Focus on energy security

Power security at critical sites across the Upper Murray will be significantly boosted with the help of a $800,000 grant to rollout increased renewable energy generation and storage capacity. Upper Murray Inc and community-owned electricity company, Indigo Power, secured a Local Economic Recovery (LER) grant to install standalone systems for sites deemed critical for emergency response and recovery. The installation will also form the foundation for a future microgrid, capable of further stabilising energy supply across the Upper Murray.

Two further rounds of LER funding for local community projects of up to $2 million open on 15 March 2021. Contact Bushfire Recovery Victoria on 1800 560 760 or visit www.brv.vic.gov.au

Public meeting in Cudgewa to discuss future preservation of Avenue of Honour

A community meeting will be held in Cudgewa on January 28 to discuss the future of the town’s Avenue of Honour, an important feature of this town. Following an arborist’s report on the health and safety of the trees impacted by the 2019/20 bushfires, the community will hear from the arborist and will be able to discuss future preservation options for the Avenue of Honour.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions the meeting is planned to be held outdoors at the Cudgewa Football Netball Court starting at 7pm. If weather is unkind, changes will be communicated on the event page of the Cudgewa Community Facebook site. Information can also be obtained from Tony Irwin, Cudgewa’s Local Area Recovery Officer, on 0427 869 019.

Tintaldra comes together

After a tough year the Tintaldra community has something to celebrate with a $9,640 grant from Murray Primary Health Network. The Community Recovery Committee plans to hold dance classes for children, ‘palette to plate’ wine and cheese art classes for women, a golf day and barbecue for men and boys, and a community picnic.

Shady day out

Corryong College students were smiling on sports day with four new shade sails, one in each team colour. The shade sails were purchased with funds from Round 1 of Council’s Community Recovery Grants Program. Round 2 is now open, with grants of up to $5,000 available for community groups and not-for-profit organisations. Applications close 12 February 2021. To apply call the Recovery Hub on 1800 518 222.

Recovery Meetings

- Nariel Valley, Thursday 28 January, 5.30pm at Nariel Valley CFA shed
- Cudgewa, Tuesday 2 February, 7.00pm at Cudgewa Football Club
- Corryong, Tuesday 2 February, 5.30pm at the Recovery Hub
- Thowgla, Wednesday 10 February, 6.30pm at Thowgla Hall