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Draft flood risk plans on exhibition

The local community is encouraged to provide feedback on the draft Bega and Brogo River Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan.

The project study area comprises the Bega River from Bega to Mogareeka (including Kalaru, Jellat Jellat and parts of Tathra); the Brogo River downstream of Angledale to Bega; and Candelo Creek at the village of Candelo.

The Bega and Brogo River communities have made a significant contribution to the draft study findings during the initial community consultation phase last year and Council is looking forward to continuing the positive momentum.

All community feedback gleaned from the public exhibition period will inform the preparation of the final documents.



- Wednesday, 1 November from 4.30 6.30pm in the Balawarn Room at the Bega Valley Commemorative Civic Centre (Zingel Place Bega).
- Thursday, 2 November from noon 2pm in the Bega Valley Shire Council meeting rooms (Zingel Place Bega).
- Thursday, 2 November from 4.30 6.30pm at Candelo Hall (William Street Candelo).

Submissions regarding the draft report can be made until Sunday, 5 November, via Council's website and the <u>'Have Your Say'</u> page.



Comedian Arj Barker presents 'Organic'

Friday October 27 the Bega Valley Commemorative Civic Centre

Arj is arguably Australia's favourite American comedian. In recent years, he has spent more time in our country than his own and has come to understand our culture perhaps better than we understand it ourselves.

His stand-up is both insightful and pointed, like a mind-reading thumb tack, if there was such a thing.

Doors open 7:30pm, Showtime 8pm, duration 80 minutes no interval. Support act - 15 minutes, Arj Barker -65 minutes.

Tickets available at www.trybooking.com/270173

Standard tickets \$49.90, groups of 10+ \$46.90

Seating: General Admission, Auditorium. (Theatre seating, no reserved seating)

*Organic the show may contain traces of nuts!



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NSW Government's Heritage Grants open

Member for Bega Andrew Constance has advised that the latest round of the NSW Government's heritage funding is now open.

The aim is to fund projects that promote and help put planning in place to protect the state's heritage.

The grants are open to a range of groups such as businesses, councils, community groups, Aboriginal organisations and individuals.

The latest NSW Heritage Grants are available in three streams:

 Aboriginal Heritage grants of up to \$70,000 are available for projects that conserve and promote items of Aboriginal cultural heritage listed on the State Heritage Register or gazetted as an Aboriginal Place.

- Projects which support the promotion, protection and celebration of NSW heritage can apply for grants of \$25,000 to \$50,000.
- Councils can also apply for grants to prepare heritage reports and heritage planning studies.

The NSW Heritage Grants are open for applications until 29 November. Applications can be for both state and locally listed heritage projects. For more information, visit: the Heritage Funding page on the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage website.



Back in the Day

an exhibition of Wallaga Lake community photographs

A unique and extensive collection of over 400 photographs of First Nations people living at Wallaga Lake and Bermagui will be revealed to the wider community on Friday 3 November, 3.30pm at Bermagui Library.

The photographs were all taken by Bermagui based artist and photographer, Penny Jones over a period of nearly thirty years, of the families living on Djiringanj country, part of the Yuin nation.

A selection of photographs have been made into eight large banners which are hanging in the foyer of the Bermagui Community Centre until November 20, before it moves to the other libraries in the Shire.

South East Arts and the Bega Valley Shire Library jointly funded the banners.

It's believed this is the only collection of its kind in New South Wales - an invaluable, multi-generational social history of local First Nations families.

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With the blessing of the community, the library and volunteers have scanned hundreds of photographs, which will be catalogued and made available for people to view online and print out.

Photographer Penny Jones is thrilled to see the photos preserved in the library archive.

A celebration of the collection and exhibition will be held at Bermagui Library on Friday 3rd November at 3.30pm and everyone is welcome. Light refreshments will be provided.

The 'Back in the Day' exhibition will then travel to Bega, Tura Marrang, and Eden libraries over summer.

Commercial Strategy for Merimbula, Pambula, Tura Beach

The community is invited to offer feedback on the Draft Commercial Centres Strategy for Merimbula, Pambula, and Tura Beach.

A review of the 2006 strategy was prompted by interest from large scale, bulky goods retailers keen to expand their business into these communities.

Given the growth these towns and villages have seen over the last 11 years it makes sense to review and update the strategy.

Council's objective is to create prosperous commercial centres that make the most of the economic opportunities that come with growth while ensuring we maintain what people love about living in Merimbula, Pambula and Tura Beach.

The NSW Planning Department also sees merit in developing a new strategy that relates better to their own South East and Tablelands Regional Plan, released earlier this year.

The Draft Strategy includes:

- Planning advice regarding the functions of the Merimbula/Pambula/Tura Beach commercial precincts
- Changes within the retail industry and demand for goods
- Analysis of available commercial land
- Design considerations within these communities

Council is expecting a lot of community interest and input which will be collected and fed back to Councillors before the strategy in finalised.

The Draft Commercial Centres Strategy is available on Council's website in the <u>'Have Your Say'</u> section, submissions close November 22.



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Pambula signage obstructed

Bega Valley Shire Council has alerted local Police following the obstruction of signage at Pambula Beach

New 'No Stopping' signs along Pambula Beach Road, near Lumen Christi Catholic College have been the focus of community discussion, however recent action has caused confusion and renewed safety concerns.

Over the last week, the signs have been covered and uncovered repeatedly. Unknown persons have been covering the signs, with Council officers removing the plastic bags to uphold the advice and decision of the Bega Valley Local Traffic Committee.

The section of Pambula Beach Road adjacent to the school is not and never has been an official set down area or car park. As the signs indicate, stopping in that area at school drop off and pick up times is not permitted.

The Traffic Committee is made up of NSW Police, NSW Roads and Maritime Services, and Council staff, for some time they have been concerned the roadside embankment is too steep and has limited vision when reversing onto Pambula Beach Road.

Council appreciates the change this represents and continues to meet with and discuss long term solutions with the school community – including operational improvements to the internal drop off and pick up zone.

Council will be submitting an application for funding this week for safety improvements in that area under the RMS Active Transport Grants.

Anyone with information about the obstruction of this signage is asked to contact local Police.



Our Coast Our Mission invite you to come and join us on the East Coast Spring Clean Tour!

60 beach cleans in 30 days over 9,000km!

Participation is simple! Get your friends and family together and head down to one of the many clean up sites and help us keep our beautiful coastlines and waterways clean.

If you have ideas or want to get involved in other ways, please feel free to email us or comment on the event.

We look forward to seeing you all on the beach very soon!

- Free admission and kid friendly event.

Facebook links to events:

Eden: https://www.facebook.com/events/137248086855023/

Pambula: https://www.facebook.com/ events/126382471290678/

Bermagui: https://www.facebook.com/

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