

What's Happening

In the Shire of Broome?



Shire supporting community groups

Broome is lucky to have so many outstanding not-for-profit groups, social organisations, charities and sports bodies, who play a key role in making our town an amazing place to live and work.

As such, the Community Sponsorship Program has been developed to provide funds to assist community-based organisations within the Shire for the development of social, cultural, economic, recreational, environmental and reconciliation projects and initiatives that benefit the local community.

The next Annual Community Matched Funding round is now open until April 6 for projects occurring between June 2021 and June 2022.

The updated guidelines are available on the Shire's website - simply search 'community funding' at www.broome.wa.gov.au.

For more information, please contact the Youth and Community Development Officer on 9191 3456.

Beach 2 Bay Virtual Swim

A unique and much-loved local swimming event is set to be held again next month, as the Beach 2 Bay Virtual Swim takes place at the Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre.

The 20km swim event simulates the distance of swimming from Cable Beach around Gantheaume Point and finishing at Town Beach.

To be held on Sunday, March 28 in the BRAC pool, this 800-lap event can be completed as an individual, duo, team of four or a novelty team of up to 10 people.

Registrations open on Monday, February 15, while BRAC has Adult Swim classes to help get you ready for the big event.

For more information, visit www.broome.wa.gov.au or call 9191 8720.

Level 1 Sports Trainer Course

Learn the skills to keep your sport safe. This accredited course, delivered by Sports Medicine Australia, is valued at \$285 - but it is free through the Club Development Program.

Sporting club volunteers can learn the basic skills required by a Sports Trainer, including the management of specific sporting injuries, sports taping techniques and safely transporting an injured athlete.

The event will be held from 8.30am - 4.30pm on March 27 at the BRAC multi-purpose room.

Places are limited and available to those volunteering at Broome sporting clubs. To register contact mike.doyle@broome.wa.gov.au.

Jetty progressing despite wet weather



The construction of a new 110m jetty at Town Beach is well underway, with the project on track despite recent wet weather.

The Town Beach precinct has been transformed over the last few years as a \$24 million redevelopment has seen the area refreshed for our community to enjoy.

Work undertaken to date includes the construction of a rock revetment seawall, coastal footpath, groyne, grassed terrace area and youth-focused facilities.

The jetty will be the final piece of the project, which has been funded in partnership by the Shire of Broome and WA State Government.

Piling has commenced, with 47 steel piles, 23 headstocks, 52 deck panels and a boat-launching structure to be installed.

A portion of the car park has been closed for the duration of the construction, but the boat ramp will remain open.

The jetty's construction, which is being undertaken by SMC Marine, is expected to be completed by August 2021.

Shire of Broome deputy president Desiree Male said the new jetty would be another infrastructure asset for the town.

"I had the pleasure of being involved in our Australia Day celebrations at Town Beach - it was the perfect setting to recognise our local heroes and welcome new citizens to Broome," she said.

"The jetty will complete the overhaul of the Town Beach precinct and be another way for residents and visitors to enjoy the amazing views over Roebuck Bay.

"I look forward to the project's completion and would like to thank the local contractors who are playing a role in the construction."

Stage Two Chinatown works making good progress



A number of roads in Chinatown are being refreshed and rejuvenated, with the success of Stage One to be mirrored in the latest developments.

Both sides of Short Street are now being worked on and as such have restricted vehicle access, while work continues on Carnarvon Street North, meaning this area of the town centre is closed to cars also.

However, Napier Terrace has reopened to traffic.

The two-storey Paspaley Plaza car park can be accessed through Short Street West and is the ideal place to park to access Coles and the Post Office.

Access to a temporary car park has also been made available from Gray Street and the Northern end of town can be accessed from Dampier Terrace.

Shire of Broome deputy president Desiree Male said despite the inconvenience of construction, residents had plenty of options for parking and urged the community to support impacted local businesses.

Construction work in Broome's town centre continues, with Stage Two of the Chinatown Revitalisation Project on track.