

Road improvements underway this week

The Shire's annual urban road re-sealing program gets underway this week.

Work started on 1 August in Coconut Well with McGuigan and Lawrence Rd, and in coming weeks will be followed by areas of Old Broome (starting in Demco and working through Hopton, Walcott, Louis, Robinson, Forrest, Hammersley, Pryor, Miller, Boab, Leichardt, Rivergum, Kerr, Bardwell, Piggott and Lyons); Cable Beach suburb (26 streets from Taiji Rd through to Smirnoff Pl); Woods Dve area (Chippendall, Brown, Cotter, Barnsley, Manado, Roe, Yu); Sunset Park (Challenor, Gorgon, Mina, Ivy, Sayonara, Charon, Ena); and Roebuck Estate (Pipit, Sandpiper, Curlew, Jigal).

Traffic controls will be in place around work areas and the community's cooperation is appreciated.



Simone Fletcher and Scarlett Jacky planting native seedlings for National Tree Day.

Shire gets a helping hand greening Broome

More native plants are blossoming around Broome after kids from Broome Daycare Centre, Mulberry Tree Childcare and BOSCCA gave Shire staff a helping hand.

The kids planted seedlings in open locations while learning about the importance of native vegetation.

The planting coincided with National Tree Day, and according to organiser Planet Ark, research shows that outdoor learning

programs for kids have a positive impact on a range of student behaviours and are linked to cognitive function, memory, imaginative play, creativity and enthusiasm for school.

As part of working with the community to encourage tree planting, the Shire also recently provided more than 3000 native plant seedlings with giveaways at the Shire Depot and with Incredible Edible Broome.

The Kimberley Collection Fine Art Exhibition

Opening Night:

Broome Civic Centre
Thursday 4th August
Time: 6.30 to 9 pm
Bar and Canape's available
Dress: Kimberley Formal
All welcome to come and enjoy

The Kimberley Collection Exhibition at the Broome Civic Centre will be open for viewing from Thursday 4th to Sunday 7th of August 10am to 4pm.

Artists

Bec Morgan
Betsy Rupa
Chrissy Carter
Craig Rochford
Edwin Mulligan
Elaine Tribbick
Gabby Gugerl
Heather McLaughlin
Karen Morgan
Kerry Ann Jordinson
Mark Norval
Paul Boon
Suzy French
Tina Higgins
Tom Montgomery

Welcome to the Inaugural Kimberley Collection. These are professional practicing artists who have come together, generously supported by the Shire of Broome to take you on a journey of this country through their eyes and medium of practice.

What's happening in the Shire of Broome?

Thurs 4 August – The Kimberley Collection - Opening Night

Broome Civic Centre, 6.30pm. The Kimberley Collection is an artist-run exhibition that will bring together professional artists from across the region to showcase their work at the Broome Civic Centre from Aug 4-7, proudly sponsored by the Shire of Broome. More info at www.broomeciviccentre.com.au.

Tues 9 August – Census 2016

The Census provides important information about Australia's people and their housing. It helps estimate Australia's population, which is used to distribute government funds and plan services for your community. In 2016, the Census is expected to count close to 10 million dwellings and approximately 24 million people, the largest to date.

Tues 16 August – The Reading Hour

Broome Public Library, 6pm. Bring your head torch or torch, pillow and favourite book, or come early to choose a book and snuggle down to read for an hour. All welcome.

Big changes for Chinatown

WA Minister for Regional Development, Terry Redman, has launched the Chinatown Revitalisation Project in Broome.

The Royalties for Regions investment of \$10 million along with \$2 million from the Shire of Broome and \$600,000 from Tourism WA will deliver transformational projects in the next three years that reinforce Chinatown as the commercial, cultural and historical centre of Broome, along with detailed feasibility studies of projects that will strengthen Chinatown in the longer term.

Implementation will be undertaken by the Shire, Kimberley Development Commission and LandCorp, with a Community and Stakeholder Reference Group established by the Shire and consultation with the wider community and stakeholders to continue throughout the process.

Projects include upgrades of Dampier Tce and Carnarvon St to make them more attractive and pedestrian friendly; continued development of a Dampier Tce-Frederick St precinct including



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road connection, lookout and pocket park; appointment of a Chinatown Investment and Development Coordinator to support traders and activate Chinatown; Cultural Centre feasibility study; enhancement of laneways including a proposed grant program to encourage owners to refurbish laneways and develop new ones; Gray St extension feasibility study to protect Chinatown from inundation and sea level rise, and improve access; and Roebuck Bay reconnection and coastal protection studies.

Community input on coast vulnerability

The Shire is seeking community input as it plans for the potential impacts of flooding and erosion on the town site as far into the future as 2110 with a new Coastal Hazard Risk Management and Adaptation Plan, or CHRMAP.

Interested community members are encouraged to attend workshops on Tuesday 16 August to help shape the design of coastal management and adaptation options for the future.

The Shire recently received a Broome Town Site Coastal Vulnerability Study that examined potential future threats from coastal inundation, erosion, stormwater flooding and climate change, with information forums held on 20 July.

Development of the CHRMAP is the next stage of the process that will translate the study's technical information, as well as



The community is being asked for input into planning to deal with coastal management.

local knowledge and strategic planning, into a document that is practical and accessible and can be used to manage the risks of coastal hazards into the future.

More information about the project and the community workshops is on the Shire website.

