

# **Shire**News **Issue 198 July 2017**

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#### Join the fun and run from BRAC to Beach

Broome's biggest annual fun run is back for the seventh time on Sunday 30 July with a choice of 4km or 8km courses to suit all fitness levels.

Both BRAC 2 Beach Fun Run courses start at BRAC and finish overlooking Cable Beach at the Broome Surf Lifesaving Club, with courtesy buses to return entrants to the start.

Shire of Broome Manager Sport and Recreation, Casey Zepnick, says the event is a great opportunity for the community to have fun with family and friends while being active and challenging themselves.

"We encourage everyone to get together their family, friends, sporting group, community organisation or workplace and register their entries," Mr Zepnick said.

"The BRAC 2 Beach is a popular event for all fitness levels, and with the choice of two courses those not up to running the full distance can jog or walk the 4km route.'

Entry forms are available from the Shire of Broome website at www.broome.wa.gov.au, BRAC and SportsPower.



Cable Beach is a picturesque backdrop for the BRAC 2 Beach Fun Run on Sunday 30 July.

### Have your say on **Cable Beach plans**

World-famous Cable Beach would be enhanced with a raft of improvements under a bold new Cable Beach Foreshore Master Plan.

Community feedback is being sought on the draft Master Plan, which has been developed from concept designs set out in the 2016 Cable Beach Development Strategy.

Broome Shire President, Ron Johnston, says the Master Plan will emphasise Cable Beach's status as one of the world's best beaches and make better use of the public space.

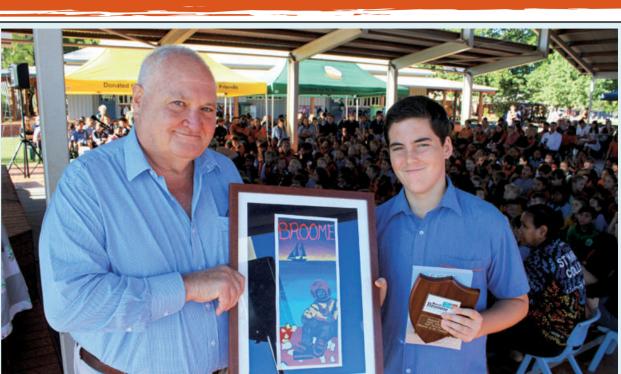
Improvements set out in the Masterplan include reconfiguring the car park to create a new beach park; creation of a new entry plaza and an upgraded entry with public art, entry statement, garden bed and tree planting; regrading of the dunes to increase ocean views from the site; universal access across the foreshore area; and a buried seawall to manage coastal erosion

To view the Cable Beach Foreshore Master Plan and provide feedback visit the Shire of Broome website



Cable Beach's status as one of the world's best would be enhanced under a draft Masterplan.





Broome Shire President, Ron Johnston, and St Mary's College student Joel Hill with his winning banner design.

# Broome banner headed to Perth CBD

A 3m-tall banner in the centre of Perth designed by St Mary's College Year 9 student Joel Hill will represent Broome in one of WA's biggest annual community art projects.

The annual Banners in the Terrace event is run by the WA Local

Government Association as part of the WA Local Government

Convention.

Representatives from shires, towns and cities around the State will gather in Perth where the banners are displayed along St Georges and Adelaide Tce from this Sunday, 23 July, to Saturday 5 August.

Broome's entry to the 2016 competition designed by St Mary's College student John Bill Quilisadio won the secondary school category.

# Council's vision for the year ahead

An exciting schedule of projects is underway after the Broome Shire Council adopted its budget for 2017/18 at the end of June.

Broome Shire President, Ron Johnston, says Council's vision for the year ahead features a range of transformative projects including work getting underway on the Town Beach Precinct Master Plan (\$6.9M), Chinatown Revitalisation Project (\$10.9M), BRAC 1 Youth Bike Precinct (\$159K), and a range of road, footpath, drainage, car parking and lighting upgrades (\$2.9M).

The budget will be funded by income from a range of sources including grants from State and Federal Governments, fees and charges, and Shire rates.

Rates notices will be issued this week with a due date for

#### payment of 23 August 2017, and ratepayers have the option of paying in full, or in two or four instalments.

The general increase in rates over the previous year has been held to 1.75 per cent - the lowest rise in more than 10 years - with rates funding 58 per cent of the Shire's operations in 2017/18.

The modest rise was achieved through improving operating efficiency, changes to organisational staffing and structure, savings in insurance, increased interest on deposits, leveraging additional government grants and repaying loans in the previous year.

The annual pre-cyclone rubbish collection will be replaced with a more cost-effective system that better achieves its purpose of removing items that could pose a danger in a cyclone.

# Storage support for community groups

The new Shire of Broome Community Storage Facility was built to provide storage for Broome's not-for-profit community groups and organisations at a subsidised cost.

Broome Shire President, Ron Johnston, says Council is a proud supporter of our many community events and organisations, and recognises their significant contribution to the life of our town

"The facility is located behind BRAC off Cable Beach Rd East, and was built at a cost of \$340,000 including a generous contribution of \$250,000 from the WA Government through LotteryWest," Cr Johnston says.

Current tenants include the Shinju Matsuri Festival, Broome Rotary (Dragon Boat Regatta) and Theatre Kimberley.

A further 12 storage bays are now available to community organisations and events, with occupancy from August 2017.



The new Shire of Broome Community Storage Facility.

Any interested community groups or events should fill out an Expression of Interest form on the Shire website and for more information contact Property and Leasing Senior Officer, Peter McBride, on 9191 3456 or property@broome.wa.gov.au

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