### NRAR WORKS WITH LEADING SATELLITE PROVIDERS TO CONDUCT MONITORING CAMPAIGNS

The Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) worked with the Murray– Darling Basin Authority (MDBA) and Geoscience Australia (GA) to conduct the largest, most systematic monitoring effort in its history in 2020.



Using satellite data and intelligence from these agencies, NRAR monitored an environmental flow as it travelled across 306,400 square kilometres and past more than 3,500 on-farm storages.

NRAR's Chief Regulatory Officer, Grant Barnes, said as a result of our partnerships with the MDBA and GA, NRAR now has eyes in the sky.

"We've worked with these agencies to access satellite data from world-leading technology providers to monitor an environmental flow as it travelled throughout the state. This was the biggest monitoring effort in our history," Mr Barnes said.

"We increased our capacity to monitor on-farm storage units by almost 500 percent, from 600 to 3,500 storage units."

In its almost three years of operations, NRAR has sought to diversify its investigative and monitoring tools, by investing in national collaborations and new technology.

This technology also allowed the regulator to respond to 748 suspicious activity reports and take 943 enforcement actions in 2020. The regulator finalised a total of 1,536 investigations of alleged breaches of NSW water laws and commenced eight prosecutions last year.

Read the full story and hear what our partners had to say here: <a href="https://bit.ly/39n7581">https://bit.ly/39n7581</a>

### **RECEIVE YOUR RATES VIA EMAIL**

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DREAMLAND (MA15+) Tuesday, 16 February @ 1.00pm

### THE DRY (MA15+)

Tuesday, 16 February @ 10.30am Saturday, 20 February @ 7.30pm Tuesday, 23 February @ 1.00pm

### **PENGUIN BLOOM (PG)**

Friday, 19 February @ 7.00pm Sunday, 21 February @ 1.45pm Tuesday, 23 February @ 10.30am Saturday, 27 February @ 7.30pm Tuesday, 2 March @ 1.00pm

### AMMONITE (MA15+)

Friday, 26 February @ 7.00pm Sunday, 28 February @ 1.45pm Tuesday, 2 March @ 10.30am

### WATER & SEWERAGE ACCOUNTS NOW OVERDUE

Water & Sewerage Notices were due for payment on 1 February 2021.

### RATES & CHARGES THIRD INSTALMENT DUE FOR PAYMENT

Council wishes to advise Residents and Business Owners that the Third Rates Instalment Notices were issued on 27 January 2021. These accounts are due for payment on 28 February 2021.

Ratepayers are reminded that interest has now recommenced effective 1 January 2021 and accrues on all overdue rates and charges and water and sewerage accounts on a daily basis at a rate of 7.0% per annum. Please contact Council's Rates Department on (02) 6736 6000 (Option 2) if you are experiencing difficulties in paying your Rates or Water to avoid recovery action and additional expense.

#### Front Cover:

Top Photo: Australia Day Award Winners Grassroots Enduro"s Duncan Scott-Irving (Community Event), John Burton (Citizen of the Year) and Phoebe Cooper (Young Citizen of the Year) with Mayor Peter Petty and Deputy Mayor Greg Sauer.

Bottom Photo: Neville Smith (Emergency Services Volunteer of the Year) accepts his Award from Mayor Peter Petty on behalf of all Emergency Services workers.



Council has implemented appropriate 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.

Please be understanding that we will do our best to maintain services and respond to challenges as they arise.

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### COUNCIL MEETING COVID-19 REGULATIONS APPLY

The Ordinary Meeting of Council for February 2021 will be held on Wednesday, 24 February 2021 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 on Thursday, 18 February 2021 from 3.00 pm.

Community members wishing to speak on any of the Agenda items should contact Council at council@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au before 5.00 pm on Monday, 22 February 2021 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, 25 February 2021.

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 <u>council@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au</u> should you require any further information relating to the Council Meeting.

### DRAFT TREE MANAGEMENT PLAN ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Council has proposed a draft Tree Management Plan.

Public notice is given of Council's intention to adopt the draft plan following consideration of any submissions received.

Submissions concerning the draft plan will be received until 5 pm on Sunday, 28 February 2021. All Submissions are to be addressed to: The Acting Chief Executive, PO Box 214, Tenterfield NSW 2372 or emailed to <u>council@tenterfield.nsw.gov.au</u>

# MORE GRANT FUNDING INTO THE COMMUNITY

Early in December 2020, Council was fortunate to receive funding from Resilience NSW for the *Bushfire Community & Resilience Fund Grant, Phase 2 – Stream 1* of \$62,500.

The object of this funding is to support communities to overcome the social impacts of the bush fires by funding projects and events that will provide community wellbeing, social and broader recovery and future disaster resilience.

Council advertised the availability of the grant funding to community organisations on 16 December with applications closing 15 January 2021. This resulted in 7 applications being received for events within the Tenterfield Local Government Area.

The applications were considered by an Assessment Panel of Councillors and their recommendations presented to an Extraordinary Council Meeting on Friday, 29 January 2021.

"It gives me great pleasure to advise the allocation of grant funding to each of the following events," said Mayor Peter Petty.

- \$15,000 to the Tenterfield Show Society for the Lift the Country Spirits Music Concert as part of the Autumn Festival – 3 April 2021;
- \$25,000 to Autumn Festival Inc for the Autumn Festival 2 to 5 April 2021;
- \$7,500 to the Tenterfield Physical Culture Club for a Workshop/Interclub Competition – August 2021 (date to be confirmed);
- \$15,000 to the Saddlers Mountain Bike Club Tenterfield for their Gravel Ride Cycling Event – May/June 2021 (to be confirmed).

"These events will provide a wonderful opportunity for members of the community to join with their families and have fun as well as encouraging visitors from outside our Shire to come to Tenterfield and enjoy all that our town has to offer. The variety of the events ensures that there is something for everyone," Mayor Petty added.

Further information can be found on the Visit Tenterfield website: <u>https://www.visittenterfield.com.au/events</u>

### RECRUITMENT PROCESS STARTS FOR NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Following the shock resignation of Tenterfield Shire Council's Chief Executive, Terry Dodds, at the end of 2020, Council has resolved to move forward and seek quotes with a view to engaging a Recruitment Consultant to conduct the recruitment process to locate an appropriate replacement.

At an Extraordinary Council Meeting on Friday, 29 January 2021, Council resolved that the process commence immediately and that a selection panel comprising all Councillors work with the successful Consultant throughout the recruitment.

Mayor Peter Petty said that Councillors are keen to ensure that the positive momentum generated by Mr Dodds is maintained.

"Terry left Council in a very good place," Mayor Petty stated.

"He developed a team of committed and capable managers sustained by a willing and engaged workforce. Council understands how important it is that staff continue to feel supported as the workload generated by the plethora of grant funding on top of the personal stresses of drought, fire and Covid continues to challenge everyone."

"The appointment of a new Chief Executive as soon as possible will make sure that operationally, everything continues to roll along and the amazing works being carried out right across our Shire are guaranteed to continue," Mayor Petty added.

Quotes from Recruitment Consultants are now being sought through *Tender Link* with considerable interest already being shown. Tenders close at 5.00 pm on Monday, 15 February 2021, with a Council meeting to select the successful quotation to be held shortly afterwards.

# NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT CONSENT

Notice is hereby given pursuant to *Section 4.59* of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979 and *Clause 124* of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulations 2000 that Consent has been granted to the following developments for the month of **January 2021**;

**DA 2019.059** Old Racecourse Road, Tenterfield Electricity Generating Works (Solar Farm).

**DA 2020.115** Schroders Road, Tenterfield Two (2) Lot Boundary Adjustment.

**DA 2020.120** 123 Wood Street, Tenterfield Extension to Existing Dwelling, Garage, Rainwater Tank & Shed Extension.

**DA 2021.003** 51 Wood Street, Tenterfield Shed.

**CDC 2021.007** Mount Lindesay Road, Liston Dwelling.

# s4.55 Modifications of Consent

**DA 2019.125/1** New England Highway (McClifty's Road), Tenterfield (Bolivia) Five (5) Lot Rural Boundary Adjustment.

DA Development Application

CDC Complying Development Certificate

"All applications were considered in accordance with the provisions of *Section 4.15* of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, 1979,* and determined to meet the general criteria, were approved subject to conditions and are considered to be in the public interest."

The consents listed above are available for public inspection without charge at the Visitor Information Centre, 157 Rouse Street, Tenterfield during ordinary business hours of 9.00 am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday.