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ROAD WORKS

Our busy roadwork season is in full swing.

Crews are currently working on rehabilitation works to a 350m section of the Tumut Plains Road. Resealing works in Boundary St and Merivale St, Tumut, and Elizabeth Drive Batlow will get underway soon. These works are all funded under the Australian Government Roads to Recovery Program.




Other rehabilitation, heavy patch, resheet and reseal works recently completed under this program include:


- Ramsey Road, Tumbarumba - Rehabilitation works to a 950m section of road
- Camden Park Road, Tumbarumba - Rehabilitation works to a 300m section of road
- Coppabella Road, Rosewood – Heavy patch
- West Gilmore Road, Gilmore – Reseal
- Munderoo Ournie Road, Ournie – Reseal
- Brungle Road, Brungle – Reseal
- Mayday Road, Batlow – Reseal
- Dalhunny Sreet, Tumut – Reseal
- River Road, Tumut – Resheet

POOLS REOPEN FOR HOT WEEKEND

All SVC pools will reopen this weekend to help people beat the heat!

Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 March.

 Adelong & Tumut – 12pm to 6pm

 Batlow, Khancoban & Tumbarumba – 12pm to 6:30pm

Batlow Pool will stay open until 23 March to make up for its unexpected January closure.



COUNCILLOR COLUMN – CR JAMES HAYES

It's Showtime in the Snowy Valleys, with Tumut and Adelong done and dusted and Tumbarumba and Batlow shows soon on the calendar.

It was wonderful to attend the Adelong show with the popular quickshear and dog high jump. The dogs and the horses were resplendent, and the poultry continues to impress. Inside the pavilion there was fierce competition for prizes, congratulations to all entrants and of course the winners.

I was fortunate to catch up with Michael McCormack who attended the show with his wife Catherine. Michael took the time to talk with residents about current issues causing concern. There was a good crowd, with the children enjoying the fine weather and free rides. The Adelong Show Committee puts on a wonderful show, I am in awe of their enthusiasm and success.



This Thursday Councillors will have their first input into the 25/26 budget during a Councillor workshop this should provide for robust discussion.

The extended dry has given some an opportunity to spend time combating weeds, I notice many yellowing blackberry bushes as I drive the roads, this is good to see.

I am, however worried by the proliferation of some of the newer weeds such as African Lovegrass, Johnsons grass, Chilean Needle grass and heliotrope. We need to be vigilant and aware of all invasive species and act accordingly. Meantime, we wait for the Autumn break to fortify dams and pastures and encourage farmers and graziers.

VISITOR INFORMATION HUB OPPORTUNITY

Local businesses are invited to express interest in integrating Visitor Information Hubs within their establishments, offering a fresh and dynamic approach to how tourists access information while exploring the region.



This exciting initiative aims to extend the reach of Visitor Information services beyond traditional centres, embedding them within complementary businesses such as gift shops, co-ops, provedores, and art galleries. concrete path was constructed during the January school holidays, ready for the new school year.

Participating businesses will also benefit from increased foot traffic, longer dwell times, and greater engagement with potential customers.

Council will provide support including:

- Staff training to ensure confidence in assisting visitors
- Comprehensive promotional materials to guide tourists effectively
- Ongoing support and resources to maintain a high-quality visitor experience

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KHANCOBAN LONG LUNCH

Khancoban is set to come alive on Saturday, 29th March 2025, when the highly anticipated Khancoban Long Lunch event returns to the town. Held at the local Community Hall, the event promises an afternoon filled with fine food, live music, and a warm community atmosphere.

Organised by the Khancoban United Volunteer Association (KUVA) and Council and proudly supported by the NSW Government, this event is an opportunity to experience the best of Khancoban in a relaxed and welcoming setting. Tickets: www.svc.nsw.gov.au/events



CELEBRATING SENIORS

Our Libraries are hosting a range of free events and workshops during March to celebrate seniors.

The week kicks off on Tuesday, 18 March, with a Book Chat and afternoon tea at the Tumbarumba Library from 1pm. The following day, Tumut Library will host Brain Games and Trivia from 10:30am, including a free morning tea for attendees.

On Monday, 24 March the Tumut Library will also host a special Watercolour Class. Bookings are essential for this event due to limited places.

There will also be Grandparents Storytime sessions and drop-in Library e-resource days.

More info at www.svc.nsw.gov.au/events

Meet old friends or make new ones and experience the joy of being together, sharing a laugh or trying something new.



ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

We currently have a range of documents on exhibition, seeking community feedback.

- Draft Complaints Management Policy
- Draft SVC Information Guide 2025
- Draft Privacy Management Plan
- Draft Statement of Business Ethics
- Draft Richmond Park & Stockwell Gardens Plan of Management

Visit www.svc.nsw.gov.au/have-your-say

The Development Application for the Multipurpose and Evacuation Centre is also out on public exhibition via the NSW Planning Portal. Interested community members can view the documentation and make a submission relating to the application.

More info at www.svc.nsw.gov.au/MEC