

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

Community Scorecard



The Shire of Broome is seeking comprehensive community feedback on how the organisation is faring – and where it can improve. The Scorecard generally takes 5-10 minutes to complete – we value your time and comments greatly. Everyone 14 years and older is encouraged to provide feedback. Visit broome.wa.gov.au/scorecard2024 or scan the QR code.



Nippers Come & Sea Day



Head to the Broome Surf Life Saving Club to see what Nippers is all about. Beach activities commence at 8.30am, followed by a free sausage sizzle. Open community event. All welcome! Visit broomeslsc.com/nippers for more info about junior surf life guards. **Sunday, May 5**

Warm sister-city welcome in Taiji

For the first time since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, a Broome Shire Council delegation has visited our Japanese sister city, Taiji.

Deputy Shire President Desiree Male, Councillor Melanie Virgo and Councillor Phillip Matsumoto travelled to Taiji this month after being nominated to attend at the December 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

The trio were joined by Shire President Chris Mitchell and Shire CEO Sam Mastrolembro, who travelled at their own expense to demonstrate the Shire's appreciation and commitment to the 43-year Sister-City relationship six years after the last visit in 2018. The proposed 2020 and 2022 visits were cancelled due to the pandemic.

Upon arriving in Taiji, the delegation was welcomed at a civic reception, participated in cultural walks and school visits, and was treated to some of the town's attractions, including the spring cherry blossom bloom.

The Councillors travelled alongside St Mary's College students and staff members undertaking their bi-annual student exchange program.

The Shire of Broome proudly supports the St Mary's College exchange program.

Shire President Chris Mitchell said seeing how the St Mary's students conducted themselves in Taiji was a pleasure.

"We were very impressed by the student's genuine



embrace of the culture and their willingness to create relationships with their new friends despite some language barriers," he said.

"Their musical performances were also a highlight.

"They have really done Broome proud."

Shire President Chris Mitchell said the bi-annual visit provides valuable cultural benefits to Broome.

"Visits like this keep alive the shared knowledge of each town's history and culture and explore how our common interests in tourism and pearling provide opportunities for a mutual exchange of knowledge."

What's happening at Cable Beach?

With work underway on the Walmanyjun Cable Beach Foreshore Redevelopment, you may have noticed a drilling rig in front of the Broome Surf Life Saving Club. This has been used to gauge rock depth for the new beach access ramp, which will be constructed on pylons. The ramp's construction on pylons prevents it from being undermined by erosion, tides, and storms, as occurred during Tropical Cyclone Rosita in April 2000. After Rosita, pindan was brought in to support the ramp, and this will be removed as part of the coastal protection works to the dunes in that area.

Coincidentally, last week's high tides removed some infill from under the ramp. The Shire has used a skid steer loader to fill the washout and temporarily place rocks along the edge of the ramp.

For more information about the works and measures in place, visit broome.wa.gov.au/wcbfr or scan QR code.



WALMANYJUN CABLE BEACH
FORESHORE REDEVELOPMENT



Enjoy live and local book events at Broome Public Library

**SYDNEY
WRITERS'
FESTIVAL
MAY—2024**

Australia's largest celebration of writing and books will be held at the Broome Public Library from Thursday, May 23, to Sunday, May 26. The **Live & Local** program provides libraries across regional Australia with a free live stream of sessions from the Sydney Writers Festival.

The Broome Public Library will screen various programs throughout the four days, featuring big names such as Trent Dalton, Celeste Ng, Julia Biard, and many more.

Local Broome publishers and writers will team up with the library to provide workshops to celebrate the event. This program is a great opportunity for the community to attend literary and cultural events without barriers.

Sessions are subject to change, stay updated by visiting the library or checking the Shire of Broome website.

To see the full program being offered visit broome.wa.gov.au/events

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