



Community Noticeboard

Fortnightly Publication - Wednesday 4th June 2008

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

COMING UP

7th May - 8th June - Garden Competition – Enter your garden now!
15th June – Wobble, Splash Dash
19th June Thursday - Rural Women's Symposium Feedback - see below
30th June – Rates Pension Concession closes.
8th July – Next Sun Princess Cruise Ship Visit

Cooktown's Annual Garden Competition 2008 - FLOWER POWER

Enter your garden into this year's Garden Competition that runs from 7th May to 8th June 2008 within a radius of 25km from the Cooktown Post Office.

Categories include:

- Best Small Residential Garden
- Best Large Residential Garden
- Best Businesses or Community Club Garden

1st Prize \$100.00 voucher, 2nd Prize \$50.00 voucher, 3rd Prize \$25.00 voucher.

Entry forms are available from Cook Shire Office, Cooktown Library, Natures Powerhouse and Council's website www.cooktowns.com. For further information please contact Bev Grant, Arts, Culture & Events Officer on 40695444.

Positions Vacant

Cemetery Caretaker (HRM46/0708) – closes 5.00pm Friday 20th June 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.

Casual Relief Lakeland Librarian - HRM47/0708 - closes 13th June 2008

Casual Customer Service Officer closes 5.00pm Friday 13th June 2008.

Casual Customer Service Officers are required on an as needs basis. Maximum 15 weeks per year to cover annual leave commitments. Suitable for applicants with school age children (flexible hours) or applicants already working casual, shift or part time hours. Persons interested should submit a covering letter, with a resume, addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and marked Expression of Interest HRM42/0708.

Date Claimer - Wobble Splash Dash 15th June 2008

Can you **ride a bicycle**? If not then start practicing, haven't got one then borrow one.

Run like the wind, after the first two legs you'll hope the wind is behind you to the finish.

Can **swim like a fish**!! Get down to the pool and practice

Its time to get your teams together and start training for the **great race** of the year. Each

team requires a push bike rider, a runner and a swimmer.

Sunday 15th June 2008 1 pm to 4 pm

Food and drinks will be available and some well earned relaxing at the pool after the event
For further information please contact Cook Shire Council Sport and Recreation Officer Roger Declé 40695444

Rural Women's Symposium - 19th June Cooktown

The 2008 Rural Women's Symposium will be held in Roma during August. The Blueprint for the Bush team are visiting Cooktown on 19th June to ask local women for their viewpoints and suggestions to shape the 2008 Symposium. More details next week.

Tenders and Quotes

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

State Electoral Boundary Redistribution

The Report and Maps of the Proposed Queensland State Electoral Redistribution are on display at Cooktown Library. Members of the public can lodge written objections directly to the Electoral Commission by 5 pm Monday 23rd June 2008.

Library News

The Cooktown Library wishes to advise that they can not accept anymore donations as the shelves are overflowing. We wish to thank all who have made donations.

DrumMuster Collection - Attention all farmers

DrumMuster will be collecting empty chemical drums from farming properties in the Cook Shire in Mid June. The drums should be empty and triple washed. If you have any empty chemical drums on your property please contact Sheils Barra, Environmental Health Officer 07 4069 5444 with information on the number of drums you wish to dispose and their location.

Pensioner Rebate

1 If you are currently receiving a Pensioner Concession on your Rates, please be aware that you required to advise Council when your circumstances change. The property over which you are receiving a concession must be your primary place of residence.

2 If you are not currently receiving a Pensioner Concession on your Rates and you believe you are a qualifying pensioner and have not previously made an application, please contact Council's Rates Officer, Gisela Whithear on (07) 4082 0527. (Pensioners currently receiving State Government

Pensioner Rate Rebate, and/or Council's Pensioner Rate Remission are only required to advise Council if their circumstances have changed.)

To be considered for Pensioner Remission for the rating period 1st July 2008 to 31st December 2008 applications must be received no later than 30th June 2008. Applications received after this date will not be considered for concession until the rating period 1st January 2009 to 30th June 2009.

The main criteria for eligibility is that the property over which a concession is sought, is the primary place of residence, and that the applicant is a holder of Centrelink Concessions Card or a Repatriation Gold Card.

Mobile Phone Recycling

MobileMuster and Landcare Australia have launched the "Old Phones, More Trees" campaign where for every handset recycled by Cook Shire residents, between now and World Environment Day on June 5th, a native tree will be planted.

Your local drop off points for unused or redundant mobile phones and accessories are:

Cook Shire Council Administration Office
10 Furneaux Street, Cooktown

Cooktown Library

Helen Street, Cooktown

Ayton Library

Third Street, Ayton

Coen Library

56 Taylor Street, Coen

Laura Library

Terminus Street, Laura

Lakeland Library

Sesame Street, Lakeland

Old Phone Book Collection

All out of date phone books can now be dropped off to the following points for recycling:

Cook Shire Council Administration Office
10 Furneaux, Cooktown

Cooktown Landfill

Macmillan Street, Cooktown

Reduce Waste through Composting.

Council is offering a limited number of "Compost Starter Kits" at the subsidised price of \$23.10

Roadworks in Cooktown

Detours are in place and full closure for roundabout roadworks at the Charlotte Street, Boundary Street and Harrigan Street intersection roadworks. The majority of traffic is detoured through Racecourse Road. Local traffic is detoured through Mason Street and Savage Street. Please be aware for your safety and the safety of the crews improving our roads. For further information please contact Council's Manager of Engineering, Tony Lickiss on 40695444.

COUNCIL OPENING HOURS

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

Cooktown Community Pool:
6:00am to 7:30am Monday to Friday
1pm – 6pm Monday to Sunday

Aqua Aerobics: Wednesday 5.30pm - 6.30pm
Saturday 12.00noon - 1pm

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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