

Message from the Administrator



This week we appointed our new Chief Executive Officer, Kerryn Ellis. After a rigorous recruitment process we selected Kerryn from a field of 46 high-quality applicants.

Kerryn has a wealth of experience in local government and will come from her position as Director of Corporate Services at Victoria's Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission (IBAC). We are looking forward to working with Kerryn when she begins her five year term on 10 March.

I would like to thank Bryan Sword for his role as Acting Chief Executive Officer – he has led the organisation well during a turbulent time. We are grateful to have had his expertise and support as we settled in as Administrators.

Also this week I was thankful to attend the Western District meeting at Bena where the attendees were pleased to share information between neighbouring communities. It is wonderful having the opportunity to listen in on these important community conversations and seeing towns work together in order to reach their goals.

Festival season is now in full swing with a number of community events coming up this over the next few months. With the Mirboo North Italian Festa over the weekend, Meeniyah Garlic Festival coming up on Saturday 15 February, alongside multiple shows and other community events before the Fish Creek Tea Cosy Festival in May we certainly have a lot to look forward to as a community.

I would like to wish all the festivals and shows fun-filled days and success and again thank those who volunteer and make these events so prosperous.

Julie Eisenbise
Chair Administrator