



Community Noticeboard

Fortnightly Publication - Wednesday 13 August 2008

...The latest Council News, Community Events, Job Vacancies, Tenders...

COMING UP

Until 22nd August - "Mangroves" exhibition at the Natures Powerhouse
15th August - Expressions of Interest close for RADF Committee members
25th August - Cook Shire Agricultural Show Day
12th September - RADF Round 1 funding round closes
13th & 14th September - AUSTSWIM Course

Positions Vacant

HRMCSC04/0809 - Casual Builder's Labourer - closes Friday 29th August 2008.

Applicants must obtain information kits and address the specific selection criteria. All applications should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and marked Confidential Job Application with the relevant HRM No. Information kits are available by contacting: 4069 5444 or via email at mmulhall@cook.qld.gov.au or downloaded from www.cooktowns.com. Cook Shire Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Tenders and Quotes

Cook Shire Council Seeks Tenders for a Panel of Preferred Suppliers for the Supply of Road Transport Services between Cairns and Cooktown (Tender T35) - Closes Wednesday 27th August 2008.

Tender Documents are available by contacting Council's Procurement Officer on 4069 5444 or via email on egilson@cook.qld.gov.au, or by downloading from www.cooktowns.com (See Council, Tenders), or by writing to PO Box 3 Cooktown QLD 4895.

Cook Shire Agricultural Show Day

The Cook Shire Agricultural Show will be held on **Monday the 25th of August 2008** on the Cook Shire Council grounds.



There are still categories available for sponsorship, so get in quick and don't miss your opportunity!

Entrance forms and expressions of interest forms are now available from the Council Office, Nature's Powerhouse and the Cook Shire Council website www.cooktowns.com.

For Further enquires please contact Council's Arts, Culture and Events Officer, Beverley Grant on 07 4068 5444.



Rate Notices and Water Meters

Rate notices have now been issued and the last day for discount will be close of business **Tuesday 2nd September 2008.** If you did not received your rate notice by 1st August 2008, please contact Council's, Rates Officer Gisela Whithear on 4069 5444.

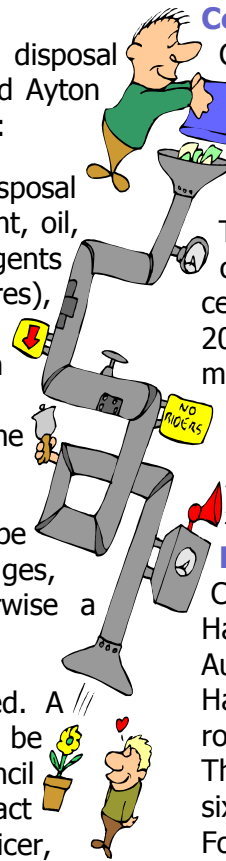
Fees for disposal of waste

As of the 7th August 2008, the fees for disposal of waste at the Cooktown land fill and Ayton Transfer Station will change as follows:

- There will be no charge for disposal of household hazous waste (Paint, oil, Solvents, bleach and detergents (<20 litres), Pesticides (<5 litres), Lead acid batteries).
- Disposal of mixed construction waste will cost \$50 per m³.
- There will be no charge for the disposal of white goods.

(NB: **Degassing certificate** will be required for free disposal of fridges, freezers and air-conditioners, otherwise a degassing fee of \$25 will apply).

All other fees will remain unchanged. A complete copy of the fee schedule can be obtained from the Cook Shire Council Office. For further information contact Council's Environmental Health Officer, Shiels Barra on 4069 5444.



Changes in the number of commercial wheelie bin collections

Council has decided to reduce the number of wheelie bins that ratepayers are required to pay on their rates for commercial and industrial premises to a single bin per annum. Businesses that require more than one wheelie bin collection per week may enter into private arrangement with a garbage contractor or make other arrangements that suit their individual circumstances. In addition to the garbage contractor's charge, disposal of additional waste at the Cooktown Landfill will attract a fee based on the commercial waste disposal fee schedule. This change has taken effect as of the **4th August 2008.**

For further information contact Council's Environmental Health Officer, Shiels Barra on 4069 5444.

Upcoming Swimming Pool & Fencing Inspections

Council wishes to advise that inspections will be taking place on all swimming pools and associated fencing over the following three months.

These inspections will be carried out to ensure all swimming pools and fencing comply with the Building Code of Australia and Australian Standard 1926 (Swimming Pool Safety) which was put into place to reduce the number of drownings and the incidence of brain damage caused by prolonged submersion of young children.

Council will be forwarding letters requesting that you arrange a suitable time for this inspection to occur. For further enquires please contact Council's Building surveyor, Tim O'Reilly on 4069 5444.

Certificate of Classification

Council wishes to advise all commercial business owners that it is now necessary to display the certificate of classification as near as practical to the main entrance of the building.

The new regulation gives a transition period of one year to building owners that have had a certificate of classification issued before April 2008. Any certificates issued after this date must be displayed immediately.

For further information please contact Council's Assistant Building Officer, Stephen Toolen on 4069 5444.

Roadworks in Harrigan Street, Cooktown

Cook Shire Council will undertake roadworks in Harrigan Street commencing Monday 4th August. Savage Street will be closed at the Harrigan Street end during the duration of the roadworks.

This closure is expected to be for approximately six weeks.

For further details please contact Tony Lickiss Manager, Engineering Services on 4069 5444.

AUSTSWIM Course

Community members are invited to take part in an AUSTSWIM accredited *Learn to Swim Instructors* Course. The theory part of the 2 day course will be held in the Student house (opposite the Cooktown Swimming Pool) over the weekend of 13th & 14th September, 8.30pm - 5.00pm.

For bookings call Vicki Kirk, Community Services Administration on 4069 5444.



RADF Round 1 2008/9 is now OPEN

The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is a local and State Government based funding program that supports local people and organizations. Project based financial assistance for cultural and arts development in Cook Shire is now available.

The funding round closes Friday 12th September 2008. Application forms are available from the Cook Shire office, Cook Shire libraries or from www.cook.qld.gov.au.

For further information please contact Council's RADF Liaison Officer, Beverley Grant on 4069 5444 or email bgrant@cook.qld.gov.au.

New Committee Members

The RADF Committee are looking for both new **Committee members** and also **RADF Facilitators** in Laura, Lakeland, Coen, Rossville and Ayton.

Expressions of interest close **15th August 2008.**

Contact Beverley Grant, Council's RADF Liaison Officer on 4069 5444 for more information.

COUNCIL OPENING HOURS

Main Council Administration Office:
8:45am to 4:45pm Monday to Friday

Cooktown Community Pool:
6:30am to 7:30am Monday to Friday
1pm - 4pm Monday to Sunday
Aqua Aerobics: Wednesday 5.30pm - 6.30pm
Saturday 12.00noon - 1pm
Bookings essential 4069 6928

Cooktown Library:

10am to 1.15pm - 2pm to 5pm Monday to Friday
9am to 12.30pm Saturday

Ayton Library: 9:00am to 1.00pm Tuesday
2.00pm to 5.30pm Thursday
9.00am to 1.00pm Saturday

Coen Library: 10.00am to 12.00noon Thursday
4.00pm to 6.00pm Thursday

Lakeland Library: 3.00pm to 7.00pm Wednesday

Laura Library: 11.30am to 3.30pm Wednesday [fortnightly]

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