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## BLOOM FESTIVAL

On Saturday, 26 October, from 5pm to 10pm, Elm Drive Tumut will come alive with interactive light displays, live performances, creative installations, cultural activities, and a variety of local food and beverage options.



### Festival Highlights Include:

- **Crazy Big Theremin:** Step into a mesmerising sea of light, smoke, and sound with this interactive installation.
- **Snowy Valleys Sculpture Trail Art Installation:** Join sculpture artist Robyn Veneer-Sweeney and local students as they bring creative visions to life using mostly recycled and repurposed materials.
- **Giant Interactive Lanterns:** Discover stunning custom animal lanterns blending traditional lantern design, sculpture, and illustration.
- **Lantern-Making Workshops:** Children and families can craft their own lanterns to hang from nearby trees, lighting up the night with joy and colour.

Funded by the NSW Government and hosted by Council in partnership with Business Snowy Valleys.

## POOL SEASON STARTS THIS WEEKEND

This Saturday 12 October:

- Tumut pool opens to the general public and after-hour cardholders
- Adelong pool opens to after-hours cardholders

Other pools will open progressively over the next few months.

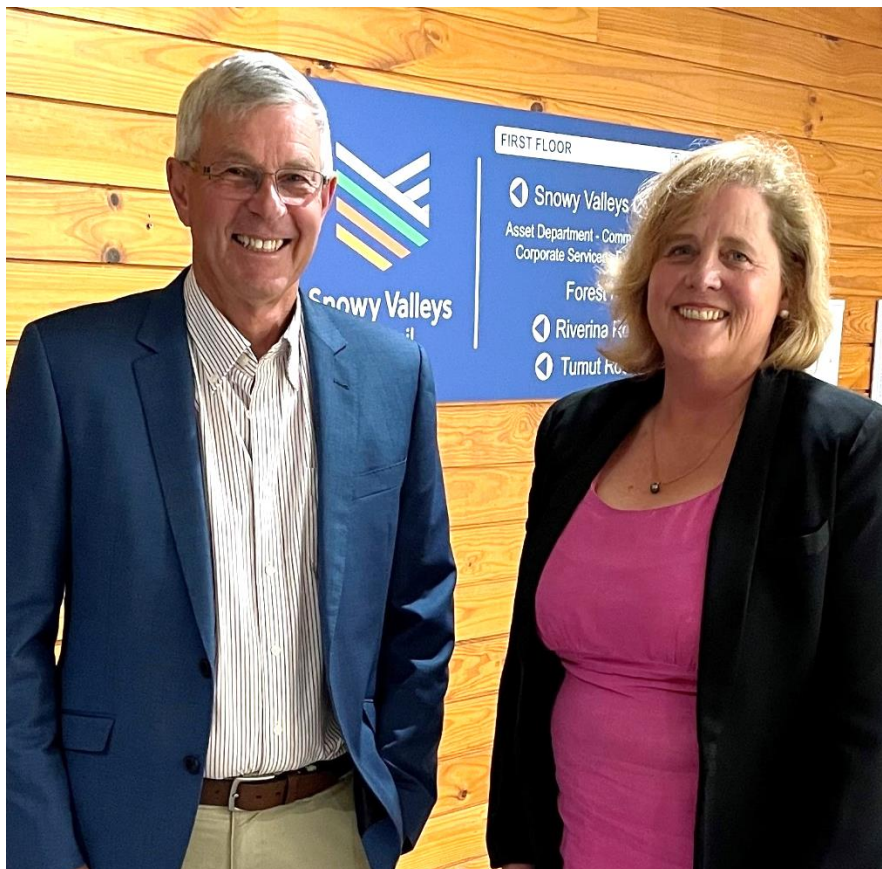


Season Pool Passes and After-Hours Cards are now available to purchase. Download the application form from our website.

## NEW MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

Congratulations to our new Mayor Cr Julia Ham and Deputy Mayor Cr Hugh Packard who were elected at the October Extraordinary Meeting held on Thursday 10 October.

Mayor Ham addressed the council after her election acknowledging past Mayor's contributions and saying the council is a team who will engage with the community and who will make it work.



The first Ordinary Meeting of the new council will be held on Thursday 17 October starting at 2pm. The meeting agenda and business papers can be viewed on our website.



## CELEBRATE LOCAL HEROS

Do you know someone who goes above and beyond for their community?

Nominate them today for an Australia Day Award!

Volunteer Groups from across the Snowy Valleys will host individual Australia Day Town Ceremonies on 26 January 2025 where town-specific Australia Day Awards will be presented.

To assist the volunteer groups, Council is collecting nominations on their behalf. The host groups will then select their award winners.

Categories are:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Sportsperson of the Year
- Environmental Citizen of the Year
- Special - Service to the Community



## NEW PUBLIC EV CHARGING STATIONS SET TO BOOST TOURISM

Snowy Valleys is getting ten new public EV charging stations making the Snowy Valleys a welcoming destination for electric vehicle owners.

Thanks to a partnership between Council and Snowy Hydro, these chargers will soon be up and running in Adelong, Khancoban, Talbingo, Tumbarumba, and Tumut.

Each location will have two 22kW dual-port chargers with dedicated parking spots, making it easier for EV drivers to recharge while exploring local shops and attractions.

The new charging infrastructure will be installed on Council managed land in Tumut – RHB Carpark, Adelong – Golden Gully Park, Talbingo – Shopping Centre Carpark, Tumbarumba – Union Lane Carpark, and Khancoban – Shopping Centre Carpark. Works are scheduled to start soon.

## SAFETY BARRIER WORKS

We have been upgrading the end terminals and raising the height of the guardrail in places on Broadleaf Park Road between Rosewood and the Taradale Road intersection.

Part of safety improvement works funded under the regional roads funding.



## COFFEE WITH A COP IN KHANCOBAN

From 9am to 11am on Friday 18 October 2024 at the Pickled Parrot Providore, our road safety team and local Police Officers will be on hand dispensing free coffee and chatting about all things road conditions and safety.

