

# Bega Valley Shire Council

# village newsletter

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## Recycling numbers

Many residents, when visiting our transfer stations and landfills with their recycling, ask what plastics we can recycle within the Bega Valley Shire. When you look underneath any kind of plastic container/bottle etc you will see the recycle symbol with a number inside it.

Each type of plastic is given a unique number, 1 through to 7.

Transpacific Cleanaway is contracted to collect all our recycling and send it off for processing, so we asked Glenn at Cleanaway for the definitive word on permissible recycling within our Shire.

You CAN recycle any numbers 1 through to 5.

You CANNOT recycle numbers 6 and 7 – these tend to be styrofoam-type plastics, like the trays we often find used for meats, or styrofoam boxes. These types of plastics will have to be put in your red bin for disposal.

If you find you have some 6 or 7 type of plastics, perhaps you could find a way to re-use them, to keep them out of landfill for a bit longer. For example, many child care centres like using well cleaned meat trays for paints and crafts. Styrofoam boxes can make great basic seed raising greenhouses when covered with clear plastic.

## Mogareeka boat ramp

Construction of the Mogareeka boat ramp upgrade project began this week by Sydney specialist marine construction company GPM Pty Ltd. The new double lane boat ramp is located upstream of the existing

pontoon jetty and will be constructed on sleeved steel pile footings supporting precast concrete beams and slabs.

When the boat ramp is completed, Council will enlarge and upgrade the carpark, access road and launching area. Improved lighting and signage is also intended. The old boat ramp will be retained for launching non-powered personal craft such as canoes, kayaks, windsurfers etc.

The project is being jointly funded by Council and Transport for NSW under the NSW Boating Now program. The boat ramp construction will take approximately 10 weeks, and the carpark upgrade and associated works will take approximately six weeks. The existing boat ramp will remain operational throughout the construction period.



*Steel piles being positioned prior to being driven into the river bed to provide footings for the new boat ramp.*

## Jobs with Council

- Media Officer (Temporary). Applications close 5 February.
- Waste Facility Officer (Part Time - Fixed 2 Years). Applications close 16 February.
- Civil Assets Manager. Applications close 29 February.

Full position descriptions and selection criteria can be found on Council's website.

Address the selection criteria and send by email to [recruitment@begavalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:recruitment@begavalley.nsw.gov.au) or post to the address below.

## Doing business with Council

- Council is requesting proposals for refurbishment of the Sapphire Aquatic Centre 25 metre pool. Closing date 10 February at midday.

Tendering information is received through e-tendering: [www.tenderlink.com.au/begavalley](http://www.tenderlink.com.au/begavalley)

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## After school Lab at Bega Library

Bega library has a new after-school club called The Lab, suitable for children with high functioning autism or Asperger's. It allows young people to explore their own technology interests in a safe and neutral environment, supported by mentors.

The club format suits children with high functioning autism or Asperger's but membership is open to any interested child or teen who needs help socialising or who would like to take their technology skills to a new level.

The after-school club can help young people develop their social and communication skills as they connect with each other through shared technology interests. Technology interests may include gaming, creating games, coding, computer programming and design or online media. Participants are asked to bring their own device to The Lab but this is not compulsory.

For more information contact Scott Baker on 6499 2172, email [sbaker@begavalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sbaker@begavalley.nsw.gov.au) or Monika Ryan on 0404 798 368, email [monikaryanbega@gmail.com](mailto:monikaryanbega@gmail.com). Alternatively, befriend the Bega Valley Autism Lab on Facebook.

## Never miss your bin day again

Would you like to know when your rubbish bin is collected and if it's your recycling or green waste week; be reminded to put your bin out; find out what to put in what bin; and be advised of household chemical cleanout days etc? Perhaps a waste

app for your smartphone is needed!

Please let Council know your thoughts on a waste app by taking a quick poll at the Have Your Say section of our website from 8 to 19 February. Never miss your bin day again.

## GPS surveys

Council is currently undertaking a GPS survey of water, sewer and drainage assets that may exist in people's backyards in the localities of Berrambool, Mirador, Pambula, South Pambula and Pambula Beach.

Council staff require clear access to any structures and, where practical, animals should be restrained. Residents should receive a letter advising them of the project and can be contacted for further information.

The team is also capturing assets along the Bega-Yellow Pinch and the Yellow Pinch to Pambula water trunk mains. They need to access people's properties where the trunk main runs through private property.

Contact Council's Asset Management Co-ordinator, Gary Louie, on 6499 2222 for further information.

## Towamba road works

Road widening works on Towamba Road are underway and will continue until Thursday 11 February. The works will be from the top of Towamba Mountain at Ben Boyd Road intersection heading west towards Towamba to the Snake Track intersection. No access will be permitted from 9am to 3.30pm, Monday 8 February to Thursday 11 February. Detour via Burragate, Wyndham to Mt Darragh Road will be available during these times.

## Lifejacket van visits

The 'Old4New' van will be in the Shire this weekend as part of a Transport NSW program to change the perception that lifejackets are cumbersome and get in the way out on the water.

The campaign van will be at these locations: Saturday 6 February, 6am to 9am at the Eden Wharf, Quarantine Road and 2pm to 5pm at the Pambula Lake near the Boat Club. On Sunday 7 February, 6am to 9am at the Merimbula boat ramp, Arthur Caine Drive and 2pm and 5pm at the Kianinny Bay Boat Ramp.

Next weekend, on Saturday 13 February, the van will be at Mogareeka boat ramp from 6am to 9am and at Bermagui harbour ramp in Lamont Street from 2pm to 5pm.

For further information on the lifejacket promotional vehicle, visit [lifejacketwearit.com.au](http://lifejacketwearit.com.au)

## Public meeting in Bemboka

Bemboka residents and others interested persons are invited to the public hearing for the reclassification of the former Bemboka Community Health Centre land from 'community land' to 'operational land' to enable the property to be sold, with proceeds to go to existing local community facilities and programs.

The public hearing will be held in the Bemboka Memorial Hall on the corner of Loftus Street (Snowy Mountains Highway) and Adams Street from 6pm to 8pm on Monday 22 February. For more information phone Sophie Thomson from Council's Planning Services section on 6499 2246.

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