COMMUNITY UPDATE

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TOURISM IN ACTION

Councillors recently community representatives at the 2025 Buloke Tourism Board AGM, held at the Culgoa Hall. The event was a great opportunity to reflect on the past year's achievements and collaborative tourism efforts across the Shire.

Grampians Wimmera Mallee Tourism also shared exciting updates on regional projects and their work promoting Buloke as a must-visit destination. The Buloke Tourism Board continues to play a vital role in connecting our towns, businesses and

organisations to grow local tourism and highlight the incredible experiences across our region.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN

Over 25 passionate community members, health providers, and emergency services came together in Wycheproof to help shape Buloke's new Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan. This standalone Plan will focus solely on improving the health and wellbeing of our community. It is a vital step under the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008. A draft will be available for public feedback in September.

NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PLANNING PERMIT

The land affected by the application is located at Saits Road, Charlton VIC 3525.

The application is for a permit for the two lot subdivision of land (realignment of common boundary).

The application reference number is **PA25021.**

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 **21 August 2025.**

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

SEA LAKE ASTROFEST 2025

The Astronomical Society of Victoria is excited to announce the return of Sea Lake AstroFest for 2025!

Held over the AFL Grand Final Long Weekend, this one-of-a-kind festival brings a weekend of stargazing, science, and astrophotography to the stunning dark skies near Lake Tyrrell in north-western Victoria.

Across the weekend, you'll enjoy a packed program of astronomy activities, engaging talks, and hands-on experiences led by ASV volunteers.

Safely observe the Sun through specialised solar telescopes during the day, then explore the night sky through our large telescopes after dark.

Event Highlights Include:

- Day and night telescope viewing sessions
- Astrophotography training sessions (sunset imaging and night-sky imaging at Lake Tyrrell)
- Q&A dinner event with guest speakers
- Pub quiz night
- Astronomy presentations for all levels of experience

Whether you're picking up a telescope for the first time or looking to improve your astrophotography skills, Sea Lake AstroFest 2025 offers something for everyone under some of the darkest skies in the state. To book visit: https://asv.org.au/SeaLake2025

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Please be advised that Baileys Road, leading to the Upper Car Park toilets and viewing platform at Lake Tyrrell, will be temporarily closed from: Midday Friday, 26 September to midnight Saturday, 27 September.

This closure supports the safe operation of Sea Lake AstroFest 2025, hosted by the Astronomical Society of Victoria. Attendees can park in the designated car park near the toilets and walk along the footpath to the viewing area.



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