



NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE WEEK

8-15 MAY 2020

Loneliness: the solution is community

Neighbourhood House Week

This week is Neighbourhood House Week (8-15 May 2020). It is happening all across Australia, including here in Buloke at our five Neighbourhood Houses. This year's theme is to focus on loneliness, with community the solution.

That has never been more apparent than during this time we all find ourselves in. We are social creatures and our normal ways of interacting are being denied, for our own safety.

Your local Neighbourhood House wants you to know that they are here for you before, during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

To learn more about Neighbourhood House Week, visit www.neighbourhoodhouseweek.com/ or contact your local Neighbourhood House in Birchip, Charlton, Donald, Sea Lake and Wycheproof.



Story Time Now Online!

It was exciting last week to launch Buloke Library Service Story Time online!

Our talented Supported Playgroup Facilitator/Library Officer, Mary Bysouth has done an amazing job in delivering this resource for Buloke families.

Our regular Story Times are currently suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. So each Thursday Council will drop a new story on Facebook, Twitter and our website.

You can already access PEAS! It's not easy being peasy and Sad, the dog.

This is a wonderful initiative we are sure will be well received.

#BulokeKind #BulokeSafe #BulokeCaring
#BulokeStrong



Mail Arrangements

Council has on occasions collected mail from residents and organisations at our offices across the Shire and used our own internal mail system to progress these items to our central Wycheproof office for processing.

Items such as accounts, invoices and letters.

As Council staff are moving very infrequently between offices during the COVID-19 pandemic, Council would like to remind customers to send all correspondence of this nature **BY AUSTRALIA POST** and address it to Buloke Shire Council, PO Box 1, Wycheproof, VIC 3527 or if suitable by email to buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au

Council apologises for the inconvenience, this measure is in place to protect us all during this health alert.

Around the Towns



Stand Pipe to be Closed

The Water Stand Pipe at the intersection of McGrath Street and the Sunraysia Highway (Watchem Road) in Birchip will soon be decommissioned.

GWM Water has recommended the infrequently used pipe be removed.

Customers in the area wanting to obtain bulk water are urged to contact GWM Water on 1300 659 961 or at www.gwmwater.org.au to discuss options for accessing water including rural water from the pipeline.

Soldiers Memorial Park Upgrade

Higher, HIGHER!

The playground in Soldiers Memorial Park in Culgoa is about to get an upgrade!

This popular playspace will soon boast new swings, edging and softfall.

The works are scheduled to commence on Tuesday 12 May 2020 and are expected to take around two weeks to complete. #BuildingABetterBuloke



Notice of an Application for a Planning Permit

The land affected by the application is located at 694 Rupanyup Road, Reedy Dam.

The application is for a permit for an increase in capacity with the construction of two duck sheds.

The applicant for the permit is Doug Mitchell.

The application reference number is PPA 857/20

You may look at the application and any documents that support the application by making contact with the office of the Responsible Authority, **Buloke Shire Office, Wycheproof.**

This can be done during office hours and is free of charge. Any person who may be affected by the granting of the permit may object or make other submissions to the Responsible Authority.

An objection must be sent to the Responsible Authority in writing, include the objectors name and contact details, include reasons for the objection, and state how the objector would be affected. An objection form is available on the Planning and Building page of the Buloke Shire Council website.

The Responsible Authority will not decide on the application before 19 May 2020.

If you object the Responsible Authority will tell you its decision.