

# council update

## Coming Up

**August 18**  
Long Tan Day

**August 10-12**  
NBN information sessions in Cooktown

**August 18**  
Hash House Harriers 1770th run  
P | 4069 5854

**August 18**  
Seniors' Week free lunch RSVPs due  
P | 4069 5444

**August 19-20**  
High frequency radio station on Grassy Hill  
for International Lighthouse Weekend

**August 19-27**  
Senior's Week - free entry for seniors at  
Cooktown Pool all week

**August 21**  
Free seniors' lunch  
P | 4069 5444

**August 21**  
Interactive Storytelling at CDCC  
P | 4069 6098

**August 22**  
Free seniors' morning tea and aqua  
aerobics  
P | 4069 6928

**August 23**  
Interactive Storytelling at Bloomfield Library  
P | 4060 8342

**August 23**  
Tech Savvy Seniors program, Cooktown  
and Bloomfield libraries  
P | 4069 5009

**August 24**  
Cooktown District Community Centre  
Seniors' Big Day Out  
P | 4069 6098

**August 25**  
Interactive Storytelling at Cooktown Library  
P | 4069 5009

**August 25**  
Free Seniors' Morning Tea, Sovereign  
Resort  
P | 4043 0500

**August 31**  
Astronomical outdoor theatre performance  
P | 0476 590 004 or 0407 133 692

**September 16-18**  
Cardiac Challenge charity bike ride  
P | 4226 6327

**September 20**  
Cooktown Mountain Bike Rally



### SENIORS WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Cook Shire is celebrating the important contribution of our many senior citizens during Senior's Week this year, from August 19-27.

The week kicks off with a free lunch at the RSL Memorial Club on August 21 from 12pm to 2pm and free morning tea and aqua aerobics at the Cooktown Pool on August 22 from 10-12pm. Bookings are essential for the lunch, and must be made to Council's Events Administration Officer by August 18.

There is free entry to the pool all week for local seniors, and a free introduction to computers with the Tech Savvy for Seniors program on August 23 from 10am to 12pm at both Cooktown and Bloomfield Libraries.

The Cooktown District Community Centre is holding a Seniors' Big Day Out, including free morning tea and lunch, at the PCYC Events Centre on August 24, from 10am to 3.30pm. The Sovereign Resort will finish the week long celebration with a free Seniors' Morning Tea from 10.30am to 12pm. RSVP by August 18 to the Sovereign by phoning 4043 0500.

### COEN COUNCIL MEETING CHANGED TO COOKTOWN

The August ordinary meeting of Cook Shire Council will be held on Monday and Tuesday, August 21 and 22, in Cooktown.

The meeting venue has changed from Coen to Cooktown, where it will be held in the Council Chambers at 10 Furneaux Street. The public is welcome to attend from 9am.

### NBN INFORMATION SESSIONS

The National Broadband Network (NBN) is available in parts of Cooktown, and the Road Muster vehicle is coming to town to answer any questions.

The NBN team and the colourful Road Muster car will be on the corner of Green and Charlotte streets (opposite the Post Office) in Cooktown on August 10, 11 and 12 from 9am to 2pm, and at the Cooktown Markets in Lions Park on Saturday morning.

### POOL SWIM SQUAD STARTING

Boost your fitness and improve your strokes with pre swim club season squad sessions at the Cooktown Pool.

Pre Season Squad starts on Tuesday, August 15, and runs every Tuesday and Thursday for six weeks, from 3.15pm to 4pm. Participants must be able to swim three laps at minimum.

The Squad Sessions cost \$54 plus pool entry, and bookings are essential. Contact the Pool on 4069 6928 to book.

### REMEMBERING OUR VIETNAM VETERANS ON AUGUST 18

Next Friday, August 18, is Vietnam Veterans' or Long Tan Day.

Long Tan Day is commemorated on August 18 every year, and is a day to remember the service of all the men and women who served in Vietnam. Cooktown's Long Tan Day service is at 11am at Anzac Park on Charlotte Street.

### INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE LIGHTSHIP WEEKEND

The Tableland Radio Group are setting up a high frequency radio station on Cooktown's Grassy Hill for International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (ILLW) on August 19 and 20.

Led by Mike 'Banjo' Patterson, the group encourage the public to drop in to the radio station and learn about ILLW and the history of Grassy Hill Lighthouse. This will be the group's 13th trip to Cooktown for ILLW, an international event during which amateur radio operators stationed at lighthouses and lightships across the globe contact each other.

### POSITIONS VACANT

Council is seeking a Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, based in Coen, and a Concretor, with both positions closing on Monday, August 21, 2017.

Council is also seeking a Compliance Officer and Technical Administration Officer, with applications for these positions closing on Wednesday, August 23, 2017.

### ASTRONOMICAL THEATRE EVENT

The Townsville Astronomy Group and Full Throttle Theatre Company are bringing the universe to life in Cooktown on August 31.

The show, featuring six large telescopes and a range of funny 'historical' guides leading a romp through the universe, will be at the Queen's Oval in the Botanic Gardens from 6.30pm on Thursday, August 31 and is recommended for people aged 6 to 106. Guests are invited to bring a picnic and their own chairs.

Tickets cost \$20 for adults, \$10 for kids or \$50 for a family and are available at Full Throttle's website or at the event. For more information phone 0476 590 004 or 0407 133 692.

### COEN LANDFILL OPENING HOURS

Council is proposing the introduction of supervised opening hours to the Coen Landfill to improve the effectiveness and management of the site.

Using the landfill will remain free. The proposed opening hours are 1pm to 4pm Monday to Thursday.

Council would like community feedback on the proposed hours. Feedback is due by Friday, August 11, 2017.

Feedback must be submitted in writing and can be emailed or posted to Council, with attention to Waste Management.

### CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

Cooktown and Bloomfield libraries will be holding a special display and interactive storytelling during Children's Book Week.

There will be a display at Cooktown Library all week, featuring the books shortlisted for Book Week. There will also be Interactive Storytelling on Friday, August 25 from 2.15pm to 3pm. Bloomfield's Interactive Storytelling morning is on Wednesday, August 23 from 10.15am to 11am.

The Library has also funded an interactive storytelling session at the Cooktown District Community Centre from 10.45am to 11.15am on Monday, August 21.



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