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Work on the BRAC aquatic facility will include new tiling, brick paving, pumps and filters. Broome Shire president Ron Johnston, Shire Manager Recreation Casey Zepnick and CWD Director Greg 'Patches' Fiorenza.

Work gets underway on aquatic facility facelift

Major upgrades to the swimming pool at the **Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre are** underway after Council awarded the tender for the \$3.3 million project.

Broome building company CWD is undertaking the work following an open tender process, with the aquatic facility now closed to the public for an expected 26 weeks to allow for improvements to important infrastructure.

The upgrade of the 22-year-old aquatic facility is jointly funded by the Shire and the WA Department of Sport and Recreation, and includes:

- Replacing the brick-paved pool surrounds;
- Renewing swimming pool bulk heads and tiling;
- Resurfacing the pebblecrete children's lagoon;
- Improving pool lighting;
- Fully rebuilding the plant room;
- Replacing the plant and filtration systems.

Shire of Broome Manager Recreation, Casey Zepnick, says this will make sure the aquatic facility complies with Health Department standards into the future, and will upgrade aging technology and improve operating efficiency.

"The swimming pool will be closed to the public until

early 2017 but thanks to a partnership with Mercure Broome several of BRAC's fitness programs will continue," Mr Zepnick says.

Aqua aerobics will run on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday mornings at the resort swimming pool, while swimming lessons will run in term four with a reduced capacity.

The BRAC recreation centre will see no change to operations with dry group fitness classes, the indoor stadium, indoor/outdoor sports courts and playing fields all available as normal.

What's happening in the Shire of Broome?

Sat 27 Aug - Variety WA Bash in Broome

Chinatown, 2pm. Catch all the competitors in the Variety WA Bash as they finish their epic crosscountry fundraising trek in beautiful Broome. Come out and say hello as vehicles travel in convoy through Chinatown from 2pm, before arriving on the beach at Gantheaume Point about 2.45pm.

Sat 3 Sept - Aboriginal Comedy Allstars

Goolarri Media, 7pm. From the oldest culture on earth comes the freshest and funniest stand-up comedy around. It's the all-original Aboriginal Comedy Allstars showcase, featuring four of the brightest comedy stars under the Southern Cross. It doesn't get more Aussie than this! Presented by the Shire of Broome and Goolarri Media. Tickets at www.broomeciviccentre.com.au.



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Have your say on Broome recreation paths and trails

Do you run, walk or ride around Broome? Which tracks and trails would you like to see developed, and where do you want them to go?

Following community workshops held in May, the Shire has developed a draft Broome Recreation Trails Master Plan, and is again seeking community input before the document is finalised.

The aim is to outline a long-term strategy for developing pathways, tracks and trails to connect existing and proposed destinations including housing estates, schools and parks, and key sporting, tourism, cultural and shopping destinations.

Submissions close on 29 August and to read the draft plan and for more information head to the Shire website under "Have My Say".

Road upgrades underway

The Shire's annual urban road re-sealing program continues this week.

Work started on 1 August in Coconut Well with McGuigan and Lawrence Rd, before heading to areas of Old Broome (Demco, Hopton, Walcott, Louis, Robinson, Forrest, Hamersley, Pryor, Miller, Boab, Leichardt, Rivergum, Kerr, Bardwell, Piggott and Lyons); Cable Beach suburb (26 streets from Taiji Rd through to Smirnoff PI); Woods Dve area (Chippendall, Brown, Cotter, Barnsley, Manado, Roe, Yu); Sunset Park (Challenor, Gorgon, Mina, Ivy, Sayonara, Charon, Ena); and Roebuck Estate (Pipit, Sandpiper, Curlew, Jigal).

Traffic controls will be in place around work areas and the community's cooperation is appreciated.