

# Community Update

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## The Paddock: The Goals is fully on AIR!

Looking for a way to kick off the season in a truly inspiring way? Look no further than The Paddock: The Goals, brought to you by the Buloke Shire Council in partnership with the North Central League, Australian Red Cross, Birchip Cropping Group, Rural Financial Counselling Service Victoria West, and is funded through Emergency Recovery Victoria.

This exciting new Flood Recovery Series comprises 10 pod/vodcast that will dive deep into the lessons learned from the 2022 October Flood Event and will focus on how the community can come together and move forward. Join in on Saturdays at 1pm for some game day action to hear how our community has shown incredible resilience and determination. The Paddock: The Goals is sure to inspire you to achieve your own goals, no matter what challenges come your way. However, if you missed us live, you can listen to the now edited podcast The Paddock: The Goals on Spotify or Apple Podcasts on your drive home. If you would like a printed transcript of the episodes reach to us by calling Customer Service on 1300 520 520.



Find the links to the podcasts using the QR-Code.



## Flood Grants Extended

For information about farm support, visit: [agriculture.vic.gov.au/floods](https://agriculture.vic.gov.au/floods). A list of other grants and support networks are available at <https://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/funding-available-for-those-affected-by-flooding>. The following grants have been extended until **13 July 2023**.

- Primary Producer Flood Recovery Grant
- Rural Landholder Grant
- Flood Recovery Transport Support Program
- Primary Producer Flood Recovery Concessional Loan.

The Rural Financial Counselling Service is available to assist primary producers to understand and apply for flood and storm support. Primary Producers can contact their local RFCS on 1300 771 741.

More information is available at Rural Finance [www.ruralfinance.com.au/](http://www.ruralfinance.com.au/) or by calling 1800 260 425.

## Duck Hunting - Wooroonook

Attention all hunters! As the duck hunting season approaches, we want to remind you that shooting on Wooroonook Lake is strictly prohibited this season. It is important that we all follow the regulations and restrictions in place to protect the environment, wildlife, and ensure the safety of everyone involved. However, if you're looking to hunt in the area, you may consider the East and Middle Lakes as alternative hunting spots. These areas are open for hunting during duck season, so you can still enjoy your hunting activities while adhering to the rules and regulations.

## Wooroonook Lake is Open!

We're happy to let you know that Lake Wooroonook is open for use once again! As of April 6, 2023, the lake has been fully reopened following a temporary closure due to a blue-green algae outbreak. We thank the community for their patience and we are sure everyone is looking forward to getting back out and using Wooroonook to its full potential!

## Support for Business

Support is available for flood-affected businesses to assist them in their recovery, including up to \$50,000 grants, financial counselling and advice, and mental health and wellbeing support.

- Grants up to \$50,000 to help businesses, not-for-profit, and community sport organisations that have experienced direct damage to their property, assets, stock or equipment due to the Victorian floods will close at **4pm on Monday 1 May 2023**.
- Eligible businesses, not-for-profit, and community sport organisations must be located within a local government area declared under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement (defined disaster area).
- Immediate support, information, advice, and assistance with application processes, can be found through a Business Relief Adviser. You can submit a registration form online or call the Business Victoria hotline on 13 22 15.
- The Business Relief Service has advisers that can help you connect with relevant support services, assist with grant applications, and help you with your next steps towards recovery.

## Farmers Counselling Support

A list of grants and support networks are available at <https://www.buloke.vic.gov.au/funding-available-for-those-affected-by-flooding>

- Rural Financial Counselling Service: the Rural Financial Counselling Service offers free and independent financial information, options, decision making support and referral services to farmers and small, related rural businesses who are in, or at risk of, financial hardship. A rural financial counsellor can assist farmers to understand, and apply for, government support. Call 1300 771 741.
- The Royal Flying Doctors Service Wellbeing is a free mental health and wellbeing service for people in rural and remote Victorian communities. This service enables people to access sessions with a mental health clinician without needing to leave their local community, with appointments available face-to-face and via telehealth and telephone. Make an appointment by calling 1300 363 788 or email [wellbeing@rfdsvic.com.au](mailto:wellbeing@rfdsvic.com.au)

## Electric Car Charger Disruption – Sea Lake

The electric charger located at Charging Station, 121 Best Street, Sea Lake VIC 3533, will be undergoing maintenance on **3 May 2023**.

As a result, there will be an outage to the electricity supply between 9am to 2pm. Please note that these times are approximate and the works may need to be cancelled at the last minute.

Please plan accordingly and make alternative arrangements for charging your EV during this period. Thanks for your understanding!

## 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:

### Immunisation Nurse Coordinator

Council is seeking a highly self-motivated, flexible and enthusiastic Immunisation Nurse on a Permanent Part Time basis for 16 hours per week. This role would see you coordinating and conducting immunisation sessions and administration of vaccines in accordance with NHMRC guidelines. Applications marked "Confidential" need to include a cover letter, resume and address the Key Selection Criteria in their application.

→ Applications close **9.00 am Monday 15 May 2023**.

Please contact Michelle Newman – Manager Environmental Health on 54780184 or 1300 520 520 with any questions.

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 about this exciting role.

## NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PLANNING PERMIT

The land affected by the application is located at **37 Hannon Street, Sea Lake**.

The application is for a permit for a **five-lot subdivision of land**.

The application reference number is **PA23013**.

You may look at the application and any documents that support the application on the **Buloke Shire Council website** or by making contact with the office of the Responsible Authority, **Buloke Shire Office, Wycheproof**.

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 sent 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. A submission form is available on the Planning and Building page of the Buloke Shire Council website.

The Responsible Authority will not decide on the application before **11 May 2023**.

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

## NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PLANNING PERMIT

The land affected by the application is located at **Birchip-Wycheproof Road, Narraport**.

The application is for a permit for a **two-lot subdivision of land and construction of a veterinary clinic and dwelling**.

The application reference number is **PA23015**.

You may look at the application and any documents that support the application on the **Buloke Shire Council website** or by making contact with the office of the Responsible Authority, **Buloke Shire Office, Wycheproof**.

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