

Tweed Shire Council wishes to recognise the generations of the local Aboriginal people of the Bundjalung Nation who have lived in and derived their physical and spiritual needs from the forests, rivers, lakes and streams of this beautiful valley over many thousands of years as the traditional owners and custodians of these lands.



Rebecca Hogan of Kingscliff is the Tweed Shire Citizen of the Year, announced at a ceremony at Tweed Heads on Australia Day as part of the 2020 Tweed Shire Australia Day Awards for achievements in 2019. Rebecca is pictured with Tweed Shire Australia Day Ambassador Meredith Dennis OAM, who was one of Tweed Shire's 2018 Citizens of the Year, and Tweed Shire Council General Manager Troy Green. The award recognises Rebecca's outstanding contribution to the community and to the young people of our region by creating the BASE Youth Leadership program for year 11 and 12 students of the area and the 2019 BASE Leadership Awards.

Sea turtle hatchlings are coming!



A loggerhead turtle nested on the Tweed Coast over the Australia Day long weekend.

Sea turtle hatchlings are beginning to emerge from their nests across the Tweed and a free information session for the community will help ensure as many hatchlings make it to the ocean as possible.

Sea turtle hatchlings begin to emerge on local beaches anytime in January and continue through until May. Hatchlings can be affected by light pollution, marine debris, predators and coastal erosion.

One of the big questions is, what happens to the nests after they have been laid and what can the public do to help? The community is invited to come along to an information session to find out what they can do. General Manager of Australian Seabird Rescue Olly Pitt will be there on the day to share some of the centre's successful sea turtle rehabilitation stories.

When: Saturday 15 February, 10am – 12pm.

Where: Kingscliff Community Hall, 81 Marine Parade, Kingscliff.

There's no need to register, just come along – there's plenty of space for everyone.

The NSW TurtleWatch program has been developed by Australian Seabird Rescue and is in partnership with the NSW Government's Saving Our Species program. To find out more about the program visit www.environment.nsw.gov.au/sos

For more information about the NSW TurtleWatch program visit seabirdrescue.org.au or www.facebook.com/NSWTurtleWatch. If you see a hatchling please call Australian Seabird Rescue immediately on (02) 6686 2852.

Tweed's green scenery is deceptive

The water level of Clarrie Hall Dam has begun to fall after the short respite provided by rain two weeks ago.

"The Tweed River is no longer flowing over Bray Park Weir so if we don't get rain in the catchment that is forecast for this week we will have to increase our releases from the dam to supply the community," Manager Water and Wastewater Anthony Burnham said.

Currently Council is obliged to release four megalitres a day to maintain environmental flows and river health. To supply drinking water to the community, it will have to release between 32 and 35 megalitres a day.

Over the weekend, the dam level fell 0.3 per cent, from 81.4 per cent on Friday to 81.1 per cent on Monday. Meanwhile, water use figures have risen, with the average person again using 180 litres a day after falling to 174 litres a day before the recent rain.

"The green hues of the Tweed Valley are a double-edged sword when it comes to water restrictions," Mr Burnham said. "The scenery does not accurately reflect the situation we are in."

Level 2 water restrictions remain in place throughout the Tweed,

except in Tyalgum, which is fed by the alternate Oxley River system.

"If we need to start releasing from Clarrie Hall Dam to supply drinking water to the community we can expect the dam to drop nearly two per cent a week, which means we will quickly lose any advantage afforded by the recent rain."

Tweed residents are urged to double their efforts to save water now and delay the implementation of harsher water restrictions which will harm Tweed businesses.

"It's up to you to stay at Level 2."

Council will again be ramping up its education campaign to reduce water use. Residents with tank supplies filled by the recent rain are reminded that those supplies are subject to the current restrictions.

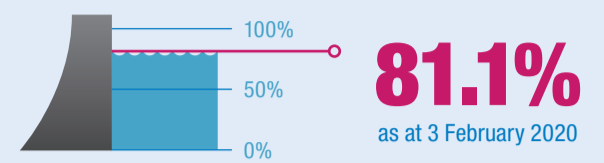
"If your tank is not entirely independent of the town water supply, you must comply with all water restrictions.

"Watering lawns is banned, as is the use of sprinkler and soaker hoses," he said.

Visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/savewaternow for the full list of restrictions.

Save water now Last week we each used **180L a day**
It's up to you to stay at Level 2

Clarrie Hall Dam level



For the latest level, see www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/savewaternow

In brief ...

Two more weeks to have your say

Do you want to be a part of ensuring the resources and skills of the community are used equitably and fairly to help people be supported, included, safe, healthy and have opportunities? Or are you passionate about having vibrant places and spaces in the Tweed?

You have two more weeks to have your say on the draft *Community Development Strategy 2020 – 2024*.

Council's Community Development team has created a Community Development Strategy to help guide future involvement with the diverse communities in the Tweed. It will help us set priorities for the future and act as a reference for future funding applications.

Council welcomes community feedback until Thursday 13 February 2020. To make a submission or for more information, visit www.yoursaytweed.com.au/communitydevelopment

Plenty of fun for seniors

The NSW Seniors Festival starts next week and the Tweed will once again be hosting a full program of events for seniors to get involved in.

The festival runs from Wednesday 12 February to Sunday 23 February and the program includes 37 activities, events or offers available to seniors across the 12-day festival.

It includes events such as morning teas, social get-togethers, health activities, demonstrations, tours, exhibitions, classes, activities and more.

The Seniors Festival opening ceremony will be held on Wednesday 12 February at 10am at the Tweed Heads Civic and Cultural Centre Auditorium and will include entertainment, light refreshments and an opportunity to enjoy a fun morning celebrating with your community.

The opening ceremony will include presentation of the NSW Seniors Local Achievement Awards. These awards provide an opportunity for local MPs and the community to recognise seniors that help make their community a diverse, active and inspiring place to live.

Visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/SeniorsFestival to register your attendance for the opening ceremony or download a copy of the Seniors Festival program.



Pottsville outdoor fitness equipment launch

The official launch of the newly installed fitness equipment at Phillip Street Reserve, Pottsville will take place on Wednesday 12 February at 8.45am.

The exercise equipment is part of the NSW Government initiative to get more people active and outdoors.

Outdoor fitness equipment has now been installed in Pottsville and Murwillumbah and, by April 2020, another three sites in Tweed Heads and Banora Point will have fitness equipment installed for the community's enjoyment.

The project, funded by the Department of Premier and Cabinet NSW, was a successful Stronger Country Communities Fund project (Round 2) receiving \$332,000.

To celebrate the launch, up to 15 lucky residents are being invited to one of four come and try sessions, to be supervised by a personal trainer on how to get the most out of exercising while using the newly installed equipment.

The free training sessions are being run at the Phillip Street Reserve on Wednesday 12 and 19 February from 9.30am to 10.30am; and on Saturday 15 and 22 February from 8am to 9am.

To book your spot on one of these free training sessions and to receive expert tuition from a personal trainer, call (02) 6670 2530.

The dos and don'ts of using household greywater

Greywater is household wastewater from the shower, bath, hand basin or washing machine. It does not include water from the kitchen sink or from toilets.

The use of greywater is regulated because of the potential for it to spread disease. Greywater contains impurities such as bacteria and when it is stored it 'goes off' as the bacteria multiply.

Greywater is potentially infectious and so all greywater systems are regulated and require Council approval.

Greywater also contains detergents, cleaning agents and waste materials which are not suitable for all garden use.

Things you can do with greywater

- ✔ You can use today's greywater by directly bucketing it from the laundry, shower or bath to the lawn or garden without any approval.
- ✔ Use washing detergents low in sodium and phosphorus to avoid degradation of your soils or only use the washing machine rinse cycle water.
- ✔ Distribute greywater over different locations in the garden and lawns. If there are any boggy and smelly patches stop using greywater.
- ✔ Stop using greywater if you see any negative change in gardens.
- ✔ Wash your hands after using greywater.

- ✔ Be careful lifting and carrying buckets of greywater over slippery surfaces, stairs and steps.
- ✔ Use greywater diversion devices that are accredited by NSW Health and installed by a licensed plumber.
- ✔ Use greywater treatment systems only if they are accredited by NSW Health and approved by Council.

Things you can't do with greywater

- ✘ Do not store greywater as this will increase the potential for bacteria to grow and for bad odours to occur.
- ✘ Do not use greywater for irrigation during wet weather as your garden soil will already be saturated by rain.
- ✘ Do not use toilet or kitchen wastewater, as they contain unhealthy bacteria.
- ✘ Do not apply greywater in areas accessible to children, people with low immune system or pets.
- ✘ Do not use greywater generated from the washing of nappies or soiled clothing.
- ✘ Do not use greywater when a resident is sick, e.g. has gastro.
- ✘ Do not use greywater on plants that will be eaten e.g. in a veggie garden.

Bitou Bush in the Tweed

Council will be undertaking its annual Bitou Bush control program throughout February in accordance with its legislative requirements under the *NSW Biosecurity Act 2015*.

Bitou Bush is a native of South Africa and was widely planted on the NSW coast, including the Tweed Coast, to stabilise dunes following sand mining. It is a highly-competitive weed that smothers native plant communities and destroys natural habitat and food sources for native animals.

As a land manager, Council must undertake surveillance and mapping to identify all Bitou Bush infestations in an attempt to eradicate it.

Council will treat infestations at priority areas in foreshore vegetation, starting at Fingal Head.

Signage will be displayed while spraying to advise what herbicide has been sprayed and the date/time of spraying. All herbicide spraying will be completed during the week and will be undertaken in strict compliance with the *NSW Pesticides Act 1999* and Council's Pesticide Notification Plan. For more information visit www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Weeds

Budd Park erosion protection repair works

Council began repairs to the rock wall on the river bank at Budd Park, Murwillumbah on Monday 3 February.

A 10-metre section of this erosion protection wall slipped into the river approximately 10 months after the March 2017 flood.

Waterways Program Leader Tom Alletson said the damage occurred as a result of a large scour hole developing in the river channel.

"Immediately following the flood there was no sign that the wall had been damaged, however, as time progressed the wall's base rocks slipped away into a newly-created deep scour hole, leading to a section of the structure collapsing," Mr Alletson said.

The work will take approximately two weeks (weather permitting) and will result in some disruption to the park and carpark access.

Access to the majority of the park, barbecue facilities and recreational boating pontoon will be unaffected.

Development Application determinations

Notification of Development Application Determinations for the purposes of Section 4.59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (as amended).

Application details

Approved

DA19/0037 – Alterations and additions to existing 'relocated dwelling' and change of use from storage to dwelling, construction of new secondary dwelling, use of detached exercise studio, relocation and use of detached music studio detached, installation of home office and construction of pool deck
Lot 1 DP 1231866, Lot 2 DP 1233998, No. 45 Cooloon Street, **Kunghur**

DA19/0817 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including garage, carport and spa
Lot 573 DP 217268, No. 13 Poplar Avenue, **Bogangar**

DA20/0016 – In-ground swimming pool
Lot 26 DP 800344, No. 7-9 Cassidy Crescent, **Bogangar**

DA19/0813 – Completion and use of carport
Lot 54 DP 249140, No. 20 Surf Street, **Kingscliff**

DA19/0723 – Carport
Lot 612 DP 1243648, No. 11 Candleberry Street, **Murwillumbah**

DA19/0871 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling including in-ground swimming pool and deck
Lot 1 DP 632335, No. 18 Omiah Way, **Piggabeen**

DA19/0840 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling
Lot 617 DP 1077500, No. 26 Lomandra Avenue, **Pottsville**

DA19/0854 – In-ground swimming pool, continued use of existing flyover patio and outbuilding, with alterations and additions proposed to the outbuilding to create parents retreat and bathroom
Lot 139 DP 263728, No. 4 Royal Drive, **Pottsville**

DA20/0002 – In-ground swimming pool
Lot 1535 DP 1207462, No. 8 Sawtell Circuit, **Pottsville**

DA19/0762 – Alterations and additions to existing dwelling and use of shed and studio constructed without approval
Lot 1 DP 739786, No. 234 Everingham Road, **Pumpenbil**

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours or viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/datracking

Request for Offer

RFO2020003 – Gallery Café



Tweed Shire Council is seeking Offers from companies or individuals experienced in operating a vibrant café to cater for visitors to one of Australia's best regional galleries: the **Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre** in Murwillumbah, Northern NSW.

The beautifully appointed café seats approximately 60 customers and takes advantage of the magnificent panoramic views over the Tweed River and mountains.

The Gallery is a major tourist destination, ideally located on the outskirts of Murwillumbah, between Byron Bay and the Gold Coast attracting 85,000 visitors annually.

Gallery and café opening hours are 10am to 5pm Wednesday to Sunday with potential for additional catering, wedding and function opportunities using larger capacity areas.

Request for Offers close:

Wednesday 12 noon (DST) 4 March 2020

For further information visit:

www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/tenders/current

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Planning Committee Meeting Agenda – Thursday 6 February 2020

The Planning Committee Meeting Agenda for Thursday 6 February 2020 is available on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/CouncilMeetings.

The meeting will be held at the Council Chambers, Murwillumbah Civic & Cultural Centre, Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah commencing at 5.30pm.

A Planning Committee Public Forum on Agenda items being considered is to be held at 4.30pm prior to the Meeting.

Reports for consideration

Planning and Regulation

- 1 Development Application DA19/0830 for Alterations and Additions to Existing Brewery and Replacement of CO₂ Tank at Lot 207 DP 1122768 No. 35-37 Kite Crescent, South Murwillumbah
- 2 Development Application DA19/0242 for the Erection of Dwelling to Create Detached Dual Occupancy and a Detached Garage and Carport at Lot 38 DP 263730 No. 52 Royal Drive, Pottsville
- 3 Development Application DA19/0773 for a 'For the Love' Music Festival to be held on Saturday 22 February from 1pm until 10pm

at Ebenezer Park, Tweed Heads at Lot 7339 DP 1166191; Part Lot 7340 DP 1166191; Lot 7341 DP 1166191 & Lot 7342 DP 1166191; Lot 7343 DP 1166191; Part Lot 448 DP 755740; Part Lot 653 DP 755740; Lot 704 DP 877249; Lot 703 DP 877250; Coral Street, Tweed Heads

- 4 Development Application DA04/1300.05 for an Amendment to Development Consent DA04/1300 for Integrated Housing Development incorporating 6 Dwellings being Part Two and Part Three Storey at Lot 1 DP 1106423 & Lot 15 DP 21680 No. 12 Hungerford Lane, Kingscliff; Part Lot 3 DP 1106423 No. 12-14 Hungerford Lane, Kingscliff
- 5 Planning Proposal PP19/0005 for Additional Permitted Uses at Salt Village – Part Lot 3 SP 74283 and Lot 5 DP 83483, 49-51 Bells Boulevard, Kingscliff
- 6 Variations to Development Standards under State Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 – Development Standards

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Reports for consideration

- 7 Adoption of the Recommendations of the Planning Committee Meeting held Thursday 6 February 2020

Orders of the day

- 8 Sponsorship of BASE Youth Leadership Awards
- 9 Camphor Policy

Sustainable Communities and Environment

- 10 RFO2019174 Murwillumbah Auditorium Roof Replacement
- 11 Draft Climate Change Policy

Reports from the Director Engineering

- 12 T5859 Tweed Valley Way – On Site Sewage Management
- 13 Road Closure Application – Unformed Road – Reserve Creek

Corporate Services

- 14 Monthly Investment Report for period ending 31 December 2019

Sub-committees/working groups

- 15 Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Meeting held Wednesday 9 October 2019
- 16 Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held 28 November 2019
- 17 Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held 19 December 2019

Confidential items for consideration

General Manager in committee

- C1 Industry Central Land Exchange – Adoption of Probity Plan

Planning and Regulation in committee

- C2 Class 1 Appeal – Development Application DA13/0712.01 for an Amendment to Development Consent DA13/0712 for a Micro Herb Production Facility including Two Greenhouses, Two Pump Sheds, Potting Shed/Office, Water Tank, Driveway Access and Associated Earthworks at Lot 3 DP 1191598 No. 67 Howards Road, Burringbar

Sustainable Communities and Environment in committee

- C3 Fee for Service – Servicing of a 19 Metre Refrigerated Compactor Bin

Engineering in committee

- C4 Voluntary House Purchase – 6074 Tweed Valley Way, Burringbar
- C5 Voluntary House Purchase – 73 River Street, South Murwillumbah

The Agenda for these meetings, which may also include any late or supplementary reports, will be updated prior to the date of the meetings. Meetings are open to the public. It should be noted that confidential items are considered in closed session, which excludes media and public. Minutes of these meetings will be available as soon as practical following the meetings and are unconfirmed until they are formally adopted at the next Council meeting.

Please be aware that these meetings are webcast and will be available on Council's website.

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