

Bega Valley Shire Council village newsletter

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National Volunteers Week

We are celebrating selflessness and community spirit during National Volunteer Week that kicks off on Monday 11 May.

Now in its 27th year, the theme this year is 'Give Happy, Live Happy', because giving a little time for the wellbeing of the community can be an immensely rewarding experience.

Volunteers Week recognises the valuable assistance made by local people who donate their time for no return.

It's safe to say that volunteers do not expect any reward for assisting the community but it's important to acknowledge their contributions and achievements.

Residents have a strong community focus and long history of volunteerism and Council enjoys the skills and knowledge of about 350 volunteers, including in the Regional Gallery, cemeteries, library services, sports grounds and through our hall committees.

If you are interested in volunteering for Bega Valley Shire Council please contact Volunteering trainee Bronty Burhop on 6499 2263 or volunteers@begavalley.nsw.gov.au

Biggest Morning Tea with a difference

For the cost of gold coin donation you can raise funds for the NSW Cancer Council and at the same time promote World No Tobacco Day. Bega High School and TAFE NSW will supply the cakes, biscuits, slices and lots more for the morning tea in Bega's Littleton

Gardens on Thursday 28 May, from 10am to noon. Council is hosting this event so if you would like to attend phone Amanda McKenna on 0408 278 969 or email mailto:amckenna@begavalley.nsw.gov.au

Power upgrade at Bemboka

"Essential Energy advises that it has begun upgrading the electricity distribution network in Bemboka to ensure the long-term reliability of the local power supply.

Crews will be working on the low voltage network along the Snowy Mountains Highway from Loftus Street to Adams Street over the coming weeks and to minimise the impact on customers, they will use specialised 'live line' crews, who are trained to work on the electricity network while it's still energised, for the majority of the project.

"However, a small number of localised power supply interruptions will be required to allow crews to safely complete the work.

As work on the upgrade proceeds, the community may notice an increase in heavy vehicles in the area, with changes to local traffic arrangements necessary to allow the project to be completed safely.

Curalo pathway info

A steady stream of people dropped into the Eden Log Cabin last week to hear the latest on the Lake Curalo shared pathway project. The information session was held to inform the community of the last steps towards completion of the four km scenic trail.

Positions Vacant

Coordinator Customer and Library Services. We are seeking a person to play a key role in delivering the recently developed library strategic plan and fulfilling Council's customer service charter. Applications close Monday 11 May at 5pm.

Manager Children, Families and Ageing. We are seeking a person to manage these program areas and identify other opportunities. Applications close Monday 11 May at 5pm.

Employee Support Services Coordinator. We are seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to manage, improve and assist with our Employee Support Services function. Applications close on 20 May at 5pm.

Water and Sewerage Services - Merimbula team member. We are seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to join the Merimbula Water and Sewerage Services team. Applications close 15 May at 4.30pm.

Storage Services Coordinator. We are seeking a dynamic person with a demonstrated knowledge of storage services. 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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Council's Manager of Leisure and Recreation Services, John Grady, said the information session was well attended by a mix of local people and community groups with an interest in the Lake Curalo pathway.

He was really pleased with the local interest in this pathway which shows that people and community groups in Eden are keen to be among the first to enjoy this great local asset.

When complete it will provide more than four km of accessible trails through some unique and environmentally valuable areas. More than three km of track is completed as the result of Council and community partnerships spanning the past 10 years.

The areas completed include long runs of raised board walk, raised viewing platforms overlooking the lake, access to amenities, links to the Eden Whale Trail, and parking at Aslings Beach, Barclay Street sports ground, and the Eden Scout Hall.

The final km of path that links the northern Eden Cove subdivision section to the southern section requires careful consideration of the sensitive wetland environment.

Sub surface investigations for engineering designs have been conducted and several longer span bridges to cross creek lines are required along with an easement over a section of private property.

A lot of background work on these issues has been going on over the past six to 12 months and we expect this

phase will be completed in the next few weeks and have contractors on site within a few months so that construction of the pathway should be completed by late August 2015.

Odd angry shot

If you are an old movie buff and fancy a good night out you should consider attending a screening of "The Odd Angry Shot" with special question and answer session by film critic, Simon Weaving in discussion with actor Frankie J. Holden and costume designer Anna Senior who both worked on the film.

The program will begin at 6pm on Thursday, 21 May in the Bega Valley Shire chamber in Zingel Place, Bega. Then enjoy a screening of "The Odd Angry Shot".

The story concerns a corps of Australian elite soldiers - the Special Air Service troops and the elite group's more pragmatic and hopeful attitudes whiling away the time in mindless diversions and cracking jokes.

Then one of their own is killed and their feelings about the war suddenly change. The screening of the "The Odd Angry Shot" is in association with the Regional Gallery's current exhibition, Shaun Gladwell's "Portraits from Afghanistan" and, like Shaun, film producer Tom Jeffrey said: "Our intention was to show how the men survived in that environment".

So, you will get a lively Q&A session, a film and a delicious supper with a glass of wine and all for \$20 for guests or \$15 for Friends of the BVRG members.

Bookings are essential, go to <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/myevent?eid=16707928865>

Public exhibition

Draft Clean Air Procedure

Council's draft Clean Air Procedure is on exhibition until 3 June. Copies of the draft procedure are available for viewing in Council's offices in Zingel Place, Bega, and at branch libraries as well as on the website. If you would like to provide any feedback or comment, your submission can be sent to Bega Valley Shire Council, PO Box 492 Bega 2550 or by email to council@begavalley.nsw.gov.au

Tenders

Quarry products and road making materials

Bega Valley Shire Council is seeking tenders from suitably qualified and experienced suppliers wishing to register as part of Council's goods and services panel for the supply of quarry products and road making materials. Tenders close at noon on 27 May.

Demolition, civil construction and landscaping

Bega Valley Shire Council) is seeking tenders from suitably qualified and experienced companies for the demolition, civil construction and landscaping of Imlay Street, Eden. Tenders close at noon on 3 June. All Council tendering information and tenders are received through the e-tendering portal at www.tenderlink.com.au/begavalley

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