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ANZAC DAY – APRIL 25TH

Whether it's attending a dawn service or observing a local march, there are plenty of ways to commemorate ANZAC Day in the Snowy Valleys this year.

Adelong:

- 9.15am - Service at Grahamstown/Shepherdstown Memorial
- 10.45am - March to Memorial Park
- 11.00am - Wreath laying and combined service

Batlow:

- 6.00am - Dawn service at the Cenotaph Memorial Park
- 10.30am - March from Pioneer Street to Cenotaph followed by main service

Talbingo:

- 6.30am - Dawn Service at Miles Franklin Memorial Park

Tumbarumba:

- 6.00am - Dawn service at the Cenotaph Memorial Park on Winton St
- 10.30am - March along The Parade to Selwyn Street and return to Cenotaph
- 11.00am - Service at the Cenotaph Memorial Park

Tumut:

- 6.00am - Dawn service at the Cenotaph Richmond Park
- 10.30am - March from Tumut Fire Station to Richmond Park
- 10.40am - Service held at the Cenotaph Richmond Park



YOUTH COUNCIL FAIR A HIT

Our Youth Council threw a very successful Fair on Sunday 13 April in honour of this year's Youth Week.

Hundreds of kids and their families joined in the free fun on offer including cupcake decorating, paper plane competitions, pool noodle battles, battle armor making, try a sport sessions with Tumut & District Hockey and beep test challenges with Little Athletics. All-in-all it was a fun day out with lots of positive feedback.



COUNCILLOR COLUMN – CR DAVID SHELDON

After becoming a Councillor I quickly realised how much was actually involved, not even the induction program fully drilled down to the roles, responsibilities and legislative understandings that are required to fully take on board what the journey would be over next 4 years.

I can be thankful that I can be a sponge and read everything in front of me, question and research so I can make informed decisions for the short and long term benefit of the region.

Realising after induction that far more knowledge was required, I enrolled in a 4 day Executive Certificate Course through the Office of Local Government to gain further insights and understanding to the role and responsibilities of a Councillor. Talk about a steep learning curve, and like all gluttons for punishment, I have enrolled in two more courses - Planning and Finance - to drill further down, gain more knowledge, and understand the importance of research. so informed decisions can be made for the benefit of our communities.

Planning and Finances are complex; however, this is where Council can develop economically and socially. We don't wish to become a financially strapped Council, we can make a difference, perhaps take an alternate journey, like putting low-cost housing and other initiatives forward (partnering), "blue sky thinking".

As we face heady waters re our finances, Council's Community Engagement Strategy is vitally important for you, our community, to come on board and play an integral role in the decision making process, i.e. how do we increase attendance at our swimming pools to lower the running costs, not simply raise entrance fees?

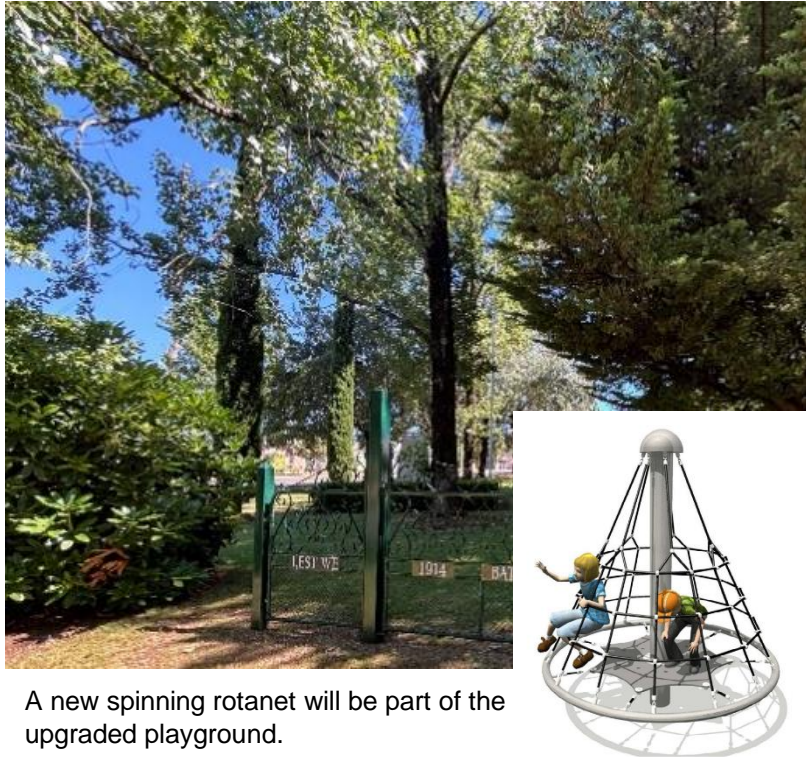
Over the coming year Council needs to review a number our services and we need you onboard. Our households are evolving, Australia is evolving, and your Council needs to evolve to keep pace, so join us on the journey and have your say.

PLAYGROUND UPGRADE COMING SOON TO BATLOW MEMORIAL PARK

Work is starting later this month to upgrade the Memorial Park playground and surrounding area.

We're expanding the play space and adding a brand-new spinning Rotanet for even more fun. The entire area will get fresh soft-fall surfacing, new edging and brand new shelters with table settings — perfect for family picnics and catch-ups at the park.

The project is funded by a grant from the NSW Government's Local Small Commitments Allocation (LSCA) Program and a contribution from Council's capital budget.



LAND SALE - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Council is seeking public EOIs from suitable persons who can make a commercially acceptable offer to develop Lot 1 DP 1163661 on Copper Street, Tumut, for its "Highest and Best Use".

The 8608m² site is located in a prime development location at the intersection of Copper Street and the Snowy Mountains Highway.



Closing Date is 5pm Monday 26 May 2025 submissions via tenderlink.com/snowyvalleys

OUT FOR ADVENTURE CAMPAIGN

Council collaborated with the City of Wagga Wagga and Toms Outdoors on an 'Out For Adventure' online campaign in the lead up to Easter featuring the Yarrangobilly area.

The family outdoor micro-adventure campaign included Facebook posts, Instagram reels and full videos on Visit Wagga Wagga and Tom's Outdoors YouTube channels, where SVC and Visit Snowy Valleys were tagged.

The City of Wagga Wagga also collaborated with other regional shires on their 'Out for Adventure' series including Greater Hume Council, Cootamundra Gundagai Regional Council, Coolamon Shire Council and Lockhart Shire Council.



DEALING WITH EUROPEAN WASPS

Have you noticed more European wasps buzzing around lately?

Their peak season is here (Feb–April), and they're attracted to sweet drinks, meat, insects, and even pet food.



If you spot a nest on your property, don't try to remove it yourself. Contact a licensed pest control expert for safe removal.

If it's on Council land, call us on 1300 275 782 or lodge a request online: www.svc.nsw.gov.au/request