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Nethercote Falls dog rescue

Council's rangers were called to Nethercote Falls on Tuesday when a concerned visitor noticed that a dog had managed to get itself stuck on the cliff face. As the rangers drove in to the area they were greeted with the rescue crew from Merimbula Fire Brigade with a well-equipped truck that was essential to the rescue. The local SES also attended to assist later in the afternoon.



All of the rescue and roping gear was loaded into the ranger truck and the rescue team made its way down the hill to the lower carpark before trekking into the falls to see the dog in a precarious position about 20 metres up the cliff opposite the main lower pool. The poor dog was going nowhere with a sheer drop below and with rocks at the base. The rescue squad made its way around the top section of the falls and crossed the slippery river to set up a safety rope. The dog was rescued from the cliff by a harnessed fire rescue officer and the rope team.

The contact number of the dog's owner was on the collar and the dog was also chipped and registered so the owner was easily contacted once the dog was safe. The dog, named Millie, was quite shaken up and very thirsty but over the moon to be on flat ground! Ranger Julie Higman said "it was great to see such an effort from all of the people involved to save a dog and the owner was grateful for the efforts of all involved".

Main photo: This is how rangers and rescue teams found Millie when they arrived at Nethercote Falls on Tuesday.

Inset photo: Rescuers Danius Maragis, Gary Dickman, Vanessa Haigh and Mike Duncan from the Merimbula Fire Brigade rescue team with Millie.

Positions vacant

Executive Assistant - General Manager and Mayor

Note: this is a re-advertisement. Previous applicants need not reapply as they will be considered as part of this process. We are seeking a highly motivated and experienced person to support the General Manager and the Mayor in the Executive and Organisational Development and Governance areas of responsibility.

Applications close at 5pm on Monday25 May.

Employee Support Services Coordinator

We are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated individual to manage, improve and assist with Council's Employee Support Services function. Applications close at 5pm on 20 May.

Storage Services Coordinator

We are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated individual to manage, improve and deliver Storage Services (warehousing and logistics), including transformation of service delivery. Applications close at 5pm on 20 May.

Position descriptions are available from our website or by phoning Council. When applying address the selection criteria in your application and send to:

- Email: recruitment@ begavalley.nsw.gov.au
- Post: The General Manager, Bega Valley Shire Council, PO Box 492, Bega NSW 2550.
- Fax: 6499 2200.

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Public toilet block consultation

Bega Valley Shire Council will be holding a public consultation session at the Quaama hall on Wednesday 20 May regarding the public toilet block and Quaama Hall. This consultation will take place in the Quaama Hall from 3.00pm to 6.00pm and we welcome interested people to come and have their say. For more information contact Ben Thomas, Community Development, on 6499 2222.

Don't forget

The Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea fundraising event will be held on Thursday, 28 May, this year. There is sure to be one operating somewhere near you but if that's not convenient you can attend the Tackling Tobacco group's morning tea with goodies made and donated by TAFE and Bega High School students and hosted by Council in Littleton Gardens, Bega, on May 28. Alternatively, you can host your own. All the info is on the web, www.biggestmorningtea.com.au

Entry date for The Shirl extended

The Bega Valley Regional Gallery has extended the deadline for entries in 'The Shirl', Australia's only national youth portrait prize, to midnight on Wednesday 2 November, 2015, to allow a greater number of emerging artists to participate in the competition.

Australian artists aged between 16 and 25 years are encouraged to enter The Shirl: The National Youth Portrait Prize. A selection of entries, including the prize-winning work, will be displayed at the Gallery as an exhibition opening

in December this year. With the generous support of Peter Hannan, the Galley is offering a prize of \$10,000 for the most outstanding portrait. Peter, the son of artist and arts patron Shirley Hannan who initiated the Shirley Hannan National Award for Portraiture, has named the new award 'The Shirl' in honour of his mother.

Entrants are invited to create a portrait in any two dimensional media such as drawing, printing, painting, traditional or digital still photography and screen-based media such as film, video or animation. There is an entry fee of \$15 and all submissions must adhere to the Terms and Conditions of Entry. Entries close on Monday 2 November and The Shirl exhibition will run from Friday 18 December 2015 to Saturday 30 January 2016 at the Bega Valley Regional Gallery.

Honour boards in libraries

World War One honour boards have been installed in the Shire's four libraries as part of the acknowledgement of the ANZAC Centenary. Each board displays the names of the local men who died fighting during the war and each name is honoured with a knitted or crocheted poppy.

The boards highlight the research of Mrs Pat Raymond for the Bega Valley Genealogy Society who spent the last few years researching the background of each local man who enlisted and was subsequently killed.

Each Shire library has a copy of Mrs Raymond's book called 'Remembering Bega Valley Service Men of World War I: Battlefield and War Related Deaths'.

Expression of interest

Council is seeking expression of interest for the management and operation of Merimbula Airport. EOIs close at noon on 10 June. All Council EOI information is received through the e-tendering portal at www. tenderlink.com.au/begavalley

Eden knitters at work

The Eden knitters have started up again at Eden library on Friday afternoons.

This is a very popular way to pass the time knitting squares which are then joined together as blankets for sending overseas to those who need them.

This is an annual event started by ABC Radio and will be the fourth year for many of the local ladies knitting at the Eden library.

Many others drop off their work at the library for joining into blankets. In the past the Bombala knitters and other craft groups in Eden have come together at the Eden library for knitting sessions. New knitters or beginners are welcome. The next sessions are on Friday 15 and 29 May from 1.30 to 4.30pm.

Photograph: The Eden knitters are back at work in the library on Friday afternoons.



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