

# Bega Valley Shire Council News

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connecting council and the community



**Is coming  
to town from  
October 29**

# FOGO

**You can start FOGOing when  
your kitchen caddy arrives.**

## Locals among Hannan finalists

Three Bega Valley artists are among the finalists for this year's Shirley Hannan National Portrait Award, cementing the regions reputation as a hot spot for artistic prowess.

Joseph O'Gara from Eden made the final cut with his *Weary Warrior*. The other local finalists include Bega resident, Tim Moorhead, with *Cincuenta Man Self Portrait* and Bermagui artist, Bethany Thurtell with her work, *Subjective*.

The finalists for this year's Award were announced last week with 35 standing out among the record number of entrants from across Australia.

The nation's most loved and richest realistic

portrait award carries an impressive \$50,000 prize.

The Award is a non-acquisitive prize for realistic portraiture, held biennially at the Bega Valley Regional Gallery.

The exhibition will launch on Friday, 26 October when the 2018 guest judge, art critic and broadcaster, Dr Andrew Frost, will select the winner from a strong field of contenders.

Bega Valley Regional Gallery Director, Iain Dawson, praised the quality of entries.

"This year's entries were our strongest ever and audiences will see works from past winners,

Archibald Prize finalists, and many of Australia's best-known portraitists," Mr Dawson said.

The selection committee consisted of Brisbane based gallery director, Edwina Corlette; influential art collector and architect, Ross Bonthorne; Alaska Projects Director, Sebastian Goldspink; and International Art Services Business Development Manager, Alison Guthrie; along with members of the Hannan family.

Exhibition goers will have a chance to vote for The People's Choice Award to be announced at the end of the exhibition.

Shirley Hannan was a gifted portraitist, well known in the Bega Valley as a staunch supporter and generous patron of the arts.

A full list of the 2018 finalists is available at <https://gallery.begavalley.nsw.gov.au>

Bega Valley

## Commemorative Civic Centre

Zingel Place, Bega

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# Expressions of interest to use reserves



Expressions of Interest are being sought for the commercial use of Council's reserves such as Spencer Park in Merimbula (pictured).

Do you run a mobile food or drink outlet? Are you an outdoors market operator? Or a fitness instructor?

We are calling for Expressions of Interest (EOI's) from qualified commercial organisations, incorporated community organisations and other interested groups to run the following activities on Council owned and managed public and foreshore reserves throughout the Bega Valley Shire:

- refreshment kiosks;
- mobile food and/or drink outlets where the trader wishes to remain exclusively at one location during daylight hours;
- regular market stalls;
- fitness trainers, leisure activities;
- other commercial operations.

You can send us your EOI using the link at [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/news](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/news), which takes you to the eTendering Portal.

If this is the first time you've used the eTendering

Portal, then you will have to register online first.

After you've submitted your EOI, you will receive a Successful Submission Receipt, timed and dated.

If you need help, you can use the online manual on the portal under Support/Online Manuals/Making a Submission or contact Tenderlink customer support on 1800 233 533.

EOI's can also be placed in a sealed envelope and endorsed with the quotation title, number, and closing date, and placed in the Tender Box located in the foyer of the Council offices in Zingel Place, Bega before 12.00pm on Wednesday, 24 October 2018.

Council is not bound to accept the lowest priced tender or all or any part of a tender and reserves the right to conduct an Expression of Interest process and select the successful respondent(s) as it sees fit.

For more information, please contact Council's Property Services Officer, Rickee Marshall, on (02) 6499 2277 or via the Tenderlink forum.

## Disabled spaces zero tolerance

The Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) allows eligible people to park in designated disabled parking bays and also extends the time limit when parked in timed parking areas for those in our community with an eligible mobile disability or their carer.

Eligible people are issued with an MPS permit which must be displayed conspicuously within the vehicle to qualify for the parking concession.

Ineligible drivers parking a vehicle in designated disabled parking bays will be fined \$561 and lose 1 demerit point.

Parking even for a few moments to drop off passengers or to make a delivery is not acceptable unless you have a current MPS permit.

Council's rangers take a zero tolerance view of this parking offence.

A current and valid interstate or overseas disability parking permit may be used in New South Wales.

If you think you may qualify for an MPS permit or for more information, please visit <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au>.

## Merimbula ALDI sale settles

The introduction of an ALDI supermarket to the Merimbula streetscape has taken another huge step forward, with the sale of 103 & 105 – 107 Main Street officially settling.

Settlement of the sale comes quickly on the back of the Southern Joint Regional Planning Panel's recent

decision to approve the company's Development Application valued at \$6.9 million and means ALDI will now be moving ahead with their plans for the site.

ALDI Australia's spokesperson said the company was thrilled to have purchased a site for their store in Merimbula.

"We are proud to call ourselves 'Good Different' and offer a supermarket experience that is like no other in Australia," they said.

"We're excited to be opening a store in the community and look forward to showing local residents the difference ALDI can make to their wallets and lifestyles."

"At the moment, we are in the initial stages of design and hope to commence construction in 2019 – we will keep the community updated as our plans progress."

Bega Valley Shire Council Mayor, Cr Kristy McBain, welcomed the news, describing it as another boon for the Shire.

"Promoting greater economic activity is a real focus for this Council and it is certainly encouraging to see businesses like ALDI wanting to get a foothold here," Cr McBain said.

"The finalisation of the sale means that locals and visitors alike will soon enjoy greater choice, the flow-

on influence of greater competition and more modern and comfortable shopping conditions.

**"Promoting greater economic activity is a real focus for this Council."**

**- Cr Kristy McBain**

"Most importantly we also envisage that our small businesses will experience positive impacts through more people travelling to Merimbula and the area more broadly to shop and make it a destination visit," Cr McBain said.

### Community Recycling Centres

#### Waste matters

Drop off your household problem waste for recycling

Bega Valley Community Recycling Centre is located at:

**Merimbula Waste & Recycling Depot**

Red Hill Road off Sapphire Coast Drive

**FREE SERVICE**

[www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/waste](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/waste)

#### These items are accepted:

 Paint	 Gas bottles and fire extinguishers	 Fluoro globes and tubes
 Household and car batteries	 Smoke detectors	 Motor oils and other oils



# FOGO comes to your place

Look out for the delivery of your new FOGO (Food Organics Garden Organics) caddy, marking a new era in waste management in the Bega Valley as we join 40 other councils in NSW already using FOGO.

Your caddy is a small, lidded bin designed to sit on your kitchen bench or under the sink and Council will be delivering these to households very soon in the weeks leading up to FOGO collections, which start on 29 October.

Mayor Cr Kirsty McBain noted that FOGO is a win-win for the community, diverting around 1000 tonnes of household waste from our landfills, turning it into high quality compost and reducing greenhouse emissions.

She said that a recent audit by Council found that an average of 38% of contents (by weight) of our rubbish bins is food.

"When this ends up in landfill and decomposes anaerobically it produces methane, which is a concentrated greenhouse gas; composting food waste reduces these gases.

"It's very exciting that FOGO is only weeks away from starting now and I can't wait to see the first lot of compost produced and being put to good use on gardens," she said.

Once residents receive their kitchen caddy they can start to use their FOGO bin - the green wheelie bin, which will be collected weekly from 29 October. Red bins will be collected fortnightly from 29 October.

The change applies to residents who currently



The delivery of the FOGO kitchen caddies is underway ahead of the commencement of collections on 29 October.

have a green bin collection service.

Waste and Recycling Manager, Toby Browne, says that it's very important people understand what sort of waste goes into which bin to avoid contamination.

"New technology in the collection trucks has been fitted to help with identifying contamination issues.

"The general guide is that anything that once

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**- Toby Browne**

lived will be able to go in your FOGO bin.

"Garden waste including trimmings, clippings and prunings (no branches over 50mm), dairy, meat and bones, egg shells, seafood, take away food, vegetable and fruit scraps.

"You can also add tissues, paper towels, shredded paper, kitty litter and animal droppings to your FOGO bin," he says.

Waste Management Coordinator, Joley Vidau, advises people to download and use the Bega Valley Waste App.

"It's the best way to stay up to date with bin collection days and has tips for better recycling too," she says.

A \$641,400 Waste Less Recycle More grant from NSW Environment Protection Authority helped to purchase and deliver kitchen caddies. The grant has also contributed to the free waste hotline and enhanced features on the Bega Valley Waste App.

Council has a dedicated webpage at [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/waste](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/waste) that includes frequently asked questions or phone us on (02) 6499 2222 for more information about FOGO.

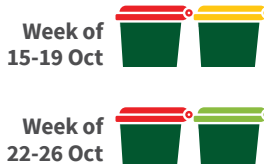
## WHICH BINS DO I PUT OUT ONCE FOGO STARTS?



### IF YOU LIVE IN THE FOLLOWING TOWNS YOU ARE ZONE A

Bermagui, Cobargo, Quaama, Bega, Tura Beach, Berrambol, Merimbula, Mirador and Eden

#### BEFORE FOGO STARTS



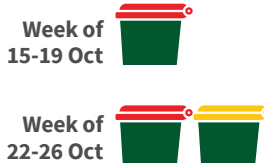
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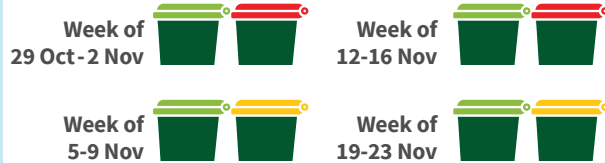
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Wallaga Lake, Candelo, Wolumla, Kalaru, Mogareeka, Tathra and Pambula

#### BEFORE FOGO STARTS



#### AFTER FOGO STARTS



Keep track of bin collection dates AND have a weekly reminder sent to your phone with the FREE Bega Valley Waste APP



Facebook @BegaValleyWasteandRecycling

Web [begavalley.nsw.gov.au/waste](http://begavalley.nsw.gov.au/waste) Green Team Hotline 1300 212 203



This project was supported by the Environmental Trust as part of the NSW EPA's Waste Less, Recycle More initiative, funded from the waste levy.

## Citizen of the Year nominations open

Nominations have opened for the 2019 Citizen, Young Citizen (under 25s) and Senior Citizen (over 65s) of the Year, Sportsperson of the Year and the Australia Day awards.

Bega Valley Shire Council is calling on people to recognise the efforts of friends, neighbours, colleagues and family.

All awards will be presented on Australia Day 2019.

Bega Valley Shire Council Mayor, Cr Kristy McBain, said nominations are being sought from the community to recognise outstanding contributors and achievers.

"It's a highlight of the year to present these special awards on Australia Day to recognise these outstanding achievers and community champions for their hard work and determination in enriching the social fabric of the Shire," Cr McBain said.

"The awards are a great way to honour those who work hard to make our community a better place and quietly and selflessly help others.

The 2018 awardees included the Joint Citizens of the Year Dane and Junee Waites; Young Citizen of the Year Shaun Fitzpatrick; Senior

CITIZEN  
of the  
YEAR  
awards

Citizen of the Year Ron Finneran; Joint Young Sportsperson of the Year Millie Boyle and Reid Battye; and the Australia Day Certificate of Appreciation recipients Geoffrey Grigg and Marshall Campbell.

Nominations should include information about a person's service to the community or distinguished performance over the past 12 months.

To nominate someone, visit Council's website [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au), email [council@begavalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@begavalley.nsw.gov.au), or deliver nominations to any Council office by 9 November 2018.

For more information please contact the Executive Assistants on 6499 2222.



# Lake Street scope change approved

Bega Valley Shire Council has received formal approval from the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to vary the scope of the Lake Street Shared Path Project in Merimbula.

The approval means that Council will now be able to proceed with the delivery of ‘Option G’ that involves the path now only linking Rotary Park with Bar Beach and the existing two-way road configuration along Lake Street being maintained.

Council was originally the recipients of \$2 million in funding under the NSW State Government 2017-18 Active Transport Program for the design and construction of a 1.7km shared use path from Main Street to the Merimbula Wharf along Lake Street, however following extensive community consultation it was resolved to pursue the truncated option.

Council’s Manager Project Development, Daniel Djikic, said the design being undertaken by Thompson Berrill Landscape Design is progressing well, but is dependent on the outcome of the geotechnical, heritage and ecological investigations, which are currently being commissioned and undertaken.

“The intention is that the path will take the form of a simple on-ground concrete path adjacent to the existing road wherever possible, however four distinct treatments will be required,” Mr Djikic said.

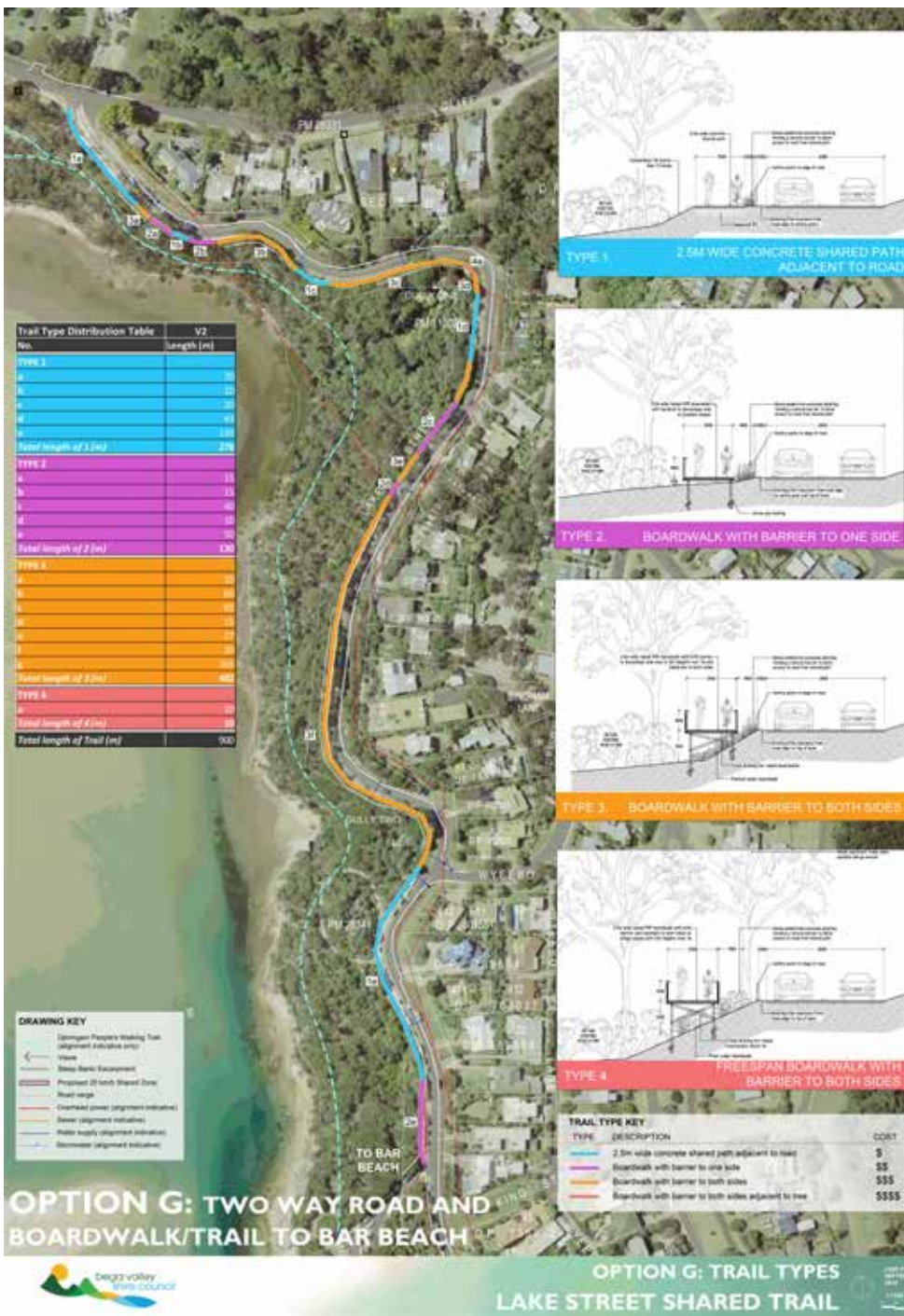
“As further design detail is developed more accurate costings will be prepared and by identifying different treatment types upfront it also provides the opportunity to package up sections of the work to get the most cost effective overall outcome.

“The project started as a community project proposal from the Bureau of Accessible Tourism (BOAT) and we will be providing regular updates to the group as we progress.

“Prior to construction commencing, a construction impacts plan will be developed and communicated to the relevant stakeholders and community,” Mr Djikic said.

The final design is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

For more information contact Daniel Djikic on 6499 2222.





# Toilets, tables and weeds

## Picnic tables

The Eden Town Team have installed new picnic tables at the Scout Hall Reserve.

The tables are supplied by North Eden Timber and constructed out of sustainable kiln dried red gum timber, with a galvanised frame and legs.

These tidy looking units will be popping up across the Shire as part of Council's park furniture upgrade program.



## Weed removal

A section of Bridge Street alongside the Bega River pathway will be closed to pedestrian traffic from 7.00am - 4.00pm on October 24 and 25.

Council, the Bega River and Wetlands Landcare Group - BRAWL and South East Local Land Services will be working together to remove boxthorn growing alongside the shared pathway between the Bega River and Bridge Street.

Signage and traffic/pedestrian control will be in place during the works.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

## Toilet block upgrade

Work to revitalise the Merimbula Boat Ramp toilet block was undertaken recently, with the installation of new timber screening and cement rendering completed.

The North Eden Timber crew provided the timber and the fit out, while the Merimbula Town team guys took on the rendering.

The timber used is kiln dried red and grey iron bark.

What a massive improvement!!!



# Gallery upgrade is shovel ready

Progress towards the planned redevelopment of the Bega Valley Regional Gallery (BVRG) continues, with the Development Application now approved and the final business case submitted to the NSW Government's Regional Cultural Fund for assessment.

Encompassing expanded exhibition and storage spaces, contemporary environmental control and lighting and a hireable workshop space; the concept design also features a more welcoming and accessible façade that allows the community to view artworks 24/7.

BVRG Director, Iain Dawson, said a successful bid for funding could see work on the game changing project commence as early as the first half of 2019.

"This is a once in a generation opportunity to deliver an art gallery that is in line with the community's expectations and allows us to deliver a program of exhibitions and cultural activities that inspire, challenge and mirror the vision we have ourselves here in the Bega Valley," Mr Dawson said.

"I want to thank the community and our key stakeholders for their incredible support and the team here at Council who have worked tirelessly over the past 12 months

to bring this elegant plan to life – excitingly we now stand shovel ready.

"The case for change is strong and there is a demonstrable need for updates to our much-loved gallery.

"We are all hopeful of a positive result, which will allow us to continue to grow our reach, broaden our offering and subsequently attract more and more people to participate in the visual arts in the Bega Valley.

"In 2017, the 22,000 visitors to the BVRG (40% of these were visitors to the Shire) added \$1.3million to the local economy.

"The proposed new gallery has the capacity to draw even more visitors and reach a broader local and tourist audience also," Mr Dawson said.

Through the investment of \$100 million over two years, the Regional Cultural Fund aims to strengthen regional arts, screen, culture and heritage, and revitalise local communities through strategic investment across NSW.

This round will offer applicants a share in \$47 million in funding, including \$5 million for regional library projects and public art.

# Skateboarders on board with feedback



*New infrastructure and mentoring opportunities were the priorities for participants in a skateboarding day held recently at the Bega Skate Park.*

Skateboarders took the opportunity to let Council know their thoughts on improving the Bega Skatepark at a day dedicated to skateboarding workshops and competitions, with expert guidance from Ownlife.

Council's Community Development Officer, Angelique McKechnie, said that the Bega skatepark is a high use asset.

"We hope that the day has encouraged a feeling

of belonging and responsibility for the park's many users.

"Feedback from the day tells us that added infrastructure at the skatepark is needed as well as mentoring opportunities for its users," she said.

Competition winners received FOGO drink bottles and vouchers donated by McDonalds, who supported the event along with the Bega Lions Club, Salvation Army and NSW Police.

# Bike track alignment

Take our online poll and include your comments on the alignment of the Tathra to Kalaru Bike Track before Sunday 2 November 2018.

There are two viable alignment options for the Tathra segment of the track currently on public exhibition for community feedback.

Option One: the north side of Bega Street

Option Two: the south side of Bega Street, through Lawrence Park, crossing back over to the northern side before the Tomigee Street intersection.

For more information and to access the online poll, please visit [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/haveyoursay).



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# Council prosecutes vegetation vandalism

Bega Valley Shire Council has successfully prosecuted a Pambula Beach resident in the Land and Environment Court of NSW for unlawful clearing, destruction and poisoning of vegetation in Jiguma Reserve in 2016.

Council Compliance Officers sought to prosecute the resident through the Land and Environment Court of NSW due to the high value vegetation and sensitive coastal location that exists in the Reserve.

The Pambula Beach resident entered a plea of guilty and was ordered to pay a fine, compensation and costs in excess of \$20,000.

Council's Community Safety and Compliance Coordinator, Chris Pearson, said Jiguma Reserve is a valuable asset within the community, and is a significant part of the Shire's wilderness coast.



*There have been a number of cases of unlawful clearing and environmental destruction across the Shire in recent years.*

"The value of the vegetation in this area is considerable, housing habitat and endangered flora, providing coastal protection from the elements and forms important corridors for wildlife," Mr Pearson said.

"Council takes a zero tolerance approach to the wilful and reckless damage of vegetation and is currently investigating other sites where similar destruction and clearing has occurred.

"Council uses surveillance cameras

and other techniques to assist in gathering information for prosecution and usually most offenders are unaware that they are being observed.

"The community are very helpful when we are investigating these types of incidents and we encourage anyone who sees another person causing damage to vegetation or notices dramatic changes to vegetation, including trees dying suddenly or the cutting, breaking or removal of vegetation from our Reserves to report it to Council immediately," Mr Pearson said.

Prosecution of these offences in the Land and Environment Court of NSW carry fines of up to \$500,000 plus restitution costs to rehabilitate the damage.

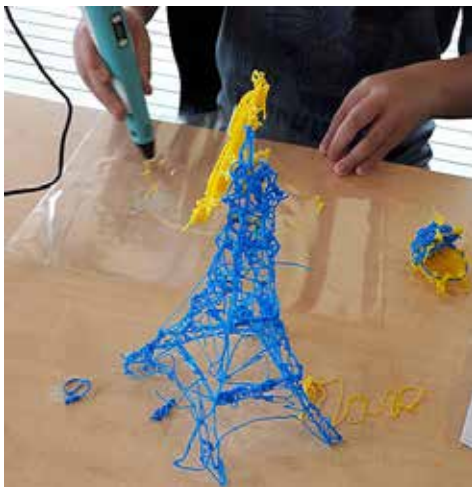
Please report any suspicious activity to Council on 6499 2222.

# Creativity and resilience in Tathra

The library service ran a day of activities at Tathra for the first time during the school holidays, featuring butterfly making and stories exploring determination and resilience for younger children.

Older children proved themselves up to the challenge of using 3D pens to create some amazing artwork including snowflakes, bicycles and the Eiffel Tower!

Thank you to the Tathra Beach House for donating the use of their beautiful conference room for the activities.



*Just some of the wonderful creations stemming from the Library service's Tathra school holiday activities.*



## Load limit change

After a recent timber bridge inspection on Pericoe Creek Bridge, Pericoe Road, Council is applying a 5-tonne load limit on the bridge effective immediately.

The bridge is located approximately 14.6km along Pericoe Road from the village of Towamba.

Signs displaying the load limit have been prepared and erected.

For more information contact Council's Bridge Coordinator on 6499 2222.



# JOBS AT COUNCIL

## Bega Valley Shire Council



### Live the Lifestyle



#### Permanent

- **Finance Manager**  
Position closes 28 October 2018
- **Management Accounting Coordinator**  
Position closes 28 October 2018
- **Town Planner**  
Position closes 30 October 2018

#### Fixed Term / Casual

- **Director Community, Environment & Planning**  
Position closes 26 October 2018
- **Water and Sewer Project Coordinator**  
Position closes 30 October 2018
- **Property Administration Officer**  
Position closes 23 October 2018
- **Children's Services Certificate 3 Educator (Casual)**  
Position closes 23 October 2018

For more information or to express interest in general applications, please visit [www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/CareersAtCouncil](http://www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au/CareersAtCouncil)







# Tathra Community Planting Day

The community are invited to a Community Planting Day on Saturday 20 October, to assist in the restoration of Tathra Headland Reserve, that was badly affected by the March bushfire.

As part of the *Green Shoots* campaign, the Community Planting Day, which is being held from 9.00am until 12.00pm, will not only aid in the recovery of this popular natural area, but offer an opportunity for locals and tourists to get involved in Tathra's recovery.

Council's Acting Environment and Sustainability Coordinator, Michael Fiedler, said Council is pleased to be partnering with the Tathra Lions Club and Tathra Landcare to host this event, as the restoration of this significant site continues following the removal of fire affected vegetation in September.

"The Planting Day will aid in the



*A Community Planting Day is being held this Saturday to assist with the restoration of the Tathra Headland Reserve.*

recovery of the site through the replanting of plants that are native to the local environment, and will enhance and retain the natural

character of the area," Mr Fiedler said.

"This event is a great opportunity for locals, community groups and

visitors to be involved in supporting Tathra after the bushfire.

"Everyone is invited to come along and get their hands dirty by planting some native seedlings, and a free barbecue will help keep people going throughout the morning".

This Planting Day is part of a broader restoration program that Council is undertaking of the natural areas at the headland, which will ultimately result in the re-establishment of the native plant community.

Those wanting to participate are asked to meet at Tathra Headland Reserve at 9.00am, and are encouraged to bring a hat, sunscreen and gloves.

For more information contact Council's Acting Environment and Sustainability Coordinator on (02) 6499 2222.

**What really makes a difference for a community to recover and grow?**

**How does disaster impact on jobs and businesses, what new opportunities are created?**

**How does it change the way our community prepares for future disasters?**

Community leaders from other regional areas impacted by disaster will share their experiences at this unique event:

Deborah Benhayon, President of the Lismore Chamber of Commerce, reflecting on the Lismore/Northern River Floods of 2017

Michael Sperling, Executive Officer of the Blue Mountains Accommodation & Tourism Association, survivor of the Blue Mountains Bushfire 2013

Steve Pascoe, 30 years experience in emergency management, with the Country Fire Authority and Victorian State Emergency Service. Lessons from the Victorian Black Saturday Fires of 2009

## A STRONGER FUTURE

Regional Communities Sharing Experience with Disaster

Thursday 1 November 5:30pm to 8:00pm

Tathra Public School | FREE BBQ @ 5.30pm | All welcome, free entry

More information

Suzette Fullerton, Project Officer

Tathra – Sapphire Coast Tourism Resilience Innovation Project

Ph. 0427 741 298





# Council Meeting wrap up

## Yankees Gap Fire

Council formally thanked the emergency services, support agencies, community members and Council officers who have worked tirelessly in responding to the Yankees Gap Fire.

Council resolved to provide the same level of assistance afforded people affected by the Tathra, Vimy Ridge and Reedy Swamp Fire including access to the Recovery Support Service.

Council will waive waste fees, interest on General Rates instalments and all Council planning and development fees and charges for houses destroyed or damaged.

## Electric Vehicle Charging

Council authorised the General Manager to sign a Licence to Occupy for the installation of a fast charging system at a preferred site in Bega and to continue further discussions with NRMA and/or other stakeholders to introduce appropriate electric vehicle charging stations elsewhere in the Shire.

## Garbage Collection for Tourist Units

Council accepted the proposal to modify the standard collection service for multi-unit holiday complexes receiving FOGO services to help mitigate the problems managers of multi-unit dwellings are likely to face with the move to FOGO.

This will allow for a weekly garbage collection rather than the standard FOGO fortnightly collection.

This arrangement will be applied consistently to all units within the complex at the written request of the Strata Manager or equivalent.

## Pretty Point Bridge

Council resolved to affect a Deed of Lease over Lot 311 DP 812818 for the purpose of constructing a compound to facilitate the Pretty Point Bridge truss restoration project.

## Mental Health Day

Council acknowledged World Mental Health Day and those in our community grappling with mental health issues.

## Special Rate Variation (SRV)

Council authorised staff to model a SRV application to raise funds to implement the six pool facilities strategy and to fund an additional tourism marketing program.

The SRV application proposal will be included in the draft 2019/2020 Operational Plan for formal consideration and resolution by Council prior to submission to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal in February 2020.

Council also resolved to lobby the NSW Government, in conjunction with other Councils, to amend the Local Government Act to include provision for the application of a special levy for tourism.

## Next Meeting

Wednesday 31 October @ 2pm

Council Chambers, Biamanga Room, Bega Valley Commemorative Civic Centre, Bega

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## Safe disposal of treated timber

Council is aware of a number of CCA treated timber retaining walls that suffered varying degrees of damage during the bushfire event.

Council and NSW Public Works have been promoting the need to appropriately dispose of these materials due to the risk of environmental harm.

To date there has been relatively little uptake of the offer of assistance for offsite removal and transport of CCA Treated Timber waste by the NSW Public Works Advisory.

Should residents want further information, there has been a factsheet prepared following the fires.

An electronic copy can be viewed at <https://>



*NSW Public Works Advisory are still offering to assist with the removal of damaged CCA treated timber retaining walls.*

[www.emergency.nsw.gov.au/Documents/factsheet-cca-timber-tathra.pdf](http://www.emergency.nsw.gov.au/Documents/factsheet-cca-timber-tathra.pdf)

## Bemboka community meeting

A community meeting focussed on the Yankees Gap Fire recovery process will be held at the Bemboka Town Hall from 6.00pm on Monday 5 November.

Steve Pascoe, who has 30 years of emergency management experience with the Country Fire Authority and Victorian SES, will address the meeting.

Steve will be joined by the Recovery Support Service staff, RFS representatives, Red Cross representatives and Council's building, waste and environment teams.

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