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WATER RESTRICTIONS



Level 1 water restrictions apply to all residential, commercial, and industrial properties due to worsening drought conditions. While our water supply is still sufficient, early action helps ensure long-term availability.

- Use sprinklers only between 5pm–10am
- Water gardens anytime only with a handheld hose & trigger nozzle or a bucket
- Wash cars on grass with a trigger nozzle or at a commercial car wash

www.svc.nsw.gov.au/water-restrictions

SAY NO TO PLASTIC BAGS

The only bags to use with your FOGO bin are Council issued caddy liners.

Get your roll via the SVC Waste App



CUPPA WITH A COUNCILLOR



Drop in for an informal chat with Councillors about local issues that matter to you.

Upcoming dates:

- Thursday 12 June – Old Council Chambers, Tumbarumba 10am – 11am
- Thursday 10 July – Health Centre, Brungle 10am – 11am

Check out all the dates and venues on our website: svc.nsw.gov.au/cuppa

COUNCILLOR COLUMN – MAYOR JULIA HAM

Snowy Valleys Council's main industries are agriculture and forestry. For these industries to thrive, they need water. Rain is needed. Farmers are in trouble.

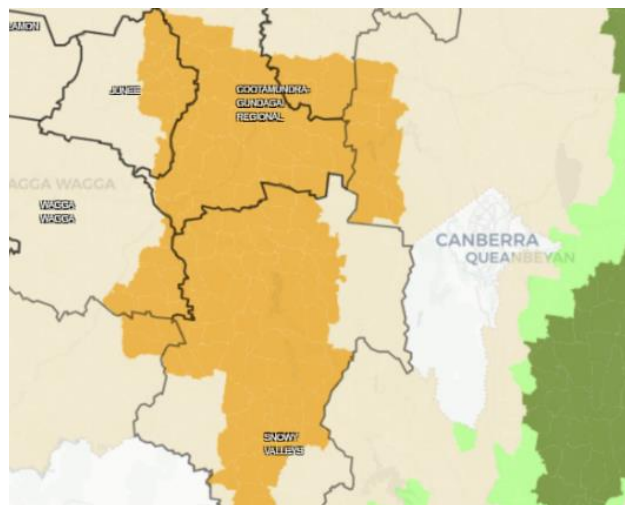
The recent rain has made a small change, and we hope for more.

Looking over the border to the Drought in Victoria and South Australia underlines the urgency to get good practical systems and supports in place to support all farmers.

Drought is a slow and insidious disaster. Unlike floods, hurricanes, or fires, the federal government is not acknowledging drought as a natural disaster.

The Australian government views drought as distinct from other natural disasters and manages them differently.

The philosophy is that droughts are considered a normal part of Australia's climate, and the federal government's focus is on managing the risk associated with them rather than providing emergency disaster relief.



I would like to challenge this policy. While floods and fires are now part of the Australian norm, our farmers need disaster relief for drought.

A natural disaster is when you have no control over what is occurring in your region. Managing risk is not always possible, and if it were, it would be done. There is no control over when it rains.

We need to advocate to the federal Minister for Agriculture, Hon Julie Collins MP, for disaster funding for the people producing food and fibre, our farmers!

https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/climate_applications/interactive-drought-map

OFF SEASON POOL UPGRADES

We're making good use of the off-season to carry out vital maintenance works and upgrades at our pools.

In Tumbarumba, a new disability access ramp is being installed in the 25-metre pool. The ramp will provide safer and easier access for all pool users.

Chemical dosing systems are also being upgraded at all pools

These projects are funded through the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program, with the Adelong chlorine dosing upgrade funded through Council's general maintenance budget.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Southern Region Planning Panel (SRPP) will hold a public meeting in Tumut on Wednesday, 11 June, to consider Council's Multipurpose and Evacuation Centre Development Application. Those interested in speaking or listening to the meeting must register before 4pm on Monday, 9 June.



<https://forms.office.com/r/EqTGUScvSW>

BLAZE AID – GIVE A FARMER A BREAK PROGRAM

Blazeaid has created a platform to support farmers facing drought by matching them with essential assistance.

Farmers in need of support, whether for volunteer assistance, holiday respite through Give a Farmer a Break, donations of supplies or equipment, or agistment opportunities for livestock, can register via the link below:

<https://giveafarmerabreak.com/>



CHILDREN'S WRITING COMPETITION

To celebrate Library and Information Week, all Snowy Valley's children aged 6 - 12 are invited to write a short story and enter to win some great prizes.

Each entry must include the key phrase 'Of course, the Library!' and be no more than 500 words long.

Children's author Katrina Roe, author of the picture book *Lily's Balloon*, will judge the entries.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning entry and runner-up in two age groups, 6-8 and 9-12, with honourable mentions receiving a certificate.

Entry forms and more information are available at all libraries, outreach services, mobile library and online.

Entries close on Friday, 18th of July.

svc.nsw.gov.au/Local-Events/Libraries-Writing-Competition



TIMED PARKING RE-INTRODUCED IN TUMBARUMBA

New 2-hour parking signs have been installed in Tumbarumba's main street to increase vehicle turnover, ensure appropriate parking availability, enhance trading opportunities, and improve traffic and pedestrian safety within the town centre.

Drivers will have an initial soft landing with courtesy notices being issued during June to help with community education, before parking fines begin.

