# **Community** Update

# Buloke.



### Australia Day Awards

Council is again looking to celebrate what is great in the region, our people, as we recognise outstanding contributions to the community with the annual Australia Day Awards.

Council is now calling for nominations for each of its three coveted awards. On Australia Day we celebrate all the things we love about Australia: land, sense of fair go, lifestyle, democracy, the freedoms we enjoy but particularly our people.

Australia Day is about acknowledging and celebrating the contribution that every Australian makes to our contemporary and dynamic nation. From our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people - who have been here for more than 65.000 years - to those who have lived here for generations, to those who have come from all corners of the globe to call our country home.

- Citizen of the Year (for persons 25 years or older on 26 January 2023)
- Young Citizen of the Year (for persons aged 15 to 24 years on 26 January 2023).

The basic criterion for the awards in these two categories is persons who have made an outstanding contribution to the local community during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

• Community Event of the Year Award (presented to the person/group who has staged the most outstanding community event during the year)

Nominations for these awards are now open and can be made by downloading the Australia Day Awards nomination form from Council's website.

Nominations are to be received by close of business Friday 25 November 2022.

For further information visit: www.buloke.vic.gov.au/ australia-day-awards or contact Customer Service on 1300 520 520.



### **Good** Sorts Kids

One Donald family is setting an example for others in keeping Buloke's recycling clear of contaminants to reduce costs to ratepayers and maximise its reuse

Tennille Clapham and her family offered to take part in a social media video campaign to remind Buloke residents that recycling is a team effort.



Recycling tip: If you are ever in doubt whether an item should go in the yellowlidded recycling bin, leave it out and put it in the general waste red-lidded bin instead.

### Register now for online workshops!

Connect with local community, develop new skills & discover practical solutions

#### Tap into FREE support...

- Relevant for anyone looking for ongoing improvement & change
- Whether for personal, work, business or community goals - all are welcome!
- 6 sessions covering themes: Vision, Projects, Story, Team, People & Digital Tools



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Book now for your free place: www.makeachange.org.au/expand-your-impact or contact Karen on 0483 104 361



## **Soggy** Conditions Continue

Road users are asked to take extra care with the continuing wet weather deteriorating road surfaces in Buloke.

The unsealed road network is completely saturated, and until conditions improve, road crews have been diverted from planned renewal work to undertake urgent repairs.

Gravel and sealed road resheeting have been postponed, and Council works teams are currently filling large holes to maintain a growing list rural roads needing repair and repairing culverts.

Council understands that the situation is frustrating particularly for those experiencing issues accessing rural properties. Council appreciates the community's understanding whilst they undertake this mammoth task

People can report road damage via on Council's website or by calling customer service on 1300 520 520.



Phone: 1300 520 520 www.buloke.vic.gov.au

# **Voting In By-Election**

Ballot packs were mailed last week.

Voters in the Nandaly, Sea Lake, Berriwillock, Culgoa and Nullawil communities should check the mail for their ballot packs for the Buloke Shire Council, Mallee Ward

by-election. Voters are advised to check their local mail clearance times. With the whole election being conducted by post, it's incredibly important voters complete and

return their ballot material as soon as possible to make sure their vote counts. Ballot material must be in the mail or handdelivered to the election office by 6 pm Friday 14

Voters who haven't received their ballot pack by Wednesday 5 October should call the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) on 131 832 and ask for a replacement, or call the election office when it re-

opens from Monday 10 October on 1300 202 885. Candidates who have nominated for the byelection are listed in the ballot packs and can also be viewed at vec.vic.gov.au.

Voting is compulsory for voters who were on the State roll for this election at 4 pm Friday 19 August -State-enrolled voters who don't vote may be fined. Council-enrolled voters are encouraged to vote but will not be fined if they don't vote.



# Employment Opportunities

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

#### **Manager Works**

Oversee the bigger picture of Council facilities with expert communication skills, a strong civil engineering background and commitment to the smooth operation of community infrastructure.

-> Applications close 5.00pm Friday 14 October 2022.

Visit www.buloke.vic.gov.au/employment or call Human Resources on 1300 520 520 for full details on these exciting roles.