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Community Recognition Awards

Council held its annual Community Recognition Awards on Friday 7th October 2016.

Nominees, Councillors, Council Staff, Coomalie Organisations and Community Members came along to enjoy the presentation.

Coomalie Council would like to congratulate and above all, thank, all those who were recognised for their contribution to the community. Their contributions play a vital role in our wonderful Community and definitely do not go unnoticed.

Thankyou and congratulations.





FROM THE COOMALIE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

2016/17 RATES

Rate Notices were issued in late August with the due date being the last Friday of September (30 September 2016).

Amounts outstanding after the due date will be charged 20% per annum, calculated on a daily basis.

All landowners should be aware that Council has resolved to strictly enforce the provisions of the Local Government Act which allows Council to request the Lands Title Office to register the charge over the land unless suitable repayment arrangements are entered into.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Residents and land owners should be aware that they have a responsibility to ensure Council has the correct mailing address for notices at all times. The maximum penalty for not updating Council with the correct address is 20 Penalty Points (currently over \$3000).

Council originally obtains its contact information from the Lands Title Office. Again there is a responsibility on the landowner to keep this address up to date as owners may miss important information. The legislation states that a notice is served if it is sent to the last known address of the property owner. This is either the address Council has on its registers or the Lands Title Office has for the property owner.

Please contact the Council if you have changed your postal address or have not received your rates notice.

RUBBISH COLLECTION

Residents who have a weekly domestic garbage collection service are reminded that the Council Contractor is required to only pick up one 240L bin per week. The Contractor is not required to pick up additional bins or waste placed next to the bin. Additional bins and additional waste is the responsibility of the owner.

Residents can purchase a second bin at the cost of the service or purchase an appropriate bin from Council at cost, currently \$110.

SEALING CHEENEY ROAD

Work is continuing on the sealing of Cheeney Rd. Savings with the project have allowed Council to extend the project onto Milton Rd. Funds will allow Council to seal approximately 2 kilometres of Milton Rd. To date, approximately 10 kms has had the initial seal and 4kms has had the second seal completed.

BATCHELOR LANDFILL OPENING HOURS TO BE LIMITED

Council is introducing limited opening hours for the Batchelor Landfill. This has been forced on Council by scavengers risking their safety at the landfill.

The limited hours will be introduced in a number of stages.

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| Stage 1 | Closed between 6pm and 6am daily |
| Stage 2 | Closed for 2 days during the week. |
| Stage 3 | Closed for 2 days per week and hours open limited to approximately 20 hours per week. |

In addition to the reduction in hours Council also plans to introduce inspection and supervision of all persons entering the facility. This will allow for improved waste diversion and minimise the risk of contamination at the landfill. The supervision will eliminate unauthorised scavenging.

It is proposed stage 1 will be implemented by mid November this year.

All residents are reminded to dispose of waste responsibly.



BATCHELOR TIP RESTRICTED OPENING HOURS

STAGE 1

Closed from 6.00pm to 6.00am daily
Commencing Mid November

Further stages will involve limiting the days the tip is open and reducing the number of hours to approximately 20.

This will allow council to economically supervise the operation improving safety, controlling the dumping of hazardous materials and improving recycling.

It is proposed that these will be introduced over the next few months.

Council regrets any inconvenience.

Leigh Ashford
Chief executive officer



Coomalie Community Government Council

Expression of Interest Relief Administration Officer Batchelor

Council is looking for someone who is available for relief administration work at the Council Office in Batchelor. Work is on an as required basis.

The current Administration Officer works the following hours:

Monday—Thurs: 8.00am—12.00pm

The Relief Administration Officer will need to be available for these hours when required.

To express your interest please forward a resume to:

Postal Address: PO Box 20, Batchelor NT 0845

Email: mail@coomalie.nt.gov.au



Coomalie Community Government Council

Expression of Interest Adelaide River Relief Library Officer

Council is looking for someone who is available for relief work at the Adelaide River Library. Work is on an as required basis. Community Library hours are:

Thursday 3.30pm — 7.00pm

Friday 3.30pm — 7.00pm

Saturday 9.00am—2.00pm

The Relief Library Officer will need to be available for these hours.

To express your interest please forward a resume to:

Postal Address: PO Box 20, Batchelor NT 0845

Email: mail@coomalie.nt.gov.au





From the Community Recreation Officer

Greetings to all in the Coomalie Community Council Area.

My name is Sue Wainwright and this last week I have started in the role as your new Community Recreation Officer . I am looking forward to meeting you all over the next few weeks and learning in what areas I can be of assistance to you and your organisations, and how we can work together to offer new and interesting activities for all the people of the Coomalie area.

I have worked for many years in areas of community service and development and hope that with my experience and your ideas and enthusiasm we can form a great partnership to offer a wide variety of activities, traditional celebrations and remembrances, and of course heaps of fun things .

Over the next two weeks I will be calling on as many groups and organisations as possible to introduce myself and discuss your current and preferred activities and your ideas and preferences for possible new outings, group learning opportunities, and seek ideas to add, improve or maybe amalgamate existing activities to broaden their appeal.

I am available at recreation@coomalie.nt.gov.au, at the office 8976 0058 or mobile 0437 760 028 and am looking forward to meeting you all very soon.

Sue



Glyphosate Program

Northern Territory Government Weeds Branch has started the free Glyphosate program for gamba grass.

The Glyphosate Program is open to Coomalie ratepayers and is available from Coomalie Council in Batchelor during office hours.

For more information please phone Council on 8976 0058





Bananas: Did you have them removed?

If you had bananas removed from your property by the National Banana Freckle Eradication Program, you are eligible to receive 2 or 3 banana plants (depending on availability).

These banana plants will be inspected twice for signs of banana freckle. The results of these inspections will be used to scientifically prove the NT has eradicated banana freckle.

If you would like to participate call or email the Program to register.

The next shipment of banana plants will be available in December, and a further shipment will be ready in January.

Call or text Steve on 0417 738 150 or email banana@nt.gov.au to register.

Banana Freckle staff would also like to say thanks to everybody in Batchelor and surrounding areas for your help and assistance.

Staff enjoy visiting the area and meeting new people and having a chat. Thanks to everybody who visited the Batchelor store recently, you made staff feel very welcome.



Coomalie Seniors are invited to join us for a Christmas Lunch

Rum Jungle Tavern

Tuesday 6th December

Please RSVP to Coomalie Council on 8976 0058

For more information please contact Sue at Coomalie Council on 8976 0058, 0437 760 028 or recreation@coomalie.nt.gov.au



2016 Community Recognition Awards



POOL HOURS



Monday	3.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	3.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Friday	3.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Saturday	1.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Sunday	12.00 pm to 6.00 pm



AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2017

We all know someone in Coomalie who should be recognised with one of these Community awards on Australia Day 2017

good citizen under 25

good citizen over 25

sporting star under 25

sporting star over 25

wonderful volunteer you admire

a special 2016 event you enjoyed & appreciated

Please take 5 minutes to nominate & write a few lines

Nominations close 15th December 2016

Nomination forms available from Post Office, Clinics, Schools, Council Office & Website.



2017 COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

Coomalie Council is in the process of updating its annual Community Directory for 2017.

This is a FREE publication, and is FREE to be a part of.

If you have a Coomalie business, organisation or Community related listing that you would like to add, or an existing listing you would like to update, please contact the Council office on 89760058 and ask for a form.

LISTINGS WILL BE RECEIVED UP UNTIL FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2016



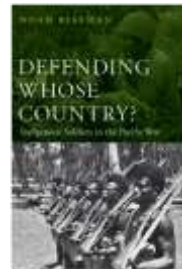
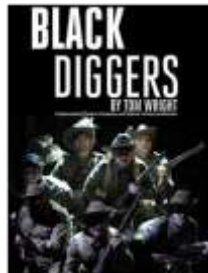


Batchelor Community Library News

Come and discover your Community Library. We offer a range of items to borrow as well as activities for children.

Remembrance Day 14th November

When we reflect those who died or were injured in war. People in modern conflicts are remembered as well as those in World War I and II. The library has a number of books about war and can direct people to web sites like the Australian War Memorial <https://www.awm.gov.au/atwar> which has detailed information, pictures and videos about soldiers and conflicts.



Kids' Time in the Library	
Friday	3.00 - 5.30 pm
Sunday	1.00 - 4.30 pm



Adelaide River Library

Temporary Closure

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Community Library (Thursday & Friday 3.30 to 7pm, Saturday 9am to 2pm) will not be open to the public for the near future.

The public will be notified as soon as we are able to re commence Community Library hours at Adelaide River Library.

For any further enquiries or for Council administration matters, please contact Council on 8976 0058.

Council regrets any inconvenience.



Tourism Top End is currently looking for Volunteers to assist at the Batchelor Visitor Information Centre.

If you are passionate about the Top End, would like the opportunity to meet new people, and want to share your enthusiasm about the wonderful things to see and do in and around the Coomalie region, then Tourism Top End would be very grateful for your help at the Batchelor Visitor Information Centre. Half or full day shifts available and on the job training provided.

For further information, please contact Prue on 8976 0385



SAVE THE DATE



WHAT	WHERE	WHEN
Bronze Medallion Course Refresher & Full course	Batchelor Pool	Sat 5th & Sun 6th November Contact Council 8976 0058
Seniors Christmas Lunch	Rum Jungle Tavern	Tuesday 6th December
COTA Annual Christmas Dance	Rum Jungle Tavern	10th December 6.30pm for 7pm start
Batchelor Playgroup	Pre School Grounds Batchelor Area School	Every Friday during School Term 9.30am - 11.30am
Social Bowls	Rum Jungle Bowls Club	Every Tuesday from 6pm Every Thursday from 5pm
Exercise Peer Group	Adelaide River School Library	Every Wednesday 3.30pm-4.15pm
Karaoke	Rum Jungle Tavern	Every Friday Night
B3 Exercise Group	BIITE Research Building	Every Tuesday—5pm

Adelaide River Council Office, which operates from Adelaide River Library is currently CLOSED.

Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month and are open to the public, but are closed for any confidential sessions.
November Meeting: 15/11/16

Council’s Complaints Process

If you choose to raise concerns to (or compliment) Council you are requested to write to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) outlining the details. There are two (2) forms on the Coomalie Council website <http://www.coomalie.nt.gov.au/> under Forms and Services; one is for complaints about dogs (Dog Complaint Letter) and the other is for general complaints (General Complaint Letter).

Dogs in the Coomalie Shire

All dogs within the Coomalie Region over 3 months of age must be registered.
You can register your dog at the Coomalie Council Office in Batchelor or Adelaide River or via email.

Dogs must be on a leash at all times in any public area otherwise they will be impounded.

Fees apply if your dog has been put in the pound.

Impoundment fees are initially \$90.00 for registered dogs and \$165.00 for unregistered dogs, then \$60.00 per day kept in Pound. Registered dogs are kept for 3 days and unregistered dogs kept for 2 days.

Unregistered dogs must be registered before being released from the pound.

Registration Fees



Town Dogs - A limit of 2 dogs per household applies

Entire Dog \$40.00

Sterilised Dog \$11.00

Concessions 1/2 price

Rural Dogs - Registration is free and no limits apply



MEN'S SHED

Cutler Place Batchelor

Every Tuesday 9.00a.m. to 2.00p.m.

Contact James Wright 0488 195 410.

MORNING TEA

Rum Jungle Bowls Club Batchelor

Friday 25th November 2016 at 9.30am

Contact Jan Jewell 8976 0255

MONTHLY BUS TRIP TO CASUARINA

Pick up Batchelor and Adelaide River Stores

Monday 28th November 2016

For bookings and pick up times contact Jan on 8976 0255

QUIZ NIGHTS

Rum Jungle Bowls Club— First Saturday of each month Starting 7.00pm

Bring a plate to share and BYO drinks. Make up a table of 6 or join on any table. Winning table per round enjoys a trip to the fridge for the goodies.

entry fee for all players is now \$5.00

Contact Graeme on 8976 0160 or Jan Jewell on 8976 0255

NOVEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

COTA NT (COOMALIE BRANCH) COMMITTEE

If you have anything you wish to discuss please contact:

Jan Jewell - 8976 0255 Darryl Butler - 8976 0160

COTA Coomalie Annual Christmas Dinner Dance

10th December 2016

Rum Jungle Tavern

6.30 for 7.00 start

Cota Members \$30.00

Non Members \$35.00

Bookings Essential

Jan Jewell 89760255





BATCHELOR MUSEUM UPDATE - NOVEMBER 2016

This year the Museum is still open thanks to Jenny and Bruce who are currently caring for it. Sue and Sean are there Wednesday and Thursday whilst Jenny and Bruce have time away to explore Darwin attractions as well as Litchfield and Kakadu. When he is there Bruce is available at the cafe where one can get brewed coffee, cakes, cold drinks etc.

One person who grew up in Batchelor and obviously keeps in touch with local happenings emailed me to purchase our new items-fridge magnets and stubby coolers. Whilst these are common items it is often where the item relates to that is of importance. As many of you know, people who were living around here in the mining era have a special bond with Batchelor.

One tourist remarked that our brochure says we are closed after the main tourist season, but certainly when there is opportunity to be available we will open the Museum. This period also allows Darwin people and other locals to visit too.

Batchelor has some fine activities, such as the Tourism Information centre, the Men's shed, the Markets, the exercise class at both Batchelor and Adelaide River. All of these and more are run by volunteers, and those volunteers are mostly doing several jobs.

We do need more people to volunteer their time wherever they can- there are rewards in fellowship and fun. So if you can assist in any area please contact Coomalie office to get the right contact, or for the Museum call by and talk to someone there.

Just last week I was advised that the Museum has funding to paint the outside of the two original buildings. This project will move along slowly but when complete will enhance the appearance of the complex.

Jan Hills President

DONATIONS to BATCHELOR MUSEUM

Whilst the Batchelor Museum is primarily an interpretive one, we have been given some wonderful display items. When you visit you will see the name on the object and the person who has donated it- some of the notices are yet to be done.

Items must be given permanently to the Museum and there is a form which we will have available- the format given to us from the Military Museum in Darwin, please be aware this is a common policy of museums.

Be proud of the Museum – it will showcase the unique town of Batchelor and will be a valuable resource to bring visitors from all over.



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WHAT'S ON IN COOMALIE

Meals

When: Wed-Sun from 6pm
 Venue: Adelaide River Show Society (ARRS Club)
 Contact: ARRS Club 8976 7041



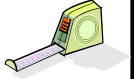
Qualified Counsellor

When: Every Thursday any time
 Venue: Batchelor Health Centre
 Contact: 8976 0011 Batchelor Health Centre or 8943 9600 Darwin



Mens Shed

When: Tuesday 8.30am to 3.00pm
 Venue: 2 Cutler Place, Batchelor
 Contact: James Wright 0488 195 410



Church Seventh Day Adventist

When: Saturday - Worship 11am
 Venue: Seventh Day Adventist Church Mardango Crescent
 Contact: Ros Jones 8948 5720

Church of the Resurrection

When: Every 2nd and last Sunday of the month 11am
 Venue: Memorial Terrace Adelaide River
 Contact: Father Jim O'Gara



Adelaide River Market

When: Closed for the Wet
 Venue: Glen Huitson Park, Adelaide River
 Contact: Coordinator 8976 7213 adelaiderivermarket@gmail.com

Church St Francis of Assisi

When: Sunday 9am, children services on first Sunday of month
 Venue: St Francis of Assisi Anglican Church, Mardango Crescent
 Contact: Sue Bligh 8976 0988

Coomalie Council has Wheelie Bins for sale

\$110.00



St John Volunteers

When: Wednesday 5pm - 7pm
 Venue: Ambulance Shed or Batchelor Health Centre
 Contact: Jan Powick on 8976 0360 Ages: 18 plus



Batchelor Fire & Emergency Response Group

When: Every 2nd & 4th Thursday @ 6pm \$2 BBQ to follow
 Venue: Fire Shed
 Contact: Rick Ekers 0409 676 658



OP Shop

When: First Saturday of month
 Time: 9am to 1pm
 Venue: St Francis of Assisi Anglican Church, Mardango Crescent
 Contact: Sue Bligh 8976 0988



Local Logos

