BENGALLA MINE
Community Consultative Committee Update

The Bengalla CCC Newsletter…

The material in this issue of the Bengalla Mine Community Consultative Committee (Committee) newsletter has been selected by the CCC representatives.

The Committee is comprised of community representatives and representatives from Bengalla Mine including the General Manager. This newsletter aims to inform interested community members on matters discussed during CCC meetings.

Rehabilitation Update

Bengalla Mining Company will continue to implement the High Density Woody Vegetation rehabilitation program. During 2021 38.2ha of new rehabilitation will be established and 66 ha of existing rehabilitation will have High Density Woody Vegetation established via direct seeding.

2020 High Density Woody Vegetation rehabilitation areas as shown in the photos.

Feral Animal Control

Feral animal control is continuing throughout 2021 with targeted species including wild dogs, foxes and feral pigs. Year to date, 21 pigs have been trapped and disposed of at Bengalla Mine.

BMC continues our relationship with the Hunter Local Land Services whom seek to control wild dogs, feral pigs, foxes, deer and cats.

During April / May, Bengalla Mine conducted a wild dog baiting program in conjunction with the Wybong Wild Dog Association. This program resulted in 75 baits being placed in 25 locations across Bengalla Mine over a three week period. During the program, 31 baits were taken by targeted species.

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Bengalla Apprenticeships 2021

Each year Bengalla Mining Company through host MIGAS recruits 4 Electrical/Plant Mechanic Apprentices . These 4 year apprenticeships focus on sourcing through local residents and we are proud of the fact that all of our apprentices are local talent. The apprentices will complete their 4 years with a Nationally Accredited Qualification and they access training through the Mining Skills Centre at Muswellbrook TAFE.

We currently have 16 apprentices onsite and applications are now open through MIGAS for our 4 apprentice roles for 2021 which will commence in November 2021. Pictured below left to right Emily Fear (plant mechanic 2nd year), and Nick Keaton (Plant Mechanic 4th Year) Ty Watson (plant Mechanic First year)

Bengalla Sponsorship and local Community Support

The last quarter has been great for sporting clubs, groups and schools to kick-off events and activates. Bengalla has proudly supported Scone Charity Rodeo, The Easter Family Fun Day, the 48th Muswellbrook Art Prize, Group 21 Rugby League, Chamber of Commerce Business Awards, Aberdeen Junior Rugby League, Upper Hunter Show and Energy Hub, School beef Cattle Week, Muswellbrook netball, Hunter Life Education , Polly Farmer Foundation and the Muswellbrook Race Club Charity Golf Day to name a few.

We have also welcomed students to site for work experience as well as site tours as part of the Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue School Mines Tours Program. We were able to host 2 visits by Muswellbrook High School students who too the opportunity to find out more about a Cola Mining Operation, rehabilitation and the contribution to everyday life that mining makes.

The minutes and presentations from CCC meetings are available for public viewing at the Muswellbrook and Denman Libraries.
If you have an interest in any of the topics discussed at the CCC and would like further information on this topic or in future newsletters, please contact one of the members listed below.

If you wish to attend a Bengalla CCC meeting, or would like an issue raised by one of the Committee members, please contact any of the members listed below:

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