

Community Update Buloke.

Buloke Shire Council Wins LGPro Award for 'The Paddock'

Council is incredibly honored to celebrate our achievement of the Outstanding Small Rural Council Initiative award at the LGPro Awards for Excellence Gala Dinner.

Our 'The Paddock' initiatives, born out of our response to the October 2022 flood event, were not merely about recovery—they embodied the very essence of Buloke's way of life.

These initiatives honored the heart and soul of our community, providing a space for shared stories, support, and healing deeply rooted in our rural culture. By bringing conversations to familiar gathering spots, we ensured that our community could connect and rebuild together.

We understand that in Buloke, important conversations transcend formal meetings and official channels—they happen where people live and work.

Council would like to thank our dedicated staff who have been at the forefront of our recovery efforts. This award is a testament to your hard work, dedication, and unwavering commitment to our community.



Have Your Say – Draft Fair Access Policy

Council is excited to share our Draft Fair Access Policy with you. This policy has been developed in response to the Victorian Government's Fair Access Policy Roadmap, aiming to tackle barriers faced by women and girls in accessing and utilising community sports infrastructure.

At its core, this policy sets the expectation that gender equality is not just considered but prioritised in all aspects of Council's planning, policy-making, service delivery, and practices related to community sports infrastructure. We're committed to creating inclusive spaces where everyone can thrive!

Specifically, this policy applies to community sports infrastructure owned or managed by the Council and benefiting from Council's recreation allocation funding program.

Your feedback is invaluable in shaping this policy and ensuring it truly reflects the needs and aspirations of our community. We want to hear from you!

You can access the Fair Access Community Survey here: <https://forms.office.com/r/iX70rxyzE>

You can also share your thoughts, suggestions, and comments on the Draft Policy by emailing us at buloke@buloke.vic.gov.au.

FREE Infant, Child & Adult – CPR / First Aid / Farm Safety Training

CPR, First Aid & Farm Safety Training is being offered for residents in Buloke.

CPR & First Aid knowledge is invaluable for both you as the individual and for your community. It enables you to assist others who become injured in the event of an accident or emergency situation until help arrives.

CPR & First Aid skills can be applied in the home, the workplace or in public locations, therefore the more CPR & First Aid certified people there are in a community the safer that community becomes.

If you are interested in attending one of these FREE sessions, please contact the Maternal and Child Health team on 5478 0185 for more information and bookings.

Are you worried about extreme climate events and worry about weather alerts?

We are looking for people who are living alone, worried about extreme climate events (fire, flood, storm, and extreme heat), and worry when weather alerts come out. The council has a new project called Safer Together, that works in assisting the most vulnerable when climate extreme events are about to impact our region. On these occasions, the Safer Together workers will work to ensure that everyone will have the ability to safely be able to negotiate these events. If this is something you want to be involved with, call Council on 1300 520 520 and ask for the Safer Together team.

Winning Community Partnerships in Recovery

Our heartfelt congratulations on behalf of the Buloke Shire Council Community Recovery Team to the Red Cross Buloke Emergency Services Team, who were recently announced as winners at the Victorian Red Cross Awards.

We would like to acknowledge particularly, Bruce Stafford, who joined our team after participating in The Paddock: The Goals launch at Birchip, last year, with the Red Cross Team.

We were very appreciative of their exceptional efforts in supporting our community, particularly through the recovery initiatives with The Paddock: The Goals at Birchip, Buloke Brews, and Business Bytes at Charlton.

Their commitment to these programs has not only supported our community but has also embodied the spirit of community recovery.

Victorian Red Cross 2024 Distinguished Team Award – Buloke Emergency Services Team:

William Critchley, Bronwyn Fisher, Joy Freeman, Allan McGillivray, Jennifer McGillivray, Teresa O'Brien, Elizabeth Richardson, Bruce Stafford, and Janet Stafford.

Victorian Red Cross 2024 Outstanding Service Award:

Special congratulations to Joy Freeman and Janet Stafford for their individual recognition. Their outstanding service has significantly benefited our community, providing care and support when it was most needed.

Employment 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

You may lodge your applications by Mail to PO Box 1, Wycheproof VIC 3527; or Email to recruitment@buloke.vic.gov.au.

