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Queen's Baton Relay headed for Cooktown

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COOKTOWN

The Queen's Baton Relay will arrive in Cooktown in less than three weeks, and locals are encouraged to head out to cheer on the local batonbearers along the route.

The Queen's Baton will be in Cooktown on Monday, March 5, with the relay starting at 1pm and culminating in a community celebration at the Cooktown PCYC Events Centre. The Queen's Baton arrived in Australia in December, after spending 288 days travelling through the Commonwealth. The Baton will travel through the hands of approximately 3500 batonbearers throughout every State and Territory. Cooktown's batonbearers are Lisa Brodbeck-Boyles, Peta Buhmann, Jeneen Clark, Susan Forsyth, David Kamholtz, Sarah Martin, Andrew Mirtschin, Marilyn Morris, Chanelle Oldaker, Vince Parkes, Leanne Rayner, Herman Rijken, George Theobald, Kirsty Wilding-Davies and Ray Wright.

You can plan the best spot to cheer on our local batonbearers with details about the Cooktown community celebration and the baton route now available at gc2018.com/qbr. You can also follow the Facebook event for Cooktown's community celebration, www.facebook.com/events/145478579532326/, to keep an eye on the exciting announcements as we get closer to the Baton's arrival in Cooktown. The relay will be run on May, Boundary, Hope, Furneaux, Charlotte, Ida and May streets, with rolling road closures to ensure minimum disruption to traffic.

The community celebration will include stalls and displays by local clubs and not for profit groups and live entertainment, and attendees are encouraged to vie for prizes by dressing as their favourite athlete or sporting code or wearing their club's uniform.

For more information contact Council's Tourism team via email at mail@cook.qld.gov.au or phone on 4069 5444.

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