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# From the Mayor's desk

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## Festival fun enriching our community

Welcome to spring, a wonderful time of year in our Redlands. And with it arrives one of our most popular and anticipated events of the year - our spring festival and very own show, RedFest.

This year's festival promises to be exceptional, with Council putting its support behind organisers as we continue to develop our undeniable potential as an events and cultural and eco-tourism destination.

With the success of this year's Quandamooka Festival and recent national exposure from events such as Tough Mudder at Sirromet and Greazefest in Cleveland, the benefits have begun to flow through to residents in the form of top entertainment and activities on their doorstep and to businesses through a significant increase in visitor numbers and the economic boost they bring. Even this year's Crazy Day was reported as one of the best ever.

The top 40 events of the last financial year attracted an estimated 218,000 locals and visitors, adding up to a \$22.9 million injection into the local economy. This is set to grow further this financial year as the

city's tourism strategy enters its next phase and the efforts that have gone into attracting suitable events continue to reap rewards.

In the next few months alone, we also have the Quandamooka Festival's much anticipated Kunjil (corroboree) closing celebration to look forward to, along with the third annual Bluesfest at Capalaba Regional Park, the 4 Islands Festival on our Southern Moreton Bay Islands, the Cleveland Caravan, Camping and 4x4 Expo and, on December 18, Christmas by Starlight, again at Mount Cotton's Sirromet Winery. You will find more information inside on all of these top events.

They are part of a growing calendar of cultural celebrations, sporting events, food festivals and expos which Council is proud to support - not only for the prosperity they can bring but also because they enrich our City's social and cultural heritage, and help put the Redlands on the map. They are as much about supporting

community wellbeing as they are about supporting our business community and developing a tourism industry which can lead to real jobs for locals, particularly young Redlanders.

Events and tourism are just one, albeit significant, part of this Council's blueprint for the City's future which is being driven by a five-point plan to build the local economy.

**“ I want our City to be better connected as I firmly believe this is the key to our future. ”**

*Mayor Karen Williams*

Keeping living costs low is prime among them, as evidenced by our 2016-17 Budget which has delivered the lowest rates increase in South-East Queensland

with Redlands households to pay an extra 0.7 per cent on average.

We also want to attract more training providers to the City so young Redlanders can get their skills training at home.

Local environment and community spaces also need to be enhanced if we are to encourage more visitors to the Redlands and continue to provide the lifestyle our residents enjoy.

And I want our City to be better connected as I firmly believe this is the key to our future.

While the State Government doesn't see improving the major arterial roads through our City as a priority, Council does and we are looking for ways to upgrade them.

We know internet connectivity continues to be a major inhibitor for local business which is why Council is acting on a recommendation from the Redland City Economic Development Advisory Board and reviewing the City's internet infrastructure.

This review will show us where the gaps exist so we can push the Federal Government for the necessary infrastructure to allow us to grow.

This also will provide us with a huge leg-up in meeting the fifth point of our plan - creating a new economy - which takes us back to our commitment to tourism and events as part of a wider strategy to stimulate the economy.

So please enjoy RedFest and the other great events we have to offer this year.

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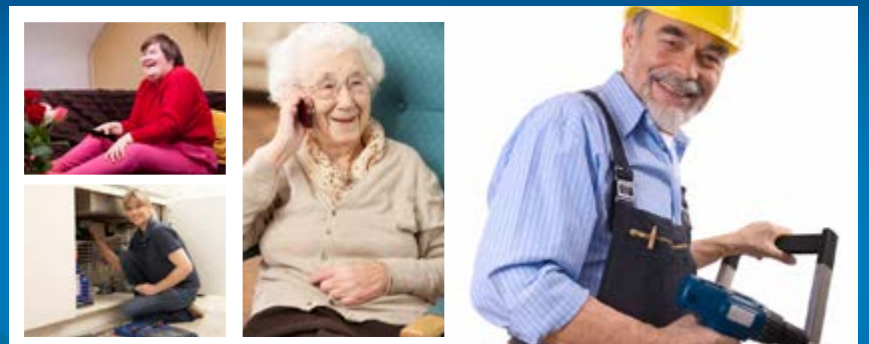
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# COVER STORY

## RedFest set to delight and amaze thousands

The Redlands spring festival RedFest is on next week and this year it promises to be full of magic

Thousands of people are expected to visit the Redland Showground in Cleveland on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 2-4 September, to be entertained by 300 performers across eight venues and thrilled by the lantern festival and fireworks.

Festival director Patrick Burke says he aims to produce a best-value festival. He is building on the sense of magic children feel when entering the gates and seeing the fanfare of sideshow alley by engaging professional magicians and entertainers and hosting an even more majestic lantern parade.

“For me, the measure of the festival’s success is seeing the expression on the children’s faces as they leave the showground with faces painted, show bags in tow,” Patrick says.

“RedFest remains the most important festival on the Redlands’ calendar as it has been going since 1953 and provides a weekend of fun for all generations.

“This year I’ve organised heaps of great acts for children, plus a classic Volkswagen car and Kombi van show from 11am on Sunday to give adults something different to enjoy.

“I’m looking forward to being MC for this year’s strawberry-eating contest ... it promises to be a lot of fun.

*Cr Lance Hewlett, Division 4 (Victoria Point, Coochiemudlo Island, Redland Bay)*

“With adult tickets from just \$15 and \$5 for children over the age of six, RedFest remains one of the best-value festivals around, so I hope hoards of locals come along and enjoy it.”

Highlights of this year’s festival include blues/soul band The

Black Sorrows, the Redlands’ own town crier Max Bissett hosting 23 other town criers for the 25th national title and TV magician Eric Summons as Lollipop the Clown. All the traditional fare will be available, including the renowned strawberry-eating contests on Saturday and Sunday.

Eight-year-old Lola Lobb has been going to Cleveland for RedFest with her family for as long as she can remember.

When asked what she is looking forward to most, Lola said: “The swing ride in sideshow alley and the fireworks.”

RedFest day passes are \$15 for adults, \$5 for children and \$10 for concession-card holders on Friday and Sunday. Tickets on Saturday are \$20 for adults, \$5 for children and \$12 for concession card holders. Entry for children aged under six is free. Great value weekend passes are also available.



*BERRY DELICIOUS: Wellington Point Farm’s Adrian Lynch will oversee the picking and packing of about 1.5 tonnes of strawberries for Redfest.*

### Town criers to take it to the Max

An ancient art is thriving in the Redlands on Saturday 3 September when competitors from around the country and New Zealand descend on the City for the 25th National Town Crier Championships.

The special silver anniversary competition is part of the annual RedFest spring festival.

Competition runs from 9am until 3.30pm and will be hosted by the Redlands’ own champion town crier Max Bissett (pictured).



*KID STUFF: Lola Lobb is looking forward to the swing ride and fireworks.*



*LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT: The majestic lantern parade is always a festival favourite.*



*MAGIC: Festival director Patrick Burke shares the magic of RedFest with Channel Seven Great South presenter Jillian Whiting ahead of this year’s big event.*



## Wello strawberries hard to beat

Wellington Point farm manager Adrian Lynch will oversee the picking of about 1.5 tonnes of strawberries just in time for this year's festival.

Wellington Point Farm has been supplying strawberries to RedFest since the 1990s.

Adrian says the secret to producing the rich, red strawberries the region is known for is the Redlands' unique microclimate and a dedication to growing and supplying the best flavoured and quality fruit.

"From the selection of the most flavoursome varieties to the day-to-day farming practices through to ensuring the fruit is ripe when picked, our whole boutique operation is directed towards the goal of being able to offer strawberries to the Redlands community that are hard to beat."

## RedFest highlights

Visit RedFest's website <http://redfest.com.au> for the full program or call 3286 4858

### Friday, 2 September

#### 5-9pm, Strawberry Plaza

Community group Folk Redlands will provide a showcase of folk and contemporary music.

#### 6-7pm, Concert Venue

Steve Sparrow will give an ear-catching performance of guitar, harmonica and vocals, featuring songs from his new album *Paint Your Cactus Green*.



#### 6.30-8.30pm, Jazz Club and Wine Bar

The Brendan Radford Band has been part of the Australian country music scene for more than 30 years and will play their award-winning hits.

#### 8-9.30pm, Concert Venue

The Black Sorrows will perform their iconic mix of blues, soul, R&B, gospel and country music.



### Saturday, 3 September

#### 9am-3pm, Norm Price Park

25th National Town Crier Championships hosted by Redland City Town Crier Max Bissett and Redland City Council.

**9am-3pm, the Arena**  
Redlands Flyball hosts local and statewide dogs showing off their talents and competing for prizes.

**10-11am, 3.30-4pm Big Tent**  
FAD Dance offers entertaining jazz, hip hop and cheer dancing.

#### 10am-5pm, Joe Howell Pavilion

Quandamooka Festival display of Aboriginal art, culture, dance, grass-skirt weaving and more.

#### 11am and 3pm, Big Tent plus roving

Lollipop the Clown performance by noted magician Eric Summons.

#### 11am-12pm, Jazz Club and Wine Bar

Amy Michaels Duo, a renowned Brisbane cabaret and jazz act, will perform.



**12-2pm, Big Tent**  
Kiddywinks Puppet Theatre delivers the Punch and Judy Show, minus the traditional violence.

**12-4pm, the Arena**  
Have a Go Circus offers hula hooping, flower sticks, juggling and other circus skills training.

#### 3-5pm, Long Street Lawn

Lantern decorating workshop with LightnUp Crew.

#### 3-4pm, Concert Venue

Aria award-winning Australian artist Rav Thomas and band will play their unique repertoire.

#### 4-5pm, Concert Venue

Dave Flower Band, an Australian blues and funk group will perform.

#### 5-5.30pm, Concert Venue

Brainstorm Production's Conor Ensor, Georgie Taylor and Robyn Thomas will provide theatre and musical entertainment.

**6.30pm, the Arena**  
Lantern parade featuring children's favourite giant 3D characters, as well as hundreds of locally made lanterns.



#### 7.30-7.45pm, Concert Venue

Welcome to Country by the Quandamooka People.

#### 8pm, the Arena

Fireworks display.

#### 8-9.30pm, Concert Venue

The acclaimed Jeff Lang will perform a unique blend of rock, roots, blues, folk and ballads.



#### 8-9.00pm, Jazz Club and Wine Bar

Herb Armstrong & the Royal Street Krewe plays all your favourite music from jazz and blues master Louis Armstrong.

#### 8-9pm, Strawberry Plaza

The Hillbilly Goats play folk music on steroids and perform roots and old-time blues music.

### Sunday, 4 September

#### 10am-2pm, Long Street Lawn

Baysamba Drummers, a community arts group spreading Brazilian street drumming throughout the Redlands.

#### 10-11am, Concert Venue

Australian duo Tiffany Eckhardt and Dave Steel perform folk, blues and roots music.

**11am and 1.30pm, Big Tent plus roving**  
Lollipop the Clown is back.

#### Noon-1pm, Concert Venue

Redlands' local Chrissy's Divine Diva Show

**1-2pm, Concert Venue**  
Craig Martin and his swing band will perform a mix of traditional and contemporary swing.



#### Performance:

#### 2-2.45pm, Big Tent

Darren Percival, a recorded artist, gifted musician and vocal coach, will perform and provide a vocal workshop for children.



#### 2.30-4pm, Strawberry Plaza

Dukes of Uke and Redland City Ukuleles perform.

#### 3-4pm, Big Tent

Kiddywinks Reptile Show where Brisbane snake catcher and TV snake boss Julia Baker will introduce her pet reptiles.

#### 3-4pm, Jazz Club and Wine Bar

JazWorkz, family jazz performers will play smooth and swinging jazz.

**See the lift-out inside for the full program.**

# BUDGET

## Rates rises minimised as Council offsets cost increases

Average increase just 43 cents a week despite substantial hike in state's bulk water charges

A Redland household's rates will increase by about 43 cents a week on average this financial year – the lowest rise in South-East Queensland.

The \$288 million Budget, adopted unanimously recently, also predicts another operating surplus while maintaining Council's low debt levels and providing for a \$77 million capital program.

A typical Redland household (category 1a owner-occupied property with a land value of about \$306,450) will see a modest increase of just 0.7 per cent including all water consumption, rates and utility charges.

There will, however, be an impact for some with the minimum category 1a rate across the City increasing to \$901 – up from \$882 on the mainland and \$624 on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands.

The move is part a rationalisation of rating categories to provide a simpler system that allows

for consistency across the City. Under the changes, the rate in the dollar on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands has decreased to bring them in line with mainland communities.

The number of ratings categories has been reduced from from 45 four years ago to 13.

This year's overall increase covers only a small part of the extra impost on Council from rises in water, utilities and other State Government charges, particularly a 9.2 per cent increase in the State Government's bulk water charges – the fifth hefty increase in a row.

Once this and other cost increases outside of Council's control are removed, the rate component of residents' bills has fallen on average by 3.1 per cent for a category 1a owner-occupied property.

Council's retail water charges have been maintained at last year's levels.

The overall weekly increase of 43 cents on average compares with 72 cents for Moreton Bay Regional Council, \$1.12 for the Gold Coast, \$1.35 for Brisbane, \$1.40 for Logan, \$2.02 for Ipswich and \$2.14 for the Sunshine Coast.

Existing ratepayers are funding only a small part of Council's total revenue increase of 3.41 per cent over last year. Much of this increase will come from new ratepayers coming to the City and growth in development contributions, as well as improved grants funding from the state and federal governments.

This has allowed Redland City to maintain among the lowest debt levels in South-East Queensland.



## How it affects you

### Average increase\*

43 cents a week or 0.7 per cent a week including water, rates and utility charges



### Environmental charge

\$89.08



### Minimum general rate

\$901



### Landfill remediation charge

\$40.86

### Ratings categories

Simplified to 13 (from 45 four years ago) to provide consistency across the city



### Waste water (sewerage) charge

remains at \$675.75



\* a category 1a owner-occupied property; with a property value

## How valuations affect rates

Council's general rate is based on valuations calculated by the State Government's Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

Revaluations are outside of Council's control and this year led to substantial increases in older, established bayside suburbs such as Ormiston, which was up about 15 per cent, and Wellington Point, which rose about 20 per cent.

Council is obliged to use these new valuations in framing its rates and much consideration was given to ensuring their impact was minimised.

The effect of these increased valuations was mitigated by

significant rating reform which included increasing the value threshold for category 1a owner-occupied properties.

It means increases in areas of high valuation increases are much lower than they might have been.

For example, under the reform the rate in the dollar paid by a Wellington Point home owner whose property's value has increased from \$255,000 to \$305,000 will fall. Once the higher valuation is taken into account, their overall rates including water and other charges will go up by about 3.9 per cent.

## 2016-17 Redland City residential rates

### Water access charge

remains at  
\$263.60



### State Government bulk water cost

\$2.36/kl up 9.2 per cent



### Garbage

Annual costs for standard 240L recycling/240L waste bin combination:

- Mainland: \$349.50
- Bay islands fee: remains \$371

### Pensioner discount

\$335 for full pensioner up \$5 (up \$2.50 for part-pensioner to \$167.50)

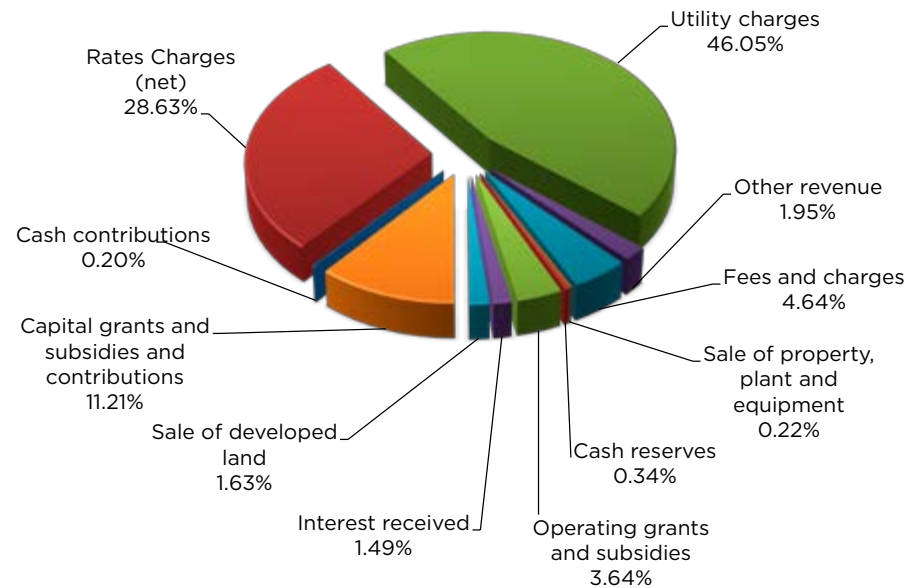


### SES administration charge

\$5

of about \$306,450 including all water, rates and utility charges.

## Where the money comes from



## Where the money goes

The 2016-17 Budget provides:

- **\$20.97 million for roads projects**, including the green seal program on the Southern Moreton Bay and Coochiemudlo islands.
- **\$7.69 million for infrastructure**, including the Cleveland pool redevelopment, stormwater drainage upgrades and expansion, carpark resurfacing, cycleways and footpaths.
- **\$4.58 million for open space and conservation projects**, including \$500,000 for sportsfield lighting at John Fredericks Park, Capalaba, and playground and park renewals.
- **\$8.86 million for marine and foreshore projects** including the seawall program and Macleay Island ramp carpark and seawall and asbestos capping projects.
- **\$11.17 million for community and cultural services**, including the Community Infrastructure Fund.
- **\$1.24 million for new water services.**
- **\$12.58 million for wastewater projects.**
- **\$9.72 million for land acquisitions and asset replacement programs.**

## Grants helping to care for our coast

The conservation of Moreton Bay's saltmarshes, a critical feeding habitat for migratory birds and more than 70 per cent of commercial fish, prawn and crab species, is getting a helping hand through a Council grant.

Aware of the vulnerable situation of the Russell Island saltmarsh, Southern Moreton Bay Islands Coast Care last year was awarded a \$8966 conservation grant through the Community Grants program.

It is funding a preliminary assessment of the condition of tidal wetland habitats on

Russell Island (pictured) to inform future on-ground rehabilitation projects.

Project adviser and leading expert Jock Mackenzie, of James Cook University, visited Russell Island recently for one of the group's monitoring exercises.

The project has inspired some interesting innovation. The team's footwear has been designed by Coast Care member Al Prestwood in a bid to stop the field work from influencing the results of the monitoring. A bit like snow shoes, their wide base leaves no impression. Jock

was impressed with the results and has given them his tick of approval.

Although the latest round of Council's Community Grants has just closed, there's still time to apply for Council Sponsorship. Round 1 is open until 16 September for community-based activities and events that provide measurable benefits for the community.

For eligibility criteria and to learn more about how to apply for sponsorship, visit [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au) or call 3829 8912.



Redlanders inject much-needed funding into worthy community projects through Council's grants program.

*Cr Paul Golle, Division 3  
(Cleveland South,  
Thorncroft)*

# BUDGET

## \$25m boost for City roads and transport solutions

Innovative road building embraced as Budget gives priority to transport and traffic programs

Redland City Council will spend more than \$25 million this financial year to make it easier and safer for residents to get around the City. Council's 2016-17 Budget provides a boost for roads and transport upgrades, as well as funding pedestrian and cycle paths.

The commitment follows a series of local forums last year which identified transport and traffic as major issues for the Redlands. More than \$8.3 million has been earmarked for road resurfacing alone, with another \$4.5 million to fund pavement rehabilitation and more than \$2 million for other paths and cycleways.

Despite being a "no frills" Budget, this year's program goes beyond basic maintenance. The funding includes \$2.47 million for the innovative green-seal

program on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands and another \$1.11 million for Coochiemudlo Island road resealing, with \$1.55 million to improve the Collins Street and School of Arts Road intersection at Redland Bay.

Almost \$1.37 million also has been earmarked for bus shelters across the City.

Council remains committed to alternative forms of transport, with \$650,000 committed to the Tindappah Drive to Beveridge Road section of the Moreton Bay Cycleway at Thornlands.

Overall, about \$5 million will be spent on footpaths, bikeways, carparks, bus stops and shelters. The new Community Infrastructure Fund is expected to lead to further local street and traffic improvements.

## Building roads to better communities



An innovative road sealing program is helping to deliver better roads faster to the Southern Moreton Bay Islands.

The "green seal" road program was developed by Redland City Council engineers searching for cost-effective ways to cap dusty streets in island communities.

"It is a way of quickly meeting community expectations in relation to managing dust within island residential areas," General Manager Infrastructure and Operations Gary Soutar said.

"They are a faster road to build, but only because they deal with the existing road and don't incorporate other

## WIN A DOUBLE PASS TO "INTO THE MYSTIC"

Joe Creighton brings a tremendous authenticity to his show that pays homage to the legendary Irish songwriter that is Van Morrison at Redland Performing Arts Centre on Saturday 1 October at 7.30pm.

Creighton will be joined by the Belfast Horns to take you on a journey that begins in the 1960s and moves through the decades encompassing Van's worldwide hits, with a sprinkling of

some of the more mystical poetic songs from Astral Weeks.

*'If you closed your eyes, you'd think Van Morrison was standing in front of you, singing some of his greatest hits...'* Devonport Jazz

To be in the draw to win a double pass to this fabulous concert valued at \$90, email [competitions@rpac.com.au](mailto:competitions@rpac.com.au) and put Van Morrison as the title. In the email include your name plus daytime contact number.

Entries close 10am on Thursday 22 September. One entry per person and per email address. Winners will be contacted by RPAC. The prize is not redeemable for cash.



WIN  
TICKETS





**STREETS AHEAD:** More than \$8.3 million has been earmarked for resurfacing roads this financial year, including \$2.47 million for the green-seal program.

road components such as kerb and channel.”

The roads are also much cheaper initially to build.

“Generally, we seal the existing gravel road width to provide an all-weather surface that provides effective dust control,” Gary said.

“The existing pavement has additional gravel added to it so

that the pavement matches the oxidation life of the seal. It is expected that the seal will last for approximately 10 years before the roads will need resurfacing.

“For a similar initial outlay, about six times the length of road is being sealed.”

While this is expected to be balanced by a reduction in

“The green seal roads program is delivering better roads faster for residents of our Bay islands.  
Cr Mark Edwards  
Division 5 (Redland Bay, Bay Islands)

long-term life and does not include costs for drainage improvements, it means residents get a solution faster.

Community feedback has been positive in areas where roads have been green sealed on Russell, Macleay and Lamb islands.

“The green seals are meeting the key goals of dust suppression and improved social and environmental amenity,” Gary said.

The green-seal program has so far been confined to the gravel roads on Redland City’s islands.

“The great majority of roads on the mainland have already been sealed and new roads are mostly built by developers,” Gary said.

This year, \$2.47 million has been budgeted for the green seal road program on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands, with the aim of extending that program further.

## Funding commitment for surf lifesaving’s centre of excellence



A surf lifesaving centre of excellence for the Redlands is a step closer with Council committing \$1 million in this year’s Budget to engage with the community and design the facility.

A partnership between Council and Surf Life Saving Queensland (SLSQ), plans for the \$50-\$60 million facility were announced last year, with the proposal incorporating the state SLSQ headquarters and training facilities.

There are also plans for it to include expanded community

pools and recreational facilities for residents, with Council to ask the community what they would like to see in the facility during the community engagement period.

The project is expected to provide 200 permanent local jobs, as well as an economic boost and jobs during construction.

Councillors recently endorsed a business case for the project, which will now go to the SLSQ board for endorsement before further details are released.

## WHAT’S ON AT REDLAND PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE



### Shakespeare in the Park TWELFTH NIGHT

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### INTO THE MYSTIC The Music of Van Morrison

Joe Creighton brings a tremendous authenticity to his show that pays homage to the legendary Irish songwriter

**SAT 1 OCT, 7.30PM • TICKETS: \$38-\$45**



### Belle Shakespeare’s OTHELLO

By William Shakespeare Director Peter Evans  
An epic tragedy of envy, love and betrayal

**SAT 8 OCT, 7.30PM • TICKETS: \$28-\$45**



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\$3 per ticket online

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# ENVIRONMENT

## Blitz on dirt-bike riders to focus on key conservation parks

Redland City Council Local Laws officers are cracking down on illegal trailbike riders in designated conservation areas across the Redlands

Trailbike riders caught sneaking into the Redlands' popular bush parks risk copping substantial fines. Backed by local police officers, Council has launched a blitz on motorbike riders who flout the rules, causing substantial environmental damage and posing a risk to other users. Those caught will potentially face fines of more than \$6000.

The city-wide crackdown will focus on the Bayside Conservation Area, Redlands Track Park, Scribbly Gums Conservation Reserve and the Greater Glider conservation management area.

Motorcycles and quadbikes are not allowed in conservation areas - and the fact riders are sneaking in through remote spots or damaging fencing to gain access means they clearly understand this.

The acronym "MTB" signed in our track parks and conservation areas applies to non-motorised mountain bikes, which are welcome. Dirtbikes, however, damage wildlife and plants in sensitive environmental areas and are potentially dangerous to other legitimate park users.

"Motorbikes cause severe erosion and damage carefully designed

trails that have taken years of efforts to establish and maintain, much of it by volunteers," Council's Group Manager City Spaces Lex Smith said.

"Motorbikes are also a real hazard to the walkers, runners and cyclists who have been attracted in increasing numbers to use the Redlands' conservation areas by their quality and clear environmental values."

Lex said that Council appreciated that trailbike riding was a popular and genuine recreational pursuit and a skilled sport.

"And for this reason we have co-invested in regional trailbike facilities on 745ha of land at Wyaralong, about 25km west of Beaudesert, which is a great spot for local riders to have their fun. Redland City residents get a discount due to our investment."

Fines for unlawful use of motorcycles in reserves can range up to \$6095 if prosecuted - or \$609.00 for an infringement notice - while illegal and unregistered motorcycle use on public roads carry a range of police-enforced penalties.

## Bushcare champ gives back to community

Russell Island retiree Al Prestwood (pictured) isn't resting on his laurels after receiving two prestigious Australia Day gongs last year.

On the contrary, Al, convener of one of the Russell Island Bushcare groups, organises annual Clean Up Australia events on Russell Island and regular clean-ups on Cobby Cobby Island. He also is involved in the saltmarsh and mangrove project with the Southern Moreton Bay Island Coast Care group.

When asked why he volunteers, Al's answer is simply "to make a difference and give back to the community".

"It's human nature that we feel more rewarded doing something for others and the community than indulging ourselves. And

there are so many opportunities to try it," Al says.

Among his proudest volunteering achievements is his Bushcare group's restoration of the first Whistling Kite Reserve site.

"I really enjoy restoring the bush with a great team and excellent technical support from Council," Al says.

There are Bushcare groups throughout the Redlands looking for new volunteers. To find one near you, visit [www.indigiscapes.com.au](http://www.indigiscapes.com.au) or call Council's Bushcare Team Leader on 3824 8611.

**Why not come along to the Bushcare Family Day Out at IndigiScapes on Sunday 11 September. There's more details on P19.**



In 2015, Al Prestwood received both the Environment and Sustainability Australia Day Award for Redland City and the inaugural SMBI Australia Day award for Senior of the Year.



Illegal dirtbike riders are a real hazard in conservation areas, as well as being a noisy nuisance for residents who live nearby.

*Cr Murray Elliott, Division 7  
(Alexandra Hills, Capalaba, Thornlands)*

## Look out there's wildlife about!

Have you seen these signs popping up throughout the Redlands? Council installs wildlife awareness signs where wildlife is frequently spotted. Please be aware of wildlife in these areas and call 3829 8999 to report increased wildlife movement on our roads.

We've also been updating signage for dog off-leash areas. When using off-leash areas, please check trees for koalas before entering.

If you do see a koala, keep your dog on its lead and phone Redlands 24 Hour Wildlife Rescue on 3833 4031 so the koala can be relocated to a safer place.

**Wildlife Awareness**



**KANGAROOS**  
are active in this area.  
**PLEASE SLOW DOWN.**

All enquiries 3829 8528



**Wildlife Awareness**  
**Koalas**

Please check this area for koalas before letting your dog off its leash.

If you see a koala in this area do not enter with your dog. Please phone Redlands 24 Hour Wildlife Rescue on 3833 4031



[www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au)



**Wildlife Awareness**



**Wallabies**  
are active in this area.  
**PLEASE SLOW DOWN.**

All enquiries 3829 8528




## Council backs dolphin health research

The waters off the Redlands are hosting an important research project that will help scientists better understand the health of our local dolphin population. Scientists from Dolphin Research Australia, with funding from Redland City Council, are taking to boats to study the bottlenose and humpback dolphins that call the southern Moreton Bay region home. Dolphin Research Australia's Dr Elizabeth Hawkins says it is the first research project to look at the vulnerable Australian humpback dolphins in Moreton Bay.

"Earlier estimates of this species indicated that there may have been between 81 and 166 dolphins in the entire Moreton Bay population but the truth is we simply don't know how the population has fared over the years and particularly since the 2011 floods," she said.

The research includes a citizen science program, allowing residents to get involved in this important research.

**Find out more at [www.dolphinresearchaustralia.com](http://www.dolphinresearchaustralia.com)**

# COMMUNITY

## Maryann weaves her magic

Like most people, Maryann Talia Pau was struck by immense sadness when she heard of Jill Meagher's murder near her Melbourne art studio in September 2012. But it's what this Redlander did next that sets her apart from most.

Attending a late night candlelit vigil, the local artist suddenly had an urge to weave stars as a sign of light cutting through the darkness that had descended from the act of violence.

She headed back to her studio and began weaving, using coloured paper and ribbon. She had learned how to weave stars years earlier and had made them countless times but these stars were to be different - they were designed to make a real difference and will feature at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

These were the beginnings of Maryann's One Million Stars to End Violence project, with communities from across the country weaving stars towards the total of one million that will



be installed at the Gold Coast Games. An exhibition of up to 100,000 stars hanging from the RPAC foyer will be held in March 2017, before the stars move to the Games. There also will be star-making workshops around the city, with the aim of Redlands being the largest star-making community.

"Each of the 100 star-weave communities which have signed on to help me achieve one million stars has a goal of weaving

10,000 stars each - an incredible collective statement against ending all forms of violence and a commitment to show how much can be achieved when we work together as a community," Maryann (pictured) says. "It's been incredible to meet the passionate people from all over Australia and across the world who are so supportive of this project and what we are trying to achieve."

Info: [www.onemillionstars.net](http://www.onemillionstars.net)

Through her One Million Stars to End Violence project, Maryann is inspiring others to help make a difference.

*Cr Paul Bishop, Division 10  
(Birkdale North, Thorneside)*

## Young volunteers get a taste of real-life action

While many of his mates are burying their heads in action computer games, 13-year-old Blake Battley is getting a taste of real-life action.

Blake, who's in Year 8 at Cleveland District State High, is a member of the Redlands Emergency Services Cadets.

The group meets every Friday night and is open to girls and boys aged 12 to 17 years. It is one of 14 such groups operating throughout Queensland to prepare young people for careers and volunteer roles with the police, ambulance, fire services, State Emergency Service and other organisations.

In the Redlands, the local SES - which is backed by Council - sponsors the cadet group thanks to funding from the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services and support from PCYC Queensland.

Blake's mum Leisa (pictured with Blake) is the deputy cadet coordinator.

"I joined the cadets as soon as I could. My mum and brother Brandon are both in the SES and Rural Fire Service and I want to help like they do," says Blake, who has his sights set on joining the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services or working in fisheries.

"I get to use equipment that I couldn't usually until I'm an adult.

We learn how to safely use and check things like generators, ladders, radios and lighting. Last week we went on a mock land search with the SES and police on Straddie. That was heaps of fun.

"The rural firies are teaching us about their trucks and how to pump water. We went to Whyte Island to see a house fire simulation they set up in a shipping container.

"I can't wait to do the fire extinguisher course."

Cadets can work towards a Certificate 2 qualification in Public Safety, which also can contribute to their Year 12 results.



Info: [www.pcyq.org.au/cadets](http://www.pcyq.org.au/cadets) or email [escredlandcity@pcyc.org.au](mailto:escredlandcity@pcyc.org.au) to inquire about registering.

# Help needed to care for orphaned wallabies

Dozens of joeys have been orphaned in the Redlands as the number of wallabies on the move increases during their breeding season.

Capalaba wildlife carer Bev Grant, who has recently been bottle-feeding 11 joeys every three hours, said the joeys had been rescued after their mothers had been hit by cars.

"I've been inundated with joeys rescued from the pouch - up to four in a day - and I'm the only registered wallaby carer in the Redlands," she said.

"We desperately need more carers in the Redlands but we also need drivers to slow down on the roads and watch for wildlife, especially at dawn and dusk.

"If you do hit an animal, stop and check for a joey in the pouch and call the Redlands 24-hour Wildlife Rescue on 3833 4031 for help."

Wallabies have been particularly active in the following areas:

- Lyndon Road, between Korawal and Honey Myrtle roads, Capalaba;
- Vienna Road, near Scribbly Gums Conservation Area, Alexandra Hills;
- Heinemann Road, 1km north and south of the Giles Road intersection, Redland Bay; and
- Woodlands Drive, near the large bend between Platres Drive and Taylor Road, Thornlands.

Redlands Wildlife Rescue is always in need of more hands, including volunteers to answer the phone day and night, wildlife rescuers to transport sick, injured and orphaned wildlife, and registered carers.

Coordinated and funded by Redland City Council, the service is operated by volunteers around the clock, while the work of local wildlife carers is supported by Council's grants program.

If you want to help, visit [www.indigiscapes.com.au](http://www.indigiscapes.com.au) or contact a wildlife extension officer on 3824 8611.



SAVED: This joey is thriving thanks to Bev Grant.

## Join the Redlands SES and become an orange angel

Who you gonna call when... the roof's blown off, the power's out, a tree's down or you're standing knee deep in water?



Thousands call the Redlands SES each year when disaster strikes. You'd be surprised at the other things the SES becomes involved in too.

**Have you got what it takes to become an SES volunteer?**

It's rewarding and fun!

- Learn new skills
- Keep fit and active
- Make lifelong friends
- Gain valuable qualifications

**For more information or to register your interest, visit [www.redlandses.com.au](http://www.redlandses.com.au)**



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 Redland CITY COUNCIL

# DISCOVER



## Join the welcome crew

You can get involved in welcoming visitors to the Redlands.

Council and Brisbane Marketing are running the second "Welcome to Redlands" ambassador program.

Participants learn the history, culture and tourism opportunities on offer in our City through a free, supported online program and are encouraged to spread the word.

On graduation, you receive a free "Welcome to Redlands" t-shirt and are invited to welcome visitors at events. Inquiries: 3829 8999.

## Escape to the Redlands

Council's tourism and events strategies are paying dividends, with \$22.9 million injected into the economy last year from 40 leading events

Whether it's our rolling surf beaches, tranquil lakes, bushwalking, bike riding, foodie trails or picnicking along the foreshore, the Redlands has the potential to double the economic benefit to the City from tourism.

That's the aim as Council works towards increasing the tourism value-add contribution in the Redlands to more than 3 per cent of the city's Gross Regional Product (GRP) by 2041.

And the signs are looking good, with latest National Institute of Economic and Industry Research data indicating that both direct and indirect tourism now accounts for 2.4 per cent of our total GRP.

Attracting more tourists to the Redlands and tempting them to stay longer and spend more is a key focus for Council and the City's recently established tourism sub-committee.

The tourism subcommittee, comprising some of the City's most successful tourism operators and chaired by Council, acts as a unified voice for tourism in the Redlands and a forum to discuss and debate issues and options.

On the agenda is a dedicated tourism website for the City and branding.

Events are also recognised as one of the most important drivers of tourism. In 2015-16, the top 40 events in the City alone attracted more than 218,000 people and delivered an economic injection of \$22.9 million.

Council is developing a five-year events strategy with the aim of not only supporting local niche events but assisting the development of signature events that become synonymous with the City. Think Toowoomba's Carnival of Flowers or the Woodford Folk Festival.

Council has worked hard at attracting more than 10 new events in the past 12 months, including the recent "kustom kulture" Greazefest at Cleveland Showgrounds. It can be found in only two locations in Australia - Redlands and Melbourne - and attracts a growing international attendance.

A new Council initiative attracting a different tourist demographic to the City is the recent establishment of two dump points for grey and black water for self-contained motorised vehicles. These can be found at John Fredericks Park, Capalaba, and the Volunteer Marine Rescue at Cleveland, and attract the grey nomad movement.

We are also attracting mountain bike riders from all over south-east Queensland due to the quality of our trails and associated

facilities. These include the recently opened shelters, bike racks, bike repair stations, maps and water at Redlands Track Park, located between Clarke Street, Cleveland, and Flinders Street, Alexandra Hills.

All these initiatives form part of Council's five-year Tourism Strategy and Action Plan 2015-2020.

Tourism and quality, desirable events will be key drivers of the Redlands' economy into the future.

Cr Julie Talty, Division 6 (Mt Cotton, Sheldon, Thornlands, Victoria Point, Redland Bay)

# Caring for Straddie

Enjoy beautiful North Stradbroke Island these holidays!



Get in touch with the Redlands Visitor Information Centre to find out more and to book your accommodation ☎ **1300 667 386.**

#### Tips for a great stay

- Be mindful of community values and respect Quandamooka Country, its land, culture, people and values
- Protect the natural vegetation and don't litter
- Observe road rules, boating rules, camping ground rules, fire restrictions and warning signs
- Be mindful of your personal safety and keep your personal belongings secure

#### If staying at a holiday home

- Keep to maximum occupancy numbers
- Park in the spaces provided to you
- Dispose of your waste and recycling correctly
- Respect your neighbours – minimise loud noise

#### If holidaying with pets

- Keep an eye on your dogs for the safety of others and wildlife (especially wallabies and koalas), and always walk them on a lead
- Feel free to use the dog off-leash areas at Skatebowl Park at Dunwich and Home Beach at Point Lookout

Thanks and enjoy your stay! 📷 #straddieanyday



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# NEWS

## New animal HQ takes shape

Since Redland City Council's animal shelter started its own animal adoption service last year, we've upgraded our facilities. Our new administration building (pictured) makes space for prospective pet owners to visit staff. We've now got room for the extra behavioural assessments needed for each animal to check their suitability for adoption. The cat and dog facilities also have had a facelift to make choosing your new furry friends easier. In May this year, work started on new accommodation, with the finishing touches recently applied. Staff started moving into their new Cleveland digs at the end of August.

## Your own furry BFF

Find your own best friend forever at the Redlands Animal Shelter.

All animals are desexed, vaccinated, microchipped, heartworm tested (dogs), FIV tested (cats) and have had a full health assessment along with flea and worm prevention (unless there is a medical reason not to). Prices are set to contribute to these costs.

If you love animals but are not in a position to responsibly adopt one, why not volunteer at the animal shelter. We are looking for people to help us with dog walking, cat cuddling, enrichment activities and, of course, the not so glamorous cleaning up. Fill out our online volunteer application form at [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au) or call Council on 3829 8999.



*THEN: Group Manager Environment and Regulation Gary Photinos and Service Manager Compliance Donna Wilson turn the first sod.*



*NOW: Service Manager Compliance Donna Wilson shows off the new building.*



## Keep the mozzies away

With a warmer winter, mosquito breeding season has begun early this year. Council conducts regular ground and aerial treatments throughout the Redlands, including the Southern Moreton Bay Islands. Mosquito treatment is safe for you and the environment.

Protect yourself against mosquito bites by wearing long, loose fitting, light coloured clothing, using personal insect repellent and avoiding outdoor activities at dawn and dusk.

Manage mosquitoes around your home by emptying water from household items such as pot plant bases, boats, unscreened rainwater tanks, unchlorinated swimming pools, blocked roof gutters, bird baths and old tyres.

**Mosquito breeding season's begun early!**



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## Students take on the challenge of designing our future

Year 11 Ormiston College graphics students (pictured) are planning for their future thanks to designers working on Cleveland's Toondah Harbour project.

The students have been given the opportunity to work with the international designers from The Place Design Group to create what they believe would be a worthy addition to the City's priority development project.

They are being guided by lead designers Cameron Perkins and Craig Addley, as well as old collegians who are qualified architects.

Teacher Michael Hiratos said students had an immediate connection with a project in "their own backyard".

"The Toondah Harbour development has been an excellent source for such a challenge and an unsurpassable opportunity for learning," he said, adding that

the students had started with the marina precinct.

"The first step was to choose a building envelope that appealed most to them," Michael said.

"They could choose from ... a residential apartment, either two-bedroom or waterfront penthouse; a communal area within the apartment complex; a general retail lease space; an indoor restaurant area; an al fresco dining area or a community space that could be accessed by anyone in the Redlands."

Quality educational facilities preparing students for the real world are vital to our City's future.

*Cr Tracey Huges, Division 8 (Birkdale South, Alexandra Hills North, Ormiston, Wellington Point)*

Students then teamed-up for their first two-hour workshop with the Place Design Group, learning what it was like to be an urban-space designer. Each team was able to work one-on-one with a designer on their six-month projects.

"The students were very pleased with the positive feedback they received from these internationally renowned designers and are looking forward to their next session," Michael said.

Place Design Group staff will visit Ormiston College regularly to provide feedback to students, whose efforts will culminate in a "Pitch Your Idea" evening.

They will put their designs to an audience including Council representatives in a bid to convince them why their design should be included in Toondah's marina precinct.

## Review to cast net over City's infrastructure needs

A review of internet infrastructure in the Redlands will be conducted after an independent survey showed internet access continued to be a major barrier for local business.

The University of Queensland survey was part of a recent update to the Redland Economic Development Advisory Board.

It identified that internet connectivity continued to be an economic impediment across the City.

The review, recommended by the board, will cover existing and proposed high-speed broadband infrastructure in the Redlands, including the Commonwealth Government's proposed National Broadband Network.

The aim is to identify gaps where additional internet infrastructure is needed to ensure as a community we are connected from an economic and social perspective.

The advisory board also is developing industry sector action plans, prioritising the health care and social assistance and education and training sectors.



## IN BRIEF

### Dining out

Cleveland may soon be home to a new alfresco dining and entertainment experience with Council approving a food market in Bloomfield Street behind the Cleveland Library. Noise and trading restrictions are covered by more than 20 conditions attached to the approval.

### Treatment upgrade

A major upgrade of the Thorneside wastewater treatment plant on Rickertt Road will start in October, with Council investing more than \$3 million to replace ageing equipment, reduce odour emissions and ensure the plant has adequate capacity to cater for expected population growth.

### Weinam update

New plans for the proposed upgrade of Redland Bay's Weinam Creek Priority Development Area have been submitted by preferred developer Walker Group to the joint Redland City Council and State Government assessment panel for initial consideration over the next month.

### Toondah plan

At time of print, Walker Group's Toondah Harbour redevelopment plan was still being considered by the Federal Government, with a decision on the environmental process for the Priority Development Area project at the Cleveland marine transport terminal expected shortly.

# WILDLIFE

## How you can help our magnificent cockatoos

Volunteers are being sought to help plant another 800 native seedlings to help the Redlands' glossy black-cockatoos.

Glossy black-cockatoos - one of the more threatened species of cockatoo in Australia and listed as vulnerable in Queensland - feed solely on the seed of she-oak trees.

Your help can make a difference at the tree planting on Sunday 25 September from 9.30am-11.30am at Russell Island's Bayview Road Reserve. The morning will include a free sausage sizzle and an informative talk about this fascinating bird. Tools, gloves, the sausage sizzle and drinks will be supplied and the ground has been prepared and holes pre-dug. All you have to take is sun protection, enclosed shoes, drinking water and some of that great community spirit.

Volunteers from the mainland can catch the 9am ferry departing Weinam Creek Marina, Banana Street, Redland Bay. Register with IndigiScapes on 3824 8611 by close of business on Thursday 22 September to arrange transfers.



Photo courtesy of Marj Kibby

Redland City Council invites you to our


## FREE business workshops


### For all workshops:

Places are limited for these popular sessions – book early to avoid disappointment.

### How to book:

 Fill out our online booking form at [www.redland.qld.gov.au/businessworkshops](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/businessworkshops)

 [Karen.brown@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:Karen.brown@redland.qld.gov.au)

 3829 8507



### How to Network



This hands-on workshop will discuss the importance of business networking and guide you through practical steps to successful networking.

**When:** 14 September 2016, 5 – 7pm

**Where:** Redlands RSL Club, Passage Street, Cleveland

**RSVP:** 9 September 2016

### Social Media – Intermediate level



Learn more advanced thinking about tying online to offline marketing, digital PR and how to amplify your brand using social media. This workshop will also touch on managing issues, and having a policy or agency to manage those issues.

**When:** 16 November 2016, 7 – 9am

**Where:** Redlands RSL Club, Passage Street, Cleveland

**RSVP:** 11 November 2016

### Social Media – Beginner level



This workshop will cover the basics and simple 'how to' instructions and sample posts that work. Bring along your laptop or smart device and be navigated through writing a post, using hashtags, how to build audience and advertising options on main platforms.

**When:** 18 October 2016, 5 – 7pm

**Where:** Redlands Sporting Club, Anson Road, Wellington Point

**RSVP:** 14 October 2016

### Tips on developing and maintaining a Website



We'll cover choosing your domain name and email clients (Windows or Google), productivity tools, choosing a developer, building it yourself, privacy, security, promoting your website and ideas for smarter marketing.

**When:** 2 February 2017, 5 – 7pm

**Where:** Redlands Sporting Club, Anson Road, Wellington Point

**RSVP:** 30 January 2017



## Keeping track of our raptors

Three of the Redlands' most magnificent raptors are the focus of a new citizen science project.

The aim is to identify and map the nests of eastern ospreys, white-bellied sea eagles and brahminy kites.

Awareness of raptors in the Redlands has risen following the success of a nesting pole erected by Redland City Council at Wellington Point.

An initiative of Redland City Council, Birdlife Southern Queensland, the Birds in Backyards Program and the Atlas of Living Australia, the data collected will help in the management of areas where the birds nest. It will also help to fill gaps in information about the birds and their nesting behaviour.

If you want to be involved, you can register at [www.ala.org.au](http://www.ala.org.au). Type "biocollect" into the search box and then search for Redland to find local projects.

Wellington Point's osprey pole has become a tourism attraction and a favourite with locals. Even the birds are helping with economic development.

*Cr Wendy Boglary, Deputy Mayor Division 1 (Wellington Point Ormiston)*

RAPT: Redlanders have a chance to help fill gaps in our knowledge of three of the area's most common raptors, such as these Wellington Point ospreys.

## Bushcare's Family Day Out

Free fun in the great outdoors!



**FREE ENTRY**  
and all activities also free!

**Sunday 11 September  
10am – 2pm**

Bring the whole family along to IndigiScapes and enjoy a day of free hands-on activities and practical workshops

- Practical workshops and activities
- Nature Play Queensland activities
- Meet Des the Wedge-tailed Eagle
- Offsite bus trip to explore a local fishway
- Kids' activities and entertainment
- Prizes to be won
- Food and drink available for purchase

**MEET AN EAGLE**



[www.indigiscapes.com.au](http://www.indigiscapes.com.au)

**Redlands IndigiScapes Centre**  
17 Runnymede Road, Capalaba



# FESTIVALS

Through the Quandamooka Festival, our indigenous traditions and culture are being shared and celebrated ... and that's something very special.

Cr Peter Mitchell, Division 2  
(Cleveland, North Stradbroke Island)

## Keeping the Quandamooka spirit alive

Lincoln Costello drips water onto the white orche rock and rubs it with his fingers.

He draws white lines across his body, all the way down to his feet. It's the Barnjah paint up and the lines represent a giant bunya nut pod, the name he was given when he first learned to dance.

At the finale of the Quandamooka Festival, the Kunjiel (Corroboree) on Saturday 17 September, he will join family and friends to perform the Yulu Burri Ba Welcome dance and other favourites such as the Quandamooka people's totem, the Kabool carpet snake dance.

All up, Lincoln has spent hours dancing and undertaking traditional smoking ceremonies this Quandamooka Festival, sharing his people's stories and traditions with audiences that have doubled since last year's inaugural festival.



STORYTELLER: A familiar face of the festival, Lincoln Costello expresses Quandamooka stories and traditions through dance.

"Dancing is storytelling and each dance we perform at Quandamooka Festival expresses our stories and traditions," Lincoln says. "When I hear that didge (didgeridoo), I think of my people from the past and it makes me dance stronger."

The Kunjiel (corroboree) closing ceremony at Goompi (Dunwich) will also feature contemporary musicians Xavier Rudd and Chris Tamwoy.

Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation CEO Cameron Costello said the three-month festival was unique as it had

been planned, coordinated and delivered by Aboriginal people.

"The Quandamooka people in partnership with numerous sponsors including Redland City Council produce this great festival because we know how important it is for our community and for the broader community," Cameron said.

"The Quandamooka Elders had been asking for something like this festival for 20 years.

"It's about strengthening our culture and language and sharing and celebrating it with locals and visitors.

"For the Quandamooka people themselves, they see it as their responsibility to share their culture, so that visitors and people who live here can understand it and know how the Redlands was founded."

Info: [quandamookafestival.com.au](http://quandamookafestival.com.au)

## Redland Libraries



A family literacy program aimed at creating stronger language and literacy environments for 0-5's

Find out more at [f/redlandlibraries](https://www.facebook.com/redlandlibraries) and subscribe to Library Events.

For session times and locations visit Council's What's On page or pick up a Library Events Calendar from your local branch.

### Baby's Day Out

Ages: 0 – 12 months  
Introducing babies and parents to the joy of storytelling using finger rhymes and song. Siblings welcome.

### Tiny Tots Time

Ages: 0 – 2 years  
A morning of bouncing, dancing and rhymes.

### Chatter Matters

Ages: 18 months – 3 years  
An interactive program of story sharing, chatter and activities.

### Giggle and Wiggle Rhymes

Ages: 1 – 3 years  
A high energy music and dance session with action rhymes, singing and stories.

### Ready to Read

Ages: 18 months – 4 years  
An early literacy program covering alphabet, counting, colour and singing.

### It's Story Time

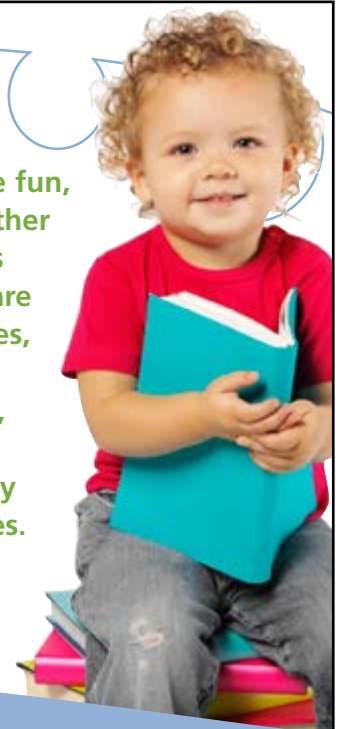
Ages: 2 – 5 years  
Join us for our favourite stories, rhymes and craft. Siblings welcome.

### Story Corner

Ages: 2 – 5 years  
Join us for our favourite stories and rhymes. Siblings welcome.



Join the fun, meet other families and share in stories, nursery rhymes, songs and play activities.



For session times and more information:  
Young Peoples Team

[youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:youngpeople@redland.qld.gov.au)

3843 8031

[www.redland.qld.gov.au/library](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/library)





## Indigenous artisan having a whale of a time

Local indigenous artist Delvene Cockatoo-Collins says the Quandamooka Festival has encouraged her art and business to reach the next level.

Delvene is one of many indigenous artists and market retailers who help make the Quandamooka Festival special by displaying their unique Aboriginal art, craft and homewares.

“After participating in the festival last year and receiving such a positive response to the event and my market stall, it made me want to stay involved and produce more artwork for this year,” she said.

“I’ve had more sales of my art this year at both YURA! (Welcome) and Yura Yalingbila (Welcome the Whales), which has really helped my small business.

“When people have purchased my art, they desire to hear the story associated with what I’ve produced and I have found they really appreciate you making yourself available to share its story.”

Delvene’s business, Made on Minjerribah, produces handcrafted artworks, screen-printed homewares, lino-printed frames and cards, porcelain whales and dugongs and ceramic necklaces. She is opening an art studio at 4 Stradbroke Place, Dunwich, early next month to create a space for exhibitions and art workshops for children and adults.

*CRAFT: Quandamooka artist Delvene Cockatoo-Collins’ handcrafted artworks such as this ceramic whale have been popular with visitors at this year’s festival.*



## Star Xavier Rudd to perform at Kunjiel

Xavier Rudd (above) is predicting his performance at Kunjiel, Quandamooka Festival’s closing corroboree on Saturday 17 September, will be powerful because of the unique spirit of Quandamooka Country.

The Australian singer-songwriter is looking forward to his performance on North Stradbroke Island, a place he knows well from shooting the film clip to 2012 hit *Follow the Sun* at Point Lookout.

“This will be the first time I will actually play on Straddie so it will be special,” Xavier said. “I’m aware of the history of reconciliation that’s going on at Straddie, so for me to be able to come over and do something involved in culture is something that feels right.”

It’s at 100 East Coast Road, Goompi (Dunwich), from 11am-9pm.

# REDLAND ART GALLERY

11 SEPTEMBER – 9 OCTOBER

## CREATIVE GENERATION EXCELLENCE AWARDS IN VISUAL ART

The *Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art* recognise and promote excellence in senior visual art education throughout Queensland state and non-state schools. Now in its 26th year, the program has helped raise community awareness of the degree of sophistication in concepts, diversity of technical competence, and the high standard of visual art education in Queensland secondary schools.

Presented by the Department of Education and Training in partnership with Redland Art Gallery



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10 SEPTEMBER – 8 OCTOBER

## DWIGHT RICKETTS ANCIENT GREECE

Redlands artist, Dwight Ricketts has created a unique series of paintings which shows Ancient Greece in all its glory. Dwight takes you on an historical journey through Ancient Greece, with his paintings highlighting Greek culture and everyday life at that time. A young man living with asperger syndrome, Dwight uses his art to express his views and feelings and create his own special language.

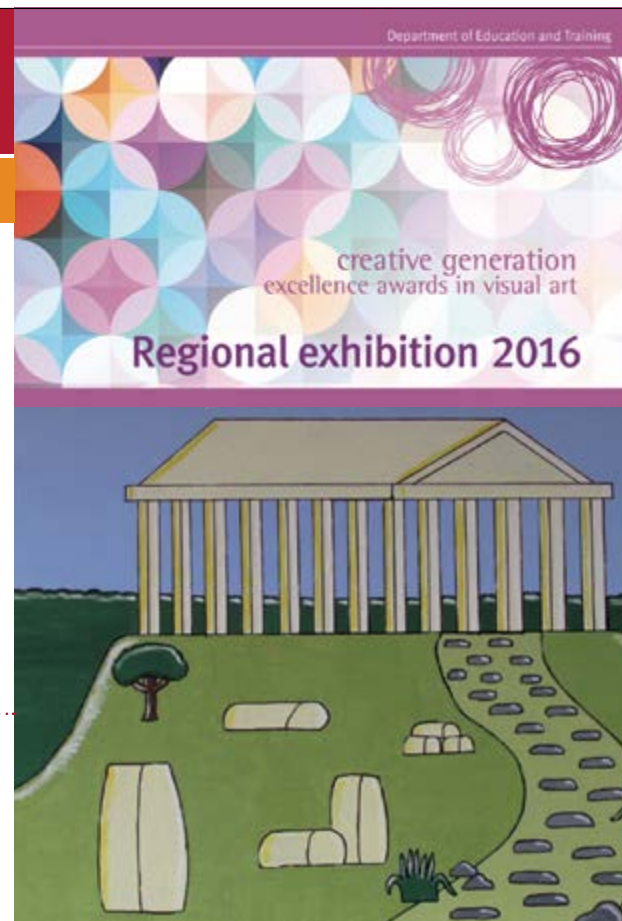
An exhibition held in conjunction with Disability Action Week 2016 (11 – 17 September)

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Redland Art Gallery is an initiative of Redland City Council, dedicated to the late Eddie Santag Juliana

Image: Dwight Ricketts, *The Parthenon* (detail) 2014, synthetic polymer paint on canvas. Courtesy of the artist.



# EVENTS

For rolling updates on Redlands events go to [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au) and click on 'What's On' in the Fast Find panel

## SEPTEMBER

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### The Drama Hub

Head to Wellington Point Recreational Hall for free trial after-school drama classes. Sessions for Prep to Year 3 are on from 3.30pm-4.30pm, with Years 4-7 from 4.30pm-5.30pm and Years 8-12 from 5.30pm-6.30pm. Info: [info@thedramahub.com.au](mailto:info@thedramahub.com.au).

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### Shakespeare in the Park

Twelfth Night, one of Shakespeare's best-loved comedies, comes to the Redland Performing Arts Centre's performance lawn from 6pm. Take a picnic blanket or camp chair and settle in for the night to experience this performance directed by the internationally renowned Rob Pensalfini and featuring the Queensland Shakespeare Ensemble. Tickets: adults \$45, seniors/pensioners \$42, students \$28, groups 10+ \$35. Bookings: RPAC Box Office, 2-16 Middle Street, Cleveland, call 3829 8131 or go to [rpc.com.au](http://rpc.com.au).

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### Aboriginal dance

All are invited to enjoy the closing ceremony of the Tangalooma Ecomarines - Care 4 Country event in conjunction with Coochiemudlo Coastcare. Enjoy Yulu Burri Ba dancers and a smoking ceremony. It's at mudlo (native garden) near the jetty, Coochiemudlo Island, at 2pm. Inquiries: 0488 886 000 or [mudlo@digisurf.net.au](mailto:mudlo@digisurf.net.au).

### Bushcare

Head along to the Redlands IndigiScapes Centre on Runnymede Road, Capalaba, on Sunday for a free family day out. There will be practical workshops and activities, kids' activities and entertainment, prizes to be won and a chance to meet Des the Wedge-tailed Eagle. There will also be food and drinks on sale. Info: 3824 8611.

### Creative Generation

The Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art will be announced from 11am at the opening event at the Redland Art Gallery, corner of Middle and Bloomfield

streets, Cleveland. These awards recognise and promote excellence in senior visual art education throughout Queensland state and non-state schools. Now in its 26th year, the program has helped raise community awareness of the degree of sophistication in concepts, diversity of technical competence, and the high standard of visual art education in our secondary schools. All excellence awarded artworks will feature at QAGOMA in 2017. Info: [artgallery.redland.qld.gov.au](http://artgallery.redland.qld.gov.au).

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### Quandamooka finale

The fun and friendship of the Kunjiel (corroboree) descends on Dunwich, on Straddie, to celebrate the closing season of the three-month Quandamooka Festival. It brings together traditional and contemporary dance, music and arts for a memorable day on the one dance ground. See story P20-21.

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### Coding for juniors

Tech-savvy youngsters aged six to 12 years can learn the language of computers at a free session at Victoria Point Library, Bunker Road, from 9.30am-10.30am. Bookings: 3884 4011 (open 8 September).

### Literary dinner

Cleveland's Grand View Hotel hosts a literary dinner with Richard Fidler from 7pm when the ABC presenter will talk about his new book *Ghost Empire*, a captivating story about his journey to Istanbul with his son during which they were swept into some of the most extraordinary tales in history. Cost: GV members \$45, guests \$50 (includes a two-course meal and glass of wine on arrival). Info: [www.gvh.com.au](http://www.gvh.com.au).

21-23

### For kicks

The SCA junior soccer camp comes to Redlands College, Anson Road, Wellington Point. This is for youngsters aged six to 12 years, as well as teens, who will get to learn the finer points of football and develop their skills. There will be a low camper-to-coach ratio to ensure safety and proper supervision. Info: [www.sportscampsaustralia.com.au](http://www.sportscampsaustralia.com.au).



## Four islands of fun

Get set to sail with the 4 Islands Multi Arts Festival which continues until 4 September across Macleay, Karragarra, Russell and Lamb islands.

This showcase of arts, music, food and family fun continues on Saturday 3 September when Lamb Island hosts a family fun day at the Lamb Island Recreational Club from 9am-2pm. There will be market, craft and food stalls as well as plenty of fun activities for the kids, including face painting, and entertainment by local musicians.

That evening the focus turns to Macleay Island Community Centre with the 4 Island Festival Concert from 7pm-9pm featuring world music and dance.

A highlight will be the Veranda Chix singing beautiful songs in Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and PNG languages, along with Brazilian and Cuban rhythms. Food and refreshments will be available.

On Sunday 4 September, the family fun moves to Russell Island's Jock Kennedy Park from 9am-4pm. The program will include live music, Aboriginal dance and weaving workshops, circus performers, and market, craft and food stalls. The festival's closing ceremony at 3pm will feature the Yulu Burri Ba Minjerribah Dance Troupe and the Straddie Island Singers.

Info: [www.4islandsfestival.com.au](http://www.4islandsfestival.com.au)

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### Paper art

The Redland Art Gallery, corner of Middle and Bloomfield streets, Cleveland, is hosting a paper-cutting workshop for kids aged 5-12 years from 10am-noon. There also will be a session for 13 to 15-year-olds from 1pm-3pm. Hosted by Elysha Rei, they are free. Bookings: 3829 8634.

22-23

### Get pedalling

Bayview Conservation Park, off Day Road, Redland Bay, will host a mountain bike racing camp over the Thursday and Friday with sessions for teens and youngsters aged six-12 years led by specialised coaches to develop and improve their skills. There will be a low camper-to-coach ratio to ensure safety and proper supervision. Info: [www.sportscampsaustralia.com.au](http://www.sportscampsaustralia.com.au).

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### Leisure expo

The Cleveland Caravan, Camping, Boating and 4x4 Expo will showcase some of Queensland and Australia's best caravan, motorhome, camper trailer, boating, fishing and 4x4 vehicles, all in the one location, allowing visitors to shop and compare products and services easily. This year's event at Cleveland Showgrounds will also showcase a range of products and services, including holiday and touring information, camping, 4x4 and boating accessories, insurance services, bush cooking, tools and more. Open: Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-5pm and Sunday 9am-4pm. Entry: adults \$10, Senior Card \$8, children free with an adult. Free return passes available. Info: [www.clevelandexpo.com.au](http://www.clevelandexpo.com.au).

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### Spring equinox

The Organic Farm on Lonicera Street, Macleay Island, will host the quarterly mini-festival Infinite EarthFest from 8am-2pm in celebration of the spring equinox. You will find market stalls, activities and workshops.

### Living dolls

Babushka beckons you into their musical dream house for a very grown-up play-date with the first childhood BFF, the doll. Swinging like a ragdoll between cute and creepy, the Babushka gals will nurse dolls, break dolls and become dolls in their original arrangements of everything from Queen to Offenbach. It's at the Redland Performing Arts Centre from 6.30pm. Tickets: \$30, available in person at RPAC Box Office, 2-16 Middle Street, Cleveland, or call 3829 8131 or visit [rpc.com.au](http://rpc.com.au).

## Dancing in the Streets

Dancing in the Streets is a fun way to get fit and meet new people while learning new dance moves!

Held every 3rd Saturday of the month at Wellington Point, Amos from Amos Latin Dance will get your heart pumping and body moving to the rhythmic style of Latin dancing and a surprise dancing genre to be announced on the night.

Bring your friends along for this fun evening ... no dancing experience is required.

It's on Main Road, outside Wellington Point Foodstore. The next Saturday sessions are from 6pm-9pm on 17 September, October 15 and 19 November.



As a community we are well blessed with interesting and often free events and activities, such as October's Bluesfest

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### Kids' workshops

Learn how to make wire sculptures with Melissa from Make Room Studio at the Redland Art Gallery Capalaba, Noeleen Street, from 10am-noon. It's for ages five to 10 years. Youngsters aged 8 years and up can learn how to make simple and safe LED lights to illuminate their own paper lanterns. From 1pm-3pm, 11 to 15-year-olds can learn all about hand lettering with Leona Fietz. Best of all, it's free. Bookings: 3829 8634.

## 27-29

### Beading

Youngsters aged eight years and up can design and make their own beaded creations to wear and take home at Redland libraries. There will be sessions at: Cleveland library, corner of Middle and Bloomfield streets, from 2pm-3pm, on 27 September; at Victoria Point Library, Bunker Road, from 2pm-3pm on 28 September; and at Capalaba Library, Noeleen Street, from 2pm-3pm on 29 September. Call your local library for more information.

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### Wonderful wildlife

Head to Redlands IndigiScapes Centre, Runnymede Road, Capalaba, from 10am-2pm for a fun family day where you can learn about the wonderful wildlife that embrace our beautiful creeks and bay. There will be displays plus wildlife presentations by Geckoes, family fun craft activities, storytelling and music making. Don't forget to bring some loose change to enjoy a BBQ and coffee. Due to building works parking at the venue will be limited and will fill quickly. Try the carpark on the corner of Korawal Street and Lyndon Road, then it's a short bushwalk or shuttle bus ride to the venue. Info: 3824 8611.

### Centenary

Russell Island State School will celebrate its 100th anniversary. The day will be loaded with culture and history, exhibitions and displays, food and a range of other activities. Check the school's Facebook page for more details.

## OCTOBER

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#### Homage to Van

Joe Creighton brings a tremendous authenticity to In the Mystic from 7.30pm at the Redland Performing Arts Centre, a show that pays homage to the legendary Irish songwriter that is Van Morrison. Creighton grew up at the same time and on the same streets in Belfast as Morrison, and he watched Van perform live in the early days of Them. It is this connection that allows Creighton to bring a raw honesty to his show that can't be matched by others. Tickets: adults \$45, seniors/pensioners \$42, students \$38, groups 10+ \$40. Bookings: In person at RPAC Box Office, 2-16 Middle Street, Cleveland, call 3829 8131 or go to [rpac.com.au](http://rpac.com.au).



## First Five Forever

Eight-month-old Knox Crowther is already showing a keen interest in books at the Cleveland Library.

With his mum Aimee Thomas Knox has been part of First Five Forever, a program which encourages listening skills, imagination and social interactions and connections.

The program is based on research which shows that up to 90 per cent of a child's brain development happens in the first five years.

Knox has been joining in basic talking, singing, reading and rhymes to help stimulate brain growth and early literacy development.

According to the Cleveland Library team: "It's never too early and it only takes ten minutes a day!"

For more information on the First Five Forever program and session details, see P21 or visit [www.redland.qld.gov.au](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au).

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### Welcome tragedy

After their stunning production of Henry V in 2014, Bell Shakespeare returns to the Redland Performing Arts Centre with one of Shakespeare's most moving and passionate tragedies, *Othello*. This is a devastating exploration of revenge, racism and wickedness; how a great but flawed man succumbs to jealousy, and how hatred destroys innocence. Directed by Peter Evans, it's in the concert hall from 7.30pm. Tickets: adults \$45, seniors/pensioners \$42, students \$28, groups 10+ \$35. Bookings: RPAC Box Office, 2-16 Middle Street, Cleveland, call 3829 8131 or go to [rpac.com.au](http://rpac.com.au).

## 11-12

### Code is back

The Code Club is back at our local libraries. These collaborative learning venues give kids a space in which to explore and experiment with coding options. They can discover the world of coding, create games and animations using Scratch; defeat ogres by coding their way through Code Combat; solve puzzles in Lightbot and much more. Participants must be available to attend all eight sessions.

#### Capalaba Code Club

Ages 9+  
Tuesdays from 3.45 - 4.45pm  
11 October - 29 November  
Bookings on 3843 8038

#### Cleveland Code Club

Ages 9+  
Wednesdays from 3.45 - 4.45pm  
12 October - 30 November  
Bookings on 3829 8856

#### Victoria Point Code Club

Ages 9+  
Wednesdays from 3.45 - 4.45pm  
12 October - 30 November  
Bookings on 3884 4011

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### Awesome electronics

Join the library to discover Arduino, a tool for making awesome electronics projects. You can use an Arduino to make anything from an automated bird feeder, to a location-sensing lock box, to a robot army. You'll learn about the components that make it all happen, and even some 3D printing to make your projects come to life. It's for ages 10 and up and you must be available to attend all eight sessions. It's every Thursday until 1 December from 3.45pm-4.45pm at Cleveland Library. Bring yourself, guardian and a laptop if you have one. Info: 3884 8856, [www.coderedlands.org.au](http://www.coderedlands.org.au) or [www.arduino.cc](http://www.arduino.cc).

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### Still got the blues

The Redland Bayside Blues Festival returns to Capalaba Regional Park with another top line-up of Aussie talent. Gates open at noon. Although entry is free, a gold coin donation will be appreciated to help the Rotary Club of Capalaba continue its great work. Keep an eye on [baysidebluesfestival.com](http://baysidebluesfestival.com) for the program. There will be plenty of food and drinks on sale.

### Full bloom

There will be magnificent display of blooms, orchids and growing products for sale as well as potting demonstrations, raffles and light refreshments at Cleveland's Donald Simpson Centre from 8.30am-3pm. Entry: adults \$3, children free. Proceeds from the Redlands Orchid Society show will support the Redland Hospital Auxiliary.

## 14 and 16

### Top art

The Redland Art Gallery Cleveland will host the Redland Art Awards' opening event and awards presentation from 6.30pm on Friday

14 September, with the judges' floor talk from noon on Sunday. The biennial Redland Art Awards is a painting competition open to all Australian artists. Visitors are encouraged to vote for their favourite entry when viewing the exhibition. RSVP acceptances for the opening by Wednesday 12 October to 3030 4163 or [galleries@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:galleries@redland.qld.gov.au).

## 27-27

### Classic ballet

By popular demand, the Russian National Ballet Theatre returns to the Redland Performing Arts Centre with a full-length classical performance of *Swan Lake*. This is one of the finest works of all ballet and one of the most loved and appreciated in the Russian National Ballet Theatre repertory. Tickets: adults \$69, seniors/pensioners \$59, full-time students \$49, group (8+) \$49, 14 years and under \$49, family (2+2) \$196. Bookings: In person at RPAC Box Office, 2-16 Middle Street, Cleveland, call 3829 8131 ( \$4 booking fee per transaction) or go to [rpac.com.au](http://rpac.com.au). Booking fees apply. Performances start at 7.30pm.

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### Mysteries

Local author Janice Gallen will talk about her *Cosy Little Mysteries* at Cleveland Library, corner of Middle and Bloomfield streets, from 10.30am. Come along and be intrigued as you try to manoeuvre the many twists. Bookings: 3829 8770

## November

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#### Oil painting workshop

Join the oil-painting workshop with Jun Chen at Redland Art Gallery from 9.30am-1.30pm. This is for ages 16 years and up and costs \$10. Booking: 3829 8634.

## Fun with INDIGIkids

Youngsters aged 8-12 years who love the environment will find lots of fun and adventure at IndigiKids Club at Redlands IndigiScapes Centre, Runnymede Road, Capalaba. As a member you will get to participate in all kinds of activities and workshops based around the local environment - some will even involve getting your hands dirty! Best of all, it's free.

If you're interested, contact the Community Environment Education Extension Officer on 3820 1104 or email [indigiscapes@redland.qld.gov.au](mailto:indigiscapes@redland.qld.gov.au) for enrolment forms. These need to be completed and returned before youngsters can participate. Check [www.indigiscapes.com.au](http://www.indigiscapes.com.au) for details.

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