

council update

Coming Up

May 9

Cooktown Pool closed 8.45am-10am for mowing
P | 4069 6928

May 15

Nitro Athletics at John Street Oval
P | 0438 481 025

May 16

Free Women in Sport workshop
P | 4222 5236

May 18

RSVP for mobile phone photography course
P | 0456 296 518

May 19-20

Lakeland Horsesports and Bullride

May 19-20

How To Take Awesome Photos With Your Phone course

May 23

Cooktown Pool closed 8.45am-10am for mowing
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May 27

Big Garage Sale at Cooktown waste transfer station
P | 4069 5444

May 28

Discovery Festival market stall applications close
P | 4069 5444

June 1

Discovery Festival Ball tickets close
P | 4069 5444

June 6

Cooktown Pool closed 8.45am-10am for mowing
P | 4069 6928

June 15-17

Cooktown Discovery Festival
w | www.cooktowndiscovery.com.au

June 28-30

Laura Horsesports, Races and Rodeo

June 29

Sprout Festival
P | 0448 546 718

June 30

Mungumby Mountain Bike Muster
P | 4060 3158



Free Mobile Phone Photography Course May 19 - 20

SPACE NEEDED FOR BINS

Those putting out kerbside wheelie bins are reminded a space must be left between the bins

If you put out more than one bin, please leave a space of at least 50mm between each bin, to ensure the truck is able to pick up your bin.

ROAD AND FOOTPATH SAFETY BLITZ UNDERWAY

Road and footpath safety in Cooktown will be stepped up as Council cracks down on illegal parking.

Those parked on town footpaths and in non-parking zones will be targeted. Residents have several weeks' grace before Council will begin issuing fines. Those parking in prohibited areas began receiving courtesy notices last month.

Parking sign installation and line marking for parking spaces has started, and residents are urged to pay attention before parking.

DISCOVERY FESTIVAL COUNTDOWN BEGINS

The countdown is on to Cooktown's favourite event, the Cooktown Discovery Festival.

The three day festival kicks off on June 15, with a packed program to please all ages and budgets. Regular events such as the grand parade, billy kart derby and re-enactment will be joined by new events including a scavenger hunt, botanical drawing workshops and more.

Visit www.cooktowndiscovery.com.au for more information, including the full program and tickets for the Ball and other paid events.

BALL FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

Council is calling for interest from local not for profit groups to run table service and a licensed bar at the Cooktown Discovery Festival Ball.

The Ball will be on Friday, June 15, at the Cooktown PCYC Events Centre, with approximately 150 guests expected. For more information, contact Council's Tourism team.

WATERFRONT TRAFFIC CHANGES

Please be aware of changed traffic conditions on the waterfront this month.

Heavy machinery will be working on the Webber Esplanade road, and to ensure pedestrian and vehicle safety, traffic will be detoured at times during the works.

Please obey signage and staff in the area, and expect traffic and parking changes this month.

NEW LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

There is a whole new activity calendar scheduled at the Cooktown Library.

Mathematical Mondays is a fun session focusing on geometry, which is open to anyone able to use a compass (BYO compass and ruler). The session runs from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Crafty Tuesday sessions run from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and are open to school aged children, while Whizkid Wednesdays are an adult's only session highlighting the library's e-resources between 2pm and 3pm.

Thrilling Thursdays have an interactive storytelling session for children aged 5 and under from 2.15pm to 2.45pm, followed by Lego Club from 3.30pm to 4.30pm, open to school aged children. Focused Fridays feature our Friday Book Club and are open to independent readers of all ages. Friday Book Club runs from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Bookings are compulsory, and children aged 8 and under must be supervised. Phone the Library on 4069 5009 to book.

CHECK YOUR WATER METER

Have you checked your water meter this month for hidden leaks?

It's quick and easy to do and could save you an excess water charge. Make sure all your taps are turned off, then check your meter. If no red dials are moving, it means there is no leak. If the red dials are moving, there is water leaking somewhere, so time to investigate. Tips include checking for wet areas around taps and your yard, or unusually green grass.

If you cannot find any visible signs of a leak, you may need to call a plumber.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

If you have thought about volunteering, we are looking for you!

Council is seeking volunteers for the three day Cooktown Discovery Festival, from June 15 to 17. There will be a range of volunteering opportunities available.

For more information please contact Council's Tourism team.

BEGINNERS' MOBILE PHONE PHOTOGRAPHY COURSE

If you've always wanted to know how to take those Instagram-worthy pics with your mobile, our free course is perfect!

Council's How to Take Awesome Photos With Your Phone course runs over two days in May, under the tutelage of experienced Cooktown photographer Tess Buhmann. The sessions, on May 19 and 20 at Nature's PowerHouse, will cover topics including composition, depth of field and macro photography.

Bookings are essential, contact Tess Photography by phone on 0456 296 518 for more information or to book. Bookings close on Friday, May 18.

This project is supported by the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland.

FREE BUSINESS WORKSHOPS TO KICK START YOUR ENTERPRISE

Small business owners and enterprises are encouraged to attend a free workshop, run by Community Owned Enterprises.

The Innovate and Create Your Business workshop includes lunch and will help business owners learn how to develop an independent, locally owned and operated business. Attendees will also pick up skills on accessing support from business industry coaches and how to launch their new business idea or upscale an existing business.

The workshops are in Hope Vale on Tuesday, May 15, Wujal Wujal on Wednesday, May 16 and Cooktown on Thursday, May 17. To RSVP, contact Community Owned Enterprises by email at info@coenterprises.com.au or phone on 4033 3587.



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