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Mr Matthew Magin **Chief Executive Officer Burdekin Shire Council** 

PO Box 974 **AYR QLD 4807** 

LGAQ Policy Executive Elections - District 9 Nomination Form

I wish to acknowledge that I have received a nomination form from the Burdekin Shire Council for Cr Lyn McLaughlin, Mayor of the Burdekin Shire Council to represent District Number 9 on the Association's Policy Executive.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Kind regard

Greg Hallam PSM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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From: Lisa Budd

CC: Tour Team <TEL-TOUR@tel.com.au>

**Date:** 3/05/2016 1:19:21 PM

Subject: TEL tourism team activities this fortnight

Good Afternoon Members,

We trust everyone had an enjoyable long weekend. Below is a bit of a summary of what your Townsville Enterprise Tourism and Events Team have been up to in the last fortnight. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your relevant account manager J

### **Tourism and Events Queensland Conversations with Industry**

Tourism and Events Queensland, in partnership with Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games (DTESB) and Townsville Enterprise, would like to invite you to attend a *Conversations with Industry* workshop in Townsville. Please see details below:

What: Tourism and Events Queensland Conversations with Industry

When: Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2016

Time: 1pm – 5pm, followed by networking drinks until 6pm

Cost: No cost

Where: Allure Hotel and Apartments, Townsville

**RSVP: Register Online** 

For more Information: Contact Kimberley Goulter on 0427 701 034 or via return email

### **Edutourism Famil**

Tourism and Events Queensland is working with Townsville Enterprise and the Townsville North Queensland Edutourism Consortium to undertake an education trade partnership opportunity. The development of ongoing partnerships will attract high

yielding United States and New Zealand education groups into the region. A familiarisation in June 2016 will bring a representative from Holbrook Travel, along with three of their strategic clients, representatives from NZ based education tour operator Edventures and a representative from American Universities International Programs to experience Townsville North Queensland.

### **HMAS Adelaide and Yarra**

The visits in port by the HMAS Adelaide and HMAS Yarra have been postponed to late May. We look forward to keeping you informed of the arrival of these Navy Ships in due course

### **Cruise Ship Welcome - MS Insignia**

We look forward to welcoming the cruise ship, MS Insignia in port this Thursday 5 May, from 9.30am to 5pm. With 680 passengers and 300 crew on board, our Tourism Volunteers are very much looking forward to welcoming them to our beautiful city at the Terminal, during their transit to the City and on their arrival to Townsville Bulletin Square

### Hardware and Builders Conference - Volunteers Helping

A very busy month for the TEL Tourism Volunteers with not only a celebration of National Volunteers Week and a Cruise Ship Welcome, the volunteers will also play a role in welcoming the delegates to the National hardware and Building Traders Conference, being held from May 11-13.

### **Visitor Information Centre Brochure Audit**

As our new tourism season has commenced, a Brochure Audit is being conducted in our Visitor Information Centres to ensure that all resources are current and are subscribers to this service. Our volunteers have done an amazing job in collating the data on brochures distributed over the past two years in our VICs with the effect that we will be able to be manage our ordering and storage processes into the future.

### Tourism and Events Queensland and ATEC Trade Workshop Opportunity

TEQ in partnership with ATEC and Qantas are inviting tourism industry members to attend a trade event called Best of Queensland in Sydney on the 21st of June.

Townsville Enterprise would like to offer free flights for the first two Townsville North Queensland operators to register. Find out more

### **Tourism and Events Members Meeting and Networking Function**

SAVE THE DATE for the next Tourism and Events Members Meeting and Networking Function. This event will be from 5:00pm - 7:00pm on Monday 24 May 2016. Invitation to follow in the coming weeks.

### **Queensland Tourism Awards Mentoring Workshop**

Matt Smith is a former Queensland and Australian Tourism Awards Judge and award winning submission writer. Matt has volunteered his time to provide a three hour workshop on the process of the Queensland Tourism Awards, key dates, tips as well as a practical workshop. Please SAVE THE DATE for this workshop on Wednesday 15 June from 9am - 12pm. Invitation to follow in the coming weeks.

### **April Consumer News**

The April consumer newsletter had a focus on long weekend holiday fun and commemorating ANZAC day in Townsville North Queensland. Check it out here >> http://eepurl.com/bYNTNn

### **Queensland Sunlover Campaign**

Sale Dates: 6th May – 17th June 2016

Travel Dates: 6th May – 31st October 2016

The campaign has a media value of over \$350,000 and will include full page press ads, agent and direct flyers, online channels, direct databased email communication, social media and SEM activity. For more information contact Kim Goulter via email <a href="mailto:Kimberley.goulter@queensland.com">Kimberley.goulter@queensland.com</a>

### Advertising opportunities for industry

Queensland tourism operators will have the opportunity to book ad space (quarter page, half page, full page, inside front cover and inside back cover) in the winter Sunday Telegraph magazine at subsidised rates from \$3000. TEQ's sales agency dtb! will be managing the advertising sales for the winter insert. The Sunday Telegraph has the opportunity to reach a potential 1,112,000 readers. The booking deadline is Monday 16 May.

### Lisa Budd

Tourism Marketing & Strategic Projects Executive | Townsville Enterprise Limited

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From: Kimberley Goulter

CC: Tour Team (TEL-TOUR@tel.com.au) <TEL-TOUR@tel.com.au>

**Date:** 4/05/2016 1:02:43 PM

Subject: Tourism and Events Queensland Industry event in Townsville - 26 May

Good afternoon,

Tourism and Events Queensland, in partnership with Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games (DTESB) and Townsville Enterprise, would like to invite you to attend a **Conversations with Industry** workshop in Townsville. This workshop provides a great opportunity to connect with representatives from TEQ, including CEO Leanne Coddington, DETSB and Townsville Enterprise to gain industry insights and discuss the key business areas of marketing, research, digital, experience development, events and international markets.

This workshop incorporates a session from the DesintationQ Regional Workshop Program series, which are being held throughout the state and open to all local tourism operators and their staff, association representatives and local government officers.

Please find agenda attached and see details below:

What: Tourism and Events Queensland Conversations with Industry

When: Thursday 26th May, 2016

**Time:** 1pm – 5pm, followed by networking drinks until 6pm

Cost: No cost

Where: Allure Events – 68 McIlwraith Street, South Townsville, QLD 4810

**RSVP:** Register Online

For more Information: Please don't hesitate to contact Kimberley Goulter on 0427 701

034 or via return email

I hope you can make it and look forward to seeing you there.



# **Tourism and Events Queensland Conversations with Industry**

### **Townsville North Queensland**

DATE:	Thursday 26 May, 2016
VENUE:	Allure Events, 68 McIlwraith St, South Townsville QLD 4810
START TIME:	1pm
END TIME:	5pm, followed by networking drinks until 6pm

### **Schedule**

12.45pm – 1pm	Registration Open
1pm – 1.05pm	Opening
1.05pm – 1.35pm	Welcome & Presentation (30 mins)
1.35pm – 1.45pm	Townsville Enterprise Presentation (10 mins)
1.45pm – 1.55pm	QTIC Presentation (10 mins)
1.55pm – 2.15pm	Destination Q 2015 Research Presentation (20 minutes)
2.15pm – 2.30pm	DestinationQ 2015 Digital Channels (15 mins)
2.30pm – 2.45pm	DestinationQ 2015 Experience Development (15 mins)
2.45pm – 3pm	Afternoon tea break
3pm – 3.20pm	Rotation 1 – 20 mins – 5 mins to change over
3.25pm – 3.45pm	Rotation 2 – 20 mins – 5 mins to change over
3.50pm – 4.10pm	Rotation 3 – 20 mins – 5 mins to change over
4.15pm – 4.35pm	Rotation 4 – 20 mins – 5 mins to change over
4.40pm – 5pm	Rotation 5 – 20 mins – 5 mins to change over
5pm	Wrap up
5pm – 6pm	Networking drinks

### **Roundtable Topics**

Roundtable Topics
Marketing
Experience Development (incl. DQ15 – Exceeding and Innovative Experiences)
Events
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Dear Mayor McLaughlin,

Entries are now open for the **2016 Heart Foundation Local Government Awards**. These national awards recognise councils for their contribution to improving heart health and aim to encourage their ongoing commitment to creating healthy communities.

Councils implementing policies, infrastructure and programs to improve the health of their community are invited and encouraged to submit an entry for these awards.

Benefits of being a Heart Foundation Local Government Awards recipient include:

- Exciting winner prize package cash awards, commemorative frames and profiling of your council's efforts through promotional material, presentation events and local media.
- · Recognition as being a leader of change in your sector.
- Demonstration of your council's commitment to improving the health of the communities you represent.
- Ability to use this recognition in grant funding applications.

Applications are divided into three categories:

- Populations less than 5,000 to submit one initiative
- Populations 5,000 25,000 to submit two initiatives
- Populations greater than 25,000 to submit two initiatives

Winners will be awarded at both the state and national levels and there is \$57,000 in cash awards on offer for local governments that are creating a healthy community through a range of initiatives.

We encourage you to enter these awards to raise awareness and receive recognition of the work you do.

<u>Entries must be received by 5.00pm Friday 20 May 2016</u>. For the Application Information Pack visit <u>www.heartfoundation.org.au/lga</u>. We are scheduling teleconferences in April and May for interested councils to dial in and find out more about the awards and the applications process. Please go to the website for details.

To register your interest in applying for the awards and to receive further information, contact your Local Government Awards Coordinator, Sue Hines on 3872 256 2 premail sue.hines@heartfoundation.org.au.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Vines

Chief Executive Officer - Qld

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Scan brochure + leave on file.
For heart health information
1300 36 27 87

www.heartfoundation.org.au



If your council is working to create a healthy community, we encourage you to submit an application for the 2016 Heart Foundation Local Government Awards.

Exciting prize packages include cash awards, commemorative frames and profiling of your council's efforts through promotional material, presentation events and local media.

Entries open Monday 28 March and close Friday 20 May 2016.

To download the Application Information Pack visit www.heartfoundation.org.au/lga or call 1300 36 27 87





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BAREFOOT BOWLS 5.30PM
NAMES PLEASE BY 5.00PM
FOLLOWED BY:

ROAST DINNER, MEAT, POTATO BAKE, VEGETABLE AU-GRATIN AND GREENS DESSERT

### RAFFLES – LAST DRAW SURPRISE JACKPOT MUSIC AND DANCING

BOOKINGS for dinner ESSENTIAL

COME ONE COME ALL

Let's leave our hair down and celebrate with friends before crush

Phone: Betty 47 829173 Phone: Club 47 829175
By Wednesday









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### ELECTION OF LGAQ POLICY EXECUTIVE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

**DISTRICT NO 9 (Northern)** 

At the close of nominations at 5.00pm Friday 29 April 2016, the following nominations have been received.

Name: Nominated by:

Cr Lyn McLaughlin, Burdekin Shire Council

Cr Jennifer Hill, Townsville City Council

Burdekin Shire Council

Townsville City Council and Charters Towers Regional Council

Please note that these elections are being conducted in accordance with the Association's rules. Accordingly, the number of votes your Council is entitled to exercise is displayed on the ballot paper.

Attached is a <u>Ballot paper</u> to be completed and returned to me, in the enclosed envelope, as soon as possible, but to be received <u>NO LATER THAN 5.00PM FRIDAY 17 JUNE 2016.</u>

The poll will be declared immediately after the votes are counted.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Greg Hallam PSM
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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### **DISTRICT NO 9 (Northern)**

### BALLOT PAPER

Record your vote by placing the figure 1 in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom your Council vote. Leave the other squares blank.

<u>SURNAME</u>	GIVEN NAMES	VOTES 2
Hill	Jennifer	
McLaughlin	Lyn	,

Please complete and return to the Returning Officer in the enclosed envelope as soon as possible, but NO LATER THAN 5.00PM FRIDAY 17 JUNE 2016.

**RETURNING OFFICER:** 

MR GJ HALLAM PSM RETURNING OFFICER

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QLD LTD

**PO BOX 2230** 

**FORTITUDE VALLEY BC QLD 4006** 

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### Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports Minister for Energy and Water Supply

Our ref: MC85378

29 APR 2016

Mr Matthew Magin
Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Mr Magin

Thank you for your email of 18 January 2016 about the replacement of the Haughton River Bridge.

The Haughton River Bridge is to be upgraded as a part of the Haughton River floodplain project. As you noted in your letter, the project has been jointly funded by the Queensland and Australian Governments at a cost of \$515 million. I agree with you on the value of this product to the Burdekin area, and to Queensland as a whole.

I am advised that construction of this project cannot be accelerated. The Haughton River Floodplain is one of the most complex hydraulic environments anywhere in Queensland. Flooding breakouts affect the highway for 5km north of the bridge, and 9km south of the bridge. The plain is impacted by a variety of factors including break-out points, weirs, levees, nearby lagoons and a creek.

As you would be aware, the Haughton River floodplain project, as with any infrastructure project, requires geotechnical investigations and detailed design to be undertaken before construction can commence. However, due to the unique environment that is the Haughton River floodplain, these steps are considerably more complicated. Furthermore, the complex interaction of floodwaters on the plain means that accurate and considered design is critical to the success of this project.

I am pleased to advise that the project is currently progressing on-time. Geotechnical investigations were completed by my department in December 2015. Environmental assessments and consultation with affected land owners will be carried out this year, culminating in the completion of the business case in late-2016. Detailed design will then be undertaken.

I acknowledge that the community is very concerned about the current bridge, and would like to see it replaced as soon as possible. Please be assured that this project is progressing at its current pace because my department and I are dedicated to upgrading this bridge responsibly and carefully.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply From: David Stout

CC: David Stout <d.stout@nra.net.au>

**Date:** 5/05/2016 6:29:55 PM

Subject: Application to amend Trading Hours TH2016/1

We refer to the above matter and attachments, by way of service, a copy of the applications and directions order issued by the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission.

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an application has been made by National Retail Association Limited, Union of Employers, to the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission under the *Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990*, for an amendment of the trading hours fixed by the order, Trading Hours - Non-Exempt Shops Trading by Retail - State.

Should you require a hard copy, please notify us and it will be sent via post.

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### QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990

(TH/2016/)

### APPLICATION TO AMEND THE TRADING HOURS ORDER – NON EXEMPT SHOPS TRADING BY RETAIL - STATE

TO: The Industrial Registrar, Industrial Registry, Level 18, Central Plaza 2, 66 Eagle Street, (Corner Creek and Elizabeth Streets), Brisbane 4000, GPO Box 373, Brisbane Q 4001.

**TAKE NOTICE** that I, Dominique Lamb, Director Legal Services of 6 Overend Street, East Brisbane, Queensland, 4169, being authorised to represent the National Retail Association Limited, Union of Employers, APPLY to the Commission for:

- 1. An amendment to the Trading Hours Order Non Exempt Shops Trading by Retail State pursuant to s21 of the Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990
- 2. The following decision:

That clause 3.2 of the Order be amended pursuant to the attached schedule; and

- 3. Further I apply for directions as to the conduct of this application in relation to the following matters:-
  - (a) parties;
  - (b) service of documents;
  - (c) nature of hearing;
  - (d) place and time of hearing;
  - (e) such other matters as may be advised; and

<u>Further</u>, I make oath and swear that I am fully authorised in compliance with the Act and the Rules of Court to make this application and that all the facts and circumstances deposed to in this my affidavit are within my own knowledge and belief, except for the facts and circumstances deposed to from information only, and my means of knowledge and sources of information appear on the face of this my affidavit.

Before me -

SWORN by the Deponent at Brisbane

this day of

DOMINIQUE LAMB

Director Legal Division

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Lawyer

### The Schedule

1. By adding a new paragraph to clause 3.2(1) of the Order as follows:

"Provided that notwithstanding the provisions of clause 3.1, the following trading hours shall apply on Tuesday 27 December 2016 except where clause 3.2 provides for a wider spread of allowable trading hours:

	Opening Time	Closing Time
27 December	8.00 am	5.00 pm

### TO RESPONDENTS:

TAKE NOTICE that if you wish to oppose this application or to argue that any different decision should be made, you must attend before the Commission in person or, if appropriate, by your lawyer or agent at the time on the date and at the place fixed by the registrar and you will be heard. If you do not attend as required a decision may be given against you in terms of the decision sought and costs, where appropriate, without further reference to you.

### Statement of Facts and Circumstances:

1. The applicant seeks to address the restriction caused by the current Trading Hours' Order wherein non-exempt shops located in areas of Queensland are not permitted to trade on public holidays and will be unable to trade for three consecutive days over the Christmas period, being 25, 26 and 27 December 2016. The situation arises as a result of the gazettal of an extra public holiday added on 27 December 2016 when Boxing Day falls on the weekend.

2. The applicant believes that non-exempt shops in regional areas should not be closed more than two consecutive days over the Christmas/New Year period. The current arrangements will see non-exempt retailers in regional Queensland required to be closed for five out of 10 days over the busiest trading period in the year.

3. The application seeks to apply to all trade on 27 December 2016 for non-exempt stores in the area known as 'Rest of State'. There are differences between some of those regional towns, including their populations, relative proximity to or distance from major cities or regional centers, the number and types of non-exempt stores trading there, and the extent of tourism.

4. The application seeks to apply to all trade on 27 December 2016 for Rest of State, however non-exempt stores are known to be in the following locations:

Mount Isa

Cloncurry

Weipa

Mission Beach

Ingham

Ayr

Bowen

Charters Towers

Proserpine

Childers

Murgon

Kingaroy

Chinchilla

Pittsworth

Roma

Warwick

Stanthorpe

Goondiwindi

Longreach

Blackwater.

5. The following table sets out the 2016/2017 trading hours over this period as prescribed under the current Trading Hours' Order.

Area	25 Dec	26 Dec	27 Dec	28 Dec	1 Jan	2 Jan
SE Qld	Closed	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Regional Old	Closed	Closed	Closed	Open	Closed	Closed

- 6. The Christmas trading period generates heavy traffic flows in and out of regional towns. Expanding hours across the critical Christmas trading days of 27 December will facilitate the alleviation of traffic congestion, and create an opportunity to welcome much needed travellers in local shops and shopping centres.
- 7. Tourism is the key income in the Regional Queensland economy, contributing almost one dollar in every five generated. Regional Queensland is reliant on the domestic touring and visiting friends or relatives sector at this time of year. These groups account for over 30 per cent of tourism in regional areas. One quarter of domestic tourers' expenditure in Queensland occurs in these regions.
- 8. Post-Christmas is a time where we see extraordinary retail spending by shoppers. The main reasons shoppers return to stores and shopping centres directly after the Christmas closure is to take advantage of post-Christmas discounts.
- 9. The applicant believes the creation of additional shopping opportunities and experiences for consumers in periods of peak trading activity is desirable both in terms of meeting the changing needs and preferences of consumers. In relation to customer interests, this application seeks to provide consumers with an increased selection of shops to choose from

as well as providing an added convenience to shoppers during the height of the Christmas period.

- 10. Consumers in regional areas of Queensland may suffer unreasonable hardship if access to food and groceries supplied by non-exempt supermarkets were denied for three consecutive days. This also causes similar customer angst in the toy/electronic/fashion retailers and alike, as those wishing to purchase supplementary items or exchange or repair faulty products, replenish food stocks and redeem gift cards. Such a situation creates inconvenience for residents of these communities.
- 11. Convenience stores and service stations will be able to trade over this period of time. It is recognised that such businesses offer a limited selection of food and grocery products at higher prices in comparison to larger supermarkets. While these stores will provide 'top-up' shopping alternatives to shoppers, shoppers will be faced with higher prices.
- 12. It is the view of the applicant that the disparity between trading hours for regional Queensland on the one hand and those increased hours in South East Queensland Area (SEQA) and major centres like Townsville and Cairns is too great. The granting of this application will assist to substantially reduce that disparity and prevent undue inconvenience to consumers and limit the loss of sales and perishable stock for retailers.
- 13. Shoppers living in regional areas depend more highly on shopping centres for access to groceries, clothing and apparel and other retail services, as shopping centres provide a retail and services hub within these communities and smaller retail regional precincts and high street options are not commercially viable or available.
- 14. A three-day closure will generate extreme levels of consumer demand on the before and after closure dates. This demand could result in unnecessary delays and inconvenience caused by congestion and difficulties in ensuring a timely replenishment of perishable stock on supermarkets.
- 15. Non-exempt supermarkets will also suffer significant loss of profit and stock as they are required to close for a three-day period after having increased stock weight to cater for the Christmas Eve rush. Closures of any more than two days make it unworkable for certain perishable items that carry limited shelf life.

- 16. The applicant also believes the additional shopping opportunities in the Christmas/New Year period are necessary to enable traditional Boxing Day sales events conducted by non-exempt retailers in regional areas to trade to their full potential. This means allowing consumers a reasonable period of time to take advantage of the sales and allowing retailers sufficient time to successfully promote and conduct the sales. The imposed closures over the Christmas/New Year period will have an extremely negative impact on other small businesses that are located in centres near anchor tenants or in close proximity, especially those in enclosed shopping centres. These shopping centres may not open without the non-exempt anchor tenants providing the funding and the inertia for all tenants in the centre.
- 17. Finally, as discount department stores, supermarkets and shopping centres will be closed for three days over the Christmas period, retail employees will be excluded from voluntarily taking advantage of penalty rates which would be paid if they worked during this time.
- 18. Employment during the extended hours sought will be on a voluntary basis. In addition, the provisions of prevailing awards and certified agreements dictate that most of the work performed during the proposed extended trading hours will be paid for at penalty rates. Consequently, the additional hours also provide the opportunity for employees to increase their income and earn a substantially higher hourly rate than that which they would normally receive.
- 19. The principle that additional trading hours should be allowed in the pre-Christmas period has long been recognised by the Commission. In a 1991 decision the Commission indicated:

"Shopping during the period immediately preceding Christmas each year involves special and unique circumstances. It is a period of substantially increased shopping demand and a period of when many consumers have limited time to shop due to their own increased work demands prior to the Christmas holiday period. In our view, it is in the interests both the public and consumers that adequate trading hours be available to permit persons to shop in reasonable comfort."

Such other grounds and reasons as the Commission may deem appropriate.

<sup>1</sup> QGIG Vol 138 4 December 1992 at folio 96

### PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT

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Applicant's address for service: As above

Phone number:

07 3240 0100

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d.lamb@nra.net.au

### QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990 - Section 21

### National Retail Association Limited, Union of Employers

Matter No. 2016/TH1

## APPLICATION TO AMEND ORDER - TRADING HOURS – NON-EXEMPT SHOPS TRADING BY RETAIL – STATE TUESDAY 27 DECEMBER 2016

### DIRECTIONS ORDER

AFTER READING the Application in the above matter filed on 22 April 2016, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That the parties be National Retail Association Limited, Union of Employers.
- That the Applicant serve, by Friday 6 May 2016 a copy of the Application, this Order and the attached Notice on:

United Voice, Industrial Union of Employees, Queensland;

The Australian Workers' Union of Employees, Queensland;

Shop, Distributive and Allied Employees Association (Queensland Branch) Union of Employees;

Together Queensland, Industrial Union of Employees;

Queensland Services, Industrial Union of Employees;

Australasian Meat Industry Union of Employees (Queensland Branch);

Queensland Chamber of Commerce and Industry Limited ACN 009 662 060;

Local Government Association of Queensland Ltd;

Aurukun Shire Council;

Balonne Shire Council;

Banana Shire Council;

Barcaldine Regional Council;

Barcoo Shire Council;

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council;

Boulia Shire Council;

Brisbane City Council;

Bulloo Shire Council;

Bundaberg Regional Council;

Burdekin Shire Council;

Burke Shire Council;

Cairns Regional Council;

Carpentaria Shire Council;

Cassowary Coast Regional Council;

Central Highlands Regional Council;

Charters Towers Regional Council;

Cloncurry Shire Council;

Cook Shire Council;

Croydon Shire Council;

Diamantina Shire Council;

Douglas Shire Council;

Etheridge Shire Council;

Flinders Shire Council;

Fraser Coast Regional Council;

Gladstone Regional Council;

Gold Coast City Council;

Goondiwindi Regional Council;

Gympie Regional Council;

Hinchinbrook Shire Council;

Ipswich City Council;

Isaac Regional Council;

Livingstone Shire Council;

Lockyer Valley Regional Council;

Logan City Council;

Longreach Regional Council;

Mackay Regional Council;

Maranoa Regional Council;

Mareeba Shire Council;

McKinlay Shire Council;

Moreton Bay Regional Council;

Mornington Shire Council;

Mount Isa City Council;

Murweh Shire Council;

Noosa Shire Council;

North Burnett Regional Council;

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council;

Paroo Shire Council;

Quilpie Shire Council;

Redland City Council;

Richmond Shire Council;

Rockhampton Regional Council;

Scenic Rim Regional Council;

Somerset Regional Council;

South Burnett Regional Council;

Southern Downs Regional Council;

Sunshine Coast Regional Council;

Tablelands Regional Council;

Toowoomba Regional Council;

Torres Strait Island Regional Council;

Townsville City Council;

Western Downs Regional Council;

Whitsunday Regional Council;

Winton Shire Council;

Executive Director, Private Sector Industrial Relations, Department of Justice and Attorney-General; and Chief Industrial Inspector, Department of Justice and Attorney-General.

- 3. That the Applicant also serve a copy of the Application and this Order on Employment Advocacy Solutions Pty Ltd.
- 4. That 12:00 noon of 19 May 2016, be the time before which any Industrial Organisation, other organisation or person which or who claims to be interested in the proceeding may apply to the Industrial Registrar for leave to appear and be heard in the matter.
- 5. That the applicant cause to be published on Friday 6 May 2016, an advertisement in "The Courier-Mail", such advertisement to contain the day and place of hearing, the time before which the Respondents may apply to the Industrial Registrar for leave to appear and be heard and brief particulars of the application and must be in substantial compliance with the attached notice.
- 6. That the application be heard before Commissioner Neate at the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission, Level 13, Central Plaza 2, 66 Eagle Street (corner Elizabeth & Creek Streets), Brisbane, on 27 June 2016, at Sittings commencing at 10.00 am.
- 7. That any other Directions stand over.

Dated 27 April 2016.

Deputy Industrial Registrar.

### QUEENSLAND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990

National Retail Association Limited, Union of Employers

(Matter No. TH/2016/1)

## APPLICATION TO AMEND ORDER – TRADING HOURS – NON-EXEMPT SHOPS TRADING BY RETAIL – STATE TUESDAY 27 DECEMBER 2016

COMMISSIONER NEATE

27 April 2016

#### **NOTICE**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that an application has been made by National Retail Association Limited, Union of Employers, to the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission under the *Trading (Allowable Hours) Act 1990*, for an amendment of the trading hours fixed by the order, Trading Hours - Non-Exempt Shops Trading by Retail - State, as follows:

1. By adding a new paragraph to clause 3.2(1) of the Order as follows:

"Provided that notwithstanding the provisions of clause 3.1, the following trading hours shall apply on Tuesday 27 December 2016 except where clause 3.2 provides for a wider spread of allowable trading hours:

27 December Solve Solve

The matter has been listed for hearing by the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission, Level 13, Central Plaza 2, 66 Eagle Street (cnr Elizabeth & Creek Streets), Brisbane, on Monday 27 June 2016 at 10:00 am.

Any Industrial Organisation, other organisation or person claiming to be interested in the proceeding may apply to the Industrial Registrar, GPO Box 373, Brisbane, Qld., 4001, Phone No. 3227 8060, Fax No. 3221 6074, Email <u>qirc.registry@justice.qld.gov.au</u> for leave to appear and be heard therein by 12 noon on Thursday 19 May 2016.

Any interested person or body may obtain a copy of the application and any further particulars from the Applicant.

Dated 27 April 2016.

M Shelley, Deputy Industrial Registrar.



### Minister for Innovation, Science and the Digital Economy Minister for Small Business

Ref: 09257/16

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Councillor Lyn McLaughlin Mayor Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 AYR QLD 4807

Dear Mayor Lyn,

GPO Box 5078 Brisbane
Queensland 4001 Australia
Telephone +61 7 3719 7110
Email innovation@ministerial.qld.gov.au
Website qld.gov.au



Congratulations on your election as Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council. I look forward to working together to support small business in the Burdekin Shire region and to build an innovation culture to help deliver jobs now and the jobs of the future. The Queensland Government is committed to supporting small business and creating a strong economic environment for them to grow and prosper.

Small businesses and their employees are the foundation of our towns and local communities and the Palaszczuk Government will be celebrating the contribution they make through the 2016 Queensland Small Business Week (the Week).

From 16 to 21 May 2016 the Week will be held across the whole state to bring together business owners and managers to get involved in a range of small business related activities and events being held during the Week under four key themes: innovation and entrepreneurship, collaboration and partnerships, identifying and seizing opportunities and preparing for digital disruption.

All activities and events will focus on delivering practical information, advice and networking opportunities and will be in a variety of formats including webinars, networking events, mentoring sessions, workshops and forums.

The Week will be a vibrant and exciting event which showcases the commitment, effort and passion of small business.

Small business makes up over 97 per cent of all Queensland businesses, spanning all industry sectors and supplying goods and services in every town and region across the state. The Week will provide a great opportunity for Councillors to engage and connect with small businesses in their wards, hear about the challenges they face and their ideas for the future.

I invite you to support this large and diverse sector by promoting the Week to your business community and to get involved by hosting or attending events during the Week.

To find out about events in your region, go to the Business and Industry Portal at www.business.qld.gov.au/smallbusinessweek. If your officers require further information about the Week, please have them contact Ms Jacqueline Bawtree, Project Officer, Small Business Division, Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games by email at smallbusiness@dtesb.qld.gov.au or on telephone 07 3333 5244.

Thank you for your support of the small business community in Queensland.

Yours sincerely

Leeanne Enoch MP

Minister for Innovation, Science and the Digital Economy

and Minister for Small Business

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# Deputy Premier Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment

Our ref: MBN15/2221

29 April 2016

Councillor Lyn McLaughlin Mayor Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 AYR QLD 4807 100 George Street PO Box 15009 City East Queensland 4002 Australia Telephone +61 7 3719 7100 Email deputy.premier@ministerial.qld.gov.au

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### Dear Councillor McLaughlin

I write to advise you that the amendments to the State Planning Policy (SPP), which were the subject of public consultation in November 2015, came into effect on 29 April 2016. A copy of the updated SPP and the related gazette notice are enclosed for your information.

The SPP is a key component of the State's planning system that enables responsible development, contributing to a liveable, sustainable and prosperous Queensland. The SPP outlines what outcomes must be achieved in relation to State interests when making and amending local planning instruments and assessing development applications. The SPP and associated guidelines enable local government to determine how best to do this for their particular community.

The SPP amendments that commenced on 29 April 2016 include improvements to:

- · align the content of the SPP with current government policies and priorities
- ensure the SPP supports a balanced planning system focussed on liveability, sustainability and prosperity
- improve the clarity of the SPP so it is easier to understand
- revise outdated information, administrative references and formatting.

The State interest guidelines have also been updated to reflect the improved content of the SPP. The latest version of the SPP and guidelines can be readily accessed via the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning's website at www.dilgp.qld.gov.au and selecting 1) planning, 2) plan making, 3) state planning instruments and 4) State Planning Policy.

Over the next few months the Government intends to make the new Planning Act and will proceed to support local governments and the development industry with the process of transitioning to the new arrangements to ensure this occurs as smoothly and productively as possible.

The process of making the new Act provides a timely opportunity to conduct a health check on the rest of the planning framework - the supporting instruments, regulations and provisions - to make certain it is all in good shape and providing a sound foundation for Queensland's planning and development assessment system.

The Government is therefore examining how effectively the SPP, the planning regulation and the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP) have been operating and will be attending to any aspects that are not working as well as they could be.

In the course of doing this, the Government will also be implementing its coastal planning and vegetation management reforms to deliver on its commitment to reinstate world class planning laws and restore the appropriate level of protection for Queensland's essential natural attributes and critical habitat.

The Government will engage with stakeholders in its examination and review of the SPP, planning regulation and SDAP in the lead up to the commencement of the new Act.

If you require further information or have any queries in relation to the SPP I encourage you to email SPP@dilgp.qld.gov.au, or contact Ms Sue McCafferty, Director, Planning Policy and Legislation, in the Department on 3452 7605 or by email at sue.mccafferty@dilgp.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

JACKIE TRAD MP DEPUTY PREMIER

Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment

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Sustainable Planning Act 2009

#### NOTICE OF THE MAKING OF AMENDMENTS TO THE **STATE PLANNING POLICY 2014**

I, the Honourable lackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment hereby notify under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 that amendments to the State Planning Policy July 2014 were made on 19 April 2016.

The State Planning Policy amendments will take effect on 29 April. The amended State Planning Policy will be cited as the State Planning Policy April 2016.

Copies of the State Planning Policy are available for inspection and collection, free of charge, from the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning by:

- visiting a regional office see list of regional offices on the Department's website at www.dilgp.qld.gov.au
- visiting the main office Level 6, 63 George Street, Brisbane
- email SPP@dilgp.qld.gov.au
- telephone 13 QGOV (13 74 68).

JACKIE TRAD MP **DEPUTY PREMIER** 

Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment

#### NOTICE OF A MINISTERIAL DESIGNATION OF LAND FOR COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE **UNDER THE SUSTAINABLE PLANNING ACT 2009**

A Ministerial designation has been made

I, Kate Jones MP, Minister for Education and Minister for Tourism and Major Events, give notice that under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, Chapter 5, Part 2, I made a Ministerial designation of land for community infrastructure.

Description of the land to which the designation applies The Ministerial designation applies to land located at 378 Swann Road (2 Hawken Drive), St Lucia 4067.

The land is described as

Lot 298 on SL5013 with an area of 1.89 hectares.

### Type of proposed community infrastructure for which the land has been designated

The land has been designated for the Ironside State School.

This community infrastructure is described under the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, schedule 2 as:

- community and cultural facilities, including facilities where an education and care service under the Education and Care Services National Law (Queensland) is operated or a child care service under the Child Care Act 2002 is conducted, community centres, meeting halls, galleries and libraries;
- (6) educational facilities:
- (15) storage and works depots and similar facilities, including administrative facilities associated with the provision or maintenance of the community infrastructure mentioned in this part; and

Further to the above, the designation includes: sporting facilities and associated infrastructure, road, vehicle layby and car parking and including commercial activities that support its Educational program.

### Matters included as part of the designation under the

Sustainable Planning Act 2009, Section 200
The designation for community infrastructure is made subject to the following requirements:

The community infrastructure shall be provided generally in accordance with the drawing "Ironside State School site plan (A01.00 issue A2) dated July 2015.

Kate lones MP Minister for Education and Minister for Tourism and Major Events Dated: 16/04/2016 Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Act 1994

### NOTIFICATION OF VEHICLES APPROVED TO OPERATE AS LIMOUSINES (NO. 1) 2016

This notice may be referred to as the Vehicles Approved to Operate os Limousines Notice (No. 1) 2016.

#### Commencement

This notice takes effect from the date of gazettal for six months (29 April 2016 - 28 October 2016).

#### Authorising law

The law under which this notice is approved for use is Section 145 of the Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Act 1994.

For the purposes of this notice, the following vehicles are declared as luxury motor vehicles:

- A vehicle that met the requirements to be a luxury motor vehicle under the *Transport Operations (Passenger Transport)* Regulation 2005, and:
  - Provided a limousine service under a limousine service licence and reached its age limit on or after 1 January 2015;
  - Provides a limousine service under a limousine service licence and will reach its age limit before 29 October 2016.

Danny Foster Delegate of the Chief Executive Department of Transport and Main Roads



### Minister for Transport and the Commonwealth Games

Our ref: MC86234

Councillor Lyn McLaughlin Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 AYR QLD 4807



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Der Lyn

Congratulations on your election as Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council. I look forward to continuing the collaborative working relationship with you and Burdekin Shire Council.

The Roads and Transport Alliance (the alliance) is a key mechanism for collaboration between councils and the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR). Burdekin Shire Council participates in the alliance through membership in North Queensland Regional Roads and Transport Group. This membership provides joint decision-making authority over the annual funding allocation from the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS). This funding can be used for active transport, safe school travel, airport, marine and road transport infrastructure.

TMR is also working with councils to plan, design and construct cycle networks. This includes developing Principal Cycle Network Plans (PCNPs) and extending the Cycle Network Local Government Grants Program statewide. All councils with an endorsed PCNP are eligible to apply for matched state funding for the delivery of local cycling infrastructure projects through this program. The delivery of safety improvements to the cycling network and encouraging more cycling across our communities are priorities for the Queensland Government.

Part of the Government's commitment to an integrated transport network is assisting councils to meet the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* requirements by providing grants for infrastructure improvements and upgrades through the Passenger Transport Accessible Infrastructure Program.

I wish you well in your term of office and look forward to working with you to deliver positive transport outcomes for the Burdekin Shire Council.

Yours sincerely

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STIRLING HINCHLIFFE MP

Minister for Transport and the Commonwealth Games

Burdekin Shire Council 145 Young Street Ayr 4807

Dear Mayor and Councilors,

Re: Dangerous HAIRPIN corner on CORICA ROAD, BRANDON

First of all congratulations to the New Mayor and Councilors on their election, particularly the new faces in the chamber, possibly some fresh eyes looking at an old, ongoing problem may have a different response.

We refer to our previous correspondence via mail, telephone and email regarding the dangerous HAIRPIN corner on CORICA ROAD, BRANDON

All incidents have been recorded eg. Photographs of vehicles in the drain, and council is well aware there is an issue here with constant updates.

Since our last correspondence on the 16th July, 2014, another vehicle has had to be dragged out of the drain, fortunately with no injuries to the driver.

As it has done for years this problem has now gotten so bad that some longer vehicles are now unable to use this road due to being unable to get around the corner, it has happened that traffic has been diverted through our property due to trucks being stuck on the corner. To add to the situation I have noticed in the last 12 months the sides of the road just south of the corner (see attached photographs) are starting to slip into the drain causing hard to see drop-offs on the side of the road.

With the crushing only 7 weeks away and the traffic load about to increase, including our own equipment and trucks hauling along this road, I am increasingly concerned about a serious accident at this site.

I WILL be taking some action myself to make this area more secure and hazards more obvious for our drivers in particular before the season starts.

I urge council to look at the problem with fresh eyes, and seek to resolve it permanently rather that with **a band-aid solution** (see attached photographs).

As we have said before, the legal liabilities around a MAJOR incident on this corner, causing serious injury or worse (especially with the correspondence that has taken place over the years) may be worth a thought.

Regards John and Toni De Zolt 47826731 0408 760 002













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5 May 2016

Matthew Magin Chief Executive Officer Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 AYR Q 4807

Dear Matthew

Council writes with regard your letter dated 15 April 2016 seeking Council support for nomination of Burdekin Shire Council Mayor Lyn McLaughlin to District 9 representative position on the LGAQ Policy Executive.

Please note that Council resolved at its General Meeting held on Tuesday 26 April 2016 to nominate Townsville City Council Mayor Jenny Hill as District 9 representative position on the LGAQ Policy Executive, and Council's nomination was provided to LGAQ by the required date.

Yours sincerely

DA McKinlay Chief Executive Officer

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## Hello

Everyone

You are invited to my Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. Let's get together, enjoy some tasty treats, and together, we will help beat cancer.

Host Burdekin Neighbourhood Centre

Where 40 Chippendale Street, Ayr

Date Thursday 26th May, 2016

Time 10.00am

Details Gold coin entry, lucky door,

raffles, morning tea.

RSVP by 23/05/16

Tel 47 834243

Gather. Share. Give.





# Deputy Premier

# Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment

Our ref: MC16/2125 - QRAIN/16/1216

4 MAY 2016

Councillor Lyn McLaughlin Mayor Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 AYR QLD 4087



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Dear Councillor McLaughlin Lyn

Thank you for your letter of 13 April 2016 regarding your resignation from the Queensland Reconstruction Board.

May I congratulate you on your election as Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council and also acknowledge that your resignation from the Board is due to your appointment to this position.

I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for your contribution as a Queensland Reconstruction Board member since your appointment in February 2013.

Your expertise in local government matters was invaluable during the critical period following Tropical Cyclone Oswald in 2013 when Queensland communities commenced the recovery and rebuilding task, in conjunction with ongoing rebuilding efforts associated with the 2010-11 and 2011-12 disaster events.

Over the past few years, your role on the Queensland Reconstruction Board as the Local Government Association of Queensland representative has also ensured the interests of councils across Queensland and those of the North Queensland community, in particular, have been carefully considered in managing a reconstruction program worth more than \$13 billion.

As Minister for Local Government, I wish you all the best in your role as Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council and look forward to working with you on delivering great outcomes for your community.

Thank you again for your service.

Yours sincerely

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JACKIE TRAD MP DEPUTY PREMIER

Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment



Ms Lyn McLaughlin Mayor Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 Ayr QLD 4807

5 May 2016

Dear Mayor McLaughlin,

Please accept my warmest congratulations on your success in the recent Queensland Local Government election and appointment as Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council.

I look forward to meeting with you in the near future to provide you with an overview of Aurizon's operations in the region.

By way of background, Aurizon is the world's largest rail transporter of coal from mine to port for export markets. We are an integrated logistics business providing vital transport and supply chain services across the country, serving market sectors including resources, agriculture, retail and consumables. We also design, construct, manage and maintain rail networks.

Aurizon is the second largest ASX listed company based in Queensland and employs more than 6,000 people, with nearly 70 percent living and working in regional Queensland. We are committed to supporting the growth of regional Queensland, in particular the areas where our operations are based. Our bi-annual Community Giving Fund provides cash grants to local charities and community groups in need of financial support and is currently open for applications until 13 May 2016.

If you would be interested in a briefing on our current operations in the region, please contact me via email at anthony.lucas@aurizon.com.au to arrange a suitable time.

Aurizon looks forward to a strong and productive working relationship with you and Burdekin Shire Council in the months and years to come.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Lucas

Principal Stakeholder Relations Advisor

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5th May 2016

The Mayor & Shire Councillors Burdekin Shire Council P O Box 974 Ayr Qld 4807

Dear Councillors

Re: 2016 Annual Burdekin Show

The Ayr Pastoral, Agricultural and Industrial Association Inc. (Ayr P A & I Assoc. Inc.) respectfully request use of the Ayr Showgrounds including all facilities from the 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 to 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 to conduct the annual Burdekin Show. The Association requests that Council waive any hire charges including electricity and plumbing for this period.

We also request that the horse stables at the Showgrounds be demolished prior to the Show as they are in a dilapidated condition, however we request the tap in this location remain. It is further requested that the silver horse stalls be sprayed with weed kill along with the area directly around the ring which can't be reached by a mower. The ring structure itself would also need be sprayed as Red-back spiders can be a dangerous problem in the curved recess. The Mac Kenzie Street entrance gate, small gate and area around that ticket booth is also overgrown and covered in vine, and it has been noted in the past that paper wasps can be a problem. It would be appreciated that the grounds are fully mowed prior the show so that the area is aesthetically pleasing.

The Association comprises a small group of hard working volunteers who organise and deliver a low cost family event for the Burdekin Community. I trust that Council will look favourably on our requests.

We are most grateful for the assistance the Burdekin Shire Council has given the Association in the past. The presentation of our annual event is a reflection of our district and your support is keenly appreciated by our Association members, the exhibitors and show patrons.

Kind regards,

Brian Strathdee President

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**From:** RES: Mailbox - Email Dustbin **Sent:** Wednesday, 4 May 2016 7:40 AM **To:** RES: Mailbox - Customer Service Centre

Subject: Website Form - Contact the Council Online Communicate about something not listed below Hayden Brosnan

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#### I would like to...

Communicate about something not listed below

#### Comments

hello my name is Hayden Brosnan. I was breed in the burdekin from preschool right through to the day I received my trade certificate. The reason I'm writing to the council this morning is over a issue of the dalbeg weir dirt access road, a road in which was used by many many locals and people from Townsville and many other local 4wding and fishing enthusiasts. I fully understand the reasons in which where the driving force behind the track being closed and like many are enraged and extremely disappointed in the small minority and there actions. Few months ago I spoke to one of the station owners in which the track runs either side of their property, and suggested ideas in which both parties could work in harmony to get the track reopened and keeping there business fully operational and unchanged by the tracked being reopened. Such ideas that put forward where a system in which parties wanting to use the track first would have to go to the council chambers (or another location) in which they provide licence, registration, number of people in party as well as a small fee (say \$20 per car) any money raised going back into council to help maintain track condition ect ect. In relation to the above arrangement to have at least one person in a convoy having to be a member of a official Qld four wheel or fishing club.

I would love and want nothing more than to work with both your council and the station owners to achieve a result that all parties can be happy with.

If any question and if you would like to discuss anything please feel free to contact me on

on

thank you for your time Hayden Brosnan

#### **Your Details**

#### **Your Name**

Hayden Brosnan

How would you like us to contact you?

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# REPORT ON ATTENDANCE AT THE AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION QUEENSLAND BRANCH "FIRST THINGS FIRST WORKSHOP" HELD IN BRISBANE ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016

**Bob Abbott**, former Councillor, Deputy Mayor and Mayor of Noosa Council and Mayor of Sunshine Coast Regional Council delivered the opening address on "managing your priorities and things to consider now that you're an elected member". With 32 years experience in Local Government, Bob Abbott shared many of stories on the achievements of both Councils under his leadership, qualities for successful leadership and importance of communication. Topics discussed included –

- "Local Government ain't what it used to be."
- "Change is happening." 41 new mayors elected in 2016 election (15 mayors retired)
- "Job of Mayor is a lonely one."
- "Power as an individual comes from within your heart not your head."
- "Always maintain your honesty and integrity."
- "What other people think of you is none of your business."

The most valuable thing you can get back from your community is a THANK YOU.

Most valuable tool to use in the workplace is THANK YOU.

The front desk at a Council is the most important contact point as this gives customers their first impression of Council.

Noosa Council has a long history of community consultation - community jury.

Successful Councillor qualities – passion for the community, understanding the business, good communication and trust within your group. Let people have their say – don't argue! Important to balance stress and "don't care". Let go of things and manage your emotions – think positively!

I DO NOT retaliate. I DO revive. I DO renew. I DO refresh.

Communication – Media tend to focus on the negative – not necessarily on the interest of the story – nothing that is of value or positive to the community – don't be lead off the topic. TV and Radio – preferred to do live interviews – media cannot alter your quotes.

Ask the reporter – what are you after – what is your angle on this story.

Ask yourself – are you believable – what are the issues in the story – what do you think your community wants to hear -I say what I feel not I say what I think.

Listen with your eyes - hear with your heart!

LOOK AFTER YOURSELF!

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**Simone Talbot** - LGAQ Manager - Advocacy (Infrastructure, Economics & Regional Development) spoke on the *State of the State*. She has 16 years in Local Government. There were 165 female councillors and 16 female mayors elected in March 2016 election.

LGAQ have made realistic budget bids on a number of projects including "Establish a Regions to Asia Investment and Trade Program" providing direct assistance to Qld Councils. Every 2 years, LGAQ consults with Councils on medium and long term priorities.

Our Business – asset management - innovation and technology (slide with Advance Qld smart communities highlighting many applications for technology e.g. use of technology to monitor length of stay in parking bays, provide assistance for residents and tourists with technology).

Our People - IR Reform - Workforce planning - Retention of CEO Our Story - Your Local Council media advertisements.

Panel Discussion – Bob Abbott, Simone Talbot, Jo McNally (Deputy Mayor Southern Downs Regional Council) and Gail Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor Central Highlands Regional Council).

Discussion topics included

"Why did you run for Council" - make a difference to the community - mistakes make you great - wanted to make it easier 'to do business' with Council.

"What challenges did you face as a new Councillor" – learning Council business – Council must be open and upfront with communication with the community – poor communication takes lots of energy and time to correct - next time I wouldn't be so hard on myself.

"Changes in Local Government" – outcomes of the amalgamations – loss of Councillor representation – more responsibility on Councillors for connecting with their communities – emergence of regionalisation – Local Government now an International business.



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6 May 2016

Mr Matthew Magin Chief Executive Officer Burdekin Shire Council PO Box 974 AYR QLD 4807

Dear Mr Magin,

#### RE: Museum of Tropical Queensland Council Community Pass

Please find enclosed a report for the 2014 - 2015 financial year outlining the achievements of the Museum of Tropical Queensland Community Pass. You will note that the change in the community pass arrangements has had a significant impact on visitation compared to previous years.

Please find enclosed an invoice for the current year, the final year of the agreement.

Yours faithfully,

Peter McLeod Director

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#### Report to Burdekin Shire Council

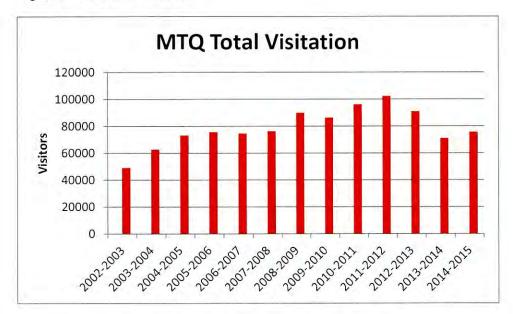
#### MTQ Community Pass 2014/15

In 2014/15, MTQ delivered a dynamic program of exhibitions and public programs; this is detailed in Appendix 1 and includes temporary exhibitions, travelling exhibitions, school holiday programs, information sessions (ie Discover More Talks), community displays and also community outreach activities.

#### **Overall Visitation**

Overall visitation for the 2014/15 financial year showed an increase in visitation in comparison to the previous year, however less than the all-time record achieved in 2011/12. A total of 75,801 visitors accessed the Museum which represents an increase of 7% on previous year. Whilst pleasing to see the growth from previous year the Museums visitation remains in a recovery phase following the introduction of charged entry fees for Townsville and Burdekin residents which commenced in May and September 2013 respectively. Non-local visitation for the year remained the same as the previous year.

Fig 1: MTQ Total Visitation



#### **Burdekin Residents**

Visitation from Burdekin residents has shown a significant decline in the last 2 years. In 2014/15, 621 Burdekin residents attended the museum which represents a decrease of 31% from previous year.

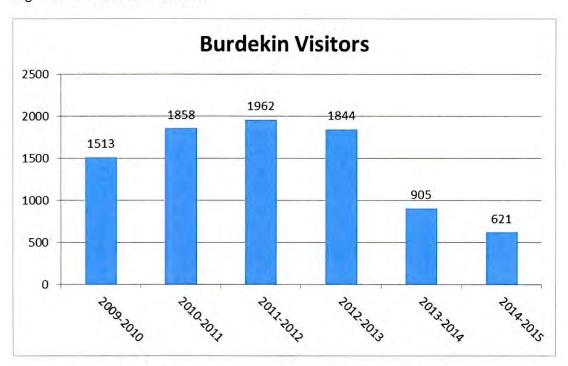


Fig 2 MTQ Burdekin Visitation

The introduction of half priced entry for Burdekin residents in 2013 has caused a significant impact on visitation at MTQ, unfortunately the impact has continued to occur in the 2014/15 year. This same impact also occurred with the Townsville residents where visitation dropped considerably following the introduction of the half priced admission fee. As stated in last years report this same result has also occurred in other State and National Museums when an admission fee was introduced.

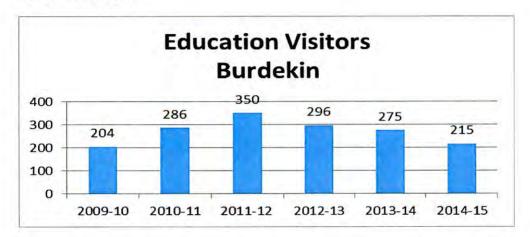
A review of the data for the 15/16 year shows that visitation to mid April 2016 is currently at 615 visitors. This figure should increase as we continue to progress through the remainder of the year, with a good chance of exceeding the 2014 /15 year. This would indicate that the visitation has bottomed and is now starting to increase.

A negative impact on visitation was always expected from the introduction of charged entry for local residents. MTQ has put in a considerable effort to counter this impact through the delivery of a more intensive program. We envisage that it will take a few years to convince the community that the Museum remains an exceptionally good value for money resource for the community.

#### Education

Four school groups comprising 215 students visited MTQ to undertake programs led by the Museums Education Officer, whilst this level of visitation is less than the previous year, it does fit within a reasonable range that has been achieved over the last 6 years. The lower figures achieved are also consistent with the difficult financial environment being experienced in rural areas which often make it difficult for schools to run excursions.

Museum loans kits continued to be in demand this year with some kits being utilised by Burdekin schools.



MTQ staff continue to develop new resource materials in order to align the Museums exhibitions and programs with the school curriculum, this often occurs in consultation with teachers and a program of continual improvement resulting from requests and feedback from teachers.

#### **Community Pass Analysis**

The change to a discounted charged entry approach for the community pass has had a significant impact on visitation from Burdekin residents. This has occurred despite an increase in programs and activities in comparison to the years when there was free admission. Visitation figures for the 2015/16 year are indicating some growth on the 14/15 year and hence we are hopeful that the impact of the change has reached its lowest level. Given the evidence from other Australian and international Museums it may be quite some time before the Museum can achieve levels of visitation achieved prior to charged entry.

The school holidays continue to represent the peak periods of visitation to the Museum and also receive considerable marketing exposure within the community. In all Marketing collateral associated with the school holiday programs the Burdekin Shire Council was acknowledged and recognised for their support.

### Appendix 1

Title	Duration	Description
EXHIBITIONS	-	
Humanoid Discovery Exhibition	7 <sup>th</sup> June – 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2014	The <i>Humanoid Discovery</i> exhibition, produced by leading science exhibition developer Scitech, was a feature of the MTQ program across two gallery spaces over a 12 week period. The exhibition presented human physiology in an engaging hands-on format, and was hugely popular with children, families and schools groups. A total of 17,489 people visited the exhibition during its display period.
Nurses: Zululand to Afghanistan exhibition		MTQ opened, on September 4 <sup>th</sup> , a new temporary exhibition entitled <i>Nurses: from Zululand to Afghanistan</i> . Produced by the Australian War Memorial (AWM), the exhibition details the stories of nursing staff in Australia's armed forces in conflicts across more than a century. The exhibition was supported by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and is on display at MTQ until October 26 <sup>th</sup> . Sue V Conservator/Collection Manager undertook the condition reporting of approximately 70 AWM collection objects.
Eye of the Sahara Photographic Exhibition	1st September – 30th November 2014	MTQ's temporary exhibition entitled "Eye of the Sahara" was developed in partnership with James Cook University student Patrick Smallhorn-West. The photographic exhibition chronicled Patrick's travels through the deserts of Mauritania, with only local tribesman for company and their camels for transport. The exhibition was supported by the Regional Arts Development Fund.
Pirates on the Wing	15 <sup>th</sup> September – 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2014	MTQ's Taxidermy volunteers produced a new display in support of MTQ's Shipwrecked holiday program. The display showcased parrots (every pirate need a parrot), seabirds (to accompany your ship to sea), and birds (such as Frigate birds) that "pirate" food or resources from other birds.

Supercroc Exhibition	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 – 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	Supercroc was a temporary touring display from the Australian Museum. The exhibition featured an 11-metre long reconstruction of the extinct crocodilian Sacrosuchus imperator, and was created by National Geographic for a television documentary. The display accompanied MTQ's Croc Country exhibition, and will supported the Croc Country school holiday program.
Croc Country exhibition	20 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 – 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	MTQ's temporary exhibition <i>Croc Country</i> was produced in major partnership with the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, and also with the Townville Bulletin, Swamp Cartoons and Hands on Wildlife. Content was also contributed by Australia Zoo, Billabong Sanctuary, Koorana Crocodile Farm and Marineland Melanesia. The exhibition explored aspects of living in croc country, and included information on evolution, biology, ecology, culture, tourism, hunting, management and education. During the exhibition's 15 week exhibition period 21,617 people visited the exhibition. The exhibition coincided with a high-profile crocodile season in Townsville, with a number of problem crocodiles making repeated headlines.
Backyard Safari Photographic Exhibition	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2014 – 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	A selection of images from MTQ's 2014 Backyard Safari Photography Competition were placed on show to the public in MTQ's Backyard Safari Exhibition. The exhibition was officially opened with a formal event on the 16 <sup>th</sup> of December, and ran until the 15 <sup>th</sup> of March. Due to the overwhelmingly positive response from participants, partners and sponsors of the competition and exhibition, MTQ will host a photographic competition again in 2015, to be followed by an exhibition in 2016.
Spirit of Africa Exhibition	7 <sup>th</sup> March – 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2015	MTQ's community exhibition, <i>Spirit of Africa</i> , opened in the Cultural Corridor on the 7 <sup>th</sup> of March. Developed in partnership with communities from South Africa, Zimbabwe, Tanzania and Rwanda, the exhibition featured objects, stories and perspectives from these cultural groups.
International Wildlife Photographer of the Year Exhibition	21 <sup>st</sup> March – 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	MTQ opened, on the 21 <sup>st</sup> of March, the <i>International Wildlife Photographer of the Year</i> exhibition. Developed by the Natural History Museum, London, and BBC Worldwide, the exhibition toured only four locations in Australia, and MTQ exclusively in Queensland. The 2015 exhibition featured over 100 images from leading wildlife photographers, and was based on the 2014 International Wildlife Photographer of the Year Competition. A special free-entry preview was offered to all visitors on the evening of March 20 <sup>th</sup> . This feature international touring exhibition closed on 17 <sup>th</sup> May after being hosted at MTQ for 8 weeks. During this period the exhibition was experienced by almost 17,000

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		visitors, and was a feature element of MTQ's Museum Zoo holiday program.
A Room for Wild Animals	3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2015 – 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	MTQ opened, on 3 <sup>rd</sup> April, a new feature exhibition entitled <i>A Room for Wild Animals</i> in the museum's 130m² temporary exhibitions gallery. The exhibition featured 22 exotic taxidermy specimens from the QMN collection (including lion, tiger, bears, antelope and deer) as well as QMN collection items donated by Australian Customs. The exhibition explores the threat of habitat loss to wildlife across the world. The exhibition will run until 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2016.
Townsville: The Way we Were	29th April – 9th August 2015	MTQ opened, on 29th April, a photographic exhibition of Townsville's history developed in partnership with Townsville Museum and Townsville City Libraries. With a focus on Townsville's Flinders Street precinct the exhibition explored the period from 1914 to 1918, and how civilian life carried on against the backdrop of WWI.
Lighthouses	27 <sup>th</sup> April – 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2015	MTQ's community co-developed exhibition <i>Lighthouses</i> was opened in the museum's cultural corridor on 1 <sup>st</sup> of May. This exhibition displayed objects and told stories from four families who serviced the Cape Cleveland Lighthouse, prior to its final automation.
Taxidermy Tales	26 <sup>th</sup> June – 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	MTQ developed a 7-case taxidermy display that was hosted at Stockland Shopping Centre during the busy holiday month of April. This display highlighted the collection value of these specimens and the world carried out by museum taxidermists, as well as talking of the natural history of the species on show. The display also promoted the concurrent <i>A Room for Wild Animals</i> exhibition and <i>Museum Zoo</i> holiday program on show at MTQ.
Freewheeling Exhibition	27 <sup>th</sup> June – 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	MTQ opened, on 27 <sup>th</sup> June, a new temporary exhibition <i>Freewheeling: a history of cycling in Australia</i> in the museum's 200m² temporary exhibitions gallery. The exhibition, on tour from the National Museum of Australia, explored cycling and its historical significance to the Australian community, and featured collection items from an early penny-farthing to an ultra-modern streamlined reclining bike.

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PUBLIC PROGRAMS AND EVENTS		
Creepy Crawlies Alive School Holiday Program	20 <sup>th</sup> June – 13 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	MTQ's feature Creepy Crawlies Alive school holiday program commenced at MTQ on the 28th of June. The program features interactive displays of live insects, reptiles, amphibians and other Creepy Crawlies, as well as a range of art, craft and led educational activities. Special features of the opportunity for visitors to try edible insects, as part of discussions of food sustainability, as well as live reptile demonstrations by Hands-On-Wildlife. Total visitation for the program was 7,954 people.
Discover More Talk	8 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	MTQ's Discover More Talk for July was delivered by local historian Trisha Fielding. Trisha Fielding holds a Master of History degree from the University of New England and her work is known locally through her blog on North Queensland History, as well as through her 'History Chat' series of talks on ABC Local Radio in 2013. This talk explores what effect, if any, the Infant Welfare Movement had on infant mortality in Townsville between 1895 and 1930 by looking at what particular health services were available to mothers and their infants during this period; and at the main causes of death in infants under one year of age at this time.
Bird Photography Talk	9 <sup>th</sup> July 2014	MTQ hosted a talk from local birding and photography enthusiast Ian Boyd on the 9th of July. Ian presented images and talked about the wide diversity of species to be found in the Townsville and surrounding regions. The talk attracted a strong audience from local birding and photography clubs, as well as the University of the 3rd Age (U3A) and general visitors.
Townsville Reef Guardian Eco-Challenge	August 2014	MTQ hosted two separate interactive activities at the museum for 99 students and 16 teachers from 15 primary and secondary Reef Guardian schools; and 13 partner representatives. The activities were based around the importance of preserving historic shipwrecks as part of the cultural heritage of the GBR and as artificial reefs, and included students becoming maritime archaeologists and trying their hand at restoring artefacts, and exploring the Shipwreck Adventure and Pandora galleries; and a Reef Rally scavenger hunt where students explored a range of exhibits, including Colour: Secret Language of the Reef, for answers to cryptic clues about the reef and its catchments. This is the first time that the Townsville Reef Guardian Eco-Challenge has been held at MTQ, and therefore provided an opportunity to showcase the new Colour: Secret Language of the

		Reef exhibition.
Discover More Talk	12 <sup>th</sup> August 2014	Senior Social Scientist Dr Nadine Marshall of the CSIRO shared the latest research on the Great Barrier Reef's vulnerability to climate change in the August Discover More Talk.
Science Week at Townsville Cultural Festival	August 2014	As part of a collaboration of Townsville science institutions for National Science Week, MTQ staff and volunteers staffed a hands-on science stand at the Townsville Cultural Fest. Other groups represented included JCU Medicine and Health Sciences, JCU marketing, Engineers Without Borders, Robogirls, CSIRO NQ Education, Townsville Astronomy Club, Wildlife Care group.
Discover More Talk	9 <sup>th</sup> September 2014	MTQ's Discover More Talk for September was delivered by Frank Dallmeyer of local firm Tropical Energy Solutions, who have consulted on solar power projects including Reef HQ Aquarium and Tony Ireland Stadium. Frank spoke about how people living in the tropics can make their homes more sustainable using his own South Townsville energy self-sufficient home of the future as an example. Frank's talk generated plenty of interest from the audience, reflecting Townsville's potential as a Solar City.
Shipwrecked School Holiday Program	20th September – 6th October 2014	MTQ's Spring school holiday program was entitled <i>Shipwrecked</i> . Supported by the local Navigation Centre and Volunteer Coastguard, the program allowed young visitors to experience the adventure of the high seas, and also to revisit the story of the museum's signature Pandora collection. Kids joined the "Pirate School" and experienced the "Sunken Shipwreck Adventure". The program attracted 6,152 visitors over the two week period.
Discover More Talk	14 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	MTQ's Discover More Talk for Octobrt was delivered by Dr Conrad Hoskin of James Cook University's Centre for Tropical Biodiversity and Climate Change who researches frogs and reptiles in the Wet Tropics of northern Australia. Dr Hoskin spoke to an enthusiastic audience, detailing the discovery and recording of a number of new tropical reptile species including species of leaftail geckoes, and describing work being carried out on the impact of Chytrid fungus on populations of frogs in Queensland.

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SATFest	24 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	MTQ, in major partnership with the Australian Museum, delivered a two-day Science, Art and Technology festival over the 24th and 25th of October. Clearly directed toward QMN's STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths) strategic agenda, the program was also on target for schools and the visiting public, attracting 815 visitors over the two day period. Highlights and contributing partners included Google robotics workshop, CSI forensics workshop, Explosive Science shows, 3-D printing demonstrations, Weather Detective citizen science, Ranger Dan and Hands on Wildlife, Eliminate Dengue research program, Lunch with the Scientists, palaeontology and taxidermy lab demonstrations, teacher professional development workshops, and arts and crafts. Over 160 students from years 5-8 from 5 schools, including several schools identified as socially and economically disadvantaged, attended the full day of hands on activities and workshops.
Café Scientifique	24 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2014	MTQ, as part of the Science and Technology Festival, conducted evening Café Scientific events on Friday 24th October and Saturday 25th October. The Friday event featured three winners of the 2013 Prime Minister's Prizes for Science, including a local teacher who won the prize for science education. The spoke about the World Herbivory Project, research aimed at producing a quantum computer in silicon, and the future of science education. The Saturday event presented the science of food, drink and the stars, and included coffee and rum pop ups, tastings, cocktails, canapés, stargazing and fascinating talks.
Sunset Science Seminar	October 2014	MTQ, in partnership with Eliminate Dengue Townsville, delivered the first of MTQ's Sunset Science Seminars, featuring speakers and a panel discussion. Part of an international research collaboration, Eliminate Dengue conducts research aimed toward reducing the incidence of mosquito-borne Dengue Fever. Speakers included Prof Scott O'Neill, Leader of the Research Program; Dr Stephen Donohue, Director of the Public Health Unit, Queensland Health; and Cr Jenny Hill, Mayor of the City of Townsville. The evening was attended by over 100 visitors.
Discover More Talk	11 <sup>th</sup> November 2014	MTQ's Discover More Talk for November was delivered on the 11 <sup>th</sup> of November by Dr Renae Tobin of the CSIRO. Dr Tobin talked about the impact of commercial fishing on the Great Barrier Reef.
Discover More Talk	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	MTQ's Discover More Talk for December was presented on the 9th of the month by MTQ's Dr

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		Robyn Cumming. Dr Cumming described her work on the taxonomy of Bryozoans, a little-known Phylum of colonial animals also known as lace-corals or moss animals.	
Backyard Safari Photography Competition	16 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	The category winners of MTQ's recent Backyard Safari Photography Competition were announced and received their prizes from QM's Gary Crannitch during a formal event on the 16 <sup>th</sup> of December, which also opened the resulting exhibition. The event attracted a large audience including many of the junior photographers who entered the competition and their families.	
Wildlife Photography Workshop	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	QM's photographer Gary Cranitch ran a wildlife photography workshop at MTQ on the 17 <sup>th</sup> of December, in support of the Museum's current Backyard Safari exhibition.	
Tales from a Croc Trapper	16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> and 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2015	Local retired crocodile management officer Brent Vincent presented three talks about his work trapping crocodiles in the 1970s with the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service. The talks were held on the 16th, 23rd and 30th of the month.	
Croc Country School Holiday Program	13 <sup>th</sup> December 2014 – 26 <sup>th</sup> January 2015	MTQ's summer holiday program Croc Country opened on the 13th of December. The program supported MTQ's current major exhibition of the same name, but also includes many other dangerous north Queensland species including spiders and snakes. Highlights of the December program include talks and tours of the exhibition, live displays of dangerous invertebrates, craft activities, a self-guided trail, and Australian Museum's <i>Supercroc</i> display. The January program featured appearances by Dinomite, MTQ's dinosaur mascot and displays of live crocodiles and venomous snakes by Ranger Dan of <i>Hands on Wildlife</i> . Led activities included <i>Crocodile Crusader</i> , where visitors play the role of a crocodile researcher and <i>On the Hunt!</i> where visitors explore the deadly game of predator and prey. Presentations were also given on <i>Crocodile Awareness</i> , by staff from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, <i>Dangerous Animal First Aid</i> , by staff from St Johns Ambulance and local Dengue mosquito management by staff from the Eliminate Dengue research program.	
Croc Season Talks	16 <sup>th</sup> November 2014 – 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2015	MTQ's series of <i>Croc Season</i> talks continued through December and January. Matt Brien, from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, discussed crocodile research, management and education. Dr Claire Brennen, historian and lecturer from James Cook University (JCU), talked about the history of Australia's crocodile safari hunting industry. Brad Cooper, Senior Ranger at	

		Billabong Sanctuary, talked about the role of zoos in the conservation of crocodiles. Anthony Styan, local historian and JCU Honours student, talked about Townsville's first Zoo located at the Bohle. Finally, Robert Baxter, local historian and JCU Honours student, talked about the history of commercial crocodile hunting.
Backyard Wildlife Photography Field Trip	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2014	Museum visitor joined award-winning photographer and wildlife expert Gary Cranitch to discover some of the more common creatures in our backyards and bushlands, and learnt how to identify and photograph them in a 3-hour hands-on field trip.
Photography Workshops	11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2015	Award winning wildlife photographer Darren Jew, together with Canon Australia and Garricks Camerahouse partnered with MTQ to present a series of photographic talks, workshops and presentations during the Croc Country program.
Cartooning Workshops	18 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2015	Swamp cartooning Gary Clark partnered with MTQ to provide a number of cartooning workshops and activities for visitors during the Croc Country program.
Africa Day	7 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	MTQ hosted <i>Africa Day</i> , as a community celebration event on the 7 <sup>th</sup> of March. Delivered in partnership with Townsville's South African, Zimbabwean, Rwandan and Tanzanian communities, the day featured traditional song and dance, art and craft, and food. The day attracted some 400 visitors, and generated \$2,675 In revenue.
Wildlife Photography Talk	22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2015	MTQ hosted a feature talk on Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March, to support the opening of the <i>International Wildlife Photographer of the Year</i> exhibition. Presented by local nature photographer, Mark Horvath, the talk covered the equipment and techniques required to capture and review images of birds and other wildlife. Mark is an active member of Birdlife Townsville and Birdlife Photography, and has a photographic history stretching back more than 45 years. Mark's talk attracted an audience of approximately 50 visitors.
Discover More Talk	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	MTQ's <i>Discover More Talk</i> for March was presented on the 10 <sup>th</sup> of March by Hannah Hilbert-Wolf from James Cook Universities Department of Earth and Oceans. Hananh will describe her research into the geology of the East African Rift in Tanzania, and how the movement of the rift influenced

		evolution and climate in East Africa.		
Harmony Day	21 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	MTQ hosted it's annual Harmony Day on the 21 <sup>st</sup> of March. Developed and delivered in partnership with the Townsville Multicultual Support Group, the day showcases song and dance, arts and craft, food, fashion and stories from Townville's diverse cultural community. Highlights included an International Cook Book launch, together with international food preparation demonstrations and tastings. With free entry for the day sponsored by Townsville City Council, the event attracted 759 visitors.		
Museum Zoo School Holiday Program	4 <sup>th</sup> — 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2015	MTQ's wildly popular Easter Holiday program, <i>Museum Zoo</i> , was delivered over two weeks from the 4 <sup>th</sup> to the 19 <sup>th</sup> of April. Supported by the concurrent <i>International Wildlife Photographer of the Year</i> and <i>A Room for Wild Animals</i> exhibitions, the program featured displays of live raptorial birds and MTQ's dinosaur <i>Dinomite</i> , as well as a range of themed activities art, craft and educational activities. The two-week program attracted 11,285 visitors and generated over \$75,000 in revenue, and was MTQ's busiest and most successful holiday program since the commencement of charged entry in 2012/13.		
Discover More Talk	14 <sup>th</sup> April 2015	MTQ's April Discover More Talk was help on the 14 <sup>th</sup> of the month. The strategy of terrorism was first used in the nineteenth century, and is still exploited today, by groups such as Al Qaeda, Islamic State, and Boko Haram. Kristy Campion explores the history and continuity of terrorism.		
Discover More Talk	12 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	MTQ's May Discover More Talk was held on the 12 <sup>th</sup> of the month. Professor Stephen Williams explores the factors that make Wet Tropics animal species resilient or extinction-prone in the face of climate change.		
TEDx Event	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2015	MTQ hosted, on Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> May, a viewing party for a TEDx (Technology, Entertainment, Design) event delivered at James Cook University. The event featured 10 speakers covering a range of topics that aimed bring curious minds together to create excitement around ideas, knowledge and learning.		
Cyclist's Breakfast	27 <sup>th</sup> June – 5 <sup>th</sup> October	A special early morning preview of the new <i>Freewheeling</i> exhibition was offered to the cycling community of Townsville, with the added offer of tea and coffee from the MTQ Coffee Cart. Some		

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	2015	38 lycra clad locals turned up to the morning event, to be the first visitors to the new exhibition.	
Wild Sports school holiday program	27 <sup>th</sup> June – 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	MTQ Winter school holiday program, entitled <i>Wild Sports</i> , commenced on Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> June. Themed to support the current Freewheeling temporary exhibition, the holiday program encourages kids to get out and be active. Highlights include appearances by local Superhero Captain Active, opportunities to pedal your own smoothie, participate in a cross-Queensland bike ride, or fight a virtual fish with rod and line, as well as a range of themed art and craft activities. The holiday program runs until Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> July.	

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# Much to gain with PA in Cane

SPAA Society of Precision Agriculture Australia will hold a PA Expo at Cane Farmers Hall, Home Hill on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

The event aims to raise awareness and strike interest in the technologies available currently and in the near future for the cane industry. The program includes a wide range of speakers on the use of Precision Agriculture (PA) technologies in cane and broadacre production systems.

According to Robin Schaefer, SPAA President "If you are involved in the cane industry and have an interest in Precision Agriculture, then register yourself for the upcoming workshop heading to the Burdekin next month. The day will provide an opportunity for farmers, farm workers, contractors and industry advisors to come together and learn about precision agriculture (PA), and the benefits they offer and the opportunities for the cane industry".

Jointly hosted with SRA Sugar Research Australia, the workshop has received great interest and support in the region so far. "The workshop will be full of variety;

theory, practical, hands on learning and developing networks" says Nicole Dimos, SPAA Executive Officer.

The event will be training attendees on the use of GPS and equipment, giving attendees the skills to use their own equipment to the maximum potential. Farmers will learn more about the management of variability in their fields via accurate soil mapping technologies. The day also presents new technology being developed for the cane industry by the National Centre for Engineering in Agriculture. "Farmers already know where the variability is in their crops, it will be of a great benefit to understand how to manage these differences; in order to save time, money and confusion. I'm excited to have this much information available to farmers in the one place" says Dimity Hunter, SPAA's Development Officer.

Importantly when embarking into precision agriculture, farmers love to learn and hear the top tips and tricks and problem solving of other farmers. Leading farmers feature on our day and will be sharing their PA journey, from where they began and the steps that led them to implement the technologies on their own farms.

The workshop is free to attend, but RSVPs are a must to secure a place at the workshop. The event begins at 8.30am at the Home Hill Cane Farmers Hall, and will finish that afternoon.

The event is a joint initiative by SPAA & SRA. For more information about or to register to attend the upcoming workshop, contact either Dimity Hunter 0427543384 <a href="mailto:dimity@spaa.com.au">dimity@spaa.com.au</a> or Belinda Billing on 0427 954 437 <a href="mailto:BBilling@sugarresearch.com.au">BBilling@sugarresearch.com.au</a>

Event Details
Cost: Free

Date: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Time: 8.30am – 2.30pm

**Includes: Morning Tea & Lunch** 

Location: Cane Farmers Hall - Home Hill



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#### Dear Mayor

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ) wishes to congratulate you on your election as Mayor of Burdekin Shire Council.

CCIQ recognises the vital role that local governments play in building and sustaining Queensland's economy. Queensland businesses believe the activities of their local councils are of crucial importance in their day to day operations and to this end, CCIQ maintained a significant interest in the outcome of the Local Government elections held 19 March 2016.

CCIQ is committed to working constructively with all Mayors across Queensland over the coming four years to address those issues and challenges confronting the business community. Local government's right across Queensland must also work closely with small businesses to shape our economic and social environments in a way that promotes business growth and community prosperity.

Please find below and attached CCIQ's Statement of Principles and Purposes for Local Government in Queensland that will be utilised by the business community to keep representatives to account.

#### CCIQ's Statement of Principles and Purposes for Local Government in Queensland:

- Ensure that Council's finances are managed in a fiscally responsible manner;
- Seek the removal of unnecessary business regulation;
- Maintain essential infrastructure and services at a level which encourages economic development;
- Ensure that charges imposed are competitive with other comparable jurisdictions; and
- Encourage practices which enhance the transparency and accountability of its decision making.

CCIQ members have relied on the Chamber to provide them with knowledge, insights and unbiased opinion on Council policies and priorities as they relate to their business operations. It is essential that Local Government implement a program that addresses the issues of concern for Queensland small business owners.

CCIQ looks forward to working with you and your team over the next four years.

Yours sincerely

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