

What's Happening *in the Shire of Broome?*

BRUCE almighty



BRUCE is a loveable screw-up; he's got one last shot at redemption, but with a lifetime of regrets hunting him down, the self-proclaimed hero-cop turned novelist-astronaut is running out of space-time. Created and performed by puppeteers Wyatt Nixon-Lloyd and Tim Watts, BRUCE is a non-stop rollercoaster of action, adventure, and nostalgia.

Broome Civic Centre

Thursday, March 14 at 6.30pm

Tickets: General Admission \$23, Premium \$33, Concession \$23

Ages 15+

Cane toad talk



If you missed the recent Cane Toad Talk at the Broome Public Library, another session is being held on Tuesday, March 26, at 5pm. With cane toads becoming a common site in Derby and heading further west, this is a good opportunity to learn about the pest. DBCA's Invasive Species Operations Officer, Theo, will discuss how to identify cane toads, reduce breeding environments, control measures and more.

Walk for a Bloke, Broome

Walk for a Bloke is a unique opportunity for men to come together and connect over a 12.5km or 25km walk while raising awareness and funds for men's mental health. Walk along iconic Cable Beach to Cable Beach Club Resort and Spa then through Broome to end at The Roey. The Shire is proud to support this event through our Quick Response Grant scheme.

Tickets: Silver \$40, Gold \$120

spoketoabloke.org/walk-broome-2024

Cable Beach foreshore works prompt changes to beach access



Work on Stage B1 of the Walmanyjun Cable Beach Foreshore Redevelopment is due to commence in March and is expected to be completed in early December. Work will mostly take place around the Surf Club and will include the installation of Stage 1 elements, including:

- Replacing the existing ramp and beach stairs near the Surf Club to make them safer and more accessible.
- Installing a new lookout.
- Laying the basketball court.
- Constructing the skate park.
- Improving the trailhead into Minyirr Park.
- Reprofilling the sand dunes to their natural state to mitigate erosion.
- Landscaping the car park behind the surf club and installing new lighting.
- Replacing the beach access stairs near Zanders.

This will require the closure of the Surf Club beach stairs and ramp, and the beach stairs near Zanders.

As a result, the other stairs approximately 150m north of

Zanders (towards the public vehicle ramp) will be the primary beach access point. Pedestrian access between the Surf Club and Zanders will be maintained, and every effort will be made to reopen the stairs before December.

West Coast Water Safety will continue to provide a buggy service to and from the beach for people with mobility issues during beach patrol times (details to come).

Because dogs are not allowed in the main swim zone, people wishing to take dogs to the off-lead area south of the Surf Club will need to do so via the access tracks in front of Murray Road (Divers Tavern), De Marchi Road and Banu Avenue, and from Gantheaume Beach.

Dogs will still be allowed north of the north access stairs and Vehicle Access Ramp. The first kilometre north of the rocks is a lead-only area.

Car parking at Zanders and along Cable Beach Road will be unaffected during these works, and some of the car parking behind the Surf Club will soon reopen.

Early voting begins for Council by-election

Four Broome residents have been nominated in the Extraordinary In-Person Council Election to be held on Saturday, 23 March 2024, to fill the ninth council seat vacated by the former councillor Harold Tracey.

The nominees, in ballot order are:

- Chiedza Sakupwanya
- Jerome Herveux
- Sean Cooper
- Wynston Shovellor-Sesar

Early in-person voting has already commenced at the Shire Admin Building at 27 Weld Street, Broome, where electors can cast their vote between 9am and 4pm on weekdays until 4pm, Friday, March 22.

Early voting will be held at the larger remote communities in the Shire in the week before election day on March 23.

These include One Arm Point and Lombidina on Tuesday, March 19; Djarindjin and Beagle Bay on Wednesday March 20 and Bidyadanga on Thursday, March 21.

For more information and candidate profiles, visit broome.wa.gov.au/election2024.

Shire shines a light on street safety



Broome's streets are looking brighter at night, with almost 200 new LED lights installed around town to help improve safety and security.

The Shire has invested over \$600,000 since 2019 for Horizon Power to fit 187 significantly brighter and more efficient LED street lights on new or existing poles.

The locations of the lighting upgrades were chosen based on the street type, lighting (LUX) levels and crime statistics in the area. New LED lights will replace existing bulbs as they require replacing. But if you believe a street or public area is too dark, fill in a service request online at broome.wa.gov.au/service-request

If a streetlight isn't working, contact Horizon Power on 1800 264 914 or submit a report at horizonpower.com.au