

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

### BRAC Fun Run



The Broome community and visitors are encouraged to participate in the BRAC Fun Run. This is an all-access walk, run or wheelchair event, so get together with a group of friends and sign up for the challenge! The event takes place at BRAC and the surrounding facility. Prizes will be awarded in various categories. Fees apply. For more information and to register, visit [broome.wa.gov.au/brac-fun-run-2023](http://broome.wa.gov.au/brac-fun-run-2023) **Broome Recreation & Aquatic Centre, 7am-9am, Sunday, July 23**

### Laser Tag - Adults Only



Broome Civic Centre and Lock and Load Laser Tag is bringing the excitement of video gaming to life in a high energy, live gaming experience using the latest, highly interactive gaming guns - with no kids! Bar open. Airconditioned. Music guaranteed to be cranking  
**Cost: \$22**  
**6pm, Wednesday, July 5,**  
**Broome Civic Centre, 27 Weld Street**

### Elder abuse awareness



World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) aims to encourage everyone to make a united stand against all forms of abuse against older people in our global communities. Join others to learn more about how we can tackle elder abuse together at a Morning Tea at Town Beach (market area).  
**10am- 12pm, Friday, June 16. RSVP by June 9 to [joe@nirumbuk.org.au](mailto:joe@nirumbuk.org.au)**

## Have your say on Shire's Draft Disability Access & Inclusion Plan

Broome Shire Council has endorsed the Shire's Draft Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) for 2023-2028, paving the way for it to go to public consultation. The purpose of the DAIP is to ensure that all people, including people with disability, are welcome and included in the Shire, and have access to its buildings, information, public consultations, complaints processes, services, and employment opportunities. The new DAIP replaces the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2018-2023 and was drafted in consultation with key stakeholders, including people with a disability, their families and supporters, and the wider community. The consultation process included community workshops and a survey that attracted more than 100 recipients. The Shire has commenced formal community consultation and a four-week comment period on the draft's actions and strategies, which will include a pop-up stall at Broome Boulevard scheduled for June 15. The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) for 2023-2028 will also be available to view at the Shire Admin Building at 27 Weld Street, Broome, and online at [broome.wa.gov.au/daip](http://broome.wa.gov.au/daip). Written submissions can be presented in person at the Shire Admin Building or by email at [shire@broome.gov.au](mailto:shire@broome.gov.au). Submissions will close at 4pm, Wednesday, June 28.



## Cleaning up recycling habits

The Shire of Broome is endeavouring to care for our iconic environment by ensuring all items that can be reused and recycled are separated and used again to prevent them from going to landfill.

Recycling begins with your kerbside bin, with the contents collected and taken to the Cleanaway recycling facility right here in Broome, whose staff process tonnes of cardboard, plastic, aluminium, and glass by hand, which would have otherwise gone to landfill.

The recyclable material is then baled and sent to Perth by road for recycling. The residual waste is sent to landfill and the glass is stockpiled at the Resource Recovery Area at the landfill for processing and reuse.

Unfortunately, too many bin loads, and sometimes truckloads of recycling, end up in landfill as they are unable to be processed due to the contents being contaminated by non-recyclable and putrescible items. Some of these can be removed by hand, but others such as rotting meat, fish guts, dog faeces and soiled nappies make sorting untenable.

Then there are items that don't belong in the recycling bin but end up there due to confusion.

✓ **Items that can be recycled through the kerbside bin service are:**

- Cardboard and paper
- Glass bottles and jars
- Aluminium tins and cans
- All type 1 and 2 plastics. Check the recycle symbol on the bottoms of the containers. The plastics are usually rigid.

✗ **Do not recycle:**

- Shredded paper - and please put it in a rubbish bag.
- Plastic bags, cling wrap, chip packets, bubble wrap and any other "scrunchy" plastic packaging - and don't put recycling in bin liners.



- Foam and polystyrene.
- Drinking glassware (glass cups, wine glasses etc), crockery or Pyrex, light globes, window glass and mirrors.
- Containers made only partially from recyclable material.
- Videos, cassette tapes, CDs printer cartridges
- Batteries and printer cartridges - the Shire Admin Building front desk, and Broome Public Library has tubs in which to dispose of printer cartridges, and small lithium and alkaline batteries.

Broome Shire President Desiree Male said many people want to do the right thing with recycling but understood there was confusion when it came to different packaging and materials and whether they can be repurposed. "As a rule, apart from paper, if it isn't something that has been used as packaging it probably can't be recycled." "And consider the people who sort the recycling. It can't be an easy job, especially in the heat, so don't put any smelly items in a recycling bin and, where possible, rinse out tins and bottles and other food containers."