



PCYC for Queanbeyan

The PCYC has now moved into the QPRC Indoor Sports Centre on Yass Road.

Council has been working with the club over the past two years to bring this service to Queanbeyan-Palerang. Activities at the PCYC will commence once COVID restrictions allow and include Futsal, Netball and Indoor Cricket as well as new programs like Kindergym and Fit for Life - early morning exercise and community programs in partnership with NSW Police. The club will also continue to offer venue hire, birthday parties and school holiday programs, as well as new activities like outreach programs across our LGA.

We are excited to see the PCYC working with local young people across our region and providing opportunities through vocational education and social responsibility programs.

► Find out more at pcycnsw.org.au/Queanbeyan or call the interim club manager Hayden Paterick on **0431 790 441**

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Bungendore Sports Hub

After an extended period of wet weather, we have been able to access the site and begin to make progress again on the Bungendore Sports Hub.

The first two netball courts are coming together and floodlights have now been installed. After completing the base for the netball courts, the contractors have moved on to the roads and car parks on site.

The netball courts will be completed later this year and we anticipate the Sports Hub to be open for winter sports next year. Temporary facilities may be on site until the permanent facilities are completed.

► For more information head to bit.ly/BND-SportsHub



Name the Crane Competition!

As part of the next stage of the Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct, a Tower Crane will be assembled on the site. This crane will be with us for quite some time and we wanted to give it a name. Who better to ask than you?

We are running a naming and colouring-in competition, open to children under the age of 12. The winning entry will have an opportunity to visit the site (COVID restrictions permitting) as well as receiving a family pass to a children's show at The Q for any of our Q the Kids season shows in 2022. All submissions must be received by 23 December.

► For more information on submitting and to get your colouring-in head to qprc.nsw.gov.au/qccp



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR, TIM OVERALL

Council have been progressing a range of projects including roads, play-grounds and the Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct.

Our roads crews have been out grading locations including Farrington Road, Little Bombay Road and Saleyards Lane in the last month as well as work on sealing a further 700m of Williamsdale Road from the intersection with Badgery Road.

In the last month we have all felt the pressure of current restrictions and we want to remind everyone that even though most of our customer facing services are closed we are still available to our community. Our website and Snap Send Solve are great tools available to you 24/7 and our Customer Services are available over the phone or via council@qprc.nsw.gov.au between 8.30am-4.30pm Monday-Friday.



Food Relief Hub in Queanbeyan

In late August our Community Team set up a food relief hub at Axis Youth Centre in Queanbeyan to support families in need.

Garry Malhotra, who started Ken Behrens Helping Hands, has been providing professionally cooked meals each day, free of charge. With the help of a team of volunteers, we have been delivering meals in a COVID-safe way throughout the recent lockdown.

► Learn more about Ken Behrens Helping Hands through bit.ly/ACT-KBHH



Australia Day Awards Nominations

Nominations for Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year and the Event of the Year are open until 5pm Friday 3 December 2021.

The awards are open to Australian citizens who reside in Queanbeyan-Palerang and the Community Event Award is open to any event which has contributed to our community.

Nominations can come from groups, organisations or individuals. These awards will be presented on 26 January 2022.

- Nominate for the 2022 Awards
 - Online at bit.ly/AUS-DAY-NOM
 - Or pick up a hard-copy nomination form at Council's offices.



Bungendore Playground

We are very excited about the major upgrade to the Bungendore Playground.

The designs have been developed in consultation with a group of local volunteers and the project is being funded by a joint federal and NSW government Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Package grant. We hope the playground will be completed towards the end of the year.

SING TO WIN



Christmas in QPRC Online Caroloke

Other than the Grinch, who doesn't like a good Christmas carol?

Join our online Caroloke Competition and submit a video of you or a group performing a Christmas carol. Video submissions can be placed until **5pm Friday 10 December** so you have plenty of time to create a fun and festive video. Various prizes will be available, and the winners will be announced on Thursday 16 December.

► For Terms & Conditions and to apply head to bit.ly/CAROLOKE-COMP

Captains Flat Roads update

Works to seal Miners Road, Copper Creek Road and the SES compound in Captains Flat began in late September.

The work on Miners Road is not a major upgrade or widening, but a simple two-coat seal to reduce the impact of dust from these unsealed roads. This was recommended by the Captains Flat Lead Management Taskforce to minimise community exposure to dust as there are elevated levels of lead in some locations in the Captains Flat area. Once this work is complete, and components arrive on site, the Foxlowe Street Bridge replacement can begin.

► For more information on this project head to: bit.ly/MinersRd

We are receiving a \$10m grant from the NSW Government over four years to upgrade Captains Flat Road from Briars Sharrow Road to the Captains Flat village. While the funding will not repair the entire 27km section, seven sections have been identified to be repaired. The first two sections of works, which will be done in this 2021-22 financial year, will see more than 9km of road stabilised, including widened pavement and drainage.

► For more information on this project head to: bit.ly/CFlatRd



Citizenship Ceremonies Online

On Thursday 9 September we hosted five virtual Citizenship Ceremonies to welcome 45 new Australians under stay-at-home orders.

The event itself, while a vastly different experience to organise, remained a great opportunity to briefly meet and congratulate each conferee on their achievements.

We are proud to be involved in such an important occasion and glad that we were able to provide this opportunity for these new Australians under the NSW COVID restrictions at the time.

Citizenship Ceremonies are a very special occasion in any person's life, and it was an honour to welcome these new Australians to our community.



New Art for Moore Park

The QPRC Community team secured a ClubGrant of \$8,900 to engage an artist to paint the refurbished shipping container at Moore Park in Queanbeyan.

The artist, Bohie Palacek, will engage young people who regularly use the park to develop a design. The art may reflect themes of Queanbeyan icons, history, or local scenes from nature.

Once the container is painted the space will be used to run more community events.



Tarago Road Road Works

Work to rehabilitate and widen Tarago Road beginning at the intersection of Mt Fairy Road, is anticipated to begin before the end of the year.

This work aims to improve the safety of the road and reseal significant sections of the road surface.

\$2.5 million has been allocated to improving this regional road.

► Head to the project page for updates bit.ly/Tarago-Rd



Community Food Van

In late September the Disaster Recovery Hub organised Food for Thought - Community Food Van events in regional communities that were affected by the 2019-20 Black Summer Bushfires.

The events were focused on providing support and hearing from residents in rural areas. Each event aimed to use local catering to supply residents with a free meal.

The team hope to bring these events back next year on a larger scale after COVID restrictions are eased.

Please note the printed version said Sunday.
The election is on **Saturday 4 December**.



Local Elections 4 December

Nominations for the local government elections open on 25 October and close 3 November. See the NSW Electoral Commission website for resources and information.

Election day is Saturday 4 December, however pre-polling will open on 22 November. Remember voting is mandatory.

- For more information on nominating or voting head to elections.nsw.gov.au/lge21



NatureMapr Focus Species

It's well and truly spring, with frogs appearing all across QPRC.

Did you know you can record and report frog calls in the NatureMapr App? This is a great way to help identify the species of frogs near you.

This month's focus species is the *Limnodynastes peronii*, more commonly known as the striped marsh frog or toc-frog due to its distinctive call.

- Download the NatureMapr app for iOS or Android and start mapping today!
qprc.nsw.gov.au/naturemapr

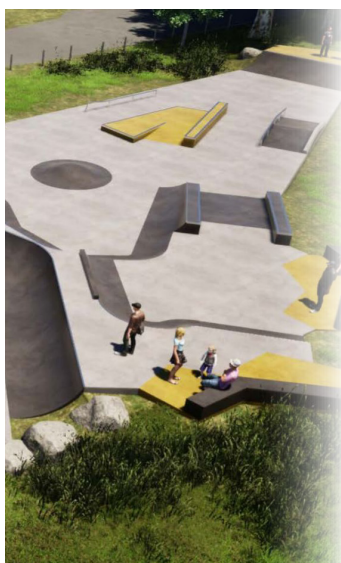


Bungendore Roundabout and Car Park

The Bungendore Roundabout and Car Park works have continued during the recent lockdown period with COVIDsafe measures in place.

The car park is expected to be complete by the end of 2021, weather permitting, and the roundabout is expected to be operational in December 2021. There will be pauses in work on the roundabout to allow for higher traffic during the summer holiday periods and further minor works will be completed in early 2022.

- For more on these projects head to bit.ly/BND-Rdbt
bit.ly/BND-Carpark



Braidwood Skatepark

The Braidwood Community Association in conjunction with the Braidwood Youth Performing Arts Association secured a Bushfire Local Economic Recovery Package grant for the Braidwood Skatepark through the joint Commonwealth and NSW Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.

This project has been in Council's works program for some time and will soon go out for tender with workshopped designs.

- For more see bit.ly/BWD-skate

QCCP update

Work on the Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct is steadily gaining momentum.

A new entrance has been established for The Q and Bicentennial Hall, to make getting to the theatre easier during the construction period. The demolition of some adjacent buildings has been completed and earthworks are now underway, including establishing foundations.

The contractor, ADCO, have been providing fortnightly project updates which we are publishing on the Queanbeyan Civic and Cultural Precinct project page of our website. Throughout this time ADCO are adhering to strict COVID-19 management strategies.

- To read the most recent updates head to qprc.nsw.gov.au/qccp

