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Museum to re-open during FOOD Week

Orange Regional Museum's first exhibition *Journeys: people, place, stories* comes to a close in February after about 48,000 people walked through the doors.

Opened in November 2016 *Journeys* has told the stories of the region, from how Indigenous people used the land to the time of European settlement and the development of technology and transport in the Central West.

Mayor Reg Kidd said the success of the first exhibition was evident in the number of people who visited.

"Over 1,500 children attended educational workshops and many of the students came from schools from across the central west," he said.

"While they were here many went through the Orange Regional Gallery, the Orange City Library and saw a show at the Orange Civic Theatre.

"The Orange Regional Museum is a modern museum, which means the exhibition changes constantly.

"The changes keep people coming back and encourage people from across the state to pop in and see what's new.

"I'm looking forward to the installation of the next exhibition at the museum, *Paddock to Plate: a history of food and wine in Orange and district* and seeing just how our food culture has developed."

From Monday 5th February the Orange Regional Museum will close so the team can begin the installation and construction of the new exhibition, which will celebrate the rich food and wine history of Orange and the region.

Orange City Council's Services Policy Committee Chair Kevin Duffy said the installation of the new exhibition would take about 9 weeks and would open during FOOD Week.

"The Orange Regional Museum will be the official FOOD HQ for this year's FOOD Week, which will fit in with the exhibition wonderfully," Cr Duffy said.

"The exhibition will include over 200 historical objects and will have an increased focus on interactivity and hands on engagement."

Opening on Saturday 7th April the new exhibition will tell the story of how innovative people made the best out of the excellent climate and soils in the district to create unique flavours.

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MEDIA RELEASE

The community can keep up to date with the progress of *Paddock to Plate: a history of food and wine in Orange and district* via the Museum's social media channels and website.

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