

What's Happening

In the Shire of Broome?

Discovery Festival almost here

Excitement is building ahead of the 2021 Chinatown Discovery Festival, with an action-packed weekend of events planned in Broome's town centre.



Proudly presented by the Chinatown Revitalisation Project and supported by Horizon Power, the much-loved local event will take place on May 28-30.

The Discovery Festival is a celebration of Broome's rich heritage and diverse community, with 2021's theme 'Growing up in Chinatown'.

A busy schedule of events will take place over the course of the weekend, with activities and events for different tastes and ages, including families and kids. Most of the festival activities are free, making it accessible for all parts of the Broome community.

The program will feature art and photography installations, creative performances, music, food, sand sculptures, street entertainment and much more.

The key event is the Pearlers Games, featuring fun challenges for individuals and teams, to round off a busy weekend of fun and activity in our town centre.

For more information, visit www.chinatownbroome.com.au or visit the Chinatown Broome Facebook page.

Civic Centre ramping up

After the success of well-attended shows in recent weeks, events are coming thick and fast at the Broome Civic Centre.

Multi award-winning West Australian company YUCK Circus will perform at the Civic Centre on Saturday, May 8.

Winners of Best Emerging Artist at Adelaide Fringe 2019 and the FRINGEWORLD top-tier Martin Sims Award, get ready to witness a powerhouse of high-flying acrobatics, absurd confessions and groovy dancing.

Australia's favourite comedy convoy will also be held at the Civic Centre on Wednesday, May 12, with the Melbourne Internal Comedy Festival Roadshow to take place.

An all-killer, no-filler line-up of Australian stars and talented newcomers will deliver a night of stand-up, sketch, satire, silliness and song!

For tickets and information, visit www.broomeciviccentre.com.au.

Chinatown transforming as construction continues



The Chinatown Revitalisation Project is reaching major milestones, with the refreshed areas of Broome's town centre starting to take shape.

The project, which is co-funded by the Shire of Broome and State Government, promises to rejuvenate one of our town's most historic precincts.

More footpaths are being installed on Short Street West, with the retaining walls to be progressed further also.

Short Street East is starting to really take shape, with more pavers to be laid this week.

The continued construction of the new road alignment for Napier Terrace West is progressing, with drainage culverts also being installed.

Napier Terrace East will have new reticulation implemented, with temporary fencing to start coming down in this area soon.

Carnarvon Street North is looking good, with shade structures and kerbing set to be completed soon, while street furniture and footpaths are set to be installed.

Shire of Broome deputy president Desiree Male said the project was making good progress.

"The construction crews are working hard to keep on track and to budget, and hopefully community members can start to see how this work is going to improve our town centre," she said.

"Thank you for your patience and understanding as the work is completed."

"I'd urge the community to continue to Buy Local and support impacted retailers, while the latest information is available on our website at www.chinatownbroome.com.au or on the Chinatown Broome Facebook page."

Parking options at Town Beach set to be increased



The Shire is increasing the amount of car parking at Town Beach, with a new project to build on vehicle capacity at the revamped precinct.

The Town Beach Foreshore Redevelopment is a \$24 million project to overhaul the scenic area, which has been jointly funded by the Shire of Broome and State Government.

Thanks to a Local Roads and Community

Infrastructure grant, a section of the existing caravan park site is set to be used for additional car parking.

This will see a further 44 parking bays and six motorcycle bays being installed, with work set to commence in May.

Work on the Town Beach Jetty is continuing, with the laying of piles at the halfway mark.

Shire of Broome deputy president Desiree Male said Town Beach was an important part of our town.

"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," she said.

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