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# Youth precinct plans underway

Are you interested in bike tracks, cross training, adventure running or anything that involves physical activity in the great outdoors?

The Shire of Broome is developing a masterplan for a youth precinct between the BRAC playing fields and the Boulevard shopping centre and the community is being asked to share ideas on how to make the area as exciting as possible. A community workshop was held earlier this week to explore what outdoor recreation facilities to include in the precinct and what the design might look like. Anyone wishing to be involved should contact mike.doyle@broome.wa.gov.au or vanessa@mudmapstudio.com.



The Shire is planning to develop youth activities on vacant land near BRAC. PIC: Common Ground.

### **Exciting season at Broome Civic Centre**

### **Tues 21 Mar – Harmony Day Colourfest Film Festival**

Broome Civic Centre, doors open 5pm for 6pm show. The Colourfest Film Festival featuring Australian short films that celebrate cultural diversity will be hosted by the Shire of Broome to mark Harmony Day, with six films ranging in length from seven minutes to 23 minutes. More info at www.colourfest.com.au. Tickets \$5 from www.broomeciviccentre.com.au

### Fri 24 Mar – Marty's Party

Broome Civic Centre, doors open 5.30pm for 6.30pm show. Internationally recognised Canadian prop-comedian Marty Putz brings his explosive one-man show to town, with anti-gravity cloaks and human baseball all part of the mayhem that makes up this family show. Tickets at www.broomeciviccentre.com.au.







Check out the revamped BRAC aquatic facilities at an open day on Saturday 25 March.

## Free fun for BRAC

A free family fun day on Saturday 25 March is the perfect opportunity to check out the revamped **Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre** swimming pool.

The aquatic facility re-opened to the community on 20 February after closing for six months while undergoing a \$3 million refurbishment.

The upgrade of the 22-year-old aquatic facility was jointly funded by the Shire and the WA Department of Sport and Recreation, and included replacing the brick-paved concourse, renewing swimming pool bulk heads and tiling, resurfacing the children's lagoon, improving pool lighting, fully rebuilding the plant room and replacing the plant and filtration systems.

Shire of Broome Manager Sport and Recreation, Casey Zepnick, says the aquatic facility is straight into action with aqua fitness classes, swimming lessons, swim carnivals, swim squad and more underway.

"The aquatic facility now has a fresh new look, but large parts of the work have been carried out beneath the surface and in the plant room with upgraded technology that will operate more efficiently and improve safety," Mr Zepnick says.

"We'd love everyone who hasn't already visited us to come along on 25 March for the open day and we'll have the inflatable set up for the kids, throw a snag on the BBQ and run through a few formalities between 12.30pm and 4pm".

### Dash & Splash is back at BRAC

The Dash & Splash is back for a Short Series in 2017 after the reopening of the BRAC pool.

Help celebrate the fresh new look and take part in a short or long course Dash & Splash, with events in March, April

The short course is a 2.5km run with a 250m swim, while the long course is a 5km run with 500m swim. Take part in the full series or individual events.

The short course and long course events can be completed as an individual, or adult competitors can tackle the long course as a duo. Juniors have the option to tackle either the long or short course as a duo.

There will be three events in this series - Friday 24 March, Friday 28 April and Friday 26 May - with entry forms



With the BRAC pool back open, a three-event Dash & Splash series will start this month.

available on the Shire website or from BRAC on 9191 8720 or brac@broome.wa.gov.au.

### Crocodile sign the pose threat

The theft of crocodile warning signs from Broome beaches is putting lives at risk and costing the community.

Crocodile and stinger warning signs are regularly stolen and Shire of Broome Rangers Coordinator, Mark O'Connor, says that while the thieves may consider it a harmless prank or taking home a souvenir, it could have serious consequences.

"Crocodile and stinger warning signs are put in place when there is a very real danger present," Mr O'Connor says.

"By removing the signs, people's lives are put at risk if there is a crocodile present or irukandji in the water and people are not being warned."

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Shire or Broome Police.



The theft of crocodile warning signs is putting lives at risk and costing ratepayers.



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