Council is currently looking for new volunteers to join our band of Meals on Wheels volunteers.

Volunteering is one of the many things that makes Buloke such a great place to be. Our volunteerism participation is one of the highest in the state, providing an enormous sense of satisfaction and increased self-esteem.

Delivering nutritious meals to seniors and people with a disability in your community takes just 30 to 60 minutes.

A small investment in time for a big outcome.

Get involved and become a volunteer!

Call 1300 520 520 or email your interest to

buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au



Current Tender

Contract No. C92 – 2020/2021

Pavement Rehabilitation Works – Sea Lake Lascelles Road

The Buloke Shire Council invites tenders from competent and experienced contractors for pavement rehabilitation works on Sea Lake Lascelles Road from Ch 4.980Km to Ch 8.520Km. Copies of the tender documents are available for downloading from Council's e-Procurement portal at <https://portal.tenderlink.com/bulokeshire>.

Tenders must be submitted via Council's e-Procurement portal which may be found at <https://portal.tenderlink.com/bulokeshire> with uploads to be completed prior to the close of tenders at **2:00pm AEDT Wednesday 17 February 2021**.

Tenderers are solely responsible for ensuring that they allow sufficient time for their submission to upload before the tender closing time.

Anthony Judd – Chief Executive Officer

Take a Seat

Council's Small Town Furniture Project is underway with Culgoa the first town to benefit from the initiative.

Funded by the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program, the project focuses on updating local street furniture.

Martin Schoonderwoerd, President of the Culgoa Development Group was excited to be the first town to receive their new picnic tables in Culgoa's Soldiers Memorial Park.

The new seating for the BBQ shelter means that the existing tables could be relocated within the park.

More street furniture projects will continue across the Shire.

#BuildingABetterBuloke



Lake Tyrrell Open

The highly anticipated Lake Tyrrell Infrastructure Project is now open.

Encompassing the construction of a viewing platform, shelter area, car parking, boardwalk and all access amenities, the delivered infrastructure also extends to providing protection to the lake environment. You should come and see it soon.

All weather access roads, gravel access tracks and walking tracks are complimented by landscaping in style with natural elements of the lake.

The project was a highly collaborative success and was funded by Council, the Federal Government's Our Rivers Our Regions fund, the State Government's Regional Tourism and Infrastructure Fund and the Mallee Catchment Authority.

Its success would not have been possible without the support of all levels of government, the Project Control Group and the Sea Lake and District community.

A formal opening to acknowledge the project and everyone's input is being put together and is likely to happen in February of next year.



Animal Registrations

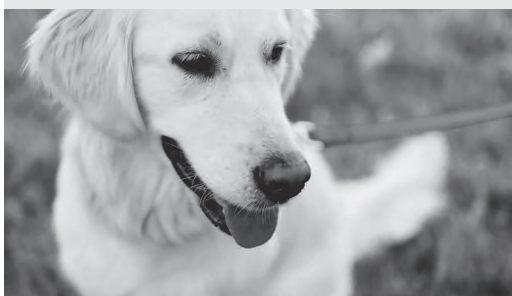
We all love our furry best friends.

Did you know registering your pets is necessary under the Domestic Animals Act 1994 (Victoria), and greatly improves the chances of your pets being returned to you if they become lost?

We have had a few dogs go missing across the area recently that were reunited with their owners because they were registered and microchipped. Happy days.

Remember your registrations must be renewed by 10 April each year.

For more information on pet registration call Council on 1300 520 520 or visit www.buloke.vic.gov.au/registration-microchipping



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