



Community Noticeboard

Fortnightly Publication - Wednesday 19th September 2007

...The latest Council News, Community Events, Job Vacancies, Tenders
- it's all here on the Noticeboard...

COMING UP

22nd-23rd September - Coen Indigenous Music Festival
23rd September - Free Sports Club Planning Workshop 9am
28th-30th September - Wallaby Creek Festival
28th September - RADF Closes - Date Extended
13th October - Learn to Swim Classes Start
22nd October - Show Day / New Council Building Opening

RATES NOTICE AND DISCOUNT DAY

Council wishes to advise that Rate Notices for the period 1st July 2007 to 31st December 2007, were issued and posted on the 24th August 2007 with the closing of discount day being the **25th September 2007**. If you have not received your Rate Notice, please contact the Rates Section on 4069 5444, to avoid missing the discount closing date.

FREE WORKSHOP FOR SPORT AND RECREATION CLUBS, GROUPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

A free planning workshop open to the community is being hosted by the Tennis Club (through a grant from Queensland Sports & Recreation) to assist in the running of sport & recreation activities and clubs in the Cooktown District. The workshop is on **Sunday 23rd September 2007 at 9.00am in the Lions Hall, Cooktown**. For further information please contact Sport and Recreation Officer Roger Declé on 4069 5622.

LEARN TO SWIM / WATER SAFETY PROGRAM STARTS SOON

Babies, Toddlers and Children Learn to Swim classes start **13th October 2007**. Lessons are ½ hour long and held Saturdays over 9 weeks. **Registration is essential**. Please contact the pool to book your space or to discuss what program your child should be booked into on 4069 6928.

LEICHHARDT SHOW DAY

The Minister for the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations has amended the Cook Shire bank holiday on the 22nd October 2007 to now be appointed as the Leichhardt Show Day holiday for the Shire of Cook. To exhibit or for more information on the Show Day please contact Sally Saw on 4069 5622.

OBJECTION TO PROPOSED REMOVAL OF PUBLIC TELEPHONE SERVICES COOKTOWN AND LAKELAND

Telstra has advised Council that it plans to remove public telephones (payphones) from the townships of Cooktown and Lakeland. Objections can be raised by any person and Council would encourage all residents to object to this removal of important community infrastructure. Objections should be marked Attention: June Gasson, Telstra Customer Sales and Service, One Inbound Sales - Payphones, Locked Bag 6549, Sydney NSW 2001. Further information is at <http://www.telstra.com.au/payphoneservices/index.htm>.

POSITIONS VACANT

Highly dedicated and motivated persons are now invited to apply for the following positions:

- **Relief Plant Operator (HRM08/0708)**
Closes Thursday 4th October 2007

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

- **Chief Executive Officer**
Closes 21st September 2007

An information package containing a position description incorporating selection criteria, salary and condition details, and draft contract of employment can be obtained by contacting Jan Thorne at the Local Government Association of Queensland on telephone (07) 3000 2265, email jan_thorne@lgaq.asn.au or download from www.lgaq.asn.au. Applications marked "Strictly Confidential" should be forwarded to: Mr Allan Vincent at LGAQ by email: allan_vincent@lgaq.asn.au. Cook Shire Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

QUEENSLAND STATE TIDY TOWN AWARDS 2007 WINNER

Cook Shire Council was awarded the State Award for Environmental Protection. Congratulations to the community, staff from Council's Parks and Gardens and Environmental sections for the improvement of Council's landfill sites, which assisted in securing the award.

NOTICE OF COUNCIL OFFICE CLOSURE

The Charlotte Street Offices of Council will be closed on Thursday 4th October 2007 at 4.45pm. The Council Offices at 92 and 121 Charlotte Street will be closed for business on Friday 5th October and Monday 8th October 2007, to enable Council to relocate to its new administration centre on the corner of Hope and Furneaux Streets. During this period telecommunications will also be disrupted for a period while the telephone system is re-located. Council will re-open for business in the new administration centre at 8.45am on Tuesday 9th October. Council's telephone numbers and mailing address will remain as they are now. Council regrets any inconvenience caused. For any queries please contact Robert Cooper Senior Administration Officer on 4069 5444.

FINCH BAY STEPS

Due to serious public safety concerns Council has had to remove the steps leading to Finch Bay. Options are being considered to either replace the steps or upgrade the alternative access to the beach. Council apologises for any inconvenience and appreciates your patience. For further enquiries or views on the above options please contact Mike Tomlinson, Council's Community and Economic Development Officer on 4069 5622 or email mtomlinson@cook.qld.gov.au

NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE

Quarantine Bay Road will be closed to the general public due to upgrade works being undertaken from 19th September until November 2007. Residents will be consulted on access requirements. For further enquiries please contact Tony Lickiss, Manager, Engineering Services on 4069 5444.

ABANDONED VEHICLES - PUBLIC NOTICE

To the owners of the following vehicles:

* **Honda Accord Sedan - Brown**

* **Toyota Camry Sedan - White**

Notice is hereby given under Section 100 of the Transport Operations (Road Use Management Act 1995) the above mentioned vehicles are suspected by Cook Shire Council of being abandoned and have been detained by Council at its Charlotte Street Depot. They will be sold by Public Auction at 11 am on Thursday 27th September 2007.

To the owner of the following vehicle:

* **Nissan Pulsar Sedan - Lightblue - Registration 934-JQO**

Notice is hereby given that under Section 100 of the Transport Operations (Road Use Management Act 1995) the above mentioned vehicle, which is suspected by Cook Shire Council of being abandoned, has been removed from Seagren Street and detained at its Charlotte Street Depot. If the vehicle is not claimed and released within one (1) month from the date of this notice the Council proposes to dispose of the said vehicle in accordance with the provisions of section 44 of the said Act. For further information, call Hans Looser, Corporate Services Manager on 4069 5444.

COEN INDIGENOUS MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Coen Music Festival will be held between Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd September 2007. The festival will be a celebration of live music and other including the battle of the bands, sports carnival, craft fair, food stalls, guided hike up Mount White, gymkhana and much more. This is an alcohol free event supporting no smoking and no violence. For more information phone 4060 1192 or visit www.coencapeyork.com

WALLABY CREEK FESTIVAL

Friday 28th to Sunday 30th September

With over 1000 festival patrons expected this year, more food stalls are invited. Local organisations are encouraged to take advantage of this excellent fundraising opportunity. Please phone Fiona on 4060 8298 or visit www.wallabycreekfestival.org.au

WEARABLE ART COMPETITION

Cooktown School of Art Society Wearable Art Competition will be held on 13th October 2007 in the Elizabeth Guzely Gallery. Entry forms are available from the Gallery and Cooktown Library with nominations closing on 28th September 2007. For further information please contact Diana Burns on 4069 5009.

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 Friday
1pm - 4pm Saturday and Sunday

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

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