

What's Happening

In the Shire of Broome?

An Evening with Wendy Matthews



It has been a busy year so far at the Broome Civic Centre, with the next major event *An Evening with Wendy Matthews* on Saturday, June 19.

As an artist, ARIA-Award winner Wendy Matthews has an expressive voice that never fails to move those who hear it.

Her music is an unhurried journey of clean melodies, infectious energy and simple grace.

In an age where uber-production techniques are thought to be hip and cynicism an attribute, Wendy has proven that commitment to beauty is still not only valid but applauded by the public ear.

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

Something for everyone at BRAC

There is something for everyone at Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre, with plenty on the schedule in upcoming months.

Broome's only fun run event is returning for 2021, with athletes getting ready to lace up their running shoes on Sunday, June 27.

Registrations for the BRAC 2 Beach Fun Run are now open and can be completed at www.broome.wa.gov.au.

Participants can opt to take on the 4km or 8km courses and the event can be completed as a walk, run or wheelchair event.

A perfect event for seasoned athletes or first-timers, there will be awards for category winners and the best dressed sporting club, community organisation or workplace.

The BRAC 2 Beach Fun Run comes hot on the heels of the final Dash and Splash event of the series, which took place late last month.

Thank you (all well done!) to everyone who took part in the series.

Group fitness and aqua aerobics classes continue, with a daily activity for you to participate in from Monday through to Saturday.

Finally, our dry season hours have been applied recently - for more information on BRAC and to register for classes, search 'BRAC' at www.broome.wa.gov.au.

Broome housing roundtable meetings continue



The Shire of Broome is acutely aware that a shortage of rental properties and accommodation options in our town is adding undue stress to residents and visitors - and is committed to being part of the solution.

As a local government, the Shire has a limited role to play in relation to housing but wants to be part of a collaborative effort to rectify the situation.

As such, the Shire has orchestrated and chaired a monthly housing roundtable meeting with relevant stakeholders, with the first meeting taking place in April.

Participants include representatives from Development WA, the Kimberley Development Commission, Nyamba Buru Yawuru, Department of Communities, Foundation Housing, and the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.

The Shire has taken several actions recently in a bid to help the situation, including:

- The Shire's Operation of Temporary Caravan and Camping Facilities policy, which will govern about 127 sites across three facilities in 2021, has been reviewed to offer more flexibility to guests and provide support to the caravan park proprietors.

- The Approval to Camp for up to 3 months in Areas other than Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds policy has been reviewed, with changes to make it easier to obtain approval.
- A temporary four-week trial of overnight camping by travellers in self-contained caravans or recreational vehicles in Cable Beach Surf Club carpark will commence when permanent caravan parks near capacity. The date for commencement has not been set but will align closely with the opening of the overflow caravan parks. This will allow conditional free camping in the southern section of the Cable Beach Surf Club carpark for a maximum of three nights. Camping hours will be 5pm to 7am, with the potential for the trial to be reduced or extended as required.
- A Frequently Asked Questions page related to housing in Broome has been created on the Shire's website and can be found on the homepage at www.broome.wa.gov.au.

The Shire will endeavour to provide further updates on a regular basis.

Consideration required on Broome's beaches



The Shire of Broome would like to remind the community of its responsibilities when attending our beaches, with high patronage currently given the influx of people to town.

Broome has amazing beaches that are there for residents and visitors to enjoy, but the rules are in place to ensure the safety of everyone.

Broome is a dog-friendly community, but not

everyone welcomes your pooch's attention. Dog owners are reminded that they must keep their pets under control, even while they are in an off-leash area.

With the race season upon us, visitors to Cable Beach near Gantheaume Point will notice horses exercising from 5am-10am each day. During this time period, dogs must be kept on a lead for the safety of the horses and their riders.

The speed limit for vehicles driving on both Cable Beach both near Gantheaume Point and north of the rocks is 15km/h - please stick to this speed for everyone's safety.

Finally, please pick up your rubbish when leaving the beach.

Rangers will be visible at our beaches, with education the first response - however infringements will be issued to people blatantly breaking the rules. Signage is present at vehicle access points for more information.