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Corryong Health staff are undergoing regular testing.

## Taking all precautions

Although the Upper Murray is being heavily impacted by Stage 3 Covid-19 restrictions and the NSW border closure, it does remain coronavirus free and Corryong Health is determined to keep it that way.

More than 300 people have been tested for the virus at the health service

since the first week of May with no positive cases being recorded.

"To maintain a well resourced and skilled workforce, Corryong Health is also swab-testing and risk screening its health workers, including general practitioners, who live in Melbourne and travel to Corryong,"

said CEO, Dominic Sandilands.

"This testing occurs every time they arrive back in Corryong to ensure the safety of staff and community members."

Corryong Health conducted 10 tests last week and overall, 118 staff tests have been conducted.

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# Berringama gets a mobile boost

People living and travelling through the Upper Murray will have better phone service after a new mobile base station has been turned on.

The macro cell base station near the Murray Valley Highway-Lucyvale Road intersection will significantly improve phone service in the Berringama area.

Nationals Senate Leader, Bridget McKenzie, was pleased local residents now have better service in more locations in the rugged Upper Murray.

“The poor service in parts of the Upper Murray around Shelley, Cudgewa, Colac Colac and the like was a key issue highlighted during the summer’s devastating bushfires and we are listening and delivering for North East Victoria,” Senator McKenzie said.

“The new mobile base station was completed by Telstra and will provide new 3G and 4G mobile coverage to farmland and roads in the Berringama district of Towong Shire.”

Telstra regional general manager, Loretta

Willaton, said the new site would improve upon its existing coverage throughout the Murray Valley and north east.

“Switching on this new mobile site removes a notorious black spot at Berringama, bringing dedicated mobile coverage to this area for the first time,” Ms Willaton said.

“The new mobile site will boost coverage at Berringama and along the Murray Valley Highway between Shelley and Corryong.”

It will provide new 3G and 4G mobile coverage to 19 premises in the valley, an area that previously had poor to no coverage. In addition, more than 25 square kilometres of surrounding area, predominantly farmland, is expected to receive new mobile coverage including the southern part of the valley, including Lucyvale. We know just how important communications are in the event of an emergency and last summer’s bushfires showed us just how critical it is in the event of an emergency,”



Ms Willaton said. “The Upper Murray and areas around the north east are challenging areas to deliver mobile coverage owing to their terrain and topography however we’re committed to delivering vital infrastructure and boosting connectivity through this area.”

## Ask for help if you’re not coping

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Mr Sandilands also said that the Upper Murray has experienced unprecedented events this year which can impact on the coping ability of members of the community.

“At Corryong Health we encourage anyone who is struggling to cope with the impact of the disasters we have experienced, to seek support,” he said.

“There are several options available to you including our own mental health team, who can understand and relate to the issues you are facing.”

Phone Corryong Health on 02 6076 3200 for an appointment with a GP or a counsellor.

More support:-

- 24/7 mental health line for the North East and Border Mental Health team - 1300 104 211.
- Beyond Blue: 1300 224 636.
- Standby (after suicide support) - 0439 173 310.
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# Upper Murray Community Recovery

Weekly Recovery Update - 13 August 2020

## Walwa Hub Open

From this week, Local Area Recovery Officer, Kaye Nankervis will be at the Walwa Bush Nursing Centre every Wednesday for 12 weeks. Kaye will be available between 10am – 3pm to anyone with questions about bushfire recovery, for advice about grants, information about support agencies, or just for a chat.

Call in to see her or if you can't get to the Centre during those times, call Kaye on 0436 445 187.

## Royal Commission Wants to Hear From You

Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements is calling for Stage 2 submissions to hear how the bushfires affected you.

What worked well in the delivery of emergency relief and recovery activities during the first 6 months? What didn't work as well as you would have expected or preferred? Your suggestions for improvement?

For further information and to read the full Community Update visit [www.igem.vic.gov.au](http://www.igem.vic.gov.au).



The milking stops for no-one, so Peter Nankervis' dairy proved the ideal spot to catch up with his Colac Colac neighbours recently. Local Area Recovery Officer, Tony Irwin joined them there for a yarn about the fires and recovery. **Image (left to right):** Peter Nankervis, Nicole Faithfull, Len Schintler, Peter Humphrey and Tony Irwin.

# Recovery Deemed Essential

It's official - COVID-19 restrictions will not stop Community Recovery Committees from meeting.

Corryong Police have confirmed that 'Relief and Recovery team' meetings can go ahead with up to 20 people in public halls.

Everyone attending must wear masks and abide by social distancing rules, and unfortunately people cannot mill around before or after

the meeting.

There was initial confusion, especially in areas with meetings this week. Local Area Recovery Officers will be in touch to reschedule and bring meetings back on track.

## Grant Writing Workshops

FREE grant writing workshops are being held online from next Tuesday, run by Federal

MP Dr Helen Haines.

Four identical workshops between August 18 – September 15 are designed to teach the tips and tricks of writing successful applications. In the 2.5 hour session you will learn how to prepare a grant application and how it's decided which projects are funded.

The workshops are all on Zoom and run by Dr Haines and an expert grant adviser with more

than 30 years' experience as a grant seeker, grant maker and helping others find grants.

They are designed for anyone who wants to upskill and doesn't want to waste time writing grant applications that go nowhere.

To register, go to [helenhaines.org/resources/grants](http://helenhaines.org/resources/grants)

## Upper Murray Community Recovery Hub:

Call 1800 518 222 or email [recovery@towong.vic.gov.au](mailto:recovery@towong.vic.gov.au). While the Recovery Hub is currently closed to drop-in visits, recovery work continues remotely.

## Bushfire Recovery Victoria:

Call 1800 560 760  
Email [connect@brv.vic.gov.au](mailto:connect@brv.vic.gov.au)







# We're extending financial support

The Australian Government is extending JobKeeper until 28 March 2021 and the temporary Coronavirus Supplement for those on income support until 31 December 2020, after which income support will continue.

For JobKeeper and the temporary Coronavirus Supplement there will be some changes to payments and eligibility to support businesses and households who need it most.

For information on how these changes affect you, visit [Australia.gov.au](https://australia.gov.au)



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## Powerline fire risk reduced

The Victorian government is continuing to improve community resilience against bushfires through the Powerline Bushfire Safety Program, which is reducing the risk of fires started by high voltage electricity lines across the state by up to 60 per cent. The Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, Lily D'Ambrosio, has announced \$7 million for the nation leading safety program, ensuring Victorian's will continue to be protected by the latest and best technology.

"Last summer alone, 33 potentially catastrophic bushfire starts were avoided thanks to the program," she said

"Victoria's entire 30,000 kilometre single wire earth return network is now protected by automatic circuit re-closers to stop fires from starting, helping deliver a greater than 32 per cent reduction in relative powerline bushfire risk across the state's electricity network.

The funding also includes a new \$5 million to replace bare-wire private overhead powerlines in Victoria's highest-risk bushfires areas.

The Private Overhead Electric Line (POEL) Scheme will open on 15 September to eligible residents across bushfire-affected areas.

"We're building community resilience and safety as we face the impact of climate change and see hotter summers with longer bushfire seasons," Ms D'Ambrosio said.

"We're continuing to invest in the development of new technologies that will help keep Victorians safe."



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\$2850 can make all the difference. Border Steam and Oil Engine Club members know how much, writing a successful application for a federal grant to install a 33,000-litre water tank on its Leneva property.

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More than 1000 firefighters will be ready for this coming season.

# Fire defence to be strengthened

Recruitment is underway for new Project Firefighters (PFFs) who want to play a key role in keeping their communities safe this upcoming bushfire season.

Forest Fire Management Victoria (FFMV) Deputy Chief Fire Officer, Aaron Kennedy, said "Now more than ever, people understand how vital our project firefighters are in protecting their communities and the environment."

"We're looking for people from all walks of life and backgrounds to join over the summer season to help us with bushfire prevention and suppression in our region's parks and forests."

"There are approximately 20 positions available in the Hume Region for general firefighters and fire support officers. A number of positions have also been identified for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people."

"Project firefighters are on the frontline fighting bushfires, conducting planned burns, managing roadside vegetation, maintaining access to fire trails and roads, and supporting other emergency work," Mr Kennedy said.

"No two days are the same, and this is a great opportunity to learn new skills and be part of a diverse and inclusive team that helps protect the community."

"Successful recruits

receive comprehensive training and get the opportunity to work with experienced personnel from a range of fire management agencies. Many past PFFs have gone on to rewarding careers in permanent roles within the department."

Project Firefighters are based at more than 80 locations throughout the state, adding to the existing workforce of 300 firefighters currently on three-year contracts.

"Once recruitment is

complete, we will have more than 1000 frontline forest firefighters trained and ready for this coming season," Mr Kennedy said.

Employment is full-time for a period of up to 26 weeks, generally starting between November and April.

Applications for Project Firefighters close on Monday 23 August.

For further information and to apply visit [www.ffm.vic.gov.au](http://www.ffm.vic.gov.au) or call 136 186.

## New grants foster long term recovery

Victorian councils and community service organisations will share in up to \$7.5 million in grants to support community recovery, redevelopment and prepare for the future after the devastating 2019/20 Victorian bushfires.

Charities, not-for-profits and other local community service providers across Victoria - as well as 18 local government authorities including Towong Shire and four Alpine resorts - will be eligible to apply for the Bushfire Recovery Grants for Local Government Authorities and Community Service Organisations.

"The grants recognise the important role that these key partners play in Victoria's long-term bushfire recovery journey, with grants of up to \$500,000 on offer," said Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Lisa Neville.

"Councils, local community organisations and charities are our partners in bushfire recovery. They're working hard and if they have projects and activities in the works that will help them do their job, then these grants can make them happen."

Initiatives that can be supported include economic development programs, local business skill and capacity-building, a community recovery officer to boost local service delivery and recovery services for groups such as the elderly or multicultural communities. Activities that build resilience for future disasters will also be supported.

The grants program is part of the \$35 million Community Recovery and Resilience Grants Initiative jointly funded by the Victorian and Commonwealth governments. The \$7.5 million allocated for the grants will be administered by Bushfire Recovery Victoria.

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# Border change doesn’t fix the problem

An extension of the border zone by the NSW government to include previously excluded towns such as Tallangatta and Cudgewa, has proved to be a false dawn for communities all along the Murray River.

Following representations from 12 councils on both sides of the border including Towong Shire, it was expected that the NSW government would change the boundaries of the ‘border bubble’.

Instead, the government created a new ‘border region’ which means critical service workers only can now work without needing to quarantine for 14 days.

Victorian towns previously excluded from the ‘bubble’ including Tallangatta, Cudgewa and Rutherglen have been included in the border region but Beechworth and Yackandandah remain excluded.

Towong mayor, Cr David Wortmann, said “Council will continue to advocate for the border zone to be extended further to include more of our community”.

“The ABS has reported a decrease of 2.6-5.0 per cent in the number of jobs in our region between March and July 2020. The longer border restrictions continue, the more this impact will deepen.”



Towong mayor, Cr David Wortmann, said council would pursue an easing of border restrictions.

Member for Northern Victoria, Tania Maxwell, has taken up the issue in Parliament, labelling the border restrictions as unfair.

She tabled a Constituency Question and Members Statement in Parliament last week, relating to the border closure and impacts on border communities.

“The staggering decision to close the border is unfounded and is untenable for residents who need to cross daily to attend work, thus causing havoc for border residents, many of them already under enormous stress,”

she said.

“The NSW government needs to start listening to our border communities and I have asked the Regional Development Minister what the Victorian government is doing to protect workers in border communities.

“It is a terribly frustrating situation that border residents are denied access to work as a result of the border restrictions, yet it is apparently acceptable for some people to leave Melbourne without checking, from coronavirus hotspots and to flock into our regional areas.”

In her Members Statement, Ms Maxwell noted that centres like Wodonga and Albury and many other border towns did not need to be divided into latter-day versions of East and West Berlin.

“Many of the communities impacted had no active cases and the harsh restrictions on residents unable to attend their daily work served no purpose other than to add copious stress and would have a detrimental effect on the mental health and financial stability of border residents.” The new border region came into effect on Monday.

## Letter to the Editor:-



### Pandemic has ongoing impacts

A return to Stage 3 restrictions for all of regional Victoria delivers another blow to many families and businesses.

I appreciate that there is no manual for these times and the government is under continued pressure, however regional residents are increasingly exasperated and feeling they are paying the price for the inappropriate actions of metropolitan Melbourne.

I have spoken with business operators across the region over the last few weeks who have repeatedly refused service to people travelling from hotspots, so it is perhaps inevitable that a return to stage 3 restrictions has come.

Reports that more than 800 people who were supposed to be self-isolating were not home when doorknocked add to this frustration, if not pure outrage.

For some businesses, already on the brink, the restrictions will hit hard and may push them past the point of no return. For many families, it is return to juggling working from home (if indeed you still have a job) with schooling of young children.

I continue to be concerned about the ongoing psychological and financial impacts that restrictions are having on people already stretched by the challenges of the last five months, especially on the back of summer bushfires.

I welcome the state

government’s Business Support Fund, with additional grants of \$5,000 for businesses that are required to close and I will continue to push for further supports, including for mental health.

If the State of Disaster is to be effective, the government needs to ensure compliance of stage 4 restrictions in metropolitan Melbourne and self-isolations. Our communities are well versed at working to support each other and will continue to do so, while we stay home and hope that these restrictions deliver what is needed to enable our businesses to re-open and get our children back to school.

**Tania Maxwell MP, Member for Northern Victoria.**



## Towong Shire Council postal election

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### You must be enrolled to vote

A general election will be held for Towong Shire Council in October 2020. To be able to vote in the election, you must be enrolled by the close of roll at 4 pm on Friday 28 August 2020. Two categories of voters can be enrolled to vote in the Towong Shire Council election: State-enrolled voters and Council-enrolled voters.

#### State-enrolled voters

##### Am I enrolled to vote?

You are automatically enrolled for this election if:

- you will be 18 years of age or over on Saturday 24 October 2020 AND
- you live in Towong Shire AND
- you are on the State electoral roll for your current address.

##### You need to enrol if:

- you are an Australian citizen aged 18 or over on Saturday 24 October 2020 AND
- you live in Towong Shire and you are not on the State electoral roll OR
- you have lived at your current residential address within Towong Shire for at least a month and have not yet updated your enrolment details, including any changes to your postal address.

##### How do I enrol?

You can enrol online at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au)

You can also download an enrolment form from the website.

All enrolment applications must be received by the Victorian Electoral Commission by the close of roll at 4 pm on Friday 28 August 2020.

##### How can I check my State enrolment?

You can check your enrolment details online at [vec.vic.gov.au](http://vec.vic.gov.au) at any time, or call 1300 805 478.

#### Council-enrolled voters

##### Am I enrolled to vote?

To be a Council-enrolled voter, you must be:

- 18 years of age or over on Saturday 24 October 2020 AND
- not a State-enrolled voter within Towong Shire.

You are automatically enrolled for this election if you were enrolled as a non-resident owner at the most recent election for your local area. This includes any by-elections held since the last general election.

If your circumstances have changed since the most recent election and you are no longer a non-resident owner of that property, you will not be automatically enrolled for this election. Depending on your circumstances, you may still be eligible to apply to be enrolled as a Council-enrolled voter.

##### Who else can enrol & vote?

You may also apply to enrol if:

- you have purchased a rateable property in Towong Shire since the last election or by-election and you are not automatically enrolled OR
- you are not an Australian citizen and you live in, and pay rates for, a property within Towong Shire OR
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- you are a director or company secretary of a corporation that pays rates to Towong Shire Council and you have no other voting entitlement within Towong Shire.

#### How do I apply to be a Council-enrolled voter?

If you meet any of the mentioned criteria and wish to enrol, contact Towong Shire Council on (02) 6071 5100 for a council enrolment form. Council enrolment forms must be received by the Council by the close of roll at 4 pm on Friday 28 August 2020.

##### How can I check if I am Council-enrolled?

You can check your enrolment details by contacting the Council on (02) 6071 5100.

#### Thinking about standing for election?

Candidate requirements have recently changed. To nominate as a candidate for Towong Shire Council, you must:

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## Enrolment closes 4 pm Friday 28 August

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Authorised by W. Gately, AM, Electoral Commissioner, 530 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria.

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Gravel racers will welcome a new event at Mitta.

# Gravel bandits hit the trail

Towong Shire Council has been successful in securing two grants under the Australian government's Regional Tourism Bushfire Recovery (RTBR) grant program to host two new cycling events.

A grant of \$20,000 will support 'The Mitta Valley Gravel Grinder' which is intended to meet the growing demand for gravel racing, leveraging on the wealth of quiet and scenic roads throughout the Mitta Valley. The event will pass farm gates, authentic pubs, breweries and the pristine countryside.

It will start and finish in the heart of Mitta Mitta

and cover a distance of 55kms.

The funding will be used to contract a partner to assist with delivering the event for a minimum of three years, as well as developing a brand and marketing.

Towong mayor, Cr David Wortmann, said that the event will make a significant contribution towards assisting the Mitta Valley to recover from the summer's bushfires and the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The Mitta Valley tourism industry is highly reliant on tourists travelling the Omeo Highway which was closed in early November

2019 following the ignition of the bushfires in neighbouring Gippsland," he said.

"In addition, businesses are still experiencing decreased traffic due to COVID-19 restrictions.

"This event will showcase the uniqueness of the Mitta Valley as a prime gravel riding destination, encouraging return visitation to the region and working to stimulate the local economy," Cr Wortmann said.

"The first event will be held at a future date when it is safe to do so."

The second grant of \$10,000 will be used

to establish the Upper Murray Victorian Open Road Series Stage - a newly created regional cycling event that will run over two days. The grant will assist in the establishment of the event, identified as a future major drawcard for the region.

"Council continues to advocate for future opportunities to help our tourism industry recover from the summer's bushfires and COVID-19," Cr Wortmann said.

The grants program is part of a \$76 million tourism bushfire recovery package to protect jobs, small businesses and local economies.

Senator Jane Hume, said "This is another component of the Morrison government's support for the bushfire affected Upper Murray.

"We know Towong Shire suffered an economic loss in excess of \$36 million during the summer's bushfires, without accounting for the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"These grants will support the establishment of new and varied events, bringing tourists to our great region and rebuilding the local economy - keeping businesses in business and locals in jobs" Senator Hume said.

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## Relief arrives for kinder parents

All kindergarten in Victoria will be free for Term 3 and children will be supported to learn from home thanks to a relief package to support early childhood services through the pandemic from the Victorian government.

Minister for Education, James Merlino, has announced an extension to the

free sessional kinder support and a further \$1.6 million in grants, which will be available via the Australian-first School Readiness Funding program for kindergartens to help deliver early childhood education to children learning at home.

Kinders can use the extra funding to access a range of online programs

containing high-quality play-based learning activities for parents to do with their children at home.

This funding will be available to services that are not yet receiving funding through the \$160 million School Readiness Funding initiative and already able to access these supports.

Early childhood care and education services

in regional and rural Victoria can continue to operate as normal under Stage 3 restrictions, with appropriate safety measures in place.

The government will increase funding for sessional kinder services across regional and rural Victoria, meaning parents across the state will be able to send their children to kindergarten for free during Term 3.

### Kindergarten gets a warming gift

Corryong Kindergarten children were among the first to receive one of 492 quilts donated to the Upper Murray community.

The quilts were lovingly stitched by women across Australia who reached out to the community after the January bushfires.

The quilt project was co-ordinated by Jan McFadyen from Oz Comfort Quilts.



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# Enrol now to have your say

The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) is preparing to deliver safe elections during the extraordinary circumstances of the coronavirus pandemic, with all eligible Towong residents and ratepayers encouraged to check they are enrolled by 4 pm on Friday 28 August to be able to vote in the local council elections across Victoria this October.

Electoral Commissioner, Warwick Gately, said the Towong Shire Council election will be conducted by post “a safe and completely secret method of voting.”

He has issued a call to Towong residents and ratepayers to be ready to have their say.

“Make sure you’re enrolled correctly by the close of roll on 28 August and, as this is a postal election, it’s important to check your address details are correct, including any alternative postal address,” said Mr Gately.

Voting in local council elections is compulsory.

“If you’re an Australian citizen and you’ve recently turned 18 or moved and haven’t enrolled or updated your address or if you’ve just closed your post office box with Australia Post, you can enrol or update your details online at [vec.vic.gov.au/enrolment](http://vec.vic.gov.au/enrolment).”

Non-resident owners who were enrolled at the most recent election (including any by-elections) for Towong Shire Council will be automatically enrolled.

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# New measures protect cancer patients

Innovative high-tech scanners funded by the Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre Trust Fund are helping to protect cancer patients, carers and healthcare staff in Albury during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Two digital thermal scanners have been purchased using \$6630 in community funds for the entrances of the Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre and Albury Hospital emergency department.

The non-contact scanners provide for fast and accurate temperature readings while allowing for social distancing.

Trust Fund chair, Michelle Hensel, said the new equipment would help reduce the risk of transmission at a time when coronavirus cases were on the rise.

"It's so important for cancer patients and their carers to feel safe

when entering our health facilities, as they are among the most vulnerable in our community in this pandemic," she said.

"These scanners provide rapid temperature testing to help detect active infection, in particular COVID-19.

"Being able to produce fast, accurate temperature readings has reduced queue times to enter the cancer centre, and improved the ability for people to social distance.

"It has also reduced the risk to staff through improved social distancing during the screening process."

Clinical Director of Cancer Services at Albury Wodonga Health, Dr Craig Underhill, said the organisation was "incredibly grateful" for the donation.

"Our hospitals and facilities remain a safe place for people to receive vital health care and these

scanners are another important tool in our fight against COVID-19," he said.

"It's going to make COVID screening quicker for those requiring emergency care at the Albury emergency department, and for cancer patients and carers accessing the cancer centre for treatment."

Part of the money used to fund the scanners was raised by Karen Denham, of Albury and her Sydney-based sister-in-law Nerilee Thompson, with the help of the Holbrook community.

Mrs Denham and Mrs Thompson formed Mawson's Vision, which successfully raised more than \$11,500 for the cancer centre over four years by selling knitted goods.

Their best seller during that time was a knitted rabbit with a full set of clothing, which was sent to buyers all over Australia



Trust Fund chair, Michelle Hensel, tests out the new scanner.

and overseas.

Mawson's Vision received a large amount of help from the community of Holbrook, where Mrs Denham worked, by way of wool donations, sales and assistance with knitting.

Mrs Denham and Mrs Thompson have decided to retire the project with a final donation of almost \$4000 in June used to

purchase the scanners.

"We're so grateful to Karen and Nerilee, and everyone who assisted in raising that funding so we can make a genuine difference to cancer patients in our region," Mrs Hensel said.

The remaining cost was sourced from general donations to the Albury Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre Trust Fund.

## The turnoff near the Old Tallangatta lookout will be improved.



## Dangerous turnoff to be upgraded

The Australian government has announced it will invest \$239,000 to remedy a blind intersection on the Murray Valley Highway under its 2020-21 Black Spot Program.

Government representative for Indi, Senator Jane Hume, said community input was critical to identifying key black spots in the electorate.

"The Murray Valley Highway is a critical roadway, with hundreds travelling it every day to get to work, school and to visit our remarkable high country," she said.

"During the devastating bushfires this year the Murray Valley Highway proved a pivotal link between Tallangatta and the fire grounds.

"This grant will see the installation of flashing warning signs (side road activated) and the upgrade of curve warning signage and intersection warning signage at the blind intersection of Lake Road and Murray Valley Highway at Old Tallangatta.

"None of these projects would be delivered without the community's vital input and I encourage all residents and motorists in the region to nominate projects for future funding rounds."

Deputy Prime Minister, Michael McCormack, said Victoria would receive \$38.7 million under the program's 2020-21

funding round.

"This major investment is part of our commitment to building safer roads right across the nation," Mr McCormack said.

"The high-priority locations we are funding have seen a total of nine fatal crashes and a further 521 causing injuries recorded over the past five years."



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# Farmer resources will be expanded

The Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) has announced an expansion in its workplace health and safety services as the recipient of the \$3 million dollar 'Making our Farms Safer' grant from the Victorian government.

The initiative aims to improve on-farm health and safety and will allow the VFF to employ two Farm Safety Officers, develop online tools and boost access to information and resources aimed at protecting not only Victorian farmers but everyone in the farm environment.

VFF President, David Jochinke, said the health and safety of everyone on farms must always be the top priority with workers, families and farmers all exposed to the dangers present on farms.

"Safety on farms is

paramount, because it concerns the wellbeing of our workers, families and ourselves," he said.

"The agricultural sector is one of the most dangerous workplaces in Victoria, not just for farmers but everyone present on the farm.

"As a father, there can be no bigger priority in a parent's life than the health and well-being of your child. It's incredibly tragic that children under the age of 15 make up more than 15 per cent of preventable death and injuries on farms," Mr Jochinke said.

Chief Executive Officer, Stephen Sheridan, said the VFF has been lobbying and working with the government to address the farm sector's higher than average workplace accident rates and commends the initiative.



"The VFF believes that developing and providing an industry led farm safety service is a far more effective way to achieve on-farm practice change," he said.

"The VFF is not a regulator but is a farmer-led organisation that understands the real health and safety issues facing farmers, and the need to help provide a means to manage and reduce the inherent health and safety

risks, rather than simply focus on compliance.

"We already provide expert workplace relations services and it is a natural extension to integrate this with on-farm health and safety tools and services.

"The VFF will be employing Farm Safety Officers to work directly with farmers to help identify potential safety issues and introduce best practice safety processes to help safeguard workers,

families and farmers on the farm.

"We are also commencing development of an online platform of tools and information to complement our existing workplace relations offer for farmers," Mr Sheridan said.

The VFF will provide further information on how farmers can access the 'Making our Farms Safer' resources as and when they become available.

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# Quilty throws a curve ball

With community resistance building towards the imposition of Stage 3 Covid-19 restrictions in regional Victoria and the NSW border closure, Liberal Democrats Member for Northern Victoria, Tim Quilty, has come up with a left field solution - calling for regional Victoria to be separated from Melbourne.

Given the number of new cases being announced daily and with border closures still splitting communities and causing traffic delays, Mr Quilty says now is the time to start having a conversation about secession.

"It's always been clear that the cities and the regions are entirely distinct, with their own characteristics and their own needs," he said.

"This coronavirus crisis has underlined just how different the two are and that each deserves its own government and leadership structure."

Mr Quilty said that while the idea of regional exit - 'Rexit' - started as just a way to illustrate how regional Victoria is suffering under city-centric government policies, it's become increasingly clear it is a compelling idea.

"The sacrifice of the border region on the altar of metropolitan votes is proof the regions need to

form their own state," he said.

"As the destruction from border restrictions takes a daily toll, it is increasingly clear that residents on both sides of the river are expendable.

"This is a burning example of how little we all matter to the city-based governments and I urge all voters to remember how we have been abandoned when it comes to voting time.

"Melbourne and Sydney have all but spelled it out to us - we don't matter to them.

"The border restrictions are destroying communities and yet the NSW government is unrelenting and unapologetic in its drive to win votes from Sydney residents.

"Premier Berejiklian is doing all she can to be seen to protect them and to hell with residents in southern NSW who depend on the border community for their health, their livelihood or their vital services."

Mr Quilty said his idea of Rexit - the creation of a new state from Southern NSW and Northern Vic - is gaining increased attention during the border closure.

"I have had many people tell me what a good idea it is, to be able to live under a government which understands regional Australia," Mr Quilty said.

"So many people have



Tim Quilty with Sandi Grieve and Melinda Short at the Walwa Bush Nursing Centre after the bushfires.

already realised that city governments don't care about their needs, and this Covid-19 theatre is only making it clearer.

"City-based politicians have incentives to screw the regions and this is resulting in the destruction of smaller towns and the ongoing migration to the cities - making a bad situation worse.

"Our voices are becoming smaller, with 75 per cent of voters living in Greater Melbourne.

"The only way for regional residents to be heard once more is to have a redrawing of the map of Australia, with new states where the government is by the regions, for the regions.

"Let big city governments do what they need to for their own people and give regional state governments the opportunity to focus on what is important to the regions," he added.

"If this were the case now, we would not be seeing the destruction of border communities, we would not see the strangling of rural economies and we would not witness the suffering of everyday Australians who are just trying to get by.

"The border closures have highlighted the similarities between communities on either side of the Murray - we are at heart the same.

"My vision is that we would unify Northern Victoria with Southern NSW and create a new state of Murray where the needs of the region are front and centre.

"The time is ripe for a second Federation, a birth of new states freeing those who have been left behind from the tyranny of the city.

"The big city governments can do what they need to do for city residents, whereas the new regional state governments can focus on making informed decisions backed by real-life experience and - perhaps most important of all - a love of country living."

## Get top tips on tapping into funding

Do you have a great idea for a project you want to get off the ground or does your community group need a little extra funding to bring that idea to life?

To learn how to access the range of recovery funding that is available Member for Indi, Helen Haines, is running a series of free online grants workshops, designed to teach you the tips and tricks of writing successful applications.

The two and half hour workshops will cover

where to find grants, how to prepare for grant success, what a grant application looks like, how grant writers decide which projects get funded and how to acquit your grant project successfully.

The schedule is:-

• Workshop # 1: Tuesday, August 18, 2:00 - 4:30pm;

• Workshop # 2: Saturday, August 22, 10:00am - 12:30pm;

• Workshop # 3: Tuesday, September 8, 10:00am - 12:30pm; and

• Workshop # 4, Tuesday, September 15,

6:00 - 8:30pm.

"All workshops will take place online and be run by myself and an expert grant adviser with more than 30 years' experience," Dr Haines said.

"The same content will be covered in each session, so you can pick a time that works best for you.

"These workshops are designed for individuals, businesses and community organisations who want to upskill and don't want to waste their time writing grant applications that go nowhere. Everyone is welcome to attend."

## Remember our veterans in passing

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions it will not be possible for the Corryong RSL to hold a Long Tan (Vietnam Veterans) remembrance service this year.

Branch president, Peter Purss, is asking community members to pause and reflect on the sacrifices made by those veterans as you pass the cenotaph in the Memorial Gardens on that day - August 18th.

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### Long Tan Day (Vietnam Veterans Day) Tuesday 18th August, 2020

Due to the Covid-19 restrictions it will not be possible to hold a Remembrance Service this year.

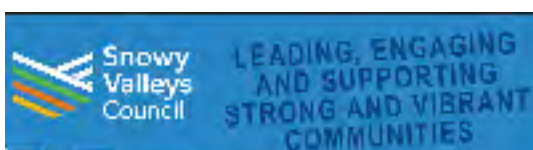
As you pass the Cenotaph in the Memorial Gardens on that day, please pause and reflect on the sacrifice made and gift given to us by those who served during that war.

May those who have passed rest in peace.

We will remember them. Lest we forget.

Peter Purss,  
President Corryong RSL Sub-Branch

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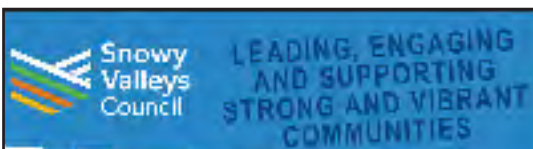


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### Tender - Heavy Plant and Equipment Hire - Panel of Preferred Suppliers.

Snowy Valley Council invites tenders for the provision of Plant and Equipment Hire, with or without an operator, on a Standing Offer Agreement.

The panel of preferred suppliers agreement will run for a 3-year period commencing 1st October, 2020.

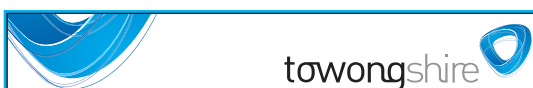
Interested contractors are encouraged to submit a tender to participate in Council's Panel of Preferred Suppliers for plant and equipment hire.

The tender documents (03/2020) are available for download from the Tenderlink website: [www.tenderlink.com/snowyvalleys](http://www.tenderlink.com/snowyvalleys)

Council is not bound to accept the lowest and/or any tender.

**Matthew Hyde CEO**

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### Expressions of Interest Corryong and Tallangatta Pools

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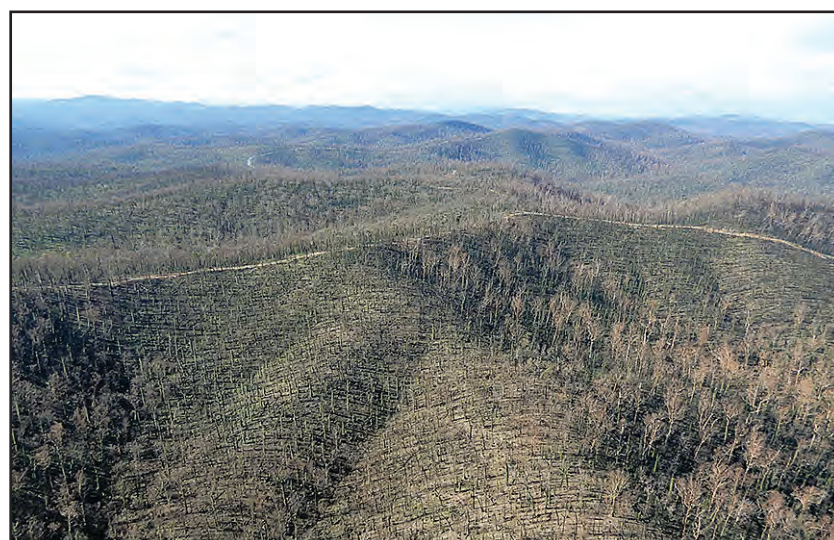
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## Signs are promising for wildlife recovery

Native wildlife and unique flora severely impacted by the 2019-20 summer bushfires are being protected from a subsequent threat from feral animals, through a Parks Victoria conservation program.

Since June this year, Parks Victoria has been running a feral animal control program using aerial shooting, as part of the Victorian government's biodiversity bushfire response. This is a continuation of the post-fire emergency aerial shooting operation which began in February 2020.

To-date more than 2,000 feral animals have been removed from high biodiversity-value locations across eastern Victoria. The program has been targeting pest predators (foxes and feral cats) and introduced herbivores (deer, goats, and feral pigs). Feral horse control is not part of the program.

"Targeting feral animals at specific environmentally significant locations reduces damage to habitat and predator risk for vulnerable native species, giving them a greater chance of survival and recovery after the bushfires," said Phil Pegler, Manager

Conservation Planning and Programs, Parks Victoria

"Aerial shooting is an appropriate, effective and humane method of control across large areas that are inaccessible due to fire damage. Only highly qualified pilots and shooters are used to deliver the operation.

"We're really pleased that the aerial shooting operation is providing much-needed relief to Victoria's fire-impacted environments and native wildlife - helping habitats and species to recover from these major fires.

"Burnt areas of bush and the native wildlife that live in them need all the help they can get. It's critical after major fires that we support natural recovery any way we can, to knock down the heavy grazing and predation caused by animals not native to the Australian bush, such as deer, foxes and feral pigs.

"This program has given real protection to some of our most special wild places and wildlife."

"Though the program hasn't yet concluded, there have been some promising results with one target animal removed every two-minutes of flight time and helicopter crews reporting an increase

in wallaby, kangaroo, wombat and native bird sightings within target areas."

The feral animal control program is part of a broader threat management program co-led by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) and Parks Victoria, to reduce the impact of feral animals and weeds in fire-affected areas. The program is being delivered by DELWP, Parks Victoria, Traditional Owners, catchment management authorities, Trust for Nature, Landcare and others.

Delivery agencies are ensuring all activities comply with requirements set out by the Department of Health and Human Services regarding hygiene and physical distancing. The threat management program is part of the Bushfire Biodiversity Response and Recovery program, supported by a \$17.5 million funding package from the Victorian Government. Further information on the Bushfire Biodiversity Response and Recovery program can be found at the DELWP website <https://www.wildlife.vic.gov.au/home/biodiversity-bushfire-response-and-recovery>.

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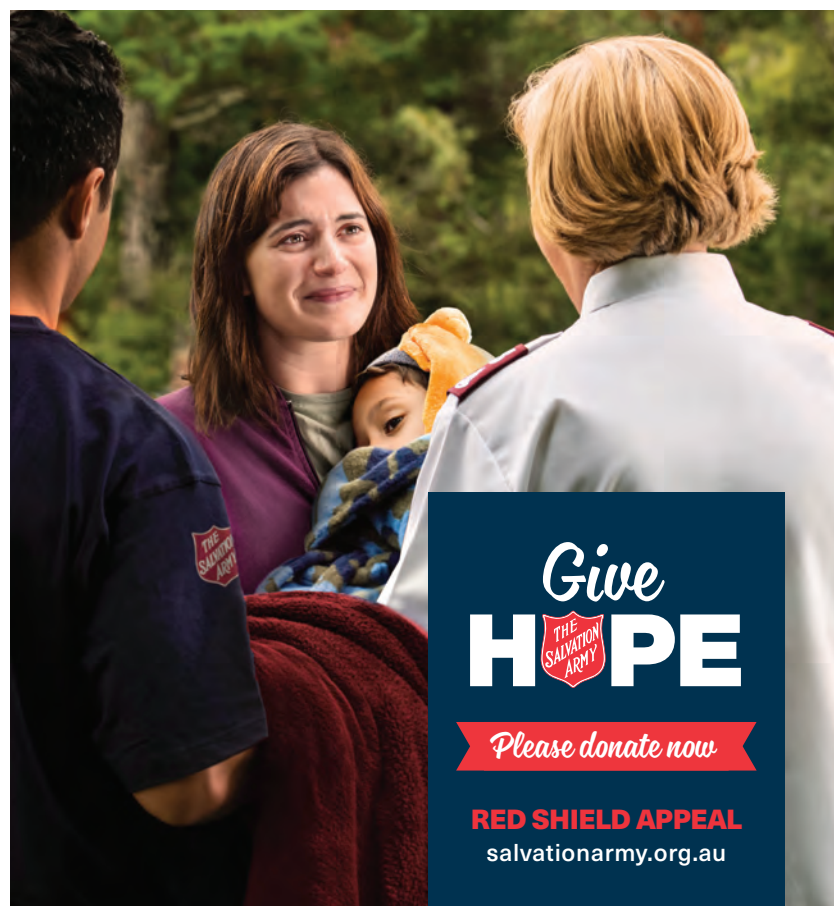
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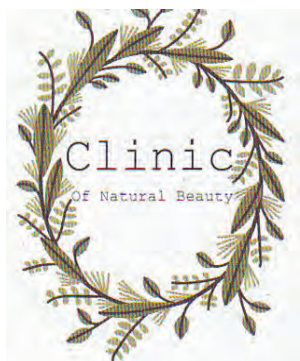
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**Paull & Scollard****Upper Murray Sport****Now is the time to be informed**

With the Upper Murray working party into the local football and netball competition preparing to make a presentation to the league clubs on Monday evening, AFL North East Border (NEB) region general manager, John O'Donohue, said the community now needs to be informed so that decisions can be made.

"Throughout the recent discussions surrounding the feasibility and viability of the Upper Murray Football Netball League (UMFNL) or the alternate option of a new club being formed, it has been reiterated that the direction to be taken must be owned by the Upper Murray communities," he said.

"To ensure informed decisions are made, it is imperative that those communities are receiving the relevant

communications."

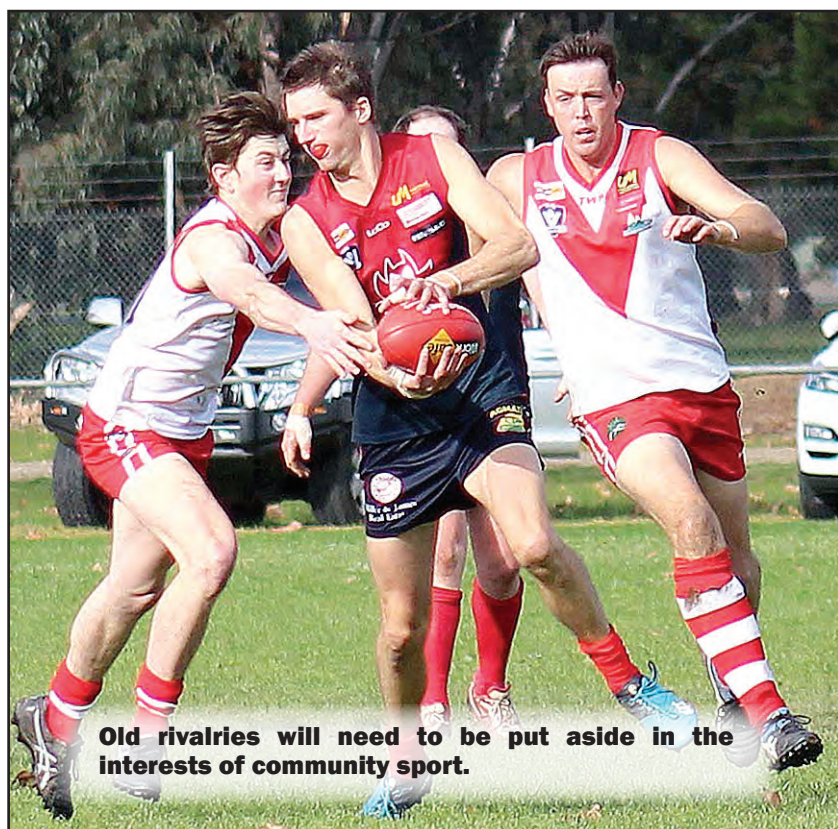
Over the past six weeks, the working party has been preparing a model for a new Upper Murray club which, if deemed the most appropriate option to sustain football and netball in the Upper Murray, would make application to join the neighbouring Tallangatta league.

"While such decisions are fuelled with emotion, it is necessary that the communities are presented with the options, understand the rationale and the consequences of each option and then make informed decisions which will have a legacy either way," Mr O'Donohue said.

In acknowledging the emotional elements, he said that the commitment and dedication of the Upper Murray communities to football and netball is exceptional and will need to be maintained into the future.

"Everyone is feeling the effects of what 2020 has presented, non more than the Upper Murray and re-booting community sport at a participation and social level will require significant commitment and collaboration.

"Provided the highest priority remains the sustainability of opportunities in the area, we should be confident that the most appropriate decisions will be reached."



**Old rivalries will need to be put aside in the interests of community sport.**

The working party will initially present a detailed proposal and comparison of the available options to the UMFNL clubs via an online meeting on Monday night, before using technology and other media and social media platforms to inform the broader community.

"It is expected that following Monday night's meeting, public discussion and debate will occur which, when conducted respectfully as is expected, will be a positive sign of

community engagement," Mr O'Donohue said.

"With further consultation continuing with the Tallangatta league, a meeting will be scheduled again where Upper Murray clubs may present motions for the consideration of the league.

"Historically, when using other similar examples as evidence, these scenarios can take many twist and turns prior to the ultimate decision-making process being

completed.

"While we have timeframes in mind, it is important that the discussions be allowed to occur and at an appropriate time, a direction will be established in the best interests of football and netball in the Upper Murray.

"When the opportunity presents, we encourage the community to be informed of all the facts relevant to what is a major junction in the history of the Upper Murray league."

**Court makeover progresses**

Despite the impact of coronavirus, upgrades to the Cudgewa netball courts are continuing.

In May 2019, Towong Council, on behalf of the Cudgewa Football Netball

Club, was successful in securing a \$200,000 grant from SportsAustralia for the construction of a new netball court and the resurfacing of an existing court, as well as a new

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