

What's Happening

In the Shire of Broome?

Comedy masterclasses coming to Broome

COMEDY GOLD
SEP 10
RANDY FELTFACE
MC - BEN DARSTOW
ALISSIA MARSH | CHRIS SCHINN
BROOME CIVIC CENTRE
Tickets \$33 | www.broomeciviccentre.com

Australia's funniest and most-recognisable comedians are coming to Broome Civic Centre on September 9-10 and tickets are selling fast.

The first show not to miss is *Over the Fence* (OTF), showing on Thursday, September 9. OTF is the Perth-based, internationally recognised world of comedy shorts.

This side-splitting show will present upcoming and independent filmmakers and bring the comedy world of WA to Broome's doorstep.

OTF dives into the absurdities of life and presents comedy films that change the way we view today's current world. If you're after a show that will make you smile, grin, wonder and laugh - than this is the show for you.

Hot on the heels will be *Comedy Gold*, which is showing on Friday, September 10.

Comedy Gold returns to Broome with some of Australia's greatest comedic talents, including MC Ben Darso, Alissa Marsh, Chris Schinn and feature act Randy Feltface.

The content from these comedians is contemporary, full of excitable wit and has been wowing audiences around the state.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said the upcoming comedy shows were a great showcase of the comedic genius Australia has to offer.

"It is a real credit to the Civic Centre to have the best comedians across the world come to our great venue - these two shows don't come around everyday," he said.

"This line up will have you in stitches and rolling in the aisle with laughter.

"I have heard from other regions that *Comedy Gold* has already taken the state by storm with the team just completing 10 shows in 10 through regional and metro Western Australia. We are lucky enough that it is heading to Broome."

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit www.broomeciviccentre.com.au.

Work underway to restore iconic Streeter's Jetty



Work on Broome's iconic Streeter's Jetty commenced last week, with the Shire set to restore the important attraction to its former glory.

Structural investigations in 2020 found the jetty's piles and bracing were failing, meaning it was a public safety risk and needed to be fully replaced.

Access to Streeter's Jetty has been closed since February 2020 and the process to ensure it meets Australian standards for crowd loading and vessel berthing will now begin.

The removal of mangroves that have colonised around the jetty is required to allow the reconstruction and the Shire has the relevant permits to undertake this work. Cultural and Fauna monitors will be in place during these works.

After the removal of mangroves, the existing jetty will be carefully demolished and the timber salvaged.

The new structure will be constructed in likeness to the original in accordance with heritage

approvals. It will be constructed with 14 steel piles and a steel frame hidden by timber decking, fascia boards, kerbs, handrails and a section of heritage façade, which will be constructed from historic materials to replicate the existing jetty.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said restoring Streeter's Jetty was an opportunity project and would play a role in the continued revitalisation of the Chinatown precinct.

"Streeter's Jetty is a massively popular attraction for both local residents and tourists, but the fact is that the current structure is falling apart and must be reconstructed," he said.

"While seeing the jetty be demolished will be distressing for some, it should be noted that this is the fifth time it has been demolished and rebuilt since it was first constructed in 1886.

"The Shire has engaged extensively with relevant stakeholders and the Heritage Council of Western Australia to make sure we get this project right and the new Streeter's Jetty will be a big asset for our town once more."

Camping trial ends, overflow facilities now closed

The Shire of Broome's temporary camping trial at the Cable Beach car park has ended this week, while overflow caravan parks have also been closed.

In response to the increased number of visitors coming to Broome this year, the Shire Council approved a temporary free trial of overnight camping by travellers in self-contained caravans or recreational vehicles in Cable Beach Surf Club carpark, which commenced on July 1.

This was subsequently extended until 7am on September 6, which was the conclusion date for the trial.

A total of 462 self-contained vehicles took

advantage of the opportunity, with most people abiding by the rules - 44 infringements were issued by Rangers.

Overflow caravanning facilities at the Broome Pistol Club and Seventh Day Adventist Church grounds have also been operating in recent months to provide additional options for visitors and ensure the required level of capacity.

These overflow facilities also closed on September 6.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said the decisions had been made in collaboration with the town's caravan park providers.