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TOWARDS 2042 – HAVE YOUR SAY

Thanks to everyone who came out for our Towards 2042 Community Workshops over the last four weeks.

In Adelong, Batlow, Khancoban, Talbingo, Tumut, and Tumbarumba, we heard about what makes our region a great place to live now and the main challenges that our region faces.

Ideas from other areas that could work well here were discussed, as were the services and projects the council should be prioritising or lobbying other levels of government for.

Each workshop finished with the key things you would like to see achieved in your community in the next 10 years.



Pictured: Community Workshop in Talbingo

LAST CHANCE TO TAKE THE SURVEY



Our T2042 survey closes on Friday 22 March. Your inspiring ideas are our future.

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COUNCILLOR COLUMN – CR JULIA HAM

Snowy Valleys Council is proud of its children's services.

Tumut and Adelong are well served by community-based preschools. Batlow has a community-based long day care centre and Tumut is serviced by high quality privately managed long day care centres.

In the Southern part of the Snowy Valleys, Council manages Carcoola Children's Centre - a long day care centre, Puggles Children's Services Van - a mobile long day care service, Tumboosh - before and after school care, and Khancoban Preschool. Council is dedicated to making sure that all the families and children across the Snowy Valleys have access to early childhood education and care.

During 2024, a new community-based preschool is being built in Tumbarumba to provide preschool education, and to support the existing services which are now at capacity. The new preschool is the 'Tumbarumba Start Strong Preschool'. The build is enabled by a \$1.9M grant from the NSW Dept of Education. Fundraising to support this initiative has started with generous donations from the Pratt Foundation, Vinnies, and Bendigo Bank. The Council has been supportive by providing land. The preschool will not be managed by SVC.

There is a shortage of Early Childhood Educators. The shortage is so critical that, at this time, Khancoban Preschool is closed, and Council is advertising widely for a Degree or Diploma trained educator to run the preschool. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please highly recommend the position. The Khancoban community would welcome you and help with accommodation. The Khancoban community is hoping to have the preschool back and running for term 2.

Children need Early Education and Care Services to learn how to learn, play and socialise. Families need services to be able to work and to have support raising a young family. I am very proud and grateful to all the Early Childhood Educators throughout the entire Snowy Valleys Council. Your work really does make a difference.

Fanny
Lumsden with
the local
Khancoban
community and
preschoolers.



PARK UPGRADE CELEBRATIONS

Everyone is invited to join Councillors and special guests at Tumut's Rotary Pioneer Park on Tuesday 26 March and Tumbarumba's Goldfields Park on Wednesday 27 March for plaque unveilings and cake-cutting in celebration of the recent park upgrades. All Welcome!

Tumut Rotary Pioneer Park Official Ceremony

- Tuesday 26 March
- 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Tumbarumba Goldfields Park Official Ceremony

- Wednesday 27 March
- 4.00pm – 5.00pm
- Free BBQ by Cycle Tumbarumba



New nature play area at Goldfields Park

New playground equipment at Rotary Pioneer Park



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S WEEK DINNER

We were thrilled to host sixty-five guests at Courabyra Wines in celebration of International Women's Week last Friday.

Our two guest speakers Kristina Kaminski from Hyne Timber and Gabrielle Curtin from Snowy Hydro inspired the audience with their personal and professional stories.

Guests enjoyed a delicious three-course meal and were treated to musical entertainment from local musician Andrew Wortes.

Council ran buses from Adelong, Tumut, Batlow, Khancoban, and Tumbarumba to ensure everyone could have a safe night out.



REPLACEMENT OF BRUNGLE CREEK BRIDGE #3

Construction has commenced this week to replace the aging timber, single lane bridge on Wee Jasper Rd, between Brungle Creek Rd and Red Hill Rd.

The new structure will be a dual lane concrete bridge comprising steel beams and safety barriers.

This infrastructure upgrade aims to enhance road safety and efficiency by doubling the capacity limit, benefiting all road users. Notably, the bridge lies on the popular tourist route from Tumut to Wee Jasper.

Temporary road closures will be in effect during construction.

Funded by the NSW Government's Fixing Local Bridges Fund, the project is slated for completion by June 2024, weather permitting.



SNOWY VALLEYS CAREERS EXPO

The Snowy Valleys Careers Expo is on Wednesday 20 March in Tumut.

We are excited to be hosting students and teachers from Tumut High School, Macauley Catholic College, Gundagai High School, Tumbarumba High School and Batlow High School.

They will have the chance to engage with over 40 local exhibitors about career opportunities and practical activities to help them make informed decisions on their career path upon completion of high school.

Snowy Valleys Careers Expo

Wednesday
20 March 2024
10am to 2pm

Valmar Building, Tumut

A chance for school leavers, parents and job seekers to engage with businesses in our community and learn about the career options available in our region.

