

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



Inflatable fun is part of the January holiday program at BRAC.

BRAC holiday fun

Enrolments are now open for the January School Holiday Program at Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre.

The program will run from Monday 4 January to Friday 29 January for a half day from 8am to 2.30pm, or a full day from 8am to 4.30pm.

Kids can take part in fully supervised activities including art and craft, cooking, water fights, water safety, play on the BRAC pool inflatable and movie days.

Open for ages 6-12 years and places are limited. Enrolment information is available from the Shire website, BRAC, email brac@broome.wa.gov.au or 9191 8720.



A giant all-ages foam party is planned for Australia Day.

Fun for Australia Day

Planning is already well underway for an exciting Australia Day 2016 in Broome.

The Australia Day Breakfast at Town Beach hosted by Broome Lions, Lionesses, Rotary and Roebuck Lodge is happening again on Tuesday 26 January, with the Shire presenting the Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards and Australian Citizenship Ceremony.

The Shire of Broome Australia Day Fireworks and Family Fun Day kicks off at Town Beach from 3pm.

The theme for the day/night event is Summer Water Fun, with three big water super slides direct from Perth, an all-ages foam party, obstacle challenge, late-night water park opening and more than 400 water pistols, along with food vans and market stalls.

At 8pm the sky will explode over Roebuck Bay with a fireworks display simulcast with Spirit 102.9 Broome.

The soundtrack for this year's fireworks will be chosen by the community with a competition hosted by Spirit early in the new year.

Christmas comes to Broome

The Shire has been busy working with the community to make Christmas a special time in Broome.

Broome Shire President, Ron Johnston, says Council recognises that it's an important opportunity for the community to come together to celebrate.

"The Shire again hosted a Christmas party at the Broome RSL for more than 70 of our community's senior citizens who enjoyed morning tea, bingo and other entertainment," Cr Johnston says.

"Chinatown looks spectacular with lighting and decorations, and the Shire also worked with schools and child care centres to decorate shop windows that I hope people took the time to enjoy.

"Unfortunately the weather didn't co-operate with the annual Chinatown Christmas Street Party, but not before considerable work was put in by many in the community and we thank them for those efforts.

"And finally, on behalf of the Shire of Broome I would like to wish everyone a merry Christmas and a happy New Year."



Shire of Broome staff help wrap kids' Christmas presents at the Broome Youth and Families Hub Drop-In Centre.



Broome Public Library staff celebrate Christmas.

Shire of Broome Christmas opening hours

Shire of Broome Administration Centre and remaining operations not listed separately below will be closed: Fri 25 Dec 2015 to Fri 1 Jan 2016 inclusive. Some staff will be rostered on to handle routine duties and emergencies.

Broome Civic Centre will be closed:

Fri 25 Dec 2015 to Fri 1 Jan 2016 inclusive.

Broome Public Library will be closed:

Fri 25 Dec 2015 to Mon 28 Dec 2015 inclusive; Fri 1 Jan 2016 to Thurs 7 Jan 2016 inclusive.

Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre will be closed:

Fri 25 Dec 2015 and Fri 1 Jan 2016. Reduced opening hours will apply from Fri 18 Dec 2015 through to Thurs 31 Dec 2015. Please visit the Shire website for full details.

Broome Waste Management Facility will be closed:

Fri 25 Dec 2015. Normal hours will apply for the remainder of the Christmas and New Year break. Kerbside rubbish collection continues as normal.

