

## Anzac Centenary to be commemorated in Broome

Broome will mark the Anzac Centenary with an expanded Dawn Service, an Anzac Day eve commemoration, a new memorial wall and upgrades to the existing war memorial.

The traditional Dawn Service and parade at Bedford Park starts at 5.45am on Saturday 25 April, and will include a moving tribute involving 40 St Mary's College students, a representative of the WA Police Pipe Band, and more.

In addition, an Anzac Day eve commemoration will be held at 5.30pm on Friday 24 April at Town Beach, again featuring a

performance by the WA Police Pipe Band representative.

The war memorial in Bedford Park is being upgraded and improved with funding from the Shire of Broome and the Commonwealth Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program.

Broome Shire President, Graeme Campbell, says work includes installing two new memorial walls flanking the cenotaph, rendering and painting brickwork, and replacing pavement with exposed aggregate concrete.



*Work is underway on upgrading the war memorial in Bedford Park.*

## What's happening in the Shire of Broome?

### Fri 10 – Fri 17 Apr – National Youth Week

Assorted venues. A fantastic week of events for young people, including skate comp, movies, basketball, bush tucker and a huge wrap-up party! Check Shire website for full details.

### Fri 24 Apr – Anzac Centenary Prelude Event

Lions Pioneer Park, Town Beach, 5.30pm. A moving sunset tribute to the 56 Broome soldiers who lost their lives in WWI, featuring a performance by a representative of the WA Police Pipe Band.

### Sat 25 Apr – Anzac Day Dawn Service

Bedford Memorial Park, 5.45am start. Traditional parade and Dawn Service, and to commemorate the Anzac Centenary also including a performance by St Mary's College and unveiling of a new memorial wall. Followed by breakfast at Broome RSL.

### Wed 6 May – Gym & Tonic

Broome Civic Centre, 7.30pm. Roz Hammond (Mad As Hell, The Librarians, Muriel's Wedding) plays all eight characters in this uplifting stage play about a women's gym class. A feel-good piece about brittle bones, broken hearts and the unswerving love of mothers. Tickets at [www.broomeciviccentre.com.au](http://www.broomeciviccentre.com.au).



*Gym & Tonic hits the Broome Civic Centre on 6 May.*

### Sat 9 – Sun 10 May – LoveBroome Expo

Broome Civic Centre, 9am-5pm. Entertainment, new industry forums, youth careers and education opportunities, sporting and recreation displays and more. To exhibit or for more info call 9193 7008 or email [info@northwestexpo.com.au](mailto:info@northwestexpo.com.au).

### Thurs 21 May – Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow

Broome Civic Centre, 7pm. This cast of intrepid travelling comedians can't be confined to Melbourne's comedy rooms any longer and is back on the road in 2015. Recommended for ages 15 years or older. Tickets at [www.broomeciviccentre.com.au](http://www.broomeciviccentre.com.au).

## Lifeguards back patrolling Cable Beach

Lifeguard patrols on Cable Beach are underway and run to 1 November 2015.

Shire of Broome Senior Beach Lifeguard, John Hardbottle, says lifeguards are stationed between the red and yellow swimming area flags from 9am to 4.30pm Monday to Saturday, with Broome Surf Life Saving Club volunteers running patrols on Sundays from 8.30am to 4.30pm.

Joining Mr Hardbottle this year as Shire Lifeguards are Broome residents Ric Cockman and Jack Castellarin, Cally Emmins for her second season on Cable Beach, and Kevin Walton from the UK.

"It's important that people follow the lifeguards' instructions, swim between the flags and pay attention to warning signs," Mr



*Shire of Broome Lifeguards keeping beachgoers safe during the busy tourist season.*

Hardbottle says. "The lifeguards will undertake stinger drags twice a day and will have irukandji information available at the beach, as stingers can be present even during the dry season."

## Community help sought in fight against weeds

Weeds threaten native vegetation and biodiversity, and the community has a role to play in reducing their impact on the environment.

Shire of Broome Streetscapes Supervisor, Tony Miragliotta, says the Shire puts in considerable work controlling weeds on public land, but the community needs to help control them on private property.

"Khaki Weed has masses of sharp, spiny burrs and is commonly found in lawns and pedestrian traffic areas," Mr Miragliotta says.

"A native of South America, it's a prostrate perennial with broad elliptical leaves and a carrot-like root system that must be removed or re-shooting will occur with more vigour.

"The best method for complete control is removing the whole plant, including the swollen tap root by hand, by mechanical means or by chemical control with a glyphosate spray (Roundup)."

Weed identification brochures are available from the Shire administration or on the website.



*Khaki Weed is one of the most prolific weeds found around homes and yards, and has masses of sharp spiny burrs.*



*Baamba Albert presents his new CD to Shire President Graeme Campbell for gifting to VIP guests to the town.*

## VIP guests take home the sound of Broome

Important guests visiting Broome will take away the sounds of the town after the Shire purchased copies of entertainer and living treasure Baamba Albert's debut CD.

Broome Shire President, Graeme Campbell, says Council meets regularly with important guests, from politicians to governors, ambassadors, business leaders and celebrities.

"We always like to leave them with a unique reminder of the town," Cr Campbell says. "Baamba has an amazing legacy, and when he released his CD we thought it would make a wonderful keepsake for our VIP guests, as well as being another way the Shire can support local artists."

## Black Spot roadwork on Hamersley St

A section of Hamersley St is temporarily closed to traffic while work is undertaken to improve pedestrian safety.

The section of road between the Frederick St roundabout and Stewart St will be closed intermittently until Friday 24 April.

Detours are in place but access to the police station is available via Stewart St.

The section of Hamersley St is recognised as a Black Spot and funds have been received from the Commonwealth to install a new median island and improve pram ramps.

The Shire thanks the community for its co-operation while the work is carried out, and enquiries should be directed to Shire Engineering Co-ordinator Works, Dave Greaves, on 9191 3456.

## Cable Beach access ramp improvements

Work to improve the Cable Beach north access ramp gets underway on Monday 20 April, with the ramp closed to traffic until April 24.

Improvements include widening the ramp entry, installing a convex mirror to improve vision, and upgrading drainage to stop stormwater eroding the base of the ramp during heavy rain.

By reducing erosion, the drainage work should allow the ramp to remain open following storms.

The Shire thanks the community for its co-operation while the important work is carried out and any enquiries should be directed to Shire Engineering Works Manager, Andrew Graffen, on 9191 3456.

## Limited mulch available at waste management facility

The Shire currently provides free mulch to the community made from green waste, but the quantity available is set to reduce significantly.

The Shire intends to use the mulch for the progressive rehabilitation of the landfill ahead of the eventual closure of the Buckleys Rd Waste Management Facility. Space limitations also mean green waste will be stored at the nearby Reuse and Recycling Facility.

However, the community will still be able to deposit uncontaminated green waste for free at the Waste Management Facility.

Only limited quantities of mulch will be available and users will need to load it themselves.

Those wishing to collect mulch should call ahead on 9192 8018 to make sure stock is available.