Lifeline Reopening, SES Week 2020, COVID-19 Update and Soccer Grand Finals

Local Government Association of Queensland Conference
Cr Marbelli and I recently attended the Local Government Association of Queensland’s Annual General Meeting and Conference. The agenda focused mainly on the challenges our communities face confronted with the public health and economic difficulties brought on by COVID-19 and a glimpse of the directions we may need to take in a post COVID world.

The annual conference also enables all 77 local councils throughout Queensland to debate and establish a united position on changes required to legislation, policy or funding requirements to enable a united petition to the higher tiers of government. This year a total of 75 motions were debated dealing with matters as diverse as Local Government’s role in National decision making to Waste Management.

Traffic Signal Upgrade
The Department of Transport and Main Roads will shortly undertake works to traffic signals at the intersection of McIlwraith Street and the Bruce Highway into Mcllwraith Street, in both directions of travel, will only be possible when the green turn arrow is displayed. There is currently no green arrow provision.

Works will be undertaken at night to minimise any inconvenience to road users.

SES Week 2020 Regional Awards Ceremony

The SES 2020 Regional Awards were held at the Ingham Showgrounds on Saturday 17 October 2020 as part of the SES Week celebrations running between 17 and 25 October 2020.

Awards were presented to the following Local Hinchinbrook volunteers for recognition of service:

- Colin Noble – Hinchinbrook SES – 10 years MSM medal;
- Robert Morris – Hinchinbrook SES – 20 years MSM medal Second Clasp;

Congratulations to our local volunteers who were officially recognised for their outstanding services to the SES. Your contribution and efforts to the welfare of our community in times of need is invaluable and much appreciated.

Eric Feldt
Many of you may recall that Betty Lee launching her book ‘Right Man, Right Place, Right Time’ at the Hinchinbrook Shire Library in October 2019. The book is about Commander Eric Feldt who was the instigator and head of the Coastwatchers during World War Two.

Dr Lee has now informed that the Australian War Memorial has recently completed a publication titled Patroitism – stories from the home front of the Second World War and that this book includes a section on Commander Feldt. To view the booklet, please visit default/files/Patriotism.pdf.

Lifeline Reopening at New Location

Back in business! Monday 26 October saw the official reopening of the Lifeline store at its brand new premises at 79 Herbert Street Ingham. Congratulations to Lifeline volunteers for their support in setting up and ready to go.

Vivienne Gardiner and Barb Bowles at the reopening of the Lifeline store.

COVID-19
It is also important to reinforce the restrictions on some activities resulting from COVID-19 continue to apply and that we must remain alert to the threat the disease poses.

The restrictions include gatherings of no more than 40 in your homes. We must continue to practice the measures that have kept us in good stead to date and they include maintaining physical distancing of 1.5 metres, good and regular hand washing practices; stay at home when sick and seek early testing if you display any COVID-19 symptoms. It is also recommended to wear a mask in circumstances where social distancing is not possible.

Soccer Grand Final

Congratulations to the Ingham FC Reserve Grade Women’s Team on fighting through to the Grand Final to be held at 1300Smiles Active Park Townsville on Friday 30 October 2020 kicking off at 8.30pm.

You have done us proud. Support the team and get down to 1300Smiles Active Park to cheer them on!

Ramon Jaya
Mayor

Positions Vacant
A career with Council offers challenging and rewarding work as we strive to shape a positive future for the Hinchinbrook community. Council is excited to offer the following opportunities to be part of a large and diverse organisation with a strong community connection:

- Visitor Information Team Leader: Vacancy Reference: 10371;
- Community Development Services Operations Assistant: (6 months Fixed Term) Vacancy Reference: 12031; and

Applications close midnight Wednesday 28 October 2020. For these and any other positions, please visit Council’s website, Current Vacancies page or by phoning Human Resources on 4776 4767.

Please note: Applicants must specifically and individually address all essential and desirable selection criteria (included in the Job Application Package), provide a current Resume and two recent referee’s references in order to be considered for interview.

Hinchinbrook Shire Council is proud to be an equal opportunity employer.

HINCHINBROOK HEALTH & WELLBEING Program

WEDNESDAY 5:00PM
SUNDAY 10:30AM

04-Nov Bootcamp 01-Nov Bootcamp
11-Nov Pilates 08-Nov Yoga
16-Nov Bootcamp 15-Nov Dance Well
25-Nov Line Dancing 22-Nov Aqua Aerobics
29-Nov Bootcamp

LOCATION
• JTYD PRECINCT • KUNDOA FORESHORE • FORREST BEACH FORESHORE • HINCHINBROOK AQUATIC CENTRE

Seniors aged 60 and over
(Bring a Water Bottle, Towel, Yoga Mat if you have one)

The program is subsidised by North Queensland Sports Foundation (grant funding). This is an Aged in Place Strategy Program presented in conjunction with the North Queensland Sports Foundation and the North Queensland Sports Committee.

Bookings essential, please call (07) 4776 4726 to secure your spot.

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WORKS NOTICE UPGRADE FOR FERN AND LEICHTARD STREETS
Council wishes to advise that pavement widening, kerb and channel works commenced on Tuesday, 27 October 2020 on Fern and Leichtard Streets, Forrest Beach. Ongoing works will occur between 5.00am and 5.00pm with a number of changed traffic conditions in place during these times.

For further information on current roadworks, please visit Council’s website Worksroadways page, or contact Council on 4776 4671.

Council takes this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation and patience during this necessary phase of works.