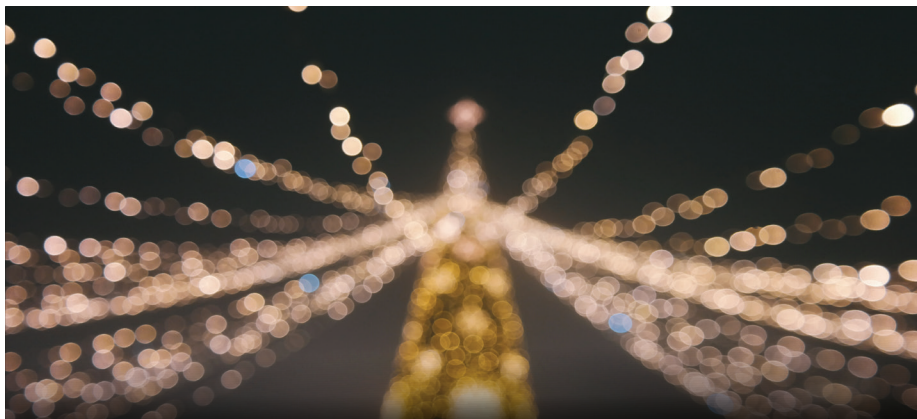


# Division 6 Update



## Get in the festive spirit

Locals have some awesome community Christmas celebrations planned for this year.

**The Mount Cotton Community Christmas Party** is on November 26. There will be all the usual fun and fare at Mt Cotton Park into the evening, plus a great line-up of performers.

Then you are all welcome to celebrate the **lighting of the city's Christmas tree in Cleveland's Library Square**, on the corner of Bloomfield and Middle streets, from 5pm-7.30pm on Friday, 1 December.

A variety of free Christmas fun and entertainment has been planned.

The event will include the **Twilight Makers Market**, "Christmas on Bloomfield", from 4pm.

**Christmas by Starlight**, the Redlands' biggest free community event, returns to Norm Price Park – Redlands Showgrounds in the heart of the city on Saturday 16 December. From 3pm–8pm, the park at Long Street, Cleveland, will host a wide range of free activities, including a children's show, traditional Christmas carols and fireworks. As usual, there will be a wide selection of food vendors.

Keep an eye on council's Facebook page and our website at [www.redland.qld.gov.au/cbs](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/cbs) for updates.



*GET READY: It's clean-up time.*

## Protecting residents from fire risks

Council is committed to helping residents reduce the risk of bushfire with work now well underway on 52 of the Fire Management Review's 56 recommendations.

The other four recommendations from the report handed down in July depend on the finalisation of other work.

Council has worked closely with the community to encourage the spring cleaning of properties and has found residents are very responsive. There have been significant improvements.

Council also continues its own program of fuel reduction burns and maintenance such as slashing and mowing. Officers also have been speaking with residents about what to do to in case of a fire.

Other initiatives include simplified disaster management plans and improvements to Council's "Red-e-Map" service, which allows users to check their risk of bush fire and the location of evacuation centres.

A specialist advice service is available with QFES officer Graham Wells willing to visit individual properties to advise on fire risk and property management plans. He can be contacted on 0457 821 919.





## Riders on a roll

The Chicks in the Sticks three-hour enduro event at Mt Cotton's Karingal Scout Camp has helped build the Redlands' reputation as a mountain biking destination.

It adds to the success of RATS Cycling Club, whose Bayview Blast has won a spot in the five-event National Marathon Series for 2018. The Bayview Trail Park is well and truly on the map and is becoming an important and popular venue for local and visiting riders.



ON A ROLL: The Chicks in the Sticks three-hour enduro event at Mt Cotton's Karingal Scout Camp.



## Stepping out

Redland Bushwalkers had a great time during their recent climb to the top of Mount Cotton.

Among them were: Betty, Bev, Carmel, Colin, George and Gayle, Gai, Geoff, Hilary M, Jene, Judy, Julie, Laurel and Rob, Leah, Lynn and Peter, Malcolm, Michael, Nooshin, Patricia, Tracy and Tuija.

## Council's holiday closures

### Phone services:

Closed from 5pm Friday 22 December, re-opening 8am 2 January, 2018

### Cleveland and Capalaba Customer Service Counters:

Closed from 4:30pm Friday 22 December, re-opening 8:30am 2 January, 2018

### Victoria Point Customer Service Counter:

Closed from 5pm Friday 22 December, re-opening 9am 2 January, 2018

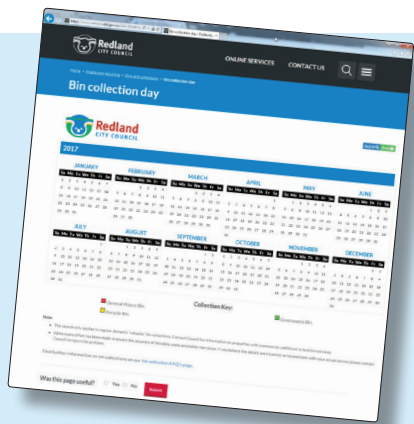
For urgent assistance over the closure, please call 3829 8999.

## Never miss bin day

"When is my bin collected?" is one of the most frequently asked questions by residents.

To help, Council has launched an online "When Is My Bin Day?" calendar, which can be accessed on your desktop, mobile, tablet and is printer friendly.

You can access the online bin collection calendar [www.redland.qld.gov.au/binday](http://www.redland.qld.gov.au/binday)



## Wild encounters

To report sick or injured wildlife, call Redlands 24-hour Wildlife Rescue on 3833 4031.

