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Works are continuing on the sealing of Cheeney Rd and Milton Rd with the support of a Grant from Regional Economic Infrastructure funding and Roads to Recovery Grants.





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 day will be charged interest of 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 rates 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 Council if you have changed your 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 have a second bin collected at the cost of the service. A 240L bin can be purchased from Council at a current cost of \$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 kms of Milton Rd. To date, approximately 10 kms has had the initial seal and 4kms has had the second seal completed.

COMMUNITY RECREATION OFFICER

Council has appointed a new Community Recreation officer. Ms Sue Wainwright has accepted the position. Ms Wainwright has had extensive experience in community development, volunteers and community programs. She will bring a wealth of knowledge and ideas to our community and is due to commence in late October.

BATCHELOR LANDFILL OPERATION AND LIMITED HOURS

Council is waiting for a grant application to extend the existing security fence at the Batchelor Landfill. This project will be the commencement of the proposed changes to the operation of the Landfill.

The changes were forced on Council due to the safety risks scavengers are exposing themselves to at the facility.

The proposed strategy is to restrict access by the public to the transfer station drop off area and the green waste area. It is proposed that the drop off in transfer station area will be manned. Unfortunately this will result in public access being limited to a restricted number of hours per week. Access will most likely be between 10 and 20 hours. Expressions of Interest to operate the Transfer Station closed on 23 September 2016. These will be analysed over the next few weeks.

SALE OF SURPLUS GOODS AND EQUIPMENT

Council has collected over the years a number of items that are no longer needed and are surplus to requirements. Council is seeking written bids for individual items or groups of items for sale. The public are invited to arrange for inspection of the items by contacting the Council office and submitting written quotations for the items in a sealed envelope prior to the 28th October 2016.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Chief Executive Officer Mr Leigh Ashford has advised Council that he will not be seeking to renew his contract when it expires at the end of this year.

Council has initiated the recruitment of a new Chief Executive officer to take Mr Ashford's position. The process will take a couple of months. Individuals interested in this challenging and varied role are invited to download the Information package and position description from Council's website www.coomalie.nt.gov.au



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Sale of Surplus Goods and Equipment

Council invites written quotations until Friday 28th October 2016 for the sale of Surplus Goods and Equipment located at the Batchelor Council Depot. Quotations are to include the following:

1. Item being quoted
2. Price being offered
3. Name of person quoting
4. Address and contact details of person quoting

ITEMS FOR SALE

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| ◆ Kubota diesel ride on mower BX1830 | ◆ Pallet 400x200x200 besser blocks |
| ◆ 10 x Officer chairs | ◆ Half pallet approx 24 besser blocks 400x200x200 |
| ◆ 2 x Office desks | ◆ Approx 16 x 100x100 timber |
| ◆ Compair Air Compressor | ◆ Colour bond iron various lengths |
| ◆ Air Compressor Clisby 1000 series | ◆ 5 gas barbeques |
| ◆ Pro line digger | |
| ◆ CIG element welder | |

Please contact Council on 8976 0058 to arrange inspection or visit Councils website www.coomalie.nt.gov.au for more information.

Council will receive bids up until 4.00PM on Friday 28 October 2016.

Council reserves the right not to accept any offer.



COMMUNITY WORKSHOP (Advance Notice)

Top End Gateway Tourism Facility Viability Adelaide River

Council has received a grant to carry out a feasibility study to investigate the development of a tourism precinct in Adelaide River supporting the Coomalie region.

All community members are invited to a community workshop to discuss the issues, needs and opportunities in relation to the concept.

The workshop is planned to occur in late October.

Please keep eye on the public notice boards or Council's website for exact details of times and locations.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

This is a unique leadership role within Local Government. We are a diverse Council with close ties with the community, LGANT, TOPROC and NT Local Government.

We are looking for a person to lead Council's administration and operations from early 2017 with:

- Extensive LG experience.
- Highly developed interpersonal and leadership skills.
- Strategic thinking skills and a good governance background.

INTERESTED?

Keep an eye out for the Information Package at

www.coomalie.nt.gov.au





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Expression of Interest Batchelor Relief Library Officer

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

Friday 3pm—5.30pm

Sunday 1pm—4.30pm

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



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.



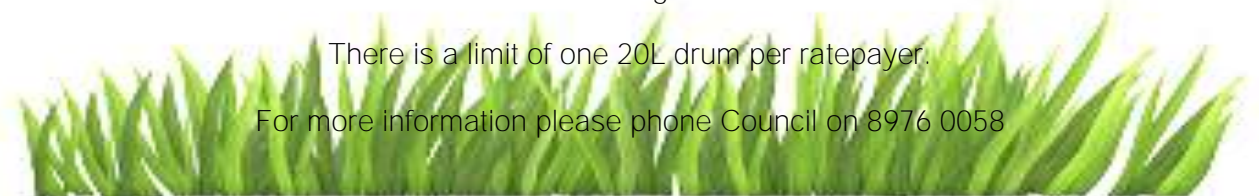
Glyphosate Program starting 17th October

Northern Territory Government Weeds Branch is commencing the free Glyphosate program for gamba grass on the 17th of October 2016.

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

There is a limit of one 20L drum per ratepayer.

For more information please phone Council on 8976 0058



National Children's Week

Batchelor Area School

Tuesday 25th October

9.30am-12.00pm

Everyone welcome

Smile-A-Mile Fun Bus – **badge making, Children's activities and lots more fun.**
Territory Wildlife Park — face painting, reptiles and free instamatic photos.
Early Childhood Australia – **information stall and fun children's activities.**

For more information: Contact Batchelor Area School (08) 8976 0077
or Smile-A-Mile (08) 8983 2009



ADELAIDE RIVER LIBRARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY CRAFT

Thursday 6th and Friday 7th October

10am to 6pm

Come and create dream catchers, wind chimes, jewellery, and flags.
Other projects available by request. All ages welcome, children under 8
must be accompanied by an adult or older sibling.

Lunch available \$5.00 entry

Extra opening hours sponsored by Library Members Group fundraising.





Batchelor Markets Sunday 9th October 8 am till 1 pm



Come one, Come all.

Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and a muffin from the COTA stall and a sausage and onion sanga from the Men's Shed stall.

Different varieties to choose from e.g. kangaroo, pork, chicken or beef. Yum!!

Pick up your fresh fruit and vegetables from Thompson's Stall, guaranteed to be as fresh as it gets.

Nanna Patsy's Jams and Relishes, Grandma's Gardens Plants, 2nd hand Books, Tupperware, Chickens and Ducks, and much more...

Something for everyone at the friendly Batchelor Markets around our beautiful Oval.



We are kid and pet friendly!!!

See you there.

For more information, please call Denise on

0488 195 430

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



Batchelor Community Library News

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



Halloween



Come to the library to create something scary and enter into the Halloween Competition.



Kids' Time in the Library

Friday	3.00 - 5.30 pm
Sunday	1.00 - 4.30 pm



Adelaide River Library News

Thursday & Friday 3.30 to 7pm Saturday 9am to 2pm

Our Library Members Group held an Op Shop which raised funds for extra opening hours, a gamers day and craft activities during the school holidays. We are making flags, wind chimes, dream catchers, and jewellery. Thank you to our generous community members who supported our fundraising with valuable donations including cakes, vintage books, an extra computer, a sewing machine, craft supplies, DVDs, and even the sausages for lunch. The Op Shop was a great success and will pop up again soon. Please bring us the unwanted treasures you discover during your pre wet season clean up. We will turn them into more library time for the Community.

Thanks again for the ongoing support and encouragement.

Thanks for your support, Miss Hilary



These Adelaide River Library girls are enjoying the new Wi-Fi and



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



WHAT	WHERE	WHEN
Adelaide River School Holiday Craft	Adelaide River Library	Thurs 6th & Fri 7th October 10am—6pm
Batchelor Markets	Batchelor Oval	Sunday 9th October 8am—1pm
National Children's Week	Batchelor Area School	Tuesday 25th October 9.30am—12pm
Bronze Medallion Course Refresher & Full course	Batchelor Pool	Sat 5th & Sun 6th November Contact Council 8976 0058
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 operates from
Adelaide River Library.

Thursday & Friday 3:30pm - 7:00pm

Saturday - 9:00am - 2:00pm

Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month and are open to the public, but are closed for any confidential sessions.

October Meeting: 18/10/16

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



OCTOBER 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

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 30th September 2016 at 9.30am

Contact Jan Jewell 8976 0255

MONTHLY BUS TRIP TO CASUARINA

Pick up Batchelor and Adelaide River Stores

Monday 24th October 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

URGENT SPECIAL ATTENTION NEEDED

Cota's volunteer bus driver Terry will be unavailable for the next 5 months due to knee surgery'

Cota is arranging for another driver.

BOOKINGS FOR THE BUS ARE ESSENTIAL

Booking are essential so we can advise new driver of numbers and pick ups.

Please contact Jan Jewell on 8976 0255.



BATCHELOR MUSEUM UPDATE - OCTOBER 2016

We are fortunate this year to be keeping the Museum open after the high tourist season is over. It is a time when Darwin people may well visit, and there are always some tourists around. Whilst Jenna is tending the Museum, Bruce will happily get you a brewed coffee and offer a selection of cakes, biscuits and cold drinks.

The reprint of the booklet "RUM JUNGLE how it began" will be available for sale from October 1, along with handy Museum fridge magnets. There are some other art gift ware lines available on all days except Wednesday and Thursday. On those days the Museum is manned by Sue on Wednesday and then Sean the next day.

Also, if like me, you are a fan of the Barking Owls then there is a great postcard featuring a pair born in the Tamarind tree near the Museum. Hearing the owls in the early morning when I stay overnight in Batchelor is a sound I really enjoy hearing.

Many will have noted the new storage shed which will house the mower and the materials kept for repairs-the trims in the Museum buildings, from the 50s, are now unavailable as contemporary measurements are metric.

James is currently building the doors and will hang them this week. This will enable us to move the above items into there and provide more space for the café section.

Recent rains have brightened the grassed sections of the grounds and we expect the area where the mahogany trees were removed earlier this year will get a better grass coverage. Whilst that is a little extra mowing, the area will better set off the Museum from the road, and the removal of trees whilst they are smaller is less expensive. Mature mahogany trees are very large and potentially dangerous. It is not good that they are being allowed to penetrate natural bushland around the Top End.

Our AGM is happening in early October and we would welcome some new people to become involved. If you wish to discuss this please speak to someone such as Denise or James, Sue Bulmer, or myself, or leave your details at the Museum and we will contact you. No specific requirements or age group so please give it a go!

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: Dry Season Adelaide River Show Society (ARRS Club)
 Contact: ARRS Club 8976 7041



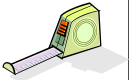
Qualified Counsellor

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

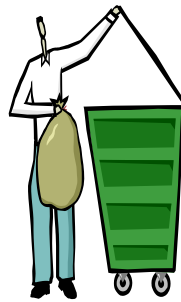
When: Closed for the Wet
 Venue: Glen Huitson Park, Adelaide River
 Contact: Coordinator 8976 7213 adelaiderivermarket@gmail.com

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

