

ANZAC Day Commemorations, Changes to Speed Zones

Herbert River Museum Gallery

Last Friday, I had the pleasure of attending the AGM of the Herbert River Museum Gallery. Congratulations to the hard working volunteers on another successful year.

The volunteers do a tremendous job in keeping the historical display of our district heritage in such a presentable and interesting manner. Good luck to the newly elected committee of President John Braithwaite, Vice President Coral Gard, Secretary/Grants Officer Janette Astorquia and Treasurer Therese Mitchell.

ANZAC Cenotaph

Works at the Ingham Botanical Gardens Memorial Cenotaph designed to provide better access have now been completed. The works entailed concreting the entire perimeter of the column base and installation of additional hand railings. The works were designed to facilitate better and more fluent access for the elderly of our community, including

our returned diggers in paying their respects at the Cenotaph.

Council acknowledges the contribution of the Federal Government Saluting Their Service Community Commemorative grant, that enabled the works to be undertaken on behalf of the RSL.

ANZAC Day Commemorations

ANZAC day will be commemorated throughout our district this year. The ANZAC Day Committee met on Tuesday 3 March 2021 and the following arrangements are in place:

- The Ingham Dawn Parade and Wreath Laying Ceremony will commence at 4.15am.
- The Forrest Beach Commemoration Ceremony will commence at 7.00am.
- A Commemoration Ceremony in Halifax, will commence at 8.15am.
- The Commemoration Parade in Ingham will commence at 9.30am.

Young Farmers

Eighteen members of

our district's "youngish" farmers group recently spent two days travelling around various Burdekin farming operations involved with growing alternative crops within cane growing rotational cycles.

Our farmers were able to hear from and talk with growers experienced in seasonal rotational cropping on most agronomical matters, including planting windows and timing, pest and disease and best practice cultivation methods.

Crops inspected included soybean, mung bean, peanuts and sorghum.

The trip was made possible by financial assistance of the Queensland State Government in supporting the Herbert Grain in the Rain facilitation program. The program, a partnership between the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and Council, is looking at means of introducing alternate cropping into our district as a method of improving our soil quality and establishment of new

agricultural industries for the economic diversification of the district.

Canegrowers AGM

A reminder to our cane farming community that Canegrowers Herbert River will be holding its Annual General Meeting at the Noorla Bowls Club on Monday 19 April 2021 commencing at 3.00pm.

This is an opportunity for farmers to remain abreast of the current affairs of the industry. Guest speaker at this year's AGM will be Mr Paul Schembri, Chairman of Canegrowers Queensland.

Changes to Speed Zones

Council has been informed that Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has approved a change to the speed zone adjacent the entrance to Ingham Industrial Estate intersection from 100km to 80km per hour. The action arose in response to a recent petition by Council and Challands Street business owners presented to

Parliament by local member Nick Dametto.

The 80km speed zone will now commence at Pound Creek and will terminate opposite the Ingham Aerodrome. The petition was initially raised due to the perceived risk of accidents involving heavy vehicles entering and exiting Challands Street and Martin Street in the midst of a 100km per hour speed zone.

Council is still awaiting on TMR to finalise the speed review along Herbert Street in response to Council's request for same to be reduced from 60km to 50km per hour.

Easter Celebrations

With Easter happening this weekend, I would

like to wish everybody a happy and safe long weekend. As is tradition, many will take the opportunity to go camping and fishing so hopefully the weather will be kind to you all.

Remember to stock up locally for all your weekend needs as that will enable you to enter Council's Monster Raffle draw and potentially win prizes to a combined value of \$25,000.

Have a good time whatever you intend on doing.

Ramon Jayo
Mayor

THE HINCHINBROOK WAY

Ambassador Program



BUSINESS SOCIAL NETWORKING EVENT

Catch up with your fellow Hinchinbrook businesses at the next Business Social Networking Event!

Enjoy complimentary food and beverages, chat, brainstorm and bring to life opportunities to support the business community.

Date: Friday 16 April 2021
Time: 5.00pm until 7.00pm
Where: TYTO Restaurant
73 McIlwraith Street, Ingham QLD 4850

For more information or to RSVP please contact Council's Tourism and Business Team on **4776 4600** or visit www.hinchinbrookway.com.au

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RATE NOTICE

DUE DATE REMINDER

Rate Notices are due for payment on or before **Wednesday 31 March 2021**.

Do not forget, if you pay on or before the due date and have no rates in arrears, you will go into the draw to win \$2,000 to be spent locally at up to five Hinchinbrook Shire businesses of your choice. The winner will be drawn at Council's General Meeting on Tuesday 27 April 2021.

Council offers a variety of payment options including online, via telephone, mail or by visiting Council's Main Office 25 Lannercost Street, Ingham.

If you are having difficulty meeting the payment due date contact Council to discuss a payment plan on 4776 4600.

Additionally, ratepayers have access to assistance under Council's Financial Hardship Policy. Council encourages those experiencing hardship to access this support at their earliest opportunity.

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:

- **Community Events Officer** Vacancy Reference: 10352; and
- **Utility Services Operator** Vacancy Reference: 10842.

Applications close midnight Wednesday 14 April 2021.

Further information is contained in the Job Application Packages which can be obtained via 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 Referees in order to be considered for interview.

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

HINCHINBROOK YOUTH WEEK EVENTS

The TYTO Regional Art Gallery is holding **FREE WORKSHOPS** during the Easter school break for ages 12 and 25

- DART-ART WORKSHOP**
Tuesday 6 April 2021
10.30am – 12.30pm
- PAINTBALL CANVAS GAME WORKSHOP**
Wednesday 7 April 2021
10.30am – 12.30pm
- BODY PAINTING CANVAS WORKSHOP**
Wednesday 7 April 2021
1.00pm – 3.00pm
- STREET ART SIGN WORKSHOP**
Thursday 8 April 2021
10.30am – 12.30pm
- PAINTING WORKSHOP**
Saturday 10 April 2021
10.30am – 12.30pm
- 'NOW IS THE TIME' TRAVELLING QAGOMA WORKSHOP***
Saturday 17 April 2021
10.30am – 12.30pm

* The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Hinchinbrook Shire Council to support local arts and culture in regional Queensland. NOW IS THE TIME Kids on Tour is a free QAGOMA Touring program available to regional Queensland communities.

TYTO Regional Art Gallery, 73-75 McIlwraith Street, Ingham
For more information or to book a workshop please contact Council on 4776 4600 or email council@hinchinbrook.qld.gov.au.

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WORKS NOTICE

Council wishes to advise that the boat ramp carpark, facilities and footpath upgrade works are scheduled to commence **Tuesday 6 April 2021** at Dungeness, Lucinda.

Ongoing works will occur between 6.00am and 5.00pm with a number of traffic conditions in place during these times.

Council would like to thank you for your cooperation during this necessary phase of works.

For further information on current roadworks, please visit Council's website, *Roadworks* page or contact Council on 4776 4671.