## **COMMUNITY** UPDATE





#### **AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

It's time to recognise and celebrate those who make a difference in our community. Nominations are now open for the Buloke Shire Australia Day Awards 2026 in the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year For individuals aged 25+
- Young Citizen of the Year For individuals aged 15–24
- Community Event of the Year recognising outstanding local events

Submit your nomination by 5:00 PM Sunday 30 November 2025.

Complete a nomination form online on Council's website at

www.buloke.vic.gov.au/australia-day-awards, or pick up a hard copy from the Wycheproof Customer Service Centre.

#### **POOLS OPEN**

Our 2025/26 Pool season commenced, last Friday, and will continue until Sunday 15 March 2026.

#### **Opening hours:**

Birchip, Charlton, Donald, Sea Lake & Wycheproof Pools

Weekdays - 3.00 PM - 7.00 PM.

Weekends, School Holidays & Public Holidays - 2.00 PM - 7.00 PM.

#### Berriwillock & Watchem Pools:

Weekdays - 4.00 PM - 7.00 PM.

Weekends, School Holidays & Public Holidays - 2.00 PM – 7.00 PM.

All our pools will be closed on days when the temperature is below 22°C (forecast is based on each township and is obtained from the Bureau of Meteorology at 4:00 PM the previous day).

Keep a watch on our social media for updates.



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### ALL FIRED UP FARM GRANTS

BlazeAid is helping farmers in bushfireprone regions upgrade their Private Fire Fighting Units (PFFUs) with grants of up to \$10.000!

From pumps and hoses to radios and safety gear, these upgrades strengthen early bushfire response and protect properties. **Criteria:** 

- Farmers in high-risk areas
- CFA endorsement required Apply now – program runs Oct 2025 to Feb 2026. Email Admin@blazeaid.com. au or call 0418 990 267.

#### FIRE RESTRICTIONS

A reminder that fire restrictions are now in force until **1 May 2026**. For more information visit: www.cfa.vic.gov.au.

## NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PLANNING PERMIT

The land affected by the application is located at 142 Sunraysia Highway, Birchip VIC 3483.

The application is for a permit for the use of the land for a second dwelling, construction of a building associated with a section 2 use and to alter access to a road in a TRZ2.

The application reference number is **PA25030.** 

You may view the application and supporting documents on the **Buloke Shire Council Website** https://buloke.greenlightopm.com/planning or by making contact with the office of the Responsible Authority, Buloke Shire Office, Wycheproof on 1300 520 520.

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 made 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 online submission form is available at https://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/planning-applications-on-exhibition.

The Responsible Authority will not decide on the application before 4 **December** 2025.

If you object to the application, the Responsible Authority will tell you it's decision.

### NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING

The next Buloke Shire Council meeting is being held Wednesday 19 November at 5:30 PM in the Wycheproof Supper Room, Wycheproof Shire Hall.

Upcoming Council Meeting — Key Agenda Items

- · Election of the Mayor
- Election of the Deputy Mayor

Visit: www.buloke.vic.gov.au/agendas-minutes-attachments. We also livestream our meetings, visit: www.buloke.vic.gov.au/ordinary-meetings.



# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITH BULOKE

Council is an equal opportunity employer. Our roles are non-gender specific, and Council encourages all suitably qualified applicants to apply. For more information on equal opportunity, call Human Resources on 1300 520 520.

You can find all current employment opportunities at www.buloke.vic.gov.au/ employment



Applications can be lodged by: Mail - PO Box 1, Wycheproof VIC 3527 or Email recruitment@buloke.vic.gov.au

#### **COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

Permanent Ful-Time - From \$38.73 per hour plus statutory superannuation

→ Applications Close: 28 Nov 2025

Are you passionate about community safety and making a real difference?

We're looking for an enthusiastic, community-focused Compliance Officer to join our Community Safety and Development Services Team.

This role is all about education, engagement and early intervention—helping residents understand local laws, fire prevention responsibilities and how to create a safe, sustainable and welcoming community.

Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.