COMMUNITY UPDATE

Buloke.

BABY & CHILD FIRST AID + CPR WORKSHOPS

Learn essential first aid skills for babies and children, including CPR, burns, choking, head injuries, poisoning, bites and more. CFA will also present on fire safety.

Birchip Recreational Reserve

Tuesday, 9 September from 1-3pm

Donald Recreational Reserve

Wednesday, 10 September from 9-11am

Charlton Park

Wednesday, 10 September 1-3pm

Please note: This is a non-accredited course. Children are welcome to attend. Bookings are essential as places are limited. Visit www.thesisterhoodproject.com.au to secure your spot. For more information, phone: 5478 0185.

TOUGH TOPICS

Buloke Shire Council is proud to be featured among local contributors in the National Centre for Farmer Health's Tackling the Tough Topics planner.

A big thanks to the Buloke Community Recovery Team, Birchip Cropping Group and Donald Scouts for leading safe spaces for vital conversations in this publication. This quide supports planning impactful events in farming communities, recognising that locals best understand their own needs. It outlines best practices to foster wellbeing while safeguarding vulnerable individuals.

Together, we're building stronger, more connected communities. For a copy visit www.farmerhealth.org.au.



- ▶ 14 key planning questions
- ▶ Practical templates
- Case studies & top tips
- Guidance on briefing quest speakers





COMMUNITY **ADVOCACY**

Passionate community members from across our shire from different locations, industries and experiences recently came together to discuss the future of our roads, facilities and financial planning, as for the first session of the Buloke Community Reference Group, held at Wycheproof Shire Hall. This group is investing their valuable time to help shape Council's Asset and Financial Plans with real community voice.

From understanding how government grants work, to navigating rate caps and planning for long-term sustainability, this is grassroots advocacy in action.

SPOT IT WHILE YOU DRIVE

Council has received funding to manage weeds and rabbits on rural roadsides.

If you're out driving keep an eye out for any hotspots on your local roads. Your observations are incredibly valuable.

Our community plays a vital role in helping us spot invasive weeds and rabbit activity beside rural roadsides and considering Buloke Shire covers over 8.000 km² it's a vast area to monitor.

While reports often come from Landcare groups or from staff out on the road, we also rely on local knowledge to guide our efforts.

The priority weeds impacting our region listed below are identified in our Roadside Weed and Pest Management Plan: Wheel Cactus, African Boxthorn, Horehound, Bathurst Burr, Paterson's Curse, Bridal Creeper and Amsinckia.

If you spot listed weeds or rabbit activity on rural roads (outside townships, typically 100km/h zones), please fill out the online form www.buloke.vic.gov. au/pest-control.

ON-FARM KANGAROO CONTROL

Farmers who have livestock competing with kangaroos for fodder can apply for the On-Farm Kangaroo Control Rebate now.

Eligible farmers across the state can access up to 3 rebates of \$450 each (ex-GST) with a 25% co-contribution.

Rebates are to be used to engage professional harvesters (authorised by the Game Management Authority) to control eastern and western grey kangaroos under an Authority To Control Wildlife.

For more information about drought support visit: www.agriculture.vic.gov.au/drought or call 136 186.



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

EOI - LIFEGUARD

Casual - Band 2 - \$23.16-31.27 per hour (plus casual loading)

→ EOI Applications Close: 24 August 2025

Be part of the casual lifeguard team across our pools in Charlton, Watchem, Donald, Birchip, Berriwillock, Sea Lake & Wycheproof.

Whether you're experienced or just starting out, we welcome applicants of ALL ages.

* Must be aged-16 and over during pool season

If you're CPR & First Aid certified, great with people and ready to help keep our pools safe and fun, we'd love to hear from you!

If not don't worry—we provide training to get you confident and ready for the role!

- · Flexible shifts
- Great team environment
- · Skills that transfer across industries

More info, visit: www.buloke.vic.gov.au/lifeguard









