

# Bega Valley Shire Council

# village newsletter

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## New amenities for Pambula Rivermouth

Plans have been developed for the next phase of works at the Pambula Rivermouth Reserve. The works will add to significant parkland improvements and foreshore rock work completed in August 2014 and feedback following the previous works had shaped the outcome of the new plans.

Council's Manager Leisure and Recreation, John Grady, said that before designing the plans staff took on board feedback from the community, particularly from Council's Access Advisory Committee and the Pambula Surf Lifesaving Club.

Key aspects of the upcoming works include a new accessible amenities building including an outdoor shower and baby change area.

A ramp providing access to the beach for all users will be an important addition to the reserve which will open this great location up to the wider community.

Improved stormwater management through an engineered rock 'gabion' basket that controls and defuses water during heavy rainfall will also provide a major improvement to the beach area.

"We have worked hard with the community to balance the quiet location and natural beauty of area with its popularity, size limitations and constraints," Mr Grady said.

"This is a good example of Council and the community working together to deliver on the needs and expectations of local users and visitors," he said.

## NBN rolling out in Bermagui

The National Broadband Network, with construction on the fixed wireless network is now underway in and around Bermagui. The NBN continues to update its online maps to inform residents when the network will be ready for service. Households and businesses can also register their details at [www.nbnco.com.au](http://www.nbnco.com.au) to be provided with future updates.

## Refreshing Eden's CBD

Council has allocated \$1.39 million on refreshing Eden's commercial district as the town prepares the CBD for increased tourism revenue that will flow on from developments in the Eden Port precinct. Mayor Michael Britten says hopes of revitalising Eden's tourism potential were raised when Federal funding was secured to extend the breakwater wharf and now, with significant works ready to go in the CBD, we will have an excellent commercial area to provide for locals and visitors.

## Stage two of Wanatta facility

Council has accepted a tender for work on the second stage of the Central Waste Facility in Wanatta Lane, Wolumla. The successful tenderer was Whelans Group Investments for the sum of \$1,268,025.29 inc GST, subject to variations and provisional sums. Stage 2 works will involve the construction of a second cell, including the installation of a landfill barrier system, leachate collection and conveyance system and extension of the access road with associated storm water drainage works. The estimated capacity of Cell 2 is approx. four years.

## Jobs with Council

- Media Officer. Applications close on 22 July at 5pm.
- Administrations Coordinator Transport and Utilities. Applications close on 27 July at 5pm.
- Financial Accounting Coordinator. Applications close on 30 July at 5pm.
- Early Childhood Educator (Certificate III) Casual Pool. Applications close on 31 July at 5pm.

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

## Doing business with Council

- Civil and landscape works for Bega Civic Centre, Zingel Place, Littleton Gardens and adjacent area. Tenders close at noon on 29 July.
- External electrical works for Bega Civic Centre, Zingel Place, Littleton Gardens and adjacent areas. Tenders close at noon on 5 August.
- Detailed design and construction of a leachate treatment plant and irrigation system (CWF). Tenders close at noon on 5 August.

All Council tendering information and tenders are received through the e-tendering portal at [www.tenderlink.com.au/begavalley](http://www.tenderlink.com.au/begavalley)

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## **Inclusive play areas**

There is good news for the development of inclusive play areas in Ford Park, Merimbula, and Bega Park, Bega, with a Council decision to allocate \$175,000 for the installation of playground equipment.

The two playgrounds were identified as being at the end of their useful lives and due for renewal. The new playgrounds will reduce physical access barriers in order to create a more inclusive recreational facility for people of all ages, abilities and mobility levels.

Both playgrounds will also complement the existing green, open-spaces to provide a meeting place for the community as playgrounds provide social and community benefits not only for children, but also act as meeting places for parents/carers.

## **Twyford Hall kitchen**

Also in Merimbula, Council has provided \$6,616 to the Twyford Hall Committee for the electrical upgrade costs associated with a kitchen upgrade at the hall. This represents a 50 per cent contribution of what was sought in the committee's application, and is in step with other amounts that have been allocated for similar projects.

## **Golf course irrigation**

Pambula Merimbula Golf Club effluent irrigation system will be expanded, thanks to a subsidy of \$150,000 from Council. This will ensure the continued use of treated effluent from the nearby Council facility for the irrigation of the Club's grounds. The subsidy is

conditional on the Club attracting an additional \$500,000 from the Federal Government.

## **Ford Oval car park tree works**

Ford Oval car park in Merimbula will be closed between 7am and 4pm on Thursday 23 and Friday 24 July while tree pruning and removal is carried out.

A qualified arborist has identified three trees as 'dangerous' and three will be removed due to large hollows that have formed in the trees from stress and white ant damage.

Several other trees will be pruned to reduce weight in the trees and to prevent failure. Banksia Integrifolias, more appropriate for coastal areas, will be planted to replace the removed trees. And all timber will be chipped and left on site for the gardens in the car park.

## **Survey on pool programs**

Tell us what you think about the programs offered at the Shire's pools. Your participation in our pools program survey will help us develop future programs based on your feedback. To participate go to [www.surveymonkey.com/r/shirepoolssurvey](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/shirepoolssurvey) before 9 August.

## **Household chemicals**

A reminder that Council's household chemical collection is on again this year, starting at the Merimbola St Carpark in Pambula on Saturday 25 July from 8am to 2.30pm and at the Bega Saleyards in Kerrisons Lane on Sunday 26 July from 8am to 2.30pm. The Bermagui collection will be held at Dickinson Park in Lamont Street on Saturday 17 October from 8am to 2.30pm.

## **Local boat ramp and jetty funding win**

Recreational fishers and boat users will benefit from upgrades to two boat ramps and a jetty in the Shire thanks to an agreement between Council and Transport NSW to deliver upgrades to the boat ramps at Mogareeka and Beauty Point, and the jetty at Kianinny.

The upgrades were identified in the Far South Coast Regional Boating Plan in February which was developed after extensive consultation with Council and other stakeholder groups and the upgraded facilities will significantly improve access to the water for local and visiting boat users.

These are important Council assets and valued recreational facilities which are identified in Council's Recreation Asset Management Plan and form part of our Renewal Funding Program.

We secured \$785,000 of State Government funding through the NSW Boating Now program and we are contributing \$240,000 of Council funds.

The project will be managed by Council staff who are familiar with the BVSC Maritime Infrastructure Plan and who delivered several Better Boating Program projects in recent years.

Specialist marine construction contractors will be engaged through a public tender process to undertake the boat ramp and jetty works.

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