

council update

Coming Up

December 12

Made in 4895 Christmas markets, Nature's PowerHouse
P | 4069 6098

December 12

CDCC Wishing Tree presents due, Cornett's IGA
P | 4069 6098

December 13

Council works depot closes for holidays, 12noon
P | 4069 5444

December 13

Council main office closed for staff function, 12noon to 5pm
P | 4069 5444

December 14

Letters to Santa due, Santa's mailbox, Cooktown Post Office

December 14

Queensland Ambulance Service station open day, 3pm to 6pm

December 14

Christmas Lights Competition judging
P | 4069 5444

December 15

Made in 4895 Christmas markets, Nature's PowerHouse
P | 4069 6098

December 16

Carols by Candlelight, Endeavour Park, sausage sizzle 6pm, carols 7pm

December 21-January 2

Council's main office and library closed for Christmas break
P | 4069 5444

December 24-26

Cooktown Pool closed for Christmas break
P | 4069 6928

January 2

Council's main office and library re-open
P | 4069 5444

January 19

Bloomfield Library business hub opening, 9am-12noon
P | 4060 8342

January 26

Australia Day Awards ceremony
P | 4069 5444



COUNCIL HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS AND CONTACT NUMBER

Council's main office will close at 12noon on Friday, December 21, and re-open on January 2 at 8.45am.

The Cooktown Library will also close at 12noon on December 21 and re-open at 10am on January 2. The Bloomfield Library will close at 4pm on December 19 and re-open at 10am on January 2.

The Swimming Pool will be closed from December 24 to 26 and December 31 to January 1. The pool will be open from December 27 to December 30 from 1pm to 6pm, and re-open at normal hours on January 2.

Waste transfer stations will remain open throughout the period as per the hours advertised on our website, except for Christmas Day, December 25. Council's works depot will close at 12noon on December 13, and re-open at 6.30am on January 7. Council has an answering service for all after hours emergencies.

Phone us on 4069 5444 to speak to someone if you need to report a Council emergency. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all the team at Cook Shire Council!

HAVE YOU PREPARED YOUR DISASTER PLAN?

Cyclone, flood and storm season is here, with our first tropical cyclone of the year lurking in the Gulf.

Now is the time to check your emergency kit, prepare your evacuation plan and make sure your rural number is easy to see. For more tips on being well prepared for fire, storm, flood and cyclone, visit our disaster dashboard, on the Council website.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Do you have a good idea? Or constructive feedback or a complaint?

Contact Council via Facebook, phone, post or email and we will respond as soon as we can.

EARLY OFFICE CLOSURE ON DECEMBER 13

Council's Furneaux Street office will be closing early, at 12noon, on Thursday, December 13 for a staff function. The office will re-open as usual at 8.45am on Friday for all your Council enquiries.

IT'S HOLIDAY TIME AT YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY

Pop into your local library this school holidays and enjoy the air conditioning and some special activities for youngsters.

At Cooktown Library, children aged 0 to 5 years old can enjoy Interactive Storytime every Tuesday from 10.30am to 11am, and for older children there is craft on Tuesdays from 11am to 12.30pm and Lego Club on Thursdays from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

At the Bloomfield Library, Interactive Storytime is on Wednesdays during December from 10.30am to 11am, and there will be an opening event for the new library hub on January 19 from 9am to 12pm.

CENTENARY IMAGES WANTED

Cook Shire Council is turning 100 in January 2019, and as part of the celebrations we want to share images from our 100 years of service.

Council was formed in 1919, and Council is seeking images from then until now, which showcase everything that Council has been involved in, including our towns and communities, facilities such as libraries, pools, playgrounds and halls, staff, road works and community events.

Images can be emailed to Council, or hard copies can be posted or taken to Council and will be scanned and returned. The Cooktown History Centre on Charlotte Street can also scan hard copy images and pass them on to Council.

The History Centre is at 121 Charlotte Street, and is open 9am to 3pm Monday to Saturday.

KEEP YOUR HOLIDAY COOL AT THE COOKTOWN POOL

The Cooktown Pool is the place to stay cool during December, with pool games on Mondays and Fridays and the inflatable obstacle course on Tuesdays and Thursdays, both from 1pm to 4pm.

The pool will be closed from December 24 to 26 and December 31 to January 1.

It will open from December 27 to 30 from 1pm to 6pm, and re-open at normal hours from Wednesday, January 2 2019.

DON'T GET CAUGHT OUT - FOOD SAFETY IS IMPORTANT!

Council's Environmental Health team would like to remind residents to be safe with food this holidays.

Keep your fridge cool and don't overstock it - try keeping your drinks in an esky instead. When preparing food, make sure you thaw frozen goods in the fridge before cooking and keep your cold food below 5 degrees, and hot food above 60 degrees. For more food safety tips, visit our website.

CHARLOTTE STREET REVITALISATION UPDATE

Council is more than halfway through the first stage of the Charlotte Street revitalisation, with re-forming and sealing of a section from Banks Street (next to Jackey Jackey Herbs and Spices) to the Seaview Motel.

Council would like to thank the residents and businesses in the area for their patience so far, and encourages the community to continue patronising the businesses in this area, which have remained open while our roadworks are underway.

Please obey signage and drive slowly through the construction site. Thank you for your patience while we improve your infrastructure.

MOSQUITO CONTROL

Mosquito control around the home is vital to reducing insect numbers and curbing the risk of mosquito-borne diseases, such as dengue fever and zika virus.

Council advises residents to check their property weekly for potential breeding sites and tip out and wipe, dispose of or store inside any containers which could hold water.

Typical breeding spots can include pot plant bases, vases, buckets, tarpaulins, toys, old tyres, boats and trailers, blocked gutters, rainwater tanks, birdbaths and even palm fronds, bromeliads and fish ponds.

You can also use electric mosquito zappers, coils and surface spray under tables, chairs and beds to help get rid of mosquitoes around the home and wear light, loose long-sleeved clothing and insect repellent when outdoors.



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