

grain from Queensland, be on the lookout.

“Inspect roadsides and areas with bare soil, where soil or compost have been delivered or where earthworks have taken place.

Check areas where hay, grain or bird seed has been fed to pets, livestock or chickens.

These incursions arrive in hay, fodder, and seed or on earthmoving equipment and machinery from Queensland, where the weed covers 18 million hectares in central areas of the state, causing millions of dollars in damage to livestock and cropping industries.



Numerous Parthenium detections have been located in the following Local Land Service (LLS) regions North West, Central West, Hunter and in the Sydney suburb of Engadine, this highlights the importance of being on the lookout for Parthenium, which poses the greatest weed threat to NSW.”



Parthenium weed spreads rapidly, is dangerous to grazing animals and reduces crop and land values. Contact with the plant or pollen can cause serious allergic reactions in people.

People who suspect they have seen Parthenium weed to note the location and call the NSW DPI Biosecurity Helpline, 1800 680 244, NSW DPI, Tenterfield Shire Council, 02 67 36 6000 or Local Land Services for plant identification and assistance.



More information about Parthenium weed and how to identify the plant at different growth stages is available from NSW DPI, <https://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/weeds/partheniumweed>; with an online form to record any weed sightings,

<https://biosecurity.transactcentral.com/Biosecurity/servlet/SmartForm.html?formCode=report-a-biosecurity>



Tenterfield Cinema & Theatre

Phone: (02) 6736 6100
www.tenterfieldcinema.com.au

Personal History of David Copperfield (PG)

Tuesday, 8 Sep @ 10.30am
Saturday, 12 Sep @ 7.30pm
Tuesday, 15 Sep @ 1pm (Last Screening)

Babyteeth (M)

Tuesday, 8 Sep @ 1pm (Last Screening)

Bellbird (M)

Friday, 11 Sep @ 7pm
Sunday, 13 Sep @ 1.45pm
Tuesday, 15 Sep @ 10.30am
Saturday, 19 Sep @ 7.30pm

The Burnt Orange Heresy (MA15+)

Friday, 18 Sep @ 7.00pm
Sunday, 20 Sep @ 1.45pm

DRAFT DOCUMENTS ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

The following draft documents are currently on public exhibition with Council seeking submissions:

- Tenterfield Bike Plan — **closes 5.00pm 28 September 2020.**
- Tenterfield Pedestrian Access & Mobility Plan - **closes 5.00pm 28 September 2020.**
- Road Asset Management Plan — **closes 5.00pm 12 October 2020.**
- Drought Management Plan — **closes 5.00pm 28 September 2020.**

The draft plans can be viewed on Council's website www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au.

NEW LIBRARY EBOOK AND EAUDIOBOOK DATABASE

Tenterfield Library is pleased to announce that borrowers can now access more eBooks and eAudiobooks through the IndyReads Database.

Containing over 10,000 items from Independent and International Publishers that library members can access for free.

Contact Tenterfield library on 02 6736 6060 for more information, or come in and see the staff during opening hours Monday to Friday 10am-12pm/2pm-4pm and Saturday 9:30am-11:30am.



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COVID 19 statement

Council has implemented strict protocols to ensure we comply with directions issued by government in relation to managing the COVID 19 risk.

These protocols apply to our staff, our customers and visitors to our premises, and councillors alike.

Some non-essential services have ceased altogether, others are still in operation but due to social distancing have added levels of complexity.

Please be understanding that we will do our best to maintain services and help in what are unique and challenging circumstances.

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Photo: Mayor Peter Petty holding the RH Dougherty award, Chief Executive Terry Dodds, Fiona Keneally, Gillian Marchant, Melissa Blum and Deputy Mayor Greg Sauer.

COUNCIL RECOGNISED FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

With the Tenterfield Dam now at 91% capacity and infrastructure almost in place to pipe water from the three (3) bore fields into the Dam, the memories of the dire situation faced by Council to deliver adequate, potable water to our communities are slowly beginning to fade but are certainly not forgotten.

As we approach the anniversary date of the fire event which flashed over the water catchment and the following ash run-off issues, Council has been recognised by Local Government NSW in the prestigious RH Dougherty Awards – Reporting to Your Community for a Shire with a population less than 30,000.

Council has received the Award for *Reporting to your Community – Drought Management*.

"The Award recognises the power of work undertaken by Councillors and staff to ensure our community was kept informed and reminded of the Water Restrictions via poster information, internet based tips and a water saving campaign through Council's website, media releases and Your Local News", Mayor Peter Petty said.

"A letter box drop with a shower timer and a letter outlining the water issues was complemented by provision of flyers to all accommodation providers to ensure our visitors were aware of the water situation".

"Council staff also took the initiative to personally distribute flyers when the Health Department issued the "Boil Water Alert", the Mayor added.

"The next water event will be the awarding of the tender for construction of a new water filtration plant to replace the current 90 year old plant. With the strengthening of the dam wall and a new filtration plant which will be able to deal with water of any quality, and the new bore fields, Tenterfield is in a good place to cope with any future drought events."

"In total, at the completion of the new filtration plant and installation of the bore field infrastructure, together with the previous works on the dam wall, Council will have expended an amount in excess of



\$25 million dollars to ensure water security."

"Council's innovation and flexibility to deliver reporting excellence demonstrates the ability of Tenterfield Shire Council to punch well above its weight", Mayor Petty concluded.

COUNCIL MEETING – COVID-19 REGULATIONS APPLY

The Ordinary Meeting of Council for September 2020 will be held:

- Wednesday, 23 September 2020 at the RSL Pavilion (rear of the Memorial Hall), Molesworth Street, Tenterfield, commencing at 9.30 am.

Business Papers will be available on Council's website (www.tenterfield.nsw.gov.au) on Thursday, 17 September 2020 from 3.00 pm.

Community members wishing to speak on any of the Agenda items should contact the Executive Assistant & Media on (02) 6736 6000 before 5.00 pm on Monday, 21 September 2020 and provide the request to speak in writing, setting out the details of the matter to be raised. Please note that attendance will be via Zoom only.

Unfortunately Council does not have capacity to live stream the meeting, however the recording will be placed on the website on Thursday, 24 September 2020.

Should COVID-19 regulations still apply, there is no capacity for members of the public to attend. Due to social distancing requirements, some Councillors and staff members will attend the meeting via Zoom.

Please contact the Executive Assistant & Media n.hyde@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au should you require any further information relating to the Council Meeting.

NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE GET READY WEEKEND



Tenterfield Shire Council is encouraging families, friends and neighbours to use the NSW Rural Fire Service Get Ready Weekend to prepare for bushfire season and start a broader conversation about being aware of and prepared for all hazards.

Prepare for bushfire

Following the devastating 2019/20 bushfire season, communities are understandably keen to know more about getting ready in the lead up to the 2020/21 season.

To support early planning and preparation, NSW Rural Fire Service will once again host their annual Get Ready Weekend on 19-20 September, in person and online.

Please follow your local RFS brigade's Facebook page for information as it becomes available. You can also visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au for more information.

Talk to family, friends, neighbours

Each year, communities across NSW experience a range of emergencies, including bush fires, home fires, floods, storms, heatwaves and power outages.

This year we've seen an unparalleled number of events impacting large areas of NSW happen in quick succession, highlighting the importance of being prepared for all hazards.

Please use the RFS Get Ready Weekend as the start of a broader conversation with family, friends and neighbours around being prepared for the multiple hazards.

Get Ready in five simple steps

1. Know your risk - think about the area you're in and the types of disasters that could affect you;
2. Plan now for what you will do - sit down and talk with your family and plan for what you will do if a disaster affects your area;
3. Get your home ready - prepare your home by doing general home maintenance and checking your insurance coverage;
4. Be aware - find out how to prepare, what to do if there is a disaster in your area and connect with NSW emergency services to stay informed;
5. Look out for each other - share information with your family, friends, neighbours and those who may need assistance.

ROAD BARRIERS & UPCOMING FIRE SEASON

Council was recently made aware of the potential for the concrete barriers blocking border crossings on the isolated roads in the Shire's northern areas to create problems for local residents and fire crews in the upcoming fire season.

This matter has been raised with Government through the Cross Border Commissioner and Council is awaiting further advice and hopes that any advice is timely.

WEED ALERT - PARTHENIUM WEED

We ask Tenterfield Shire residents and landholders to be vigilant and contact NSW DPI or the Tenterfield Shire Council if they suspect they have seen any Parthenium plants. If you have received fodder or