On Tuesday, (14 January), our local State Member, Janelle Saffin MP, together with Yasmin Catley MP (Deputy Leader of the Opposition) and Trish Doyle MP (NSW Shadow Minister for Emergency Services), called in at Drake before spending time in Tenterfield, in both instances thanking RFS volunteers and other community members for their resilience, leadership and plain hard work during the fire emergencies of February and September 2019.

Thursday (16 January) proved to be an important day for the Tenterfield Show Society, with The Hon Adam Marshall MP announcing a NSW Government sponsored grant of \$25,000 for a new event to be held during the year.

The 'Lift the Country Spirit Music Event', will feature country musicians and it is hoped that the opportunity to relax and connect will offer everyone in the community a ray of hope for recovery from the recent horrific events. Not only to be used to attract headline acts, the funding will also help in getting as many people as possible from \_ the Shire, to the event.

In addition, Adam announced that the Primary Health Network has donated \$37,000 to the Tenterfield Show Society to allow for free admission and other activities at the upcoming Tenterfield Show.

On Thursday, Tenterfield also received a visit from the Coordinator-General of the National Drought & Flood Agency, Mr Shane Stone and members of his staff.

The National Drought & Flood Agency was formed last year following the devastating floods in far north Queensland. At that time it was the North Queensland Livestock Industry Recovery Agency but in December, the Prime Minister expanded the Agency's responsibilities to include drought at a national level.

The Mayor, Councillors, Council staff and members from the agricultural and business communities met with the Coordinator-General to discuss response measures that are working well and those that need improvement, as well as ideas about innovative practices that are being used and hear local ideas for longer-term projects to help manage the impacts of future droughts when they occur.

"Although we are getting some rainfall in parts of our Shire and Tenterfield currently is back to looking green and verdant, there are many areas that are still suffering and I note here that Urbenville has just gone to Level 4 Water Restrictions which is unheard of in that area," said Mayor Peter Petty.

"On behalf of Council, I thank those organisations that are working for the benefit of not only our community, but all those other towns, villages and localities throughout NSW and Victoria who are now dealing with their own catastrophe. Our thoughts and prayers go out to those communities and to the wonderful volunteers who just keep on giving", the Mayor added.



Playing With Fire (PG) Tuesday, 28 Jan @ 10.30am

# Cats (G)

Tuesday, 28 Jan @ 1pm Saturday 1 Feb @ 7.30pm Tuesday, 4 Feb @ 10.30am Sunday, 10 Feb @ 1:45pm

# Little Women (G)

Friday, 31 Jan @ 7pm Sunday 2 Feb @ 1.45pm Tuesday, 4 Feb @ 1pm

# **BUSINESS LISTING INFORMATION & IMAGES**

## NEW VISIT TENTERFIELD WEBSITE

Council is currently in the process of developing a new *Visit Tenterfield* tourism website. In order to best represent the region and its offerings, it is imperative that the business listing information included is accurate and up to date. If you would like your local registered business to be listed on the website and are yet to provide information, please ensure it is emailed ASAP to: c.reid@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au

The required information is:

- 1. Business/Property Name
- 2. Email
- 3. Phone
- 4. Website
- 5. Address
- 6. Facebook URL
- 7. Instagram URL
- 8. TripAdvisor URL
- 9. Bookings Link (if your business uses online bookings)
- 10. Blurb/Paragraph (or two) about your business
- 11. Opening Hours
- 12. Hero Image at least 1 x high resolution image (landscape) for the header & listing image
- 13. Up to 9 x additional images to include in the image gallery





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Photo: Mayor Peter Petty, Matthew Duff, Kel Foran, Adam Marshall MP, Cheyenne Moody, Robyn Murray, and Kim Rhodes

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#### FEBRUARY 2020 – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING LEGUME COMMUNITY HALL

# Please Note: There is no January meeting.

Notice is given that Council's Ordinary Meeting for February 2020 will be held at the Legume Community Hall, 9283 Mt Lindesay Road, Legume, on Wednesday, 26 February 2020, commencing at 9.30 am EDST. Members of the public are most welcome to attend this meeting and any meeting of Council. A half hour public forum will be conducted at the conclusion of the meeting (approximately 1.30 pm EDST).

Business Papers will be available on Council's website (www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au) on Thursday, 20 February 2020 from 3.00 pm.

Community members wishing to speak on any of the Agenda items should contact Noelene Hyde on (02) 6736 6000 before 5.00 pm on Monday, 24 February 2020.

Please contact Ms Hyde should you require any further information relating to the Council Meeting.

## RATES & CHARGES THIRD INSTALMENT NOTICE 2019-2020

Council wishes to advise Residents and Business Owners that the Third Rates Instalment Notices have been issued. These will be due for payment on or before 28 February 2020. Ratepayers are reminded that interest accrues on all overdue rates and charges on a daily basis at a rate of 7.5% per annum.

Please contact Council's Rates Department on 02 6736 6000 if you have not received your account by Friday 7 February 2020 or have problems in paying your Rates by the due date, to avoid recovery action and costs.

# WATER & SEWERAGE NOTICES

Water & Sewerage Notices are due 1 February 2020. Water & Sewerage Notices are calculated on a 'User Pays' system therefore any consumption that passes through the meter will be charged as per outlined in Council's Operational Plan.

Ratepayers are reminded that interest now accrues on all overdue water & sewerage consumption charges on a daily basis at a rate of 7.5% per annum.

### IMPLEMENTATION OF LEVEL 4 WATER RESTRICTIONS URBENVILLE

Tooloom Creek has now dropped to 38% capacity. As a result, Council has enacted the Drought Management Plan and issued the town of Urbenville with Level 4 Water Restrictions.

Level 4 Water Restrictions is a very high water restriction level and are designed to reduce normal daily household consumption by at least 30%, with a target of 180 – 260 litres per person per day. During this stage, policing of the restrictions is implemented and fines able to be issued. Please visit www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au for further information.

## **POSITIONS VACANT**

## TEAM LEADER (PATCHMOBILE) - PV 03/20

Applications are invited for the below vacant position:

## Team Leader (Patchmobile) – PV 03/20

**Salary Range (Broadband):** \$51,620 - \$59,306 + Allowances + 9.5% superannuation.

Tenterfield Shire Council is seeking an experienced and skilled Patchmobile Operator to fill a current vacated position, and assist the Infrastructure Division, by ensuring efficient team leadership in the implementation of road maintenance, construction and allied activities as required and directed across the Tenterfield Shire.

You will possess a great attitude and work ethic, and will have the ability to work collaboratively within our diverse works teams. Experience in the use of Patching and Bitumen Machinery is essential. Grader, Backhoe, Water Cart and or HC Trucks experience is also desirable.

Further information on the position can be obtained from Councils website www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au or by contacting Council on 02 6736 6000.

#### Applications close 4.00pm, 5 February 2020.

#### PLANT OPERATOR - PV 04/20

Applications are invited for the below vacant position:

#### Plant Operator – PV 04/20

**Salary Range (Broadband):** \$49,145p.a - \$55,775 + Allowances + 9.5% superannuation.

Tenterfield Shire Council is looking for two experienced and skilled Plant Operators to fill current vacated positions, and assist the Infrastructure Division in carrying out general labouring duties, road maintenance and construction activities across Tenterfield Shire.

Experience in the use of either a Tractor/Slasher, Backhoe, Roller, Bob Cat and or light to medium trucks is essential. Experience in the operation of a Water Cart is also desirable.

To the right candidate, this positon will attract the opportunity to gain additional skills, knowledge and experience of plant operations through Certificate III Civil Construction (Plant Operations).

Further information on the position can be obtained from Councils website www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au or by contacting Council on 02 6736 6000.

Applications close 4.00pm, 5 February 2020.

#### NOTICE OF DISRUPTION TO TRAFFIC Various Streets, TENTERFIELD

In accordance with Section 115 of the Roads Act 1993, notice is hereby given by Tenterfield Shire Council as the Roads Authority that the following roads will be closed commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020, weather permitting. Access to the closed sections will be available to local residents only, except for Douglas Street, which no access will be available.

| Road Closed       | Section                              | Date Closed  |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Francis<br>Street | Between Miles and<br>Clive Streets   | 13-26 Jan    |
| Clive Street      | Between Francis<br>and Scott Streets | 20 Jan-2 Feb |
| Scott Street      | Between Clive and<br>Donnelly Lane   | 27 Jan-9 Feb |

The temporary road closures are required for Council to undertake construction of a water pipeline from the Tenterfield Transport Museum and the Tenterfield water supply located on Scrub Road between 7:00 am and 6:00pm for a period of up to 1 month, weather permitting.

Motorists are requested to pay particular attention to the advance warning signposting.

All enquiries concerning the project can be directed to Council on (02) 6736 6000.

# BIOSECURITY MANAGEMENT OF PESTS AND WEEDS

Tenterfield Council has been successful in obtaining a grant through the Communities Combating Pests and Weeds Impacts during Drought Program to assist landholders in the control of Serrated Tussock & Blackberry.

Council contractors are currently treating Blackberries on road verges throughout the shire. This will be an ongoing process for the foreseeable future.

The Serrated Tussock program has been delayed due to the dry conditions, hopefully this will commence in the near future.

#### GRANT MONIES & OFFERS OF HELP FLOW INTO TENTERFIELD

Hot on the heels of the lightning visit to Steinbrook Hall by mining magnate and philanthropist Andrew "Twiggy" Forrest last Friday (10 January), this week saw a number of groups arriving in town offering support to the Tenterfield Shire community and assistance with recovery from the nightmare of the ongoing drought and bushfires and resultant water quality issues.