

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.



Tweed Shire Australia Day Ambassador 2022 Gemma Eaton is encouraging everyone to take a shot at nominating someone for an Australia Day Award.

The ball's in your court – nominate today

January holds a special place in the heart of Murwillumbah tennis coach Gemma Eaton.

Apart from it being the month for the Australian Open, it is when Australia Day is celebrated. As the Tweed Shire Australia Day Ambassador 2022, Gemma is excited about welcoming new award winners and also new citizens on 26 January.

As the recipient of the 2020 Sporting Achievement Award, Gemma is passionate about her sport, encouraging people of all ages to have a go as well as helping to develop our next generation of champions.

"COVID has had such an impact on our lives and for many, it has disrupted our sporting interests," Gemma said.

"As a tennis player and coach, I have been fortunate that the pandemic hasn't had such a major effect – you have plenty of separation on the tennis court, even when you are playing doubles.

"Tennis has a very strong social element and we encourage that at the Murwillumbah Tennis Club.

"There's a sense of community and that is very important whether you belong to a sporting or social club.

"I know there are many people in the community helping others get through these tough times. As the Tweed Shire Australia Day Ambassador, I encourage anyone who knows someone who is making a contribution or helping others to nominate them for a Tweed Australia Day award.

"Since receiving my award, I have had many people congratulate me. The award has also helped me to raise awareness of helping people with disability take to the courts and providing opportunities for seniors to get out and get active on our courts."

The club has recently installed new competition surfaces on a couple of its courts and has also improved accessibility for people with disability to enjoy forms of tennis, particularly Pickleball which is played on half of a regular tennis court.

Gemma said she views January as a month of bringing people together and recognising achievements and efforts.

"In tennis we have champions on the courts like Ash Barty who is inspiring so many girls and women into the sport and Dylan Alcott who is showing that a disability is no obstacle to unbelievable performances," she said.

"The Australia Day Awards are similar in that they allow us to recognise the champions in our community who are doing things that are inspirational as well.

"They deserve to be honoured so if you know someone who was doing something amazing on the Tweed for the community in 2021, please nominate them and let their efforts be acknowledged on 26 January."

To nominate someone for a Tweed Australia Day Award, go to tweed.nsw.gov.au/australia-day

Council facilities temporarily closed

Council has temporarily close a number of its facilities and services in keeping with the NSW Government's latest COVID-19 restrictions for the Tweed local government area (LGA).

Stay-at-home orders were introduced for the Tweed and Byron LGAs from 5pm on Tuesday for seven days due to an increased COVID-19 public health risk. These stay-at-home orders also apply to anyone who has been in the Tweed or Byron LGAs since 18 September.

As a result, Council has shut its customer-facing facilities including:

- Customer Service Counters at Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads
- Tweed Regional Aquatic Centres
- Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre
- Tweed Regional Museum
- Library branches at Murwillumbah, Tweed Heads and Kingscliff
- Starting Block Café at TRAC Murwillumbah only open for takeaway meals and beverages
- Tweed Holiday Parks, with some exceptions, including for permanent residents, overnight travellers, persons working in the local area, persons who have no other place of permanent residence.
- Tweed JUNKtion Tip Shop (remains closed)
- Visitor Information Centres
- Council events
- Council-approved community markets, including at Kingscliff,

SALT Village, Pottsville, Murwillumbah and Tweed Heads (unless approval to modify is sought and granted).

Essential services including water and kerbside waste collection services will operate as normal. Stotts Creek Resource Recovery Centre (the tip) is open to people permitted under the Public Health Order to use it. Visitors must observe COVID Safe practices such as masks and QR check in.

Council is well prepared for COVID-19 and our staff are available to help with any queries. Call our Contact Centre Team on 02 6670 2400, or email us on tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au. Any issues can be reported online at tweed.nsw.gov.au/reportaproblem or direct message us on Facebook at facebook.com/tweedshirecouncil

Everyone in the affected LGAs must stay at home unless it is for an essential reason, which includes shopping for food, medical care, getting vaccinated, compassionate needs, exercise and work or tertiary education if you can't work or study at home.

People who are fully vaccinated can attend an outdoor gathering of up to 5 people for exercise or outdoor recreation, as long as all of those aged 16 or older are fully vaccinated.

For more information about Council closures visit the COVID-19 Emergency Dashboard at emergency.tweed.nsw.gov.au/coronavirus

For more information on the stay at home orders mean visit nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules



Last week we each used

186L a day

as at 20 September 2021

In brief ...

Keeping Cats Safe at Home project

RSPCA NSW has partnered with Tweed Shire Council for the next four years to deliver the Keeping Cats Safe at Home project.

The first part of the project involves a research study about cat ownership and we are seeking input from the community via a short survey to understand the challenges of looking after cats and keeping them safe and healthy.

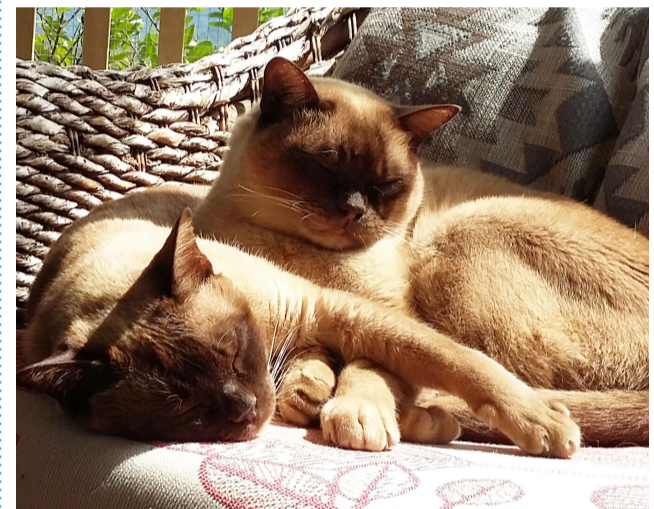
Council's Program Leader - Pest Management Wildlife Protection Pamela Gray said she was grateful for the opportunity to be a part of this project.

"We feel really privileged to be one of the 10 NSW councils invited to participate in the Keeping Cats Safe at Home project," Ms Gray said.

"The Keeping Cats Safe at Home project will build on the amazing work done through the Love Cats Love Wildlife project which ran for 3 years in the Tweed and was funded through the NSW Environmental Trust."

The project is funded from the NSW Environmental Trust's Major Projects Prospectus.

The community is encouraged to fill out the survey by 31 October 2021 by visiting tweed.nsw.gov.au/cats. For more information visit rspcansw.org.au/safecats



Two beautiful Burmese cats from the Tweed region, Bruno and Madeleine, are kept indoors for cat safety.

In brief ...

Museum fun for holidays

The Tweed Regional Museum may not be open due to the COVID-19 lockdown for the Tweed Shire local government area but we're still providing fun school holiday activities to enjoy at home.

Come and collect your free activity bag from the front entrance of Murwillumbah Museum between 10 am and 12 noon from Tuesday to Saturday (until Saturday 2 October) at 2 Queensland Road, Murwillumbah.

The contents of each bag are a mystery – you'll just have to take your chances to see what activities we've prepared for you. COVID-19 safe measures in place.

During the lockdown, why not check on some of the Museum's online exhibitions or discover some of the history of Murwillumbah and Uki.

For more information visit museum.tweed.nsw.gov.au



Come and collect a free children's activity bag at the front of the Tweed Regional Museum, Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am to 12 noon until 2 October 2021.

Young talent shines in annual portrait prize

During the current COVID-19 lockdown, add some colour and creativity to your day by visiting a virtual online presentation of the annual Les Peterkin Portrait Prize on display at the Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Arts Centre from Thursday 23 September to Sunday 28 November 2021.

The exhibition is a celebration of the enormous artistic talent and creative vision of our local primary schools.

This year the Prize attracted a high number of entries and participating schools.

Working on the theme #Selfie, Primary school students sketched, collaged, photographed and painted images capturing themselves in ways that highlight their interests, life and character.

The 2021 judges were: local artists Caz McDougal and Vira Higgins; Friends of the Gallery committee members Rose Wilsher and Malcom Reid; and Tyalgum Public School representatives and retired school principals Rebecca McGuren and Peter Meadows.

"I am extremely impressed by the enormous number of entries received and the effort of every child who entered the competition," Prize Coordinator Marianne Galluzzo said,

"This year's theme set out to expand the imaginations of our aspiring young artists and allowed them to explore the form of self-expression by highlighting key moments, developments, and motivations through portraiture."

The Prize is named after legendary local artist and art teacher Les Peterkin.

Each prize winner will have the thrill of seeing their artwork professionally displayed on the Gallery's walls (once lockdown ends). A further 200 outstanding works will be on display in folios for the duration of the exhibition.

The Gallery has provided a virtual online presentation showcasing the winning portraits for this year's prize which can be viewed at artgallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au/LesPeterkin

Gallery creates online art activity

As the Tweed Shire is currently in a seven day lockdown, the Gallery has created an online holiday Art Play activity as part of the Gallery At Home program.

Exploring self-portraits and selfies, children can make their own wearable IRL (in real life) selfie filter using household art materials.

Visit artgallery.tweed.nsw.gov.au/ExhibitionsAndPrograms/ProgramsAndWorkshops to view and download the #Selfie Art Play PDF.



2021 Les Peterkin Portrait Prize - First Prize (11-13 years), Mahli Burdett, *Colours of Me* (detail), Uki Public School.

Public notice – road usage

Tweed Valley Triathletes intends conducting events (COVID-19 restrictions permitting) each Saturday morning from 6 to 8 am concluding Saturday 19 March 2022 using roads in and around Murwillumbah.

The roads that will be used are Tumbulgum Road, Racecourse Road, Cane Road, Queensland Road, Murwillumbah Street, Wharf Street, Reynolds Street, Charles Street, George Street, York Street and Martin Street. Contact Chris Goudkamp on 0408 669 174 for further information.

Public notice

Waive Payment of Reduce Fee

In accordance with Sections 610 and 705 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, submissions are invited for the establishment of an 'extenuating circumstances' category for government agencies for the waiver or reduction of a fee payment.

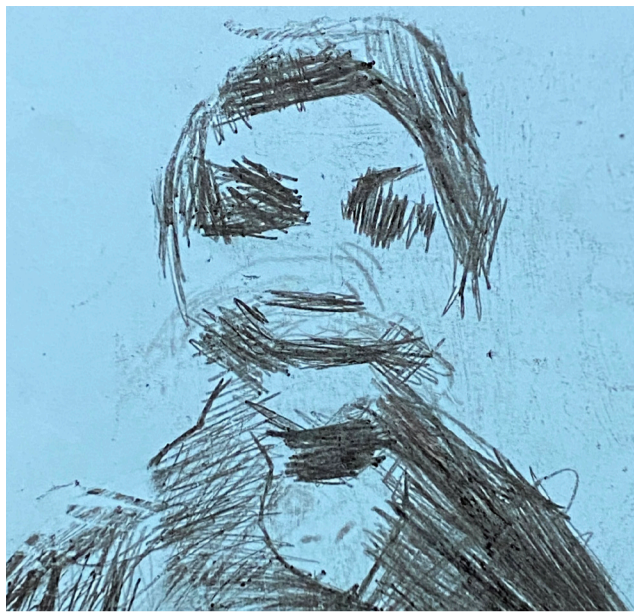
Submissions must be received by Council within 28 days of this public notice.

Current vacancies

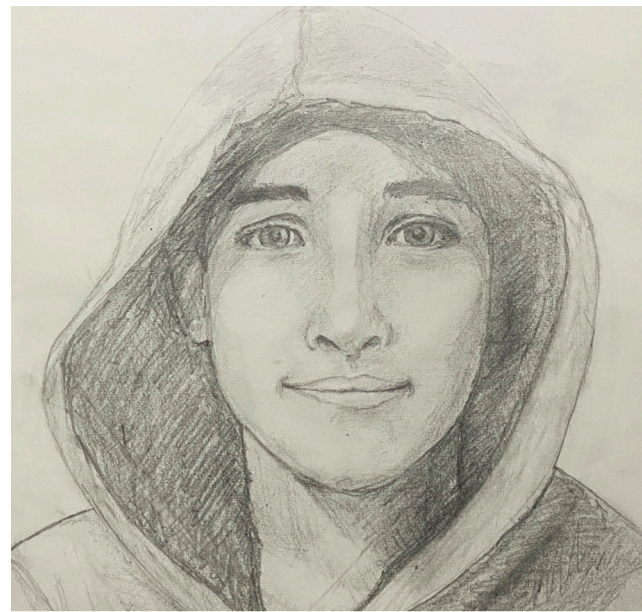
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WATER WEEK 11 Check when your water meter is read at tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading



2021 Les Peterkin Portrait Prize - First Prize (5-7 years), Matilda Bailey, *This is Me* (detail), Murwillumbah East Public School.



2021 Les Peterkin Portrait Prize - First Prize (8-10 years), Alex Todan, *Hoodie Boy* (detail), St Anthony's Primary School.

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

DA21/0626 – Dwelling

Lot 42 DP 1266201, No. 3 Evergreen View, **Bilambil Heights**

DA21/0397 – Carport within the front building line and use of 1.8 m high front fence

Lot 3 SP 92270, Unit 1/No. 40 Oleander Avenue, **Bogangar**

DA21/0458 – Two storey dwelling with attached garage, in-ground swimming pool and spa

Lot 4 DP 1264557, No. 29 Blue Horizon Drive, **Casuarina**

DA21/0009 – Construction of a new dwelling and relocation of existing dwelling to create an attached dual occupancy

Lot 10 DP 542254, No. 57 Loders Road, **Duranbah**

DA21/0044 – Secondary dwelling and additions to existing dwelling house, including deck and garage

Lot B DP 414033, No. 1 Boscabel Avenue, **Murwillumbah**

CDC21/0122 – In-ground swimming pool

Lot 6 DP 807165, No. 10 Dalton Street, **Terranora**

DA21/0482 – Dwelling with attached garage and retaining walls

Lot 438 DP 1270825, No. 23 Darro Road, **Terranora**

DA21/0260 – Change of use to takeaway food and drink premises (bakery) (shops 3 & 4)

Lot 1 DP 848875, No. 2-14 Henry Lawson Drive, **Terranora**

DA20/0468 – New generation boarding house, comprising 27 self-contained rooms (plus a manager's unit)

Lot 89 DP 237806, No. 6 Florence Place, **Tweed Heads**

DA21/0642 – Roofed patio

Lot 910 DP 880612, No. 22 The Hermitage, **Tweed Heads South**

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 datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au

Notification of integrated development application

Development Application no. DA21/0702

A development application has been lodged by Mr R Caisley seeking development consent for increase student numbers (from 60 to 72 students), alterations and additions & approval for use of unauthorised works at Lot 7 DP 1033118; No. 2486 Kyogle Road, **Terragon**. Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority for the application.

The proposed development constitutes 'Integrated Development' pursuant to Section 4.46(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The following approvals are required in this regard:

Provision	Approval	Authority
Section 100B of the <i>Rural Fires Act 1997</i>	General approval	Rural Fire Service

The development application and the documents accompanying it may be viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au. The documents will be available for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 22 September 2021 to Wednesday 6 October 2021.

Any person may, during the above period, make a written submission to the General Manager of Council. It should also be noted that Council has adopted a policy whereby, on request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality by submitters in determining access to submission letters. However, the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* – GIPAA may result in confidential submissions being released to an applicant.

Any submission objecting to the proposed development must state the ground upon which such objection is made.

Please note – requirements regarding Disclosure of Political Gifts and Donations

A disclosure is required to be made in a statement accompanying the relevant development or planning application by a person who makes the application. In addition, a person who makes a written submission either objecting to or supporting a relevant development or planning application must also make a disclosure if the person has made a reportable political donation.

Further information regarding Donations and Gift Disclosure are available on Council's website at tweed.nsw.gov.au/development-applications

Development proposal for public comment

The following development application has been received by Tweed Shire Council and may be viewed on Council's DA tracking site located at datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au for a period of 14 days from Wednesday 22 September 2021 to Wednesday 6 October 2021.

The proposal is not designated development and Tweed Shire Council is the consent authority.

Applicant	Location	Proposal	Application No.
The Small School Ltd	Lot 1 DP 1273979; No. 8 King Street, Murwillumbah	Expansion of existing educational establishment	DA21/0690

Any person may, during the period specified above, make a submission in writing to Council in relation to the Development Application. Where a submission is in the form of an objection, then the grounds of objection are required to be specified. Any person may, during the above period, make a written submission to the General Manager of Council. It should also be noted that Council has adopted a policy whereby, on request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality by submitters in determining access to submission letters. However, the provisions of the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* – GIPAA may result in confidential submissions being released to an applicant.

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