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Message from the CEO



Banana Shire Council CEO Ray Geraghty

ESCALATING ENERGY PRICES PLACE A SIGNIFICANT BURDEN ON EVERY SECTOR OF THE BANANA SHIRE ECONOMY – FROM RESIDENTIAL RATEPAYERS, TO FARMERS, BUSINESS OPERATORS AND LARGE INDUSTRIES.

This is why this year's Banana Shire Industry Summit focuses on Affordable, Reliable and Sustainable Energy.

The organising committee has done a tremendous job securing expert speakers to provide some extremely valuable information that can help us all reduce our energy costs. These topics include electricity tariffs and pricing explained, the benefits of solar and battery storage, turning waste to energy and resource efficiencies.

I am sure Emeritus Professor Ian Plimer's address on *The Climate Change Delusion & the Great Electricity Ripoff* will generate significant interest.

I encourage everybody to make the most of this opportunity and attend the public

session from 9am to 1pm at the Biloela Civic Centre on 16 October.

I want to take the time to commend councillors and Council staff on the work they put into delivering the 2018/19 budget.

\$23 million will be spent on capital works including \$9.3 million for roads, bridges and drainage, \$8.9 million for water and sewerage while the road maintenance budget has increased to \$5.5 million.

A major concern of Banana Shire Council is the State Government's waste levy. Under the proposal a \$70 per tonne levy for non-domestic waste will be imposed on local governments.

While some councils in far north Queensland and western parts of the State are exempt, unfortunately Banana Shire is not one of them. Banana Shire produces an average of 11,000 tonnes of waste per year. This will result in a significant financial impost on this council.

We have been lobbying the LGAQ and the State Government for Banana Shire to be included among those 39 councils exempt from the levy. If unsuccessful, this Council will be forced to reshape the budget in readiness for when the levy takes effect in early 2019.

BANANA SHIRE INDUSTRY SUMMIT

Future Energy Solutions - Powering Ahead in Banana Shire

"Affordable, Reliable & Sustainable Energy"

Tuesday
16th October
2018

Breakfast - 7am

Biloela Civic Centre Supper Room

\$20 per person

Summit from 9am - 1pm

Biloela Civic Centre Auditorium

Free

BREAKFAST SPEAKER



Andrew Chamberlin
Project Manager - Energy
Queensland Farmers' Federation

LUNCH WILL BE CATERED BY
MATT GOLINSKI & THERE'S A
CHANCE TO WIN A GETAWAY



Emeritus Professor Ian Plimer
The University of Melbourne
'The Climate Change Delusion & The Great Electricity Ripoff'



Carl Duncan
Group Manager Resource
Efficiency, Teys Australia
'Resource Efficiencies'

SUMMIT SPEAKERS



Jeremy Tranter
Lead Hybrid Engineer,
Juwi Renewable Energy Pty Ltd
'Solar & Battery Storage'



Bonson Lam
Manager Pricing and Tariff
Products, Ergon Energy Retail
'Tariffs & Pricing'



Max Barnes
Process Engineer,
All Energy Pty Ltd
'Waste to Energy & Landfill Levy Implications'

Please register for the summit & breakfast at www.eventbrite.com.au
& search for Industry Summit. No cash payments will be accepted on the day.

Both sessions are open to the public. Enquiries call 07 4992 9513

Apprentice DIESEL FITTERS

IT'S HARD TO WIPE THE SMILES OFF THE FACES OF CAMERON SMITH AND MATTHEW DAVIDSON.

The two Callide Valley local boys landed their dream jobs in July when they signed up as apprentices in Banana Shire Council's mechanical workshop.

Cameron, 17, completed Year 12 last year and has just commenced a four-year apprenticeship through Central Queensland University as a diesel fitter, while 16-year-old Matthew spends every Wednesday and his school holidays in the workshop learning his trade under a program managed by Axial Training.

The teenagers fell in love with repairing vehicles and tinkering with machinery while growing up on their family farms, but as Cameron explains, fixing farm machinery pales in significance with the variety of work they do for Council.

"I love it," Cameron says. "Every day is different. Yesterday, we were helping to pull the gearbox out of a ute and today we are helping to repair a grader."



Apprentice diesel fitter Cameron Smith and school-based apprentice diesel fitter Matthew Davidson attempting to locate a fault in the Western Star semi-trailer

Both consider themselves extremely lucky to be granted the opportunity to undertake an apprenticeship with Council and hope to remain long-term employees with Council once they have finished their indenture and qualified as tradesmen.

Banana Shire Mayor Nev Ferrier says Council has a renewed focus on employing apprentices and it has provided a real benefit to Council and the community.

"We can currently access state and federal funding to assist with trainees and apprentices," Cr Ferrier says.

"We have two permanent rolling traineeships using the First Start Funding which aims at priority groups such as

school leavers, women re-entering the workforce, people with a disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

"We also access state funding for tuition. This funding targets the skill shortage areas, so for our Council that is water operations, plumbing and mechanics," Cr Ferrier says.

Council currently employs two diesel fitting apprentices, two plumbing apprentices, four business administration trainees, two water operations trainees, one public health cadet and two civil engineering cadets.

There are also 13 existing workers completing a civil construction traineeship as part of its workforce upskilling program.

Magpie Season is here!

PEAK BREEDING SEASON FOR
MAGPIES IS AUGUST TO NOVEMBER



Biloela resident Adam Burling getting swooped on his morning ride.
Photo courtesy of Central Telegraph

When magpies have eggs or young in the nest, they can become protective and may swoop people entering their nesting territory.

You can minimise the risk of being swooped by:

- Getting to know where the birds are breeding in your area and trying to avoid them;
- Being aware that open areas with tall trees are likely sites to encounter the birds;
- Using an umbrella and wearing a hat;
- If the area is unavoidable, ensuring you escort young children through any hot spots or walk in groups;

- Watching the birds which makes them less likely to swoop;
- If you are riding a bike, getting off and walking through hot spots; and
- Never harassing or provoking magpies as this may lead to more aggressive behaviour.

Council erects warning signs in affected public areas and if a magpie becomes a risk to human safety it may be assessed for removal. To report an affected area or particularly aggressive magpie, please contact Banana Shire Council on 4992 9500.

For more information about living with magpies, visit Council's website at www.banana.qld.gov.au/magpies.

Signs and advice can also be obtained from the Department of Environment and Science website www.ehp.qld.gov.au/wildlife/livingwith/magpie_safe.html.



Garage Sale Trail
CHOOSE TO REUSE
 20+21 • OCT • 2018

COMMUNITY AWARENESS

Environment

AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS 2018

WEEDBUSTER WEEK

held annually in September

Weedbuster Week is a State Government initiative designed to raise awareness about weeds and involve people in weed management.

Weeds cost Queenslanders an estimated \$600 million annually and have significant impacts on primary industries, natural ecosystems, and human and animal health.

People play a large part in spreading weeds, usually unintentionally, and Weedbuster Week is an opportune time to encourage the community to increase their understanding of weeds and how they can reduce weed spread.

For more information on weed management within Banana Shire, visit Council's *Rural Lands and Pest Management* page on our website www.banana.qld.gov.au/rural or visit

www.qld.gov.au/environment/plants-animals/plants/weeds-prevention/weedbusters.

WORLD ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DAY

26 September 2018

Environmental health is the branch of public health concerned with all aspects of the natural and built environment affecting human health.

Banana Shire Council's Environmental Health Officers are responsible for many aspects of community health including monitoring of food establishments, personal appearance services (hairdressers, beauty therapy, body piercing and tattooists), environmental nuisances, littering and management of public health risks such as mosquitoes, asbestos, water and vermin.

The International Federation of Environmental Health is celebrating this year's World Environmental Health Day with the theme of 'Global Food Safety and Sustainability'. This theme aims to support the provision of more safe food, to make use of precious water and nutrient resources, and for communities to increasingly value sustainable food production. For more information visit www.ifeh.org/wehd.

GARAGE SALE TRAIL 20 and 21 October 2018

Join the movement – 20 and 21 October – host a sale or shop the trail in the Banana Shire.

Garage Sale Trail is a people powered reuse movement made possible by local councils around the country on 20 and 21 October 2018. It's a great way to declutter your home, meet your neighbours, fundraise or find bargains at thousands of garage sales on one big weekend of selling and shopping. The trail helps to encourage reuse, reduce waste and minimise our impact on Mother Nature.

For more information go to <http://councils.garagesaletrail.com.au/councils/Banana-Shire>.

ASBESTOS AWARENESS MONTH November

Asbestos Awareness Month aims to educate Australians about the dangers of asbestos in and around homes and how to best manage it. Australia has one of the highest rates of asbestos-related diseases in the world. For more information go to www.asbestosawareness.com.au/register.

FOOD SAFETY WEEK 10-17 November 2018

Food Safety Week educates Australians on the safe storage, preparation and serving of food.

Council's Environmental Health Officers monitor and regulate commercial food preparation within the Shire. Unregulated food handling and storage is a potential risk to the public's health and safety, therefore regulations have been put in place for the safety and hygiene of food for all customers. If you are concerned about poor food handling or food borne illness please contact Council. For more information go to www.foodsafety.asn.au

NATIONAL RECYCLING WEEK 12-18 November 2018

National Recycling Week, founded by Planet Ark, brings a national focus to the environmental benefits of recycling. Now in its 22nd year, this established and highly regarded annual campaign continues to educate and stimulate behaviour change.

For more information go to www.recyclingweek.planetark.org.



Boulouparis Visit

TWENTY YEARS AFTER BEING FORMALISED, THE SISTER SHIRE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BANANA SHIRE AND BOULOUPARIS REMAINS STRONG.

Banana Shire Councillor David Snell, and his wife Margery, have just returned from a four-day visit to the commune in New Caledonia, where they inspected the expansion of the district's solar farm project, local government managed housing estate, a deer and wild boar abattoir and redclaw crayfish farms.

This is the first time Cr Snell, an elected representative of 14 years, has visited the island nation. He said since the twinning agreement was signed on March 13, 1998, Banana Shire had sent a delegation to Boulouparis every term of council.

"It is important to keep the communication and cooperation between our two local government bodies flourishing," Cr Snell said.

"Authorities from Boulouparis are already planning their next visit to our Shire, which will be next year."

Cr Snell said visiting the rural community provided him with a new perspective on the value of the relationship between the two local governments. "We visited some redclaw farms, which were established in Boulouparis, after they inspected a number of redclaw farms over here.

"They run a successful deer abattoir and export some of the meat over to Australia and they are now interested in importing kangaroo for processing through this abattoir."

As part of the visit Cr Snell attended a Bastille Day celebration, honouring the country's French leaders and joined in a night time lantern festival, held specifically for the community's children, which included the first-ever fireworks display in Boulouparis.

As part of the visit the two local governments exchanged gifts, with Cr Snell presenting an emu egg, hand painted by an Aboriginal artist and receiving in return, a hand-carved wooden sculpture.

The Sister City relationship gives Banana Shire residents a chance to understand and accept the difference in culture between both countries together with the possibility to exploit trade opportunities as they arise.

It was the brainchild of former Banana Shire Councillor Tom Hosking who fostered the relationship during the early years and ensured its success by coordinating the initial delegations and visits.

The Commune of Boulouparis is located in New Caledonia, a French Territory due east of Mackay about two hours' flying time from Brisbane. Boulouparis is 862 square kilometres in area with a population of 3005 people.



Fire Season

Queensland Fire and Emergency Services and Banana Shire Council are urging residents to prepare themselves and their property for the upcoming fire season.

Queensland's fire season is different to other states of Australia with the fire season in Queensland normally commencing in the far north of the state in July and progressing through to southern areas as spring approaches.

These timeframes can vary significantly from year to year, depending on the fuel loads, long-term climate and short-term weather conditions in each area.

You don't have to live in the bush to be threatened by bushfire, just close enough to be affected by burning material, embers and smoke. For Queensland residents, that can be just about anywhere. Whether you live in the city, on the urban fringe or in regional or rural Queensland, it is essential you have a Bushfire Survival Plan.

Further information about preparing for bushfires can be found on the Queensland Rural Fire Service website at www.rural.qld.gov.au or the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services website www.qfes.qld.gov.au.

Waste Levy

THE QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT RELEASED A DIRECTIONS PAPER IN JUNE ASKING FOR FEEDBACK ON THEIR PROPOSED CHANGES IN DEVELOPING THE NEW RESOURCE RECOVERY, RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY THAT WILL BE UNDERPINNED BY A WASTE DISPOSAL LEVY TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2019.

The State Government are expected to release more details on the new strategy soon.

The waste disposal levy will apply to all general waste streams – Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) e.g. General wheelie bin contents, Commercial and Industrial (C&I) waste, Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste and regulated wastes disposed to landfill.

The levy rate will commence at \$70 per tonne for all general waste streams, with higher rates for regulated waste, and increase by \$5 per year.

The aim of the waste levy is to reduce waste being disposed to landfill in Queensland and promote initiatives to reduce waste generation, reuse items as much as possible and recycle goods that cannot be reused.

By introducing the levy, the State Government also aims to attract industry investment, create new jobs and deliver long-term benefits for the environment.

WHAT IS COUNCIL DOING?

Banana Shire Council sent a detailed submission in response to the Directions Paper to advocate for our Shire communities on matters such as the incoming waste levy and the proposed programs for resource recovery and recycling. We are also reviewing our current waste management services and infrastructure across the Shire against the new State Government requirements to prepare for the changes.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Council will share information throughout the Shire via several platforms and

may include local newspapers and publications, Council's website and Facebook page, the *Focus* Magazine, signage and surveys... you may have already started to see these in your local area!

The Queensland Government Directions Paper for the Resource Recovery, Recycling and Waste Management Strategy is available online at www.qld.gov.au/environment/assets/documents/pollution/management/waste/transforming-qlds-recycling-waste-industry-directions-paper.pdf.

DO YOU HAVE AN INNOVATIVE IDEA FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT?

Do you have a suggestion for an innovative or creative idea to reduce waste to landfill in your community?

Please share your ideas with us via email to enquiries@banana.qld.gov.au, at one of our Customer Service Centres in person, or via phone (07) 4992 9500.

Banana Shire Libraries News

IT'S BEEN A FUN AND BUSY TIME IN THE LIBRARIES WITH JULY SEEING SOME GREAT SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES RUN.

Staff ran an eclectic range of activities from macramé keyring making, to making ice-cream in a bag, to pot-a-plant through to virtual reality experience. The *Blue Gum Farm* TV crew visited Biloela, Moura and Taroom during July, putting on a singing and dancing show for the under 5s as part of the *First Five Forever* program.



Graham Bell, Wowan resident, a likely participant in the *Rural Seniors communicating Digitally* program

Biloela also launched a Book Club for our community's avid readers.

Science Week was celebrated in August with the Biloela branch hosting a science experiment morning which included making teabag rockets, witnessing gravity defying water and the stab a potato with a straw experiment. *Kanopy*, a free video streaming service, was made available to library members in August, thanks to funding from the State Library of Queensland.

Staff were successful in their application for the Tech Savvy Regional Queensland Grant 2018. The grant provides Banana Shire Council the funds for the Library staff to run the *Rural Seniors Communicating Digitally* program. Launched during Adult Learners' Week, 1-8 September, the program consists of

10 x 1.5 hour sessions in Biloela, Moura, Taroom and Baralaba. The sessions spend some time on structure topics and learning and the remainder of the time on participants asking about their own devices, or specific enquiries. Check out the details on Council's Facebook page – *Banana Shire Council*.

September will also see the *First Five Forever Fun in the Park* event occur on Friday 14 September, 9-11am. The activities are focused on the 0-5 age group and will include craft station, jumping castle, McDonalds Farm and more. Check out the details on Council's Facebook page – *Banana Shire Council*.

Do you know any published authors and/or illustrators that live in our Shire? The Biloela Library is hoping to host a Local Author/Illustrator event in November. If you are, or know of someone who is, please ask them to contact Ruth Thompson, Senior Library & Information Services Advisor, Biloela Library, on 4992 7362.



Meter Reading

BANANA SHIRE COUNCIL IS COMMENCING A PROJECT TO INSTALL AUTOMATIC METER READING (AMR) DEVICES TO WATER METERS THROUGHOUT THE SHIRE.

AMR is a relatively new technology that allows the water meter at individual properties to be read remotely through the attachment of a small radio transmitter.

The initial implementation is being funded under the Work for Queensland program to the value of \$500,000.

Council has engaged Taggle Systems to supply the transmitter devices that will be attached to each of its 5,060 water meters. Council's water reticulation crews

will carry out the installation of the devices that have been designed to fit closely to the water meter, transmitting water meter readings periodically throughout the day.

The AMR system will provide a number of benefits, including the ability to obtain meter reads without a person physically attending the site to read the meter, and it can be used to detect any unusual water use patterns that may indicate a potential leak in a customer's property.

Roll-out of the AMR system is currently scheduled to commence in late August/September with plans to complete installations for Moura, Biloela, Thangool and Callide Dam schemes during the current financial year. Progression of AMR

for the Shire's remaining schemes will commence in July 2019.

Once the AMR system is fully operational, it is Council's intention to provide property owners with the ability to view their own personal property water usage information on a daily basis. Further information will be made available as the project progresses.

The AMR system will assist council in improving the overall management and monitoring of water services throughout the Shire, providing a means for early leak detection, reducing the amount of water wasted through undetected leaks, as well as a cost-effective way to read its water meters.

FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS IS COMING TO GOOVIGEN

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE GOOVIGEN COMMUNITY WHO WERE SUCCESSFUL IN SECURING A SPOT ON THE UPCOMING TOUR FOR FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS.

The Goovigen State School P&C will open the doors of the Goovigen Community Hall on Friday 16

November to proudly host the festival which is sure to be a treat for music enthusiasts and novices alike. Jodi McLennan, Goovigen State School P&C President said "we're so excited to have been chosen to host this event. It's really shaping up to be amazing – nothing like Goovigen or the Banana Shire has ever seen before. Thank you so much to the Banana Shire Council for giving us this opportunity to not only put on a fun night for the community but to also raise much needed funds for our P&C and school."

Following the highly successful Camerata – Queensland Chamber Orchestra tour through the Banana Shire in early June, the Festival of Small Halls provides another unique cultural experience for



Banana Shire residents. Mayor Nev Ferrier commented that "Banana Shire Council is very proud to provide another outstanding cultural experience for the community in 2018. The event provides a great opportunity for people to come together and enjoy a night of music, fun and food with their friends."

The Festival of Small Halls Australia is a series of tours that take the best folk and contemporary acoustic artists performing at two large festivals and sends them on the road to tiny halls in communities all over Australia. It's an opportunity for music-lovers from welcoming communities to invite artists from home

and abroad into their towns, and a way of exploring this vast country in the spirit of hospitality and great fun.

For more information on Festival of Small Halls visit www.festivalofsmallhalls.com or visit their facebook page @festivalofsmallhalls.

Tickets are limited. For details of ticket sales and further information contact:

MELINDA PETTY
Council's Community
Development Advisor
(07) 4992 9500



Container Refund Scheme

THE PROBLEM WITH DRINK CONTAINERS

- They are the second most commonly littered item (after cigarette butts) with approximately 2.4 billion generated in Queensland alone.
- They pollute the natural environment and litter streets, parks and waterways.
- Nearly all drink containers can be recycled however most end up in landfill, and are not recycled.

WHAT THE QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT IS DOING

The Queensland Government is introducing a container refund scheme for Queensland. Under the scheme, empty eligible drink containers with an approved refund mark can be returned to a container refund point for a 10 cent refund.

The public consultation on the scheme received 2,600 submissions with the majority of people supporting its implementation.

WHAT CONTAINERS ARE INCLUDED?

Most drink containers between 150ml and 3 litres will be eligible for a refund under the scheme. Some drink containers will be exempt, such as containers for plain milk, wine and pure juice. The focus of the scheme is on away-from-home drink containers which are the most commonly littered.

WHEN WILL THE REFUND SCHEME START?

The Queensland Container Refund Scheme will start on 1 November 2018. You will be able to start getting a 10 cent refund for eligible containers from this date.

WHERE CAN YOU RETURN YOUR EMPTY DRINK CONTAINERS IN THE BANANA SHIRE?

The Queensland Government appointed Container Exchange (CoEx) as the Product Responsibility Organisation (PRO) to establish and operate the container refund scheme.

One of CoEx's first steps after appointment was to begin working with local businesses and community groups across Queensland to establish a network of refund points to service consumers. Refund points are where people can return empty eligible beverage containers for a refund of 10 cents per container, which are then collected for recycling.

Refund points for the Banana Shire are yet to be announced.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- Reduced litter and plastic pollution in the environment
- All containers receiving a 10 cent refund will need to be recycled resulting in improved recycling and recovery rates
- Increased business and employment opportunities
- Protection of wildlife
- Fundraising opportunities and increased awareness for community organisations and charities.

BANANA SHIRE RATES

PLEASE CONTACT

Council rates and property officers
on **07 4992 9500**
if you have not received your notice

COUNCIL'S RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE 2018/2019 PERIOD WERE ISSUED ON 14 AUGUST 2018 WITH A DUE DATE BEING 13 SEPTEMBER 2018.

THE RATE NOTICES ISSUED ALSO INCLUDED WATER CONSUMPTION CHARGES FOR WATER USED IN THE PERIOD 31 DECEMBER 2017 THROUGH TO 30 JUNE 2018.

I HAVE CHANGED MY MAILING ADDRESS; HOW DO I UPDATE THIS WITH COUNCIL?

If you have changed your mailing address please notify Council in writing of your new address, so your details can be updated. Residents who have changed their mailing address and have failed to notify Council run the risk of not receiving their rates notice and possibly missing out on any discount offered. All changes MUST be received in writing and MUST be signed by at least one owner. Address changes cannot be accepted over the telephone.

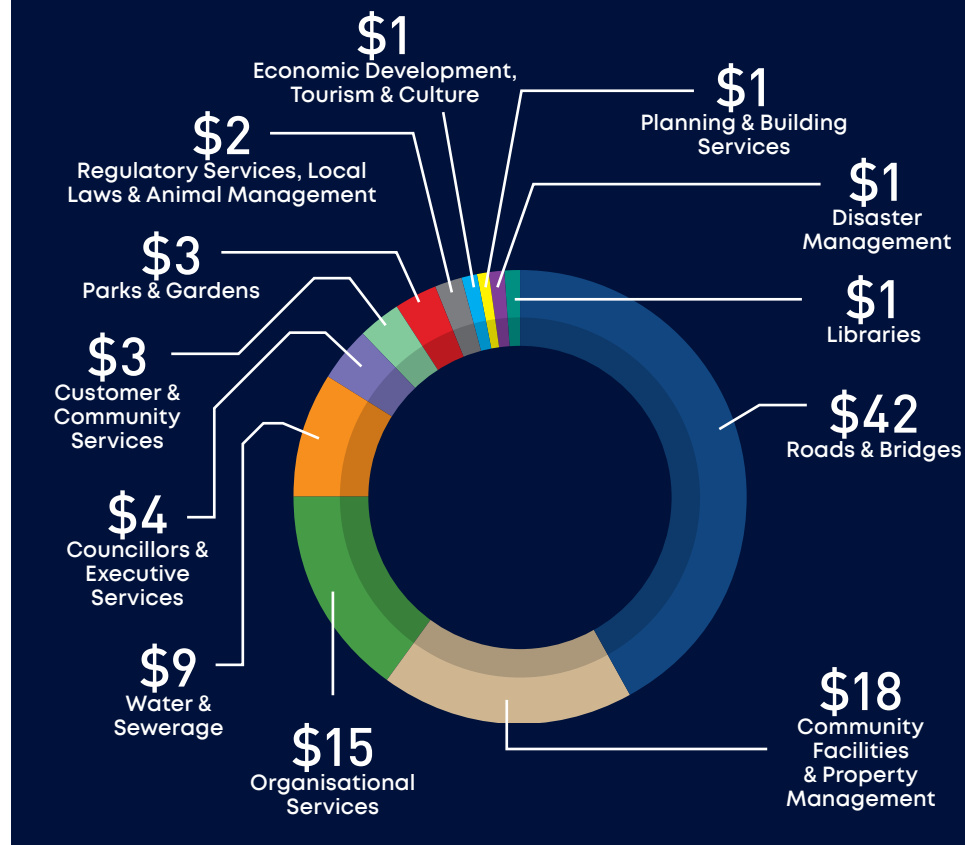
RECEIVE YOUR RATES NOTICE BY EMAIL

Having issues with the mail getting to you? Are you travelling within Australia or abroad? Council can now send your rates notice to you electronically – anytime, anywhere – to your email account. Application forms can be obtained from Banana Shire Council.

PENSIONER REMISSION

The State Pensioner Subsidy of 20 per cent (to a maximum of \$200 per annum) and a Council Pensioner Remission of 20 per cent (to a maximum of \$305 per annum) will be allowed on all current Council rates and charges as levied (except the Taroom Rural Water Connection Special Charge).

FOR EVERY \$100 OF GENERAL RATES COLLECTED, BANANA SHIRE COUNCIL WILL INVEST APPROXIMATELY:



Eligibility requirements include:

- Must be a holder of a Queensland Pension Concession Card or a Veterans' Affairs Gold Card (Senior Card holders are not eligible).
- Must be the owner or life tenant of the property and legally responsible for paying local government rates and charges levied.
- Subsidies can only be granted on the principal place of residence.

Application forms can be obtained from Banana Shire Council. The State Fire and Emergency Services also allow a 20 per cent discount on the State Emergency Management Levy.

REGISTER WITH BPAY VIEW TO RECEIVE, PAY AND STORE YOUR RATES NOTICE

Take control of your bills with BPAY View. With BPAY View, you can have your Banana Shire Council rate notice delivered directly to your online banking on the issue date – so you can view, pay automatically or with a single click, knowing the bill will be securely stored in one place.

- Once you've signed up with BPAY View, you'll receive a convenient email, SMS or bank message* when it's time to pay your bill.
- You can then pay the bill with one click^, schedule a later payment and even set up automatic payment for future bills**. How easy is that!

IMPORTANT NOTES:

*Reminder options may differ between financial institutions. ^The process may vary slightly between financial institutions. **Scheduled payments are subject to systems and funds availability.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT WHEN REGISTERING WITH BPAY VIEW, COUNCIL WILL NOT ISSUE A PAPER COPY OF YOUR RATES NOTICE

BANANA SHIRE REGIONAL ART GALLERY

VISIT THE GALLERY | FREE ENTRY

62 Valentine Plains Road, Biloela
Open weekdays 9:30am – 4pm

CONTACT THE GALLERY

Shanna Muston | Arts and Cultural Officer
P: 4992 9500 | E: enquiries@banana.qld.gov.au
www.banana.qld.gov.au/artgallery

Like us on facebook [Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery](#)
Follow us on Instagram [bananashireregionalartgallery](#)

EXHIBITIONS

PHYSICAL VIDEO [MAIN GALLERY] continues until 28 September

Physical Video features video art drawn from the Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art Collection. While thematically diverse, each work engages the human body and shows how artists use physical gestures and actions to illustrate social, political and aesthetic concerns. Acts of endurance are complemented by playful exploration of elements – particularly air, water and fire – as well as objects encountered in everyday life. Through small gestures and modes of performance, the works in *Physical Video* invite audiences to think about the use of physicality to explore ideas beyond the action itself.

Physical Video is a touring exhibition developed by the Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art.

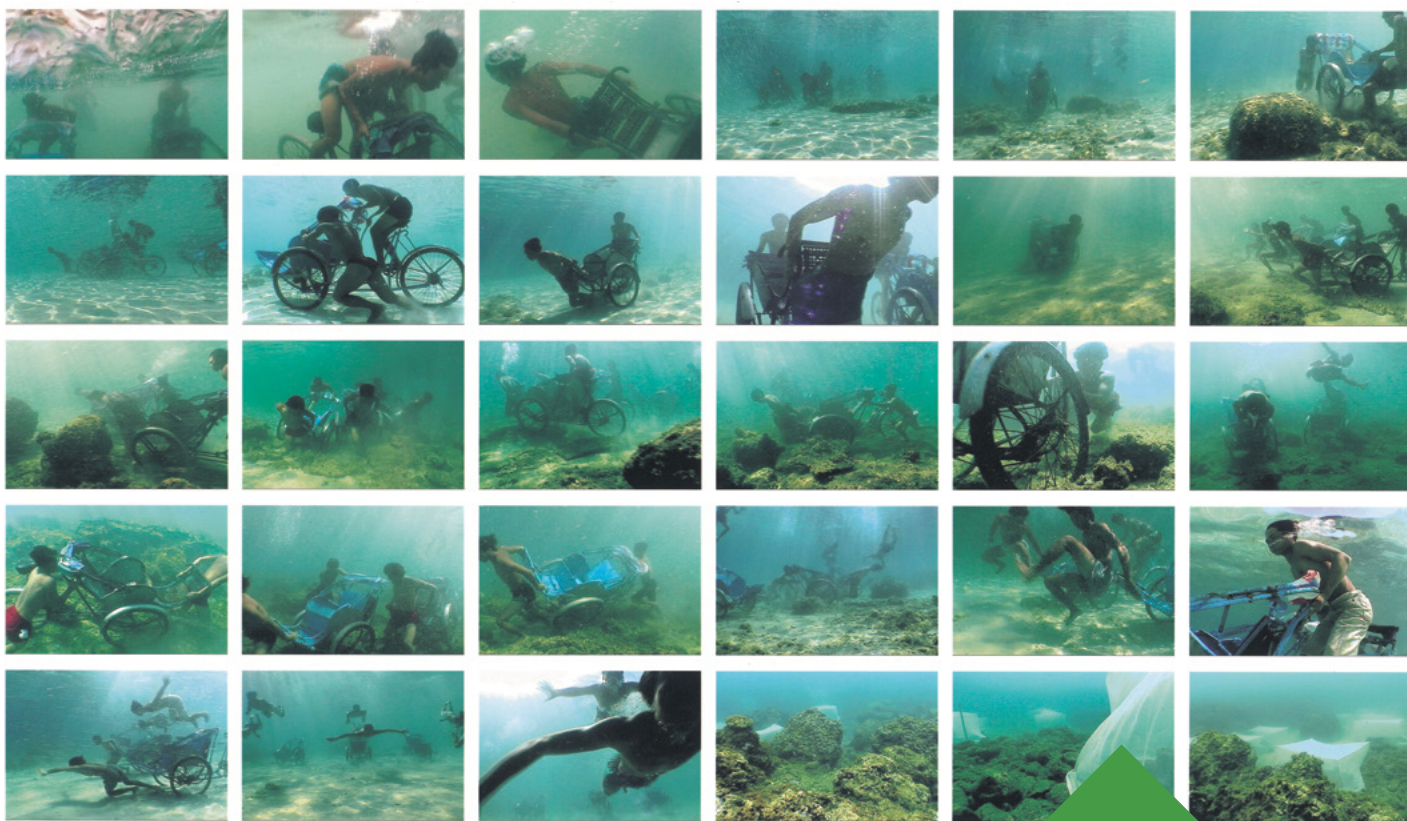
JUST WINGING IT [PALM TREE ROOM] continues until 28 September

Just Winging It is the first collaborative exhibition by Gwen Evetts and Tracey Irvine. Both artists use a variety of concepts and techniques, creating a quirky and diverse range of works. The exhibition explores the value of the creative process, the intuitive and immersive act of making. The works illustrate how each artist uses process to think through and express ideas, emotions and concepts from within.

BRIGALOW ARTS FESTIVAL [MAIN GALLERY & PALM TREE ROOM] 12 October – 17 November

The *Brigalow Arts Festival* is proudly presented by the Banana Shire Art Gallery Association.

Open to both local residents and artists across the state, the festival supports visual arts by offering over \$8000 in prize money across a variety of sections. In 2018 Mark Coombe joins the festival as guest judge.



WEEKEND OPENING HOURS

Saturday 15 September 10am – 12 midday
Saturday 20 October 10am – 12 midday
Saturday 17 November 10am – 12 midday

BRIGALOW ARTS FESTIVAL OPENING

Friday 12 October from 5:30pm

JUN NGUYEN-HATSUSHIBA / Japan / United States
/ Vietnam b.1968 / Memorial Project Nha Trang,
Vietnam, towards the complex – for the courageous,
the curious, and the cowards (stills) 2001 / DVD:
13 minutes, colour, stereo, ed. 4/10 / Purchased
2002. Queensland Art Gallery Foundation Grant /
Collection: Queensland Art Gallery / © The artist

Community

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 2018

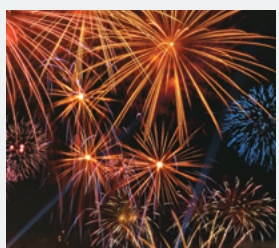
<p>1</p> <p>Theodore's Bulls 'n' Barrels Bonanza</p> <p>P: 0438 619 835</p>	<p>7-9</p> <p>Theodore Spindles and Spurs Campdraft</p> <p>P: Doug 4627 9287</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Biloela Bowls Club Party After The Cup</p> <p>P: Katie 07 4992 1689</p>	<p>8-9</p> <p>The Great Baralaba Saratoga Classic Fishing Competition</p> <p>P: Robbie 0427 378 432</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Biloela Markets</p> <p>P: Susan 0407 336 700</p>
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OCTOBER 2018

<p>5-6</p> <p>Springtime Dance Biloela Civic Centre</p> <p>P: Dianne 0408 067 383</p>		<p>12</p> <p>Brigalow Arts Festival</p> <p>P: Alan 0418 195 503</p>	<p>12-14</p> <p>Baralaba State School Centenary</p> <p>P: Jo 4998 2333</p>	<p>14</p> <p>ABHA Callide Valley Barrel Racing</p> <p>FB: ABHA Callide Valley</p>
	<p>16</p> <p>Banana Shire Industry Summit</p> <p>P: 4992 9500</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Thangool Races</p> <p>P: Edwina 4995 8190</p>		<p>20</p> <p>Biloela Markets</p> <p>P: Susan 0407 336 700</p>
<p>20-21</p> <p>Garage Sale Trail</p> <p>P: 4992 9500</p>		<p>27</p> <p>Rotary Biloela Annual Market Day</p> <p>P: Helen 0400 741 540</p>		<p>27-28</p> <p>Lake Callide Family Fishing Classic</p> <p>P: Nigel 0402 923 443</p>

NOVEMBER 2018

<p>17</p> <p>Biloela Markets</p> <p>P: Susan 0407 336 700</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Biloela Christmas Festival</p> <p>P: Alan 0418 195 503</p>
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DECEMBER 2018

<p>1</p> <p>Thangool Races</p> <p>P: Edwina 4995 8190</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Biloela Markets</p> <p>P: Susan 0407 336 700</p>
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AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS » NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN!



The 2019 Banana Shire **Australia Day Celebrations** will be hosted by the **Thangool community** » Winners will be announced and awards presented at the 2019 Australia Day Celebrations

The Australia Day Committee is now calling for nominations for the various Australia Day Awards. These awards recognise and honour the outstanding achievements of Australians.

Shire residents and organisations are asked to support these awards by nominating members of their community in appreciation of their efforts.

Nomination forms can be found on Council's website at www.banana.qld.gov.au and hard copies are available from Council's Customer Service Centres and Libraries.

AWARD CATEGORIES ARE:

- » Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year
- » Cultural and Junior Cultural – Artist and/or Arts Worker
- » Volunteer of the Year
- » Junior and Senior Sportsperson
- » Sports Coach, Official and/or Administrator
- » Community Group or Team
- » Community Event of the Year

For more information contact the Banana Shire Australia Day Committee on p: (07) 4992 9500 or e: enquiries@banana.qld.gov.au
ATTN: AUSTRALIA DAY COMMITTEE

NOMINATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2018



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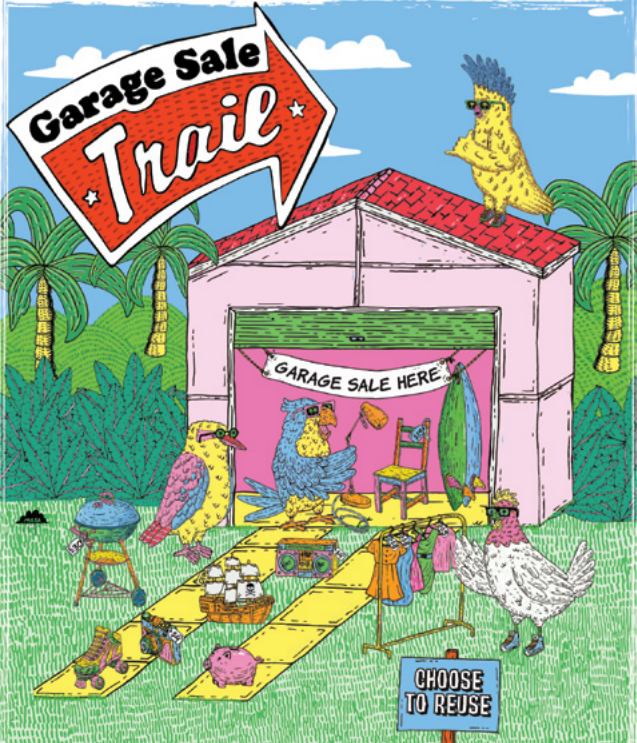
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