



Floorball is set to be the next big sport in Broome with a 'Come and Try' evening on Mon 21 Aug at BRAC.

Floorball is coming soon to Broome

Floorball is coming to Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre! The modified form of indoor hockey will be played in a rink inside the BRAC stadium.

Shire Manager Sport and Recreation, Casey Zepnick, says everyone is invited to a 'Come and Try' evening from 5pm on Monday 21 August to see what it's about and have a go.

"It's a fun and fast game and we reckon that it won't take long for people to get hooked," he says.

"Soon after we'll kick off a mixed social competition with junior and senior divisions that will be a great opportunity for groups of friends, work colleagues and sports teams to put a team together, get active and have some fun."



What's happening in the Shire of Broome?

Thurs 17 Aug – Author Evening – Norman Jorgensen

Broome Public Library, 5-6pm. Broome-born author Norman Jorgensen has published books across a range of genres and has been shortlisted, and won, a number of literary awards. He will talk about his writing career, research, influences and more. Free entry.

Tues 22 Aug – Meet the Author – Howard Goldenberg

Broome Public Library, 4-5pm. Howard Goldenberg is a writer, a reader and a doctor, and author of new release *A Threefold Cord*, a thrilling and funny story full of unexpected twists and turns and mysterious characters. Recommended for young adults aged 12-15. Free entry.

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Interested in becoming a Shire Councillor?

The Shire of Broome will host an information session on Wednesday 6 September for anyone wanting to find out about becoming a Shire Councillor.

Local Government elections will be held on 21 October 2017, with four positions on the Broome Shire Council to be contested.

Nominations to run for Council are open from 7-14 September 2017.

Shire of Broome CEO, Sam Mastrolembro, says he will provide a presentation to the information session and answer any questions.

"This will be an informal occasion and a chance for anyone interested in representing their community as a Shire Councillor to have a chat, ask some questions and find out more about Local Government and the responsibilities of being a Councillor," Mr Mastrolembro says.

The information session starts at 6pm in the Shire Function Room, and for more information visit the Shire website or call 9191 3456.



Local Government elections will be held on 21 October this year.

Residents and ratepayers are also encouraged to make sure they are enrolled to vote in Local Government elections, with rolls closing on 1 September 2017.



A group from Broome's Japanese Sister City visits the Shire of Broome.

Sister City exchange marks anniversary

A group from Broome's Sister City of Taiji in Japan has visited the town to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the annual student exchange with St Mary's College.

The group of 23 included seven exchange students, former exchange students, families who have hosted Broome students, and representatives of the Taiji Town Office and Board of Education.

Acting Broome Shire President, Harold Tracey, says the exchange is an important way of keeping alive the

relationship between the two towns that goes back more than 100 years.

From the late 1800s, skilled pearl divers from Taiji and Japan came to Broome and were instrumental in the early days of the pearling industry, along with helping to found Broome's first school and hospital.

Broome's Japanese cemetery is believed to be the biggest outside of Japan, with more than 900 graves and 700 tombstones.

Broome's banner takes out the prize

For the second year running Broome's entry in the State-wide Banners in the Terrace competition has won the secondary school category.

The 3m-tall banner designed by St Mary's College Year 9 Joel Hill was displayed on St George's Tce in Perth as part of WA's biggest annual community art projects.

The Banners in the Terrace event is run by the WA Local Government Association as part of the WA Local Government Convention.

Representatives from shires, towns and cities around the State gathered in Perth where the banners were displayed from 23 July to 5 August.

Broome's 2016 entry was designed by St Mary's College student John Bill Quilisadio and also won the secondary school category.



Joel Hill's banner has won the secondary school category in the State-wide Banners in the Terrace competition.