



Community Noticeboard

Fortnightly Publication - Wednesday 12th December 2007

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

COMING UP

13th December - Photos with Santa (one day only 4pm IGA Supermarket, Cooktown)
23rd December - Carols by Candlelight, 7pm Endeavour Park, Cooktown.
31st December - Last day Landfill Coupons will be accepted at Cooktown Landfill.
7th January - Last day for Australian's of the Year Nominations.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURES

Cook Shire Council wishes to advise the following office closures over the Christmas period:

- Cape York Weeds and Feral Animals Program Office - Closed 12.00noon, Friday 14th December for staff Christmas party. Open normal hours until close of business on 21st December and closed until 2nd January.
- Engineering work staff - Closed 13th December until 7th January.
- Depot workshop - Closed 3pm, 21st December until 7th January.
- Depot Stores Office - Closed 12noon, 24th December until 2nd January.
- Water Section - Closed Public Holidays. Emergencies please phone 4069 5595.
- Administration Office and all Cook Shire Libraries - Closed 12noon, 24th December until 2nd January.
- Cooktown Landfill - Closed Christmas Day.
- Garbage Collection will remain the same.
- Cooktown Swimming Pool - Closed 12.00noon, 24th, 25th and 26th December, reopen 27th December until 30th December. Closed 31st December, 1st and 2nd January.
- Parks and Gardens Section - Closed Public Holidays.

Council's After Hour Emergency Numbers:

- Water 4069 5595
- Managers 4069 5533

AUSTRALIAN'S OF THE YEAR NOMINATION

Cook Shire Council will be holding Australia Day Celebrations on Saturday 26th January, 2008 at Natures Powerhouse, Cooktown. Nominations for categories in the following are now open:

- Citizen Award
- Young Citizen Award
- Community Event of the Year
- Cultural Award
- Sports Person Award
- Junior Sports Person Award
- Volunteer of the Year
- Community Service Club Award
- Service to Cook Shire Award

Nominations forms are available from Cook Shire Libraries, Administration Centre and can be completed on line at www.cooktowns.com Please return nomination forms by Monday 7th January 2008.

For further information please contact, Council's Art, Culture and Events Officer, Sally Saw on 4069 5444.

CHRISTMAS IN COOK SHIRE

- **Photos With Santa** - One day only - Thursday 13th December from 4pm to 6pm - IGA Supermarket Complex, Cooktown.
- **Christmas Markets:** Saturday 15th and 22nd December 7.30am to 11.00am - Market Stalls in Lions and Endeavour Parks, Cooktown.
- **Carols By Candlelight:** Sunday 23rd December, Endeavour Park, Cooktown. Free Sausage Sizzle from 6pm and Carols commencing at 7pm.
- **Christmas Light Competition:** Register your entry now - Categories are Small and Large Residential, Business and Best of the Best. Judging will be held on Saturday 23rd December 2007.

For further information please contact Council's Art Culture and Events Officer, Sally Saw on 4069 5444.

POSITIONS VACANT

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

- **Natures Powerhouse Co-ordinator** (HRM19/0708)
Closes 4th January 2008
- **Swimming Pool Attendant** (readvertised) HRM11a/0708)
Closes 4th January 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: mmulhall@cook.qld.gov.au or downloaded from www.cooktowns.com

Cook Shire Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

TENDERS AND QUOTES

- Quote for Design, Supply and Installation of Interpretive Signage - Closes 2.00pm Tuesday 15th January 2008.
- Tender for the Cleaning of Cook Shire Council's New Administration Centre, T17 - Closes 2.00pm Tuesday 18th December 2007.
- Tenders are Invited for the Inclusion on Cook Shire Council's Panel of Providers for: HIRE OF CONSTRUCTION PLANT AND TRUCKS 2008/2009, T16 - Closes 2.00pm Friday 31st January 2008.
- Tenders are invited for the undertaking of a Remedial Assessment of the Lakeland and Ayton Landfills, T20 - Closes at 2.00pm on Tuesday 22nd January 2008.

Tender Documents 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.

LANDFILL COUPONS

Council wishes to advise that landfill coupons will not be accepted at the Cooktown landfill after 31st December 2007.

COOKTOWN CYCLONE INFORMATION

The new Cook Shire administration building is also the Local Government Disaster Coordination Centre for Cooktown.

All enquiries regarding a cyclone threat, safe shelters and evacuations should be directed to Council's Corporate Services Manager, Hans Looser on 4069 5444.

PREPARE FOR CYCLONE SEASON

Communities in northern Australia are being urged to begin preparations for the coming tropical cyclone season.

Handy Hints for the Cyclone Season

- Check that the walls, roof and eaves of your home are secure.
- Trim treetops and branches well clear of your home.
- Preferably fit shutters, or at least metal screens, to all glass areas.
- Clear your property of loose material that could blow about and possibly cause injury or damage during extreme winds.
- In case of a storm surge/tide warning, or other flooding, know your nearest safe high ground and the safest access route to it.
- Prepare an emergency kit containing:
 - a portable battery radio, torch and spare batteries;
 - water containers, dried or canned food and a can opener;
 - matches, fuel lamp, portable stove, cooking gear, eating utensils; and a first aid kit and manual, masking tape for windows and waterproof bags.

Keep a list of emergency phone numbers on display.

Check neighbours, especially if recent arrivals, to make sure they are prepared.

A new tropical cyclone web page has been launched to access Tropical Cyclone warnings at: www.bom.gov.au/weather/cyclone

WASTE CONTAINER BINS (WHEELIE BINS)

Council would like to remind residents that wheelie bins must be removed from the roadside within 24hours of collection, and must not be put out for collection more than 24 hours before hand (Council Local Law No.19 Waste Management). This law exists to assist council to maintain clean streets for the benefit of the community. Council greatly appreciates residents co-operation in this matter.

ROAD CLOSURE NOTICE

The Lakefield National Park Road will be closed from 14th December until further notice. The road is closed annually by Cook Shire Council in conjunction with National Parks and Wildlife Service for the wet season. Please be advised a lock rail has been placed at Saltwater crossing at the Northern end of the park and it is an offence under Local Law 25-Roads (Closures) for any unauthorised use of a closed road. For any further enquiries contact Tony Lickiss, Council's, Engineering Services Manager on 4069 5444.

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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