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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Anzac Day didn't get a mention last month, so I'll start with it. I'd like to thank Bradley Hawkins for officiating at the Normanton Dawn Service while I attended the Karumba Service. It was my first time in Karumba since before 2016 so it was quite a special experience for me to be part of John Moran's ceremony. The flyovers by the prawn spotters are something else. And even though they cause Peter Wells numerous headaches they are part of what make the service so special. I'm quite sure I can say thank you on behalf of everyone to Peter and the owners/pilots of the planes. Sadly, John announced at the end of proceedings that his eyesight was letting him down and he wouldn't be doing the service to the same stress levels anymore. I would like to thank John for his efforts and commitment he has put in over the years past. He and Rob Menzies have made Anzac Day in Karumba something special.

The TMR bridgeworks works in Etheridge have been completed ahead of time so we are back to normal again. I thank them for listening to us and

changing their schedule around to suit our needs even if we were not consulted in the first place. Maybe their planners will be more alert to the various differences in the regions and seek input from the locals when organizing works in the future.



It was great to see the town swell in numbers last week as shooters from pretty much all over the country arrived to take part in the Normanton Gun Clubs 40th Anniversary shoot. Expectations were to cater for approximately 80 shooters and finished up being 131 total. When you add families into the equation you get an idea of how many were catered for over the weekend. We went for a visit on Sunday and were blown away by the number of vans, pop-ups and swags out there. Both towns of Normanton and Karumba benefitted from the event,

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so it was a great effort. The Karumba Gun Club were there in force supporting as well. Somehow, I don't think it would be very wise to poke any of the club members with a stick this week after seeing how busy they were over the weekend. It was a big effort by all concerned. Keep in mind the Stingers Footy Clusters, Show and Rodeo, Charity Ball, Outback By the Sea Festival, The Karumba fishing Comp and Bring in Spring still to come and you won't be bored this year at all. I have more than likely missed someone so for that I apologise.

Finally, most of the camps are out and work has begun proper. Whether or not these extended wets are something that are going to be the norm or not remains to be seen but from our project managers' and work coordinator's view they are a real pain in the neck. Getting 1 years' worth of work done in 6 or 7 months becomes very difficult when labour shortages are added into the equation. There is a full year of construction this year, but we should all be aware that next year will be a lean one when it comes to flood damage works. It has to be said that to keep everyone in a job it will be hard to find a balance between trying to hold work over or not. Anyone looking at expanding their plant needs to take into consideration the chance of either parking it up in the hope of a cyclone/flood event or chasing work out of the Shire. I have made this statement before, but you guys keep buying more and more gear with the expectation that you will get everything working. Unfortunately, as any grazier will tell you, Mother Nature is very unpredictable and at times very cruel so please be careful and don't overextend yourselves and your finances.

One other good bit of news worth sharing is the fact that we are going to have a free newspaper hitting the stands probably by the time this goes to print. It will cover a huge area, but their idea is to keep it free to the public and survive on sponsorship (advertising). Unfortunately, it is to fill the hole left by the North West Star not being printed anymore so hopefully there will be a success story in the next

few months. It is always good to have something that can lay on the table to read when you feel the urge without having to log onto the internet. I'm pretty sure that the 30th May is the big day so keep your eyes open. The NWQROC will be featuring in the first edition so hopefully some politicians will read it.

As usual I'm the hold up in the scheme of printing newsletters so I had better sign off until next month.

Keep safe.

Jack Bawden

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ANZAC DAY 2024

Dawn Service - Normanton



Dawn Service - Karumba



Morning Service - Normanton



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CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

The Carpentaria Shire was honoured to conduct the Australian Citizenship ceremony for Aroha and Lionel today. Although their children, Maia and Israel, were not present at the ceremony, their Australian citizenships were still acknowledged and accepted.



THE BORDER COLLIE BOOGIE

A great time was had at the Normanton Shire Hall with The Border Collie Boogie on the 8th of May! A huge thanks to Blue Gum Farm TV for putting on such a fantastic show. Check out these snapshots from the event!



Gulf Christian College kids after the workshop program



Inverleigh Station Kids were among some of the Mt Isa School of the air children that came to town for the event

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NOTICE OF VACANT AGED CARE PENSIONER UNIT - KARUMBA

Carpentaria Shire Council advises that there is one (1), one-bedroom unit available for rent in Karumba. Applicants will be asked to complete an application form and will need to provide detailed information of assets and income and supply two contactable referees.

Applications close Friday June 14, 2024.

Please contact Council's Community Development team on 4745 2200 if you have any questions.

WATER METER READS

Water Meter reads will be taking place from 3rd of June, 2024.



Please ensure the area around your meter is clear and easily accessible.



If you have any pets, please ensure they are restrained or kept indoors during this period.



If access to your meter or property is restricted for any reason, or you have a dangerous dog, please contact the Council to make alternative arrangements.



WATER METER READS START 3RD JUNE



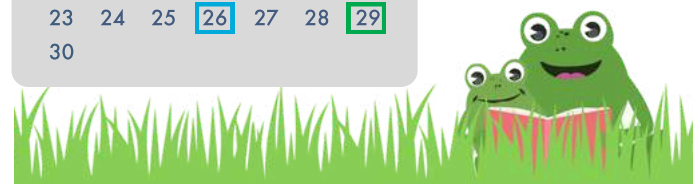
LIBRARY

FIRST 5 FOREVER PROGRAM

The First 5 Forever program is held at both Normanton and Karumba Libraries. Get ideas to try at home, meet other parents and carers and access fun activities for your child.

Karumba - Every Wednesday
10am - 11am

Normanton - Every second Saturday
10am - 11:30am



UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Youth Mental Health First Aid

Do you care for a youth aged 12-18 years? Have you considered becoming a Youth Mental Health First Aider? Anyone can have a conversation that may save a life. Everyone should know how.

To book the upcoming course in Normanton, visit the below link:

<https://bit.ly/YouthMentalHealthFirstAid-Normanton>



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TMR ROADWORKS UPDATE



The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has listened to feedback. The temporary road closures to carry out important surfacing and resealing works on five single lane bridges on the following roads will be carried out at night.

See below information on temporary road closures:

Roads affected:

- Gulf Developmental Road (Mt Surprise to Georgetown)
- Kennedy Developmental Road (The Lynd to Hughenden)

Closure timings:

Single lane bridges

Night closures: 7pm to 5am, Monday to Saturday morning, from May 7th to June 4th, 2024 (weather and construction conditions permitting).

Speed reductions will be in place outside these hours.

Georgetown

In Georgetown, work on Sandy Creek Bridge and the road between George and High Streets will take place during daytime hours. Expect single lane closures and speed reductions from 7:30 am to 5 pm on May 14th to 16th and June 3rd, 2024, pending weather and construction conditions.

Gulf Developmental Road

On the Gulf Developmental Road, night works are scheduled between 7 pm and 5 am from May 7th to May 31st. Locations include Sisters Creek, Sisters Creek Anabranche, McMillan Creek, and Charlies Gully.

Kennedy Developmental Road (The Lynd and Hughenden)

Night works are planned for Hospital Creek on Kennedy Developmental Road (between The Lynd and Hughenden) in late May to early June. Variable Message Signs (VMS) will be in place to advise motorists about the closures, so they can plan their journeys to the following locations - Normanton, Mt Garnet, Georgetown, Mt. Surprise and Einasleigh.

More information about road conditions across Queensland's state-controlled road network is available via the www.QLDTraffic.qld.gov.au website or 13 19 40 Information services.

THE RESILIENT AUSTRALIA AWARDS

The Resilient Australia Awards celebrates initiatives that boost community resilience to disasters and emergencies across Australia, as well as capture and share examples of resilience in action. Submissions are open in categories like Business, Community, Government, Photography and more.

All Queenslanders, including individuals, businesses, schools, and more, are encouraged to participate. Submit your pioneering resilience initiative or noteworthy effort by May 31, 2024.

For details and submissions, visit:

www.aidr.org.au/raa



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OUTBACK BY THE SEA FESTIVAL

The Outback By The Sea Festival is a week-long annual event held in the Gulf of Carpentaria celebrating the legendary barramundi, seafood, live music, Indigenous culture, and arts and crafts.

The festival kicks off with a film festival and a range of workshops and activities for people of all ages and interests that bring participants closer to nature, food and adventure in this destination of contrasts.

The closing concert at the Karumba Recreation Centre features a great lineup of well-known Australiana artists including Fanny Lumsden, Shane Howard and local band Split Image.

Tickets are now on sale via @Oztix.



GET INVOLVED - CALL FOR WORKSHOP HOSTS AND EVENT ORGANISERS

Council is calling on Expressions of Interest from individuals and organisations interested in hosting workshops, events and exhibitions.

If you are interested or have an idea, contact the Community Development Team on 4745 2200 or email: festival@carpentaria.qld.gov.au

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Interested in becoming a sponsor for the Outback by the Sea Festival? Reach out to the Council's Community and Economic Development Team for more info! Please refer to the poster over page.

NAME THE ARTIFICIAL REEF COMPETITION

Help us name the Karumba artificial reef!

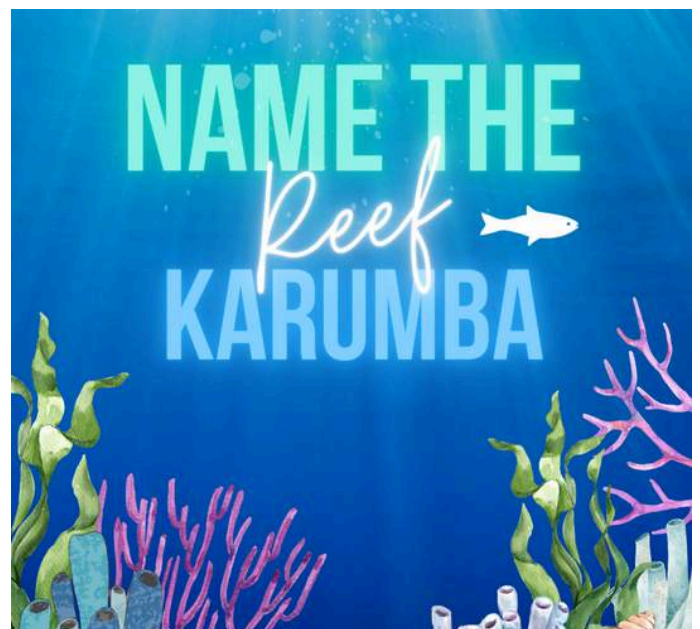
- Create a unique, inspiring, and fitting name for the artificial reef.
- Send your entry via email to namethereef@carpentaria.qld.gov.au with the subject line "Reef Name Competition Entry". Include your name, contact details, proposed reef name, and a brief explanation. Each participant may submit up to two names.
- Ensure your submission is received by June 13, 2024.

Full terms and conditions are available on the Council's website -

www.carpentaria.qld.gov.au/NameTheReef

Information on the Artificial Reef is available at the below link -

www.carpentaria.qld.gov.au/ArtificialReef



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

For the



Council is seeking sponsorship partners to join them in hosting the annual Outback by the Sea Festival

Festival Naming Rights - \$10,000

Naming rights for the festival,
20 x Concert tickets, Breakfast with the Stars,
Free guided tour of the Barramundi Discovery Centre
Prominent space for logo on advertising, Acknowledgement in all advertising,
Prominent recognition by Emcee during the event.

Concert Sponsor - \$5,000

Naming rights for the concert, 10 x Concert tickets,
Prominent space for logo on advertising, Acknowledgement in all advertising,
Prominent recognition by Emcee during the event.

Friends of the Festival - \$500

Logo on all digital marketing

Other sponsorship opportunities exist to provide services for vehicles & transport for performing artists, accommodation for performing artists and crew, meal packages for performing artists and crew, Festival program of events book/brochure. All sponsors will be recognised on logos and banners at the concert and will have an opportunity to meet with the performers.

For further information please contact Council's Community Development team on 47452200 or email amanda.farraway@carpentaria.qld.gov.au



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Outback by the Sea®

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PROJECT UPDATES

- Four camps out
- Stabiliser crew patchwork on State controlled roads
- Opening grade North, graders to Vanrook Station
- Opening grade South, to Iffley Station
- Opening grade Trenton Road complete



Stabilised repairs and shoulder works after Corduroy



Stabilised repairs - Norman River Foot Bridge



Sand being removed from the Gilbert R on 89B



Stabilised repairs and shoulder works before Corduroy



A new 972 Loader arrived to assist with road works



Stabilised repairs and shoulder works after Corduroy

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DOG REGISTRATION RENEWALS

Dog registration renewals will be sent out in the mail next week. Please submit your completed dog registration renewal form to the Council office by June 30, 2024, to receive free dog registration for the upcoming year!

For more information about dog registration renewal, please visit our website:

www.carpentaria.qld.gov.au/homepage/53/animal-registration



MEETING DATES FOR JUNE

The Council's Ordinary Meeting for June 2024 is scheduled to take place on Wednesday the 19th, starting at 9:00am in the Council's Boardroom located at Haig Street, Normanton.

To have a matter considered at the meeting, items must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer by Tuesday of the week prior to the meeting.



Wednesday, 19th June

Thursday, 20th June



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Karumba Library/Service Centre

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Visitor Information Centre

Normanton (07) 4747 8444
 Karumba (07) 4745 2211

After Hours Emergencies

Telephone: (07) 4745 2200

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GREEN WASTE



WHAT IS GREEN WASTE?

GARDEN AND/OR GREEN WASTE INCLUDES MULCH, BRANCHES AND LOPPED MATERIAL, TREE TRUNKS AND STUMPS, LEAVES, UNWANTED AND DEAD PLANTS, SEEDS AND FRUITS.



SMALL AMOUNTS OF GARDEN WASTE CAN BE INCLUDED YOUR GENERAL WASTE BIN; HOWEVER, THIS IS FAR FROM IDEAL AS GREEN WASTE WILL END UP IN LANDFILL.



GARBAGE BINS HAVE NOT BEEN DESIGNED FOR AND MUST NOT HOLD EXCESSIVE GREEN WASTE, SOIL AND BRANCHES. EXCESSIVE CONTAMINATION WILL RESULT IN NON-COLLECTION OF KERBSIDE BIN/S.



YOU CAN DISPOSE OF GREEN WASTE FOR FREE AT OUR WASTE FACILITIES IN NORMANTON AND KARUMBA.



DID YOU KNOW?

WHEN GREEN WASTE IS SENT TO LANDFILL, IT IS COMPRESSED AND BURIED IN THE GROUND WITH MINIMAL EXPOSURE TO OXYGEN, WHICH MAKES THE BREAKDOWN PROCESS VERY SLOW, RESULTING IN THE PRODUCTION OF LANDFILL GASES LIKE METHANE AND CARBON DIOXIDE.



RESIDENTIAL BINS



ALL ELIGIBLE RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLDS WITHIN THE BIN COLLECTION SERVICE AREA SHOULD HAVE 1 X 240-LITRE GENERAL WASTE (LANDFILL) BIN. ADDITIONAL BINS FOR A HOUSEHOLD MUST BE REQUESTED THROUGH COUNCIL.



SCHEDULED WASTE PICK UP DAYS

KARUMBA - TUESDAY

NORMANTON - THURSDAY



DAMAGED OR STOLEN BINS

TO REPORT DAMAGED OR STOLEN RESIDENTIAL BINS, PLEASE FILL OUT A REQUEST A REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT BIN FORM (FORM 306) AND RETURN TO THE COUNCIL OFFICE OR CALL US ON [07 4745 2200](tel:0747452200).



ITEMS THAT CAN GO IN THE GENERAL WASTE BIN

- GENERAL HOUSEHOLD WASTE
- FOOD SCRAPS
- PLASTIC BAGS AND OTHER SOFT PLASTICS
- PLASTIC FOOD WRAPPING, PACKETS AND CLING WRAP
- CERAMICS AND CROCKERY
- NON-RECYCLABLE GLASS AND MIRRORS
- NAPPIES
- POLYSTYRENE FOAM / STYROFOAM
- GRASS CLIPPINGS

NAME THE

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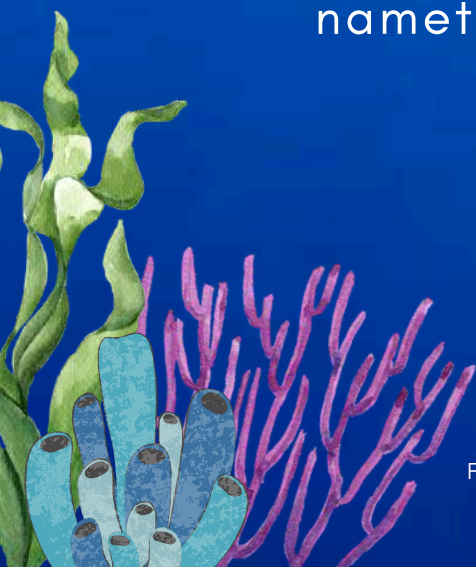
Send us your suggested name along with
a brief explanation.

Enter for a chance to win a family pass
to the 'Outback by the Sea' festival!

Submit your entry by June 13, 2024, to
namethereef@carpentaria.qld.gov.au

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