



## Recognise Our Heroes

As part of Buloke Shire Council's new program to acknowledge and support local and grassroots contribution across our region, nominations are invited to highlight the efforts of your local hero.

Whether it be a simple act of kindness you have seen or experienced, a huge effort made for the community or a small thing that made a difference, acknowledging those who give to our community helps to build a brighter future for Buloke.

Council's 'Great People Doing Great Things' initiative is an ongoing program including workshops and resources for those who want to grow and improve our region, learn new skills, connect with others and become more effective in the community.

To nominate your Local Heroes or subscribe for regular updates visit: [www.buloke.vic.gov.au/buloke-celebrating-great-people-doing-great-things](http://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/buloke-celebrating-great-people-doing-great-things)

## Works Notification: Donald Rail Yard Siding Works

As part of the Murray Basin Rail Project, the Donald rail yard will have an additional siding to expand the storage area for freight trains when not in use. The operation will include trackside drainage upgrading at the Borung Highway level crossing.

Works are due to commence in early April and will continue until late 2022. Between the hours of 7am to 5.30pm there may be increased truck activity around the area. Dust and noise will be monitored and water carts will be deployed to reduce impacts.

For further information, visit: [www.bigbuild.vic.gov.au/projects/murray-basin-rail-project](http://www.bigbuild.vic.gov.au/projects/murray-basin-rail-project)

## Seniors Upgrade

Work is underway on improvements to the Senior Citizens Club in Wycheproof to coincide with the new reserve precinct development on Broadway.

New flooring and coverings have been installed and roofing repairs continue, with repairs to pumped and hot water supply being finalised.



## Tourists Boost

The Mali Heart Street Art Festival, Mallee Bull Pacing Cup, Show'n'Shine, tennis tournaments and the Esoteric Festival saw crowds of locals and visitors descend on Buloke's towns and across the whole region.

The welcome return of visitors is bolstering local business and assisting in the recovery post COVID-lockdown, thanks to the tireless work of so many volunteers and business owners.

The new installations and the success of these events place Buloke in a strong position for further growth into the future.

## Recycling Update

As part of Buloke's ongoing waste recycling improvement Council will be asking all residents and businesses to remove glass from their co-mingled recycle bins later this year. Council will be offering glass drop off points for residents and businesses.

In partnership with Yarriambiack Shire Council, glass will be processed in Warracknabeal keeping jobs in the region, while significantly reducing the quantity of recycled materials being shipped to Melbourne for processing.

The 'Glass Out' Policy is in accordance with new Victorian Government requirements.

## Road Grading

Recent rains continue to provide good conditions for Council roadwork teams to optimize gravel surface grading.

In the southern end of the Shire, this affects Harris and Gil Gil Rd, Benyenong and Charlton township, then to the east of Charlton.

In the north, road shoulder grading on the Berriwillock-Birchip Road, Whirily and gravel on Wirmbirchip Road, then Birchip and Karyrie areas continue.

Additional finishing of earth roads is also being completed in the Wilkur, Ballapur and Warmur areas. Please observe speed restrictions when approaching grading works.

## Have Your Say - 2022 Road Management Plan Review

Council has undertaken a comprehensive review of the Road Management Plan in close consultation with the community.

The review delivers a considered and planned approach to the operational management of all Buloke-owned roads. Council gained input and feedback from consultation presentation sessions and will use this information to optimise future expenditure, while also meeting communities' expectations of service.

The consultations assisted Council with issues and expectations such as: accessibility, support for existing and emerging industries, road safety, quality and roadside environments.

**Have Your Say on the 2022 Road Management Review by 5:00PM Thursday 7 April 2022 at [www.buloke.vic.gov.au](http://www.buloke.vic.gov.au).**

## Have Your Say - Complaints Handling Policy

Council has reviewed its Complaints Handling Policy and is looking for your feedback on the updated document.

Council is committed to our customers and to providing efficient and responsive services, whilst always striving for improvement. Council takes an all of organisation approach to customer service and values feedback.

The policy aims to ensure that customers can raise their complaints easily and with confidence that Council will listen and respond to their concerns, and handle their complaint in a fair and equitable way.

**Have your say on the Complaints Handling Policy until Wednesday 30 March 2022 at [www.buloke.vic.gov.au/have-your-say-complaints-handling-policy](http://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/have-your-say-complaints-handling-policy)**



## Employment Opportunities

Council is an equal opportunity employer. Our roles are non-gender specific, and Council encourages all suitable qualified applicants to apply. Council is currently recruiting for:

## Heavy Plant Operators (Road Services) at Donald, Sea Lake and Wycheproof)

Enjoy the fresh air and wide-open spaces whilst utilising your experience using heavy mechanical plant and/or trucks in these permanent full time positions.

→ Applications close 5:00PM Friday 8 April 2022.

Visit [www.buloke.vic.gov.au/employment](http://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/employment) or call Human Resources on 1300 520 520 for full details on this exciting role.

