

What's happening in the Shire of Broome?



Sat 6 Oct – Broome Vibes Music Sessions

Broome Civic Centre, 5.30-9pm. A young people and family friendly event celebrating local musical talent and good wellbeing, presented by the Shire of Broome Youth Advisory Council. Gold coin entry, food sales cash only.

Fri 19 Oct – Dash'n'Splash at BRAC

Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre, 5pm. Run and swim your way to fitness and fun. Short course is a 2km run and 200m swim, and long course is a 4km run and 400m swim, with categories for seniors, juniors and teams. Events on Fri 21 Sept, 19 Oct and 16 Nov. Entry forms on the website or from BRAC.



Sat 20 – Sun 21 Oct – Garage Sale Trail

Broome households, schools and community groups are set to join over 400,000 people across the country on Sat 20 and Sun 21 Oct as a part of the eighth annual Garage Sale Trail. Register now at garagesaletrail.com.au.

Thu 25 Oct – Ordinary Meeting of Council

Shire of Broome Council Chambers, 5pm. An Ordinary Meeting of Council is held on the fourth Thursday of each month. The community is invited to attend, and Public Question Time is held at the start of the meeting. Info on meetings, agendas and minutes, public question time and submitting petitions can be viewed at broome.wa.gov.au.

Sign up for Shire E-News

Would you like to keep up to date with what your Shire is doing, from the convenience of your email inbox?

Shire E-News is published regularly, with information on major projects, updates on services, events and other happenings around the Shire of Broome. To receive Shire E-News just send an email to shire@broome.wa.gov.au with your preferred email address.



Free household drop-off at waste facility

The Shire is offering two weekends of free household waste drop off at the Waste Management Facility to help prepare for cyclone season.

This year, the annual pre-cyclone waste disposal weekends will be 27-28 October and 3-4 November and is available to residents, in addition to the six free waste passes supplied each year to ratepayers. There will be no kerbside collection.

Eligible items include white goods; scrap metal; furniture and mattresses; e-waste; batteries; green waste and timber; and oil.

Items NOT eligible include tyres and car parts, gas bottles, asbestos, paint, liquid waste, chemical or hazardous waste; commercial and demolition waste; flares; and fire extinguishers.

The Waste Management Facility is open 7.30am to 3.30pm Saturday and 8am to 2pm Sunday.

Seniors and residents with mobility limitations can request help to remove items from their property by contacting the Shire Office. Limits apply.



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Beach closures helping protect turtles

The impact of vehicles on turtles nesting on Cable Beach will again be managed with night-time closures in place from next week.

The Cable Beach north access ramp will be closed to vehicles from 8pm to 6am each day between 9 October 2018 and 25 February 2019.

The beach will also be closed to vehicles two hours either side of high tides of 9m or more.

Broome Shire President, Harold Tracey, says the main species nesting on Cable Beach is the Flatback Turtle, which is threatened and is protected under WA legislation.

"They generally nest at the top of the beach above the high tide mark where their nests can be damaged by vehicles compacting sand and crushing nests," Cr Tracey says.

"Wheel ruts can also prevent hatchlings making their way to the water, and vehicle lights can disturb and confuse hatchlings."

More information on vehicle access and driving techniques during turtle nesting season is available on the Shire website.



Take care on Cable Beach and observe closures to protect nesting and hatching turtles.

Recognise contributors in our community

Time is running out to nominate some unsung heroes in the Broome community for the prestigious Community Citizen of the Year Awards.

Each year individuals and groups are recognised on Australia Day, with Phil Leach and the Broome Netball Club the winners in 2018.

There are categories for Overall, Youth, Senior and Community Group or Event, and nominations can be made online at citizenshipawards.com.au.

Broome Shire President, Harold Tracey, says Broome has many outstanding local role models who would be worthy winners of these important awards.

"The Community Citizen of the Year Awards are an opportunity to recognise the special individuals and organisations who make a difference in our Shire, and we encourage community members to take the time to nominate a deserving person or group," Cr Tracey says. Nominations close on 31 Oct and winners will be announced on Australia Day 2019.



Phil Leach and the Broome Netball Club were Broome Community Citizens of the Year in 2018.