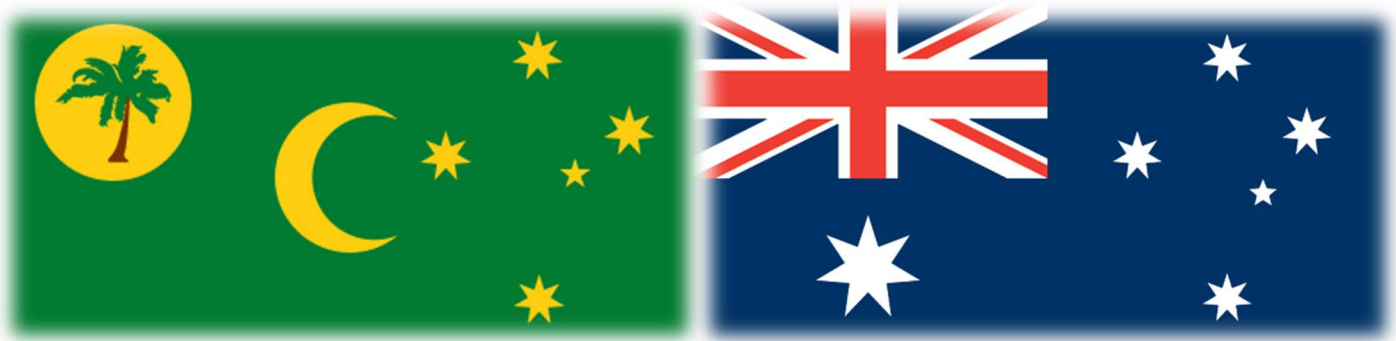


“THE ATOLL” COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Friday 25th August 2023 – Thursday 7th September 2023



The Cocos (Keeling) Islands comprises of 27 coral islands forming two atolls—situated 2768km north-west of Perth and 3685km due west of Darwin —and is an isolated speck in the Indian Ocean.

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Zulaikha at her birthday party and a beautiful sunset looking from Home Island foreshore.



Geof and Pam are in Wyndham looking for mud crabs.
Photo by: Geof Christie

West Island

Market Day

SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER



Authentic Cocos Malay Food



Farm Produce



Candles and essential oils



Food, art/craft and more!

Contact the CRC to book your FREE table!

E: info@cocosislandscrc.cc P: 9162 7707



10.00AM UNTIL SOLD!



CRC VERANDAH - WEST ISLAND



Cocos (K) Islands
Community Resource Centre

Your local connection

Rainfall Stats

Latest to 25 August 2023:

August Statistics
21mm
(not accurate)

Latest 2023 Statistics:
1174.8mm
(not accurate)



LATEST WEATHER
www.bom.gov.au

Emergency Contact List

AFP	9162 6600
VHF	Ch20
IOTHS WI Clinic	9162 6655
IOTHS HI Clinic	9162 7609
	VHF Ch24
DFES HI	9162 7788
DFES WI	9162 7777
VMRS	VHF Ch20
Shire HI	9162 6649
Watercorp	9162 6722

Thumbs Up

- 👍 To Cocos Yoga Community for volunteering their time for yoga classes.
- 👍 To Tropika and Saltys for feeding the stranded passengers .
- 👍 To team Altitude for their hard work in assisting passengers on the recent disrupted flight.
- 👍 Thank you to the ferry crew men for their patience and assistance during RJ service.

Feel free to email your thumbs up to the CRC for inclusion.



2023 PHOTO COMPETITION!



VOTE NOW!

One vote per person (open to residents and visitors)

If you would like your friends or family to vote, please share the entire photo competition album and allow them to vote for their favourite photo (not necessarily yours!)

Email votes accepted, FB comments/likes/messages are not.

VOTING CLOSES Sunday 17th September

08 9162 7707

www.cocos.crc.net.au

info@cocosislandscrc.cc

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RIDE THE WAVE



Join us at our events that will use mindfulness through art and use the body in yoga to calm the mind and body. Learn grounding techniques to help ride those big emotions.

West Island CIDHS

Monday 9th October 9 - 11am

Home Islands CIDHS

Wednesday 11th October 3 - 5pm

Please save the date, further details will be made available in the coming weeks!

Please contact the CRC for further information.

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COCOS KIDS



ARTS CLUB



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RIDE THE WAVE



Bergabunglah dengan kami di acara yang akan menggunakan kesedaran melalui seni dan menggunakan badan dalam yoga untuk menenangkan fikiran dan badan. Pelajari teknik untuk membantu mengatasi emosi yang besar.

West Island CIDHS

Senin 9hb Octoba 9 - 11 siang

Home Island CIDHS

Rebo 11hb Octoba 3 - 5 soreh

Tolong simpan hari bulan ini, informasi lebih lanjut akan disediakan dalam beberapa minggu yang akan datang!

Sila hubungi CRC untuk informasi lebih lanjut.

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CEO update

From the CEO's Desk 25 August 2023



Hello everyone and thank you for taking delivery of a copy of the Atoll. The Shire is never a dull place and as we move forward, many things are on the agenda. I will touch briefly on some of the issues that have come across my desk since the last Atoll.

Boat Ramp West Island – Shire staff in conjunction with some of our very dedicated boaties, have upgraded the ramp at the farm and moved the concrete slabs back into position. The ramp is working well for the time being with launch and retrieval possible. This ramp is not a long-term proposition, and we are working with the boaties to put out a petition to try and get some leverage from government to support construction of an all tide all weather ramp and pedestrian walkway. Present indications are if we can get the government to “come on board” with a bit over 5 million dollars we could have a fully operational ramp by the end of 2024.

Small Business Policy – I would like to personally thank all community members who have provided feedback and advice to me regarding the development of a “small business policy.” I have now been able to draft a policy to go to Council for approval. If approved as per the draft, I believe we have achieved an excellent outcome for community. Arising from this policy, the Shire will be developing a register of locally owned and operated small businesses on both West and Home Island.

Climate Change and Rising Sea Levels - Tourists and locals alike, need to be aware, we have big tides and possible tidal surges and inundations of the islands from Wednesday 30th August to Sunday 3 September. If the tides and inundations are anything like last month, be prepared for closure of South Road from time to time. The decision to close this road is not taken lightly and it is disappointing that some people choose to ignore the road closed signs. Road closures are advertised on social media, the blackboard on the Cocos Club wall facing Sydney Highway and are well sign posted so please adhere to these notices.

Kampong Houses - For the residents of the kampong on Home Island, in both rental and lease houses, I have instructed staff to engage a qualified electrician to inspect each house in the Kampong to make sure compliant smoke detectors/alarms are fitted to your houses. This is the highest priority we have for the houses now and all other works apart from emergency works will be put on hold for the time being. We are also developing a capital works list for all houses and I expect it to be complete by the end of October 2023. We will then make some decisions about priority works and develop a full kampong capital works program. Anyone expecting capital works to be done soon, I apologise for the intervention, but we must prioritise and sort the works out as a whole of Kampong issue, not an individual one.

Waste Management – due to the shift in behaviours of people visiting the transfer stations on both Home and West Island since the reforms, new transfer station hours will apply from Monday 28 August 2023 until further notice:

11am to midday on Mondays and Thursdays for both Home and West Island

3pm to 4pm on Sundays for Home Island only.

Additionally, we can open by appointment to receive commercial or residential waste paid for at the Shire Office.

Local Government Elections – I cannot underestimate the importance of Local Government Elections. The Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands will be holding elections on 21 October 2023 if there are more nominees than vacancies.

Nominations open on 31 August and close at 4.00 p.m. on 7 September 2023. Paul Roberts the West Australian Electoral Commission appointed Returning Officer for Cocos (Keeling) Islands will be on Island during this time to take nominations.

This is an important opportunity for residents on the electoral roll to stand up and represent your community for the exciting times that lay ahead. The Shire has 3 vacancies for 4-year term Councillors and 1 vacancy for a 2-year term Councillor. From young adults through to the elders, we want you to think about standing for election and supporting your community. This can be an excellent learning opportunity as well and for Home Islanders, we have interpreters to support candidates or people elected to Council, so any language barriers are overcome, and the elections of Councillors are open to everyone.

Community Leadership Meeting – After twelve months with the Shire, one of the things that I have noticed that the whole of Cocos (Keeling) Islands is missing an across the Islands community leadership group that meets on a regular basis to discuss issues they see as important to the Islands and its residents. I would like to get nominations from organisations such as Education, Health, Police, CRC, CMC, PKPK, Mosque committee, Elders on Home Island, IOTA and so forth who would like to be part of this group. If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact me at frank.mills@cocos.wa.gov.au

Until next time, please check you are on the electoral rolls as nomination for Council and voting is very important.

Frank Mills
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands



CEO update

Dari Meja CEO 25 August 2023



Halo semua dan terima kasi telah menerima pengiriman Atoll. Shire bukanlah tempat yang membosankan dan semasa kami maju kedepan, banyak perkara ada dalam agenda. Saya akan bicarakan sedikit beberapa hal yang ada di meja saya sejak Atoll yang lalu.

Boat Ramp Pulu Panjang – Pekerja Shire dengan beberapa orang yang berdedikasi, telah membaiki ramp di parma dan mengahkalkan slab konkrit di tempatnya. Ramp tersebut berfungsi dengan baik buat masa ini. Ramp ini bukanlah cadangan jangka panjang, dan kami sedang bekerjasama dengan orang-orang untuk mengeluarkan petisi untuk mencuba dan mendapatkan bantuan dari government untuk menyokong pembuatan ramp yang tahan segala cuaca dan tahan ayer dan tempat orang jalan. Petunjuk sekarang ialah jika kami boleh mendapatkan kerajaan untuk "ikut" dengan sedikit lebih 5 juta dolar, kami boleh mempunyai ramp yang beroperasi sepenuhnya pada ujung tahun 2024.

Polisi Bisnis Kecil - Saya ingin berterima kasi kepada masyarakat yang telah kasi pandangan dan nasihat tentang pembincangan "Polisi Bisnis Kecil". Saya sedang membuat daftar polisi untuk memberi Konsel untuk di persetujuhkan. Bila di sahkan daftar ini, saya rasa masyarakat mendapat keputusan yang sesuai. Sepelas persetujuan polisi ini, Shire akan membuat satu regista untuk bisnis lokal di West Island dan Home Island.

Climate change dan Ayer Naik - Tourists bersama dengan orang penduduk ingin dikasi perhatian tentang ada ayer besar dan mungkin banjir di pulu pada hari Rebo 30hb August hingga hari Minggu 3hb September. Kalok ayer naik dan banjiran seperti bulan yang kemarin, jalan Ujung Puji akan di tutup masa kemasa. Keputusan untuk jalan ini bukan di ambil seperti biasa dan kami kecewah yang ada berapa orang melanggar jalan yang ditutup. Jalan yang di tutup di siarkan di social media, papan hitam di Cocos Club yang terletak di pinggir jalan Sydney Highway dan juga ada sign di jalanan jadi kami minta di ikut notis ini.

Rumah Kampong - Bagi penduduk kampong di Home Island, baik rumah sewa maupun lease, saya telah mengarahkan pekerja kamu untuk mendapatkan tukang kilap yang berkualifikasi untuk memeriksa setiap rumah di Kampong untuk memastikan detector asap/alarm yang sesuai dipasang di rumah anda. Ini adalah keutamaan tertinggi yang kami ada untuk rumah sekarang dan semua pekerjaan lain selain pekerjaan emergensi akan ditunda untuk sementara waktu. Kami juga sedang membuat list pekerjaan untuk semua rumah dan saya menjangkakan ia akan siap pada hujung October 2023. Kemudiannya kami akan membuat beberapa keputusan mengenai pekerjaan keutamaan dan membuat program pekerjaan kampong secara penuh. Sesiapa yang mengharapakan pekerjaan untuk rumah, saya memohon maaf atas gangguan ini, tetapi kami mesti mengutamakan dan menyusun kerja-kerja secara keseluruhan untuk permasalahan Kampong, bukan satu per satu.

Pengurusan Sampah – disebabkan oleh perubahan orang yang membuang sampah di Home dan West Island sejak pertukaran, jam bukap tempat sampah yang baru akan bermula dari hari Senin 28 August 2023 sehingga notis selanjutnya:

11 pagi hingga tengah hari setiap hari Senin dan Khamis untuk Home dan West Island

3 petang hingga 4 petang setiap hari Minggu untuk Home Island sahaja.

Selain itu, kami boleh buka dengan appointment untuk menerima sampah komersial atau residential yang dibayar di Opis Shire.

Undian Local Government – Saya tidak boleh menilai pentingnya Undian Lokal Government. Shire Pulu Cocos akan mengadakan undian pada 21 October 2023 jika ada calon yang lebih untuk tempat yang kosong.

Pencalonan dibuka pada 31 August dan ditutup pada jam 4 petang pada 7 September 2023. Paul Roberts dari West Australian Electoral Commission yang dilantik sebagai Returning Officer untuk Cocos (Keeling) Islands akan berada di pulu pada masa ini untuk mengambil pencalonan.

Ini adalah kesempatan penting bagi penduduk yang terdaftar dalam daftar pemilih untuk berdiri dan mewakili masyarakat anda untuk masa-masa menarik yang akan datang. Shire mempunyai 3 tempat kosong untuk menjadi Komiti Konsel selama 4 tahun dan 1 tempat kosong untuk menjadi Komiti Konsel selama 2 tahun. Dari anak muda hingga orang dewasa, kami ingin anda berpikir untuk mencalonkan diri dalam undian ini dan menyokong masyarakat anda. Ini juga boleh menjadi peluang untuk belajar dan untuk penduduk Home Island, kami ada jurubahasa untuk menyokong calon atau orang yang dipilih menjadi Komiti Konsel, jadi sebarang halangan bahasa dapat diatasi dan undian Komiti Konsel terbuka kepada semua orang.

Pertemuan Pemimpin Masyarakat – Setelah dua belas bulan di Shire, salah satu hal yang saya perhatikan adalah bahwa Pulu Cocos tidak mempunyai kumpulan pemimpin masyarakat di Pulu yang bertemu secara tetap untuk membincangkan perkara yang mereka anggap penting bagi Pulu dan penduduknya. Saya ingin mendapatkan pencalonan daripada organisasi seperti Sekolah, Kesihatan, Polis, CRC, CMC, PKPK, PIPC, orang tua di Home Island, IOTA dan sebagainya yang ingin menjadi sebahagian daripada kumpulan ini. Jika anda berminat untuk menjadi sebahagian daripada kumpulan ini, sila hubungi saya frank.mills@cocos.wa.gov.au

Sampai jumpa lagi, sila pastikan bahwa anda ada dalam daftar pemilih karena pencalonan untuk Konsel dan pengundian sangatlah penting.

Frank Mills
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands



Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Position Vacant – Human Resources Officer

The Shire of Cocos (Keeling) islands is seeking applications for a Human Resources Officer. This full-time position is primarily based in the Home Island administration office.

Are you looking for a role that:

- builds your knowledge and expertise in human resource management across an organisation with many diverse roles
- enables you to support staff through every aspect of their career journey through sound human resource practices enabling their connection and engagement with an organisation
- provides a busy, diverse role that requires a high attention to detail, confidentiality and good time management skills

The key areas of responsibility include but are not limited to:

- Building collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders to ensure the delivery of quality Human Resources services.
- Liaising with employees and other relevant stakeholders to ensure all information and processes relating to employee commencement, condition alterations and/or departures are completed accurately.
- Support the delivery of internal and external recruitment and selection, including advertisements, reviewing position descriptions and interview resources.
- Support the delivery of training, including researching, organising, and processing training completion records.
- Relief payroll
- Other staff related administration requirements

About you:

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate the desired experience and abilities below:

- Be a good communicator with the ability to liaise with internal and external stakeholders.
- Ability to follow process and procedures and apply this information in decision making and advice.
- Ability to maintain accurate records and prepare reports and data.
- Ability to prioritise, managing study requirements and regular tasks.

If you are a highly motivated individual who is eager to learn, then we encourage you to apply for this exciting opportunity and start your career in Human Resources.

Essential to your success:

- Willing to commit to completing a formal qualification in Human Resources (Cert IV)
- An Australian or New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- Committed to work in alignment to Council's values.

A copy of the Position Description is available on the Shire website or email a request to the Manager Finance & Corporate Services vikki.lauritsen@cocos.wa.gov.au

Applicants wishing to apply for this opportunity are to submit a copy of their current resume and a covering letter (not more than 2 pages) addressing why they are interested in and suitable for this role.

Applications addressed to the Manager Finance & Corporate Services must reach the Home Island Shire Office **no later than 9.00am, Monday 4 September 2023.** Applications can be mailed, hand delivered or emailed to vikki.lauritsen@cocos.wa.gov.au.



Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands

ANIMAL CAUSING NUISANCE

The Shire Rangers have recently received numerous complaints regarding an increasing number of wandering stray cats (this includes pet cats), chickens, roosters and ducks causing a nuisance. This is mainly within the residential areas of West and Home Islands. Consequently, the Shire is reminding all residents regarding their pet ownership responsibilities.

CATS

In accordance with the *Cat Act 2011 (WA) (CKI)*, cats from 6 months of age must be registered with Shire, wear registration tag, be sterilised/microchipped and contain on your own property.

We are in the process of organising a vet visit to do another cat sterilisation program on Island and we are still waiting on an approved premises to do the cat program. This will be the final opportunity for cat owners to adhere to the requirements under the *Cat Act 2011 (WA) (CKI)*. After this program, the Shire will be issuing infringements to cat owners where their cat(s) remain unregistered, unsterilised and not microchipped.

In addition, the Shire Ranger is increasing the cat trapping and humane disposal program of stray/feral cats (unregistered/unmarked cats may be assumed stray) on both Home and West Islands. To avoid any confusion please register your cat today and ensure they are wearing their tags and contained within your property.

POULTRY

Regarding poultry, owners are responsible for their poultry and that they remain within the perimeter of the owner's property. We ask that Owners ensure:

- Poultry are not creating a nuisance to residents in the area. Roosters are especially prone to cause noise nuisance in residential areas, and their keeping should be avoided.
- Poultry must be kept in an enclosure suited to the number and size.
- All enclosures must be at least one metre from property boundary fence and away from any road or local government property.

The Shire Ranger has also recommenced the control program of stray poultry and this program will continue on a regular basis where it is safe to do so.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Shire Ranger on 08 9162 7602.



Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands

BINATANG MENYEBABKAN GANGGUAN

Ranger Shire baru-baru ini menerima banyak aduan mengenai peningkatan jumlah kucing luaran yang berkeliaran (ini termasuk kucing piaraan), ayam, pak ayam dan bebek yang menyebabkan gangguan. Ini terutamanya di kawasan kediaman Pulu Panjang dan Home Island. Oleh itu, Shire mengingatkan semua masyarakat mengenai tanggungjawab piaraan binatang kesayangan mereka.

KUCING

Selaras dengan *Cat Act 2011 (WA) (CKI)*, kucing dari umur 6 bulan mesti diregista dengan Shire, memakai tag regista, di sunat/microchip dan ada ditempat anda sendiri.

Kami sedang dalam proses mengatur lawatan doktor binatang untuk melakukan satu lagi program sunat kucing di Pulu dan kami masih menunggu tempat yang diluluskan untuk melakukan program ini. Ini akan menjadi peluang terakhir bagi pemilik kucing untuk mematuhi syarat di bawah *Cat Act 2011 (WA) (CKI)*. Selepas program ini, Shire akan mengeluarkan pelanggaran kepada pemilik kucing jika kucing mereka tidak diregista, tidak di sunat dan tidak di microchip.

Di samping itu, Shire Ranger meningkatkan program jipah kucing dan menghabiskan kucing luaran (kucing yang tidak diregista/tidak bertanda mungkin dianggap sesat) di Home Island dan Pulu Panajang. Untuk mengelakkan sebarang kekeliruan, sila regista kucing anda hari ini dan pastikan mereka memakai tag mereka dan ada di tempat anda.

AYAM

Mengenai ayam, pemilik bertanggungjawab untuk ayam mereka dan bahawa mereka tetap ada dalam batas tempat pemiliknya. Kami meminta pemilik memastikan:

1. Ayam tidak menimbulkan gangguan kepada penduduk di kawasan itu. Pak ayam sangat mudah menyebabkan gangguan bising di kawasan kediaman, dan pemeliharaannya harus dielakkan.
2. Ayam mesti disimpan di dalam kandang yang sesuai dengan jumlah dan saiznya.
3. Semua kandang mestilah sekurang-kurangnya satu meter dari pagar boundari dan jauh dari mana-mana jalan atau properti kerajaan tempatan.

Shire Ranger juga telah menyambung semula program kawalan ayam luaran dan program ini akan diteruskan secara tetap di mana ia selamat untuk berbuat demikian.

Sekiranya anda mempunyai sebarang pertanyaan mengenai perkara ini, jangan ragu untuk menghubungi Shire Ranger di nomor 08 9162 7602.

Green Waste Tip

Garden Organics only



Palm fronds



Coconuts



Garden prunings



No household rubbish



No cardboard



No broken furniture



For more information
Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands
+61 8 9162 6649 <https://shire.cc/en/>

Towards Zero Waste

Sampah Daun/Pokok

Barang kebun sahaja



Atap



Kelapa



Pokok/Carang



Sampah rumah



Bok



Bekakas rumah



For more information
Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands
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Towards Zero Waste

Water refill locations

West Island - WI



Airport



CRC lawn



Tennis court

Home Island - HI



War memorial



Home Island CRC

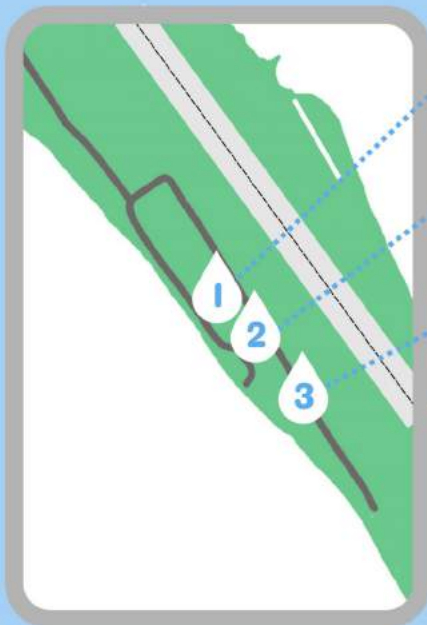
Drinking water is treated on island by Water Corporation and meets the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines. Cocos (Keeling) Islands tap water is safe to drink.



Cocos (Keeling) Islands Water refill locations



West Island



Airport
(Inside terminal)

CRC lawn

Tennis Courts

War memorial

Home Island CRC



Home Island

Coral reef monitoring and research program

A team of marine biologists from James Cook University will visit the Cocos Islands from September 5 to 12 as part of a coral reef monitoring and research program. The purpose of the program is to assess the health of the surrounding reef and its inhabitants (e.g. fish). The program also aims to locate critical spawning and nursery habitats, and identify the main threats.

The program seeks to involve the Cocos Islands community by tapping into their local knowledge and engaging locals in the monitoring and researching of their own reefs. Having locals keep an eye on the reef helps ensure that any changes in reef health are detected. A range of activities will take place at West and Home Islands over the coming months. The first activity will be an in-water training session on how to assess coral health. This will take place at Trannies Beach at 9 am on Sunday September 10. Everyone is welcome, no scientific background is required, please bring your own snorkelling gear.

There will also be an information session outlining the coral reef monitoring and research program:

- Home Island: 6:30 pm on Wednesday September 6 at the Cyclone Shelter
- West Island: 6:30 pm on Thursday September 7 at the Club.

Please join us to learn more about this exciting program and how you can get involved. Alternatively, email your questions to: jp.hobbs@jcu.edu.au

This coral reef monitoring and research program is funded by the Indian Ocean Territories Marine Parks grants that was established by Parks Australia and the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water. Images courtesy of Tane Sinclair-Taylor.



Program menjaga dan penyelidikan baria

Kumpulan marine biologists dari James Cook University akan melawat Pulu Cocos dari 5 hingga 12 September sebagai sebahagian daripada program menjaga dan penyelidikan baria. Tujuan program ini adalah untuk menilai kesihatan di sekeliling baria dan binatang-binatang yang tinggal disitu (contohnya ikan). Program ini juga bertujuan untuk mencari tempat yang penting untuk ikan betelor dan tempat anak-anak ikan, dan mengenal pasti ancaman nya.

Program ini bertujuan untuk melibatkan masyarakat Pulu Cocos dengan memanfaatkan pengetahuan mereka dan melibatkan penduduk dalam penjagaan dan penyelidikan baria mereka. Dengan penduduk memperhatikan baria membantu memastikan sembarang perubahan dalam kesihatan baria dikesan. Berbagai aktiviti akan berlangsung di Pulu Panjang dan di Kampong dalam beberapa bulan akan datang. Aktiviti pertama sesi latihan dalam ayer tentang cara menilai kesihatan baria. Ini akan berlangsung di Belakang Batu Karang pada jam 9 pagi pada hari Minggu 10 September. Semua orang dipersilakan datang, tidak perlu latar belakang saintifik diperlukan, sila bawak bekakas selulup sendiri.

Juga akan ada sesi informasi yang menerangkan tujuan program penjagaan dan penyelidikan baria:

- Home Island: 6:30malam hari Rabu 6 September di Rumah Masyarakat
- West Island: 6:30malam hari Khamis 7 September di Club.

Sila ikut kami untuk belajar lebih lanjut tentang program yang menarik ini dan bagaimana anda boleh bantu.

Atau, kirim pertanyaan anda melalui emel ke: jp.hobbs@jcu.edu.au

Program menjaga dan penyelidikan baria diongoskan oleh Indian Ocean Territories Marine Parks grants yang didirikan oleh Parks Australia dan Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water. Gambar dimiliki Tane Sinclair-Taylor.





Cocos Islands

Yoga for
PAIN RELIEF

WORKSHOP WITH SHANI ABERGIL

WHEN & WHERE

Home Island -
 Cyclone shelter
 Wednesday 13th September
 4:15-5:45 PM

West Island
 District High School
 Thursday 14th September
 4:30-6 PM

INVESTMENT

\$30
 All proceeds go to
 Cocos Community Yoga

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

Please email or WhatsApp
 Shani to save your spot

WHAT TO EXPECT

We will explore several
 techniques to help manage
 painful sensations in our
 bodies



Practical tools and postures to
 stimulate the Vagus nerve



Breathing techniques for daily
 practice



Meditation and mindfulness -
 Being present with sensations

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**Mr Travis Cranley from Legal Aid WA is
visiting Cocos (Keeling) Islands from
Tuesday 5th – Friday 8th September 2023.**

To make an appointment for legal advice
please phone **(08) 9164 7529** or
(08) 9261 6389

**Mr Travis Cranley dari Legal Aid WA
akan melawat Pulu Cocos dari
Selasa 5hb – Jumaat 8hb September 2023.**

Untuk membuat appointment untuk
mendapatkan nasihat sila telefon
(08) 9164 7529 atau **(08) 9261 6389**



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**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
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Number:	SC 30/2023	Date:	18 August 2023
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Director, Indian Ocean Territories Administration

Christmas Island based with travel to the Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Perth and Canberra

Full time ongoing vacancy

\$139,128 – \$160,548

(salary and conditions may be negotiable for suitable candidate)

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is seeking a high performing employee to fill the role of Director, IOTA. The Director has a critical role supporting the Administrator of the Indian Ocean Territories (IOTs) and is the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts senior representative on island.

This is a challenging role and the successful applicant will need to demonstrate the ability to lead diverse operational business units, provide general government administration in remote locations, and work collaboratively in a diverse cultural environment.

Our ideal applicant will have strong leadership and communication skills including stakeholder engagement, consultation and representational skills. They will have a strong understanding of good governance practice; proven ability to shape strategy; to work under general direction and identify and manage risk; and will be skilled in delivering outcomes in remote areas.

They will have demonstrated experience in building and leading high performing teams and managing resources and deliverables in accordance with agreed budgets and plans in an operational environment. They will also have the ability to work collegiately across a geographically dispersed organisation to deliver agreed outcomes.

Ability to obtain a Baseline Security clearance with the Australian Government Security Vetting Agency is also an essential requirement for this role.

To be considered, applicants must hold a current Drivers Licence transferable to the Indian Ocean Territories and will be subject to a pre-employment screening and health assessment.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **110042**.

Applications close 4.00pm Christmas Island local time (CXT) (UTC+7),

Thursday, 7 September 2023



Australian Government

**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts**



Number:	SC 31 / 2023	Date:	18 August 2023
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Senior Registered Nurse Level 1 Cocos (Keeling) Islands Full Time Ongoing Vacancy

Package valued in excess of \$205,972 including:

- Base salary of \$104,093 per annum
- Employer contribution to superannuation at 16% of base salary
- District Allowance payable in addition to base salary
- Generous leave entitlements
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth
- Relocation assistance may be provided if relocating to the Territories
- Heavily subsidised housing and motor vehicle if relocating to the Indian Ocean Territories

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking a motivated, professional and suitably qualified person to join our team as the Senior Registered Nurse Level 1 within the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) based on the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

The IOTHS delivers a primary and acute health care service in two of Australia’s most remote and most spectacular settings - Christmas Island (CI) and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (CKI). The IOTHS includes a 24 hour eight bed hospital and primary care facility on CI and clinics on Home and West Islands in the CKI. The IOTHS is committed to “Working with our communities to keep us healthy for the whole of our lives”.

The key responsibilities of the Senior Registered Nurse Level 1 position are to deliver high quality and comprehensive nursing and emergency care, and to manage complex nursing cases in a rural and remote setting. In addition, the Senior Registered Nurse Level 1 position will be a professional role model, resource and support for colleagues. The position is required to independently manage several portfolios and participate in an on-call roster outside of clinic hours.

Our ideal applicant will possess recent demonstrable advanced standard of clinical skills in a rural and remote health setting as well as recent emergency management qualifications and experience including the ability to manage an emergency with minimum support. Additionally, the successful candidate will have experience in the development and delivery of health care using primary health principles and primary health care programs. Well-developed communication and analytical skills and a commitment to quality improvement are also essential.

Applicants with Remote Area Nurse credentials or working towards certification, experience in living and working in a rural or remote environment and with a multicultural workforce and community will be well regarded.

To be considered, applicants must be currently registered as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) and hold tertiary / post graduate qualifications in immunisation and pharmacotherapeutics. Applicants must hold a current valid Driver’s Licence transferable to the Indian Ocean Territories, be eligible to obtain a valid Western Australia Working with Children Check and provide proof of vaccination or immunity as required by the IOTHS.

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**Applications close 4.00pm (Christmas Island local time) (CXT) (UTC+7),
Thursday 7 September 2023**



Government of **Western Australia**
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Tough new penalties for unfair Terms & Conditions

Do you read every term and condition that comes with the products and services you buy in the IOT? Most of us don't, so from 9 November 2023, the Australian Consumer Law will change to give us better protection.

'Standard form' contracts are often used by businesses with lots of customers like phone, gym, car rental and travel/tour companies. All customers sign the same contract, and because they are often 'take it or leave it', you can't cross out the unfair bits. You either sign up or miss out on the product or service.

What's changed?

- Businesses will need to limit fees and charges to meet reasonable service costs. Unfair customer penalties = unfair contract terms.
- Until now only a court could decide if a contract term was unfair and cancel it – but they couldn't impose penalties if the businesses included them in 'standard form' contracts.

From November heavy penalties for unfair contracts can be applied. For a business the penalty can be as high as \$50 million for a serious offence, and for an individual up to \$2.5 million.

What's an unfair contract?

- Unfair contracts give a business more power than the customer e.g. the customer pays a heavy price for a small change to their trip itinerary, or worse, they pay for a change that wasn't even their fault e.g. a cancelled flight or cruise.
- Any contract that contains terms that aren't reasonable or even necessary to protect the business, that can't be easily understood, or come with a heavy cost to you (financial or otherwise) when used will be considered unfair.

If you think you've found an unfair contract term let us know. Contact Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54 or consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au



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Hukuman baru yang berat untuk Syarat & Ketentuan yang tidak adil

Apakah anda membaca setiap syarat dan ketentuan yang datang dengan produk dan servis yang anda beli di IOT? Kebanyakan kami tidak melakukannya, jadi mulai 9 November 2023, Australian Consumer Law akan berubah untuk memberi kami perlindungan yang lebih baik.

Kontrak 'Standard form' sering digunakan oleh bisnis-bisnis yang mempunyai ramai pelanggan seperti komapani telepon, gym, sewa kereta dan trave/tour. Semua pelanggan menandatangani kontrak yang sama, dan kerana mereka sering 'ambil atau tinggalkan', anda tidak boleh memotong bahagian yang tidak adil. Anda sama ada mendaftar atau tidak dapat produk atau servis.

Apa yang berubah?

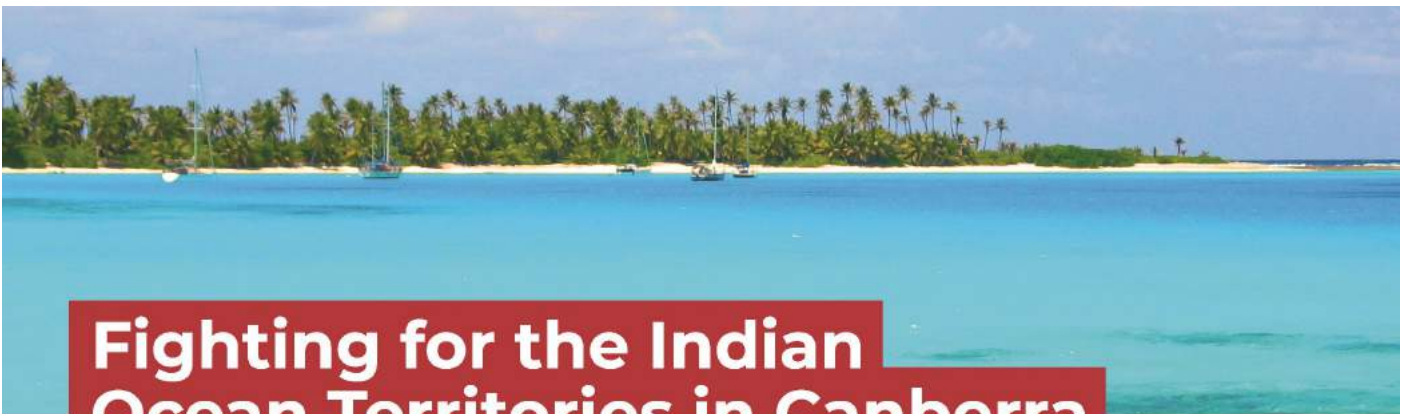
- Bisnis-bisnis perlu membatasi ongkos dan bayaran untuk memenuhi ongkos servis yang wajar. Denda pelanggan yang tidak adil = syarat kontrak yang tidak adil.
- Hingga saat ini hanya mahkamah yang boleh memutuskan sama ada tempoh kontrak tidak adil dan membatalkannya – tetapi mereka tidak boleh mengenakan denda jika bisnis-bisnis memasukkannya ke dalam kontrak 'standard form'.

Mulai November hukuman berat untuk kontrak yang tidak adil boleh dikenakan. Untuk bisnis, denda boleh setinggi \$50 juta untuk pelanggaran serius, dan untuk individu hingga \$2.5 juta.

Apakah kontrak yang tidak adil?

- Kontrak yang tidak adil memberikan bisnis lebih banyak kuasa daripada pelanggan contohnya, pelanggan membayar harga yang tinggi untuk perubahan kecil pada jadual perjalanan mereka, atau lebih teruk lagi, mereka membayar untuk perubahan yang bukan salah mereka contohnya, penerbangan atau pelayaran yang dibatalkan.
- Mana-mana kontrak yang mengandungi persyaranan yang tidak wajar atau perlu untuk melindungi perniagaan, yang tidak dapat difahami dengan mudah, atau mendatangkan kos yang tinggi kepada anda (keuangan atau sebaliknya) apabila digunakan akan dianggap tidak adil.

Jika anda rasa anda telah menemui ketentuan kontrak yang tidak adil, beritahu kami. Hubungi Perlindungan Pengguna di 1300 30 40 54 atau consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au



Fighting for the Indian Ocean Territories in Canberra



“I know the challenges facing island communities because I grew up on an island. Whilst there's no quick fixes to supply chain and freight issues, I'll be strongly supporting community-led solutions. I'm also taking the messages I got from islanders about climate change threats and diversifying island economies to all relevant ministers.”

Marion Scrymgour

✉ marion.scrymgour.mp@aph.gov.au

☎ **Coolalinga (08) 8983 3129**
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Berjuang untuk Indian Ocean Territories di Canberra



“Saya tahu cabaran yang dihadapi oleh masyarakat pulau karena saya dibesarkan di pulau. Walaupun tidak ada pembedolan yang cepat untuk masalah freight, saya akan sangat menyokong penyelesaian yang dipimpin oleh masyarakat. Saya juga menyampaikan pesan yang saya dapatkan dari penduduk pulau tentang ancaman perubahan climate dan mempelbagaikan ekonomi pulau kepada semua minister yang berkaitan.”

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Drink tap water

Towards Zero Waste



DID YOU KNOW?

Drinking water is treated on island by Water Corporation.

Tap water is healthy.



Australian Government
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GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
Department of
Water and Environmental Regulation



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Would you like to advertise your local business here?

We would like to invite local businesses to advertise their services in The Atoll.

Perhaps you would like to announce any specials, new stock, business information or a “get to know a staff member”.

This is a great initiative for you to promote your business to the local community!

For further information, please contact the Cocos Keeling Islands Community Resource Centre.

Email: info@cocosislandscrc.cc

Phone: 9162 7707

Tricky Problem? Worried or Sad? Need an Advocate?
VISITING SOCIAL WORKER
5-15 September
 Free, face to face, confidential

Help with practical issues
 - filling in forms, finding information, links to other support

Counselling
 - a safe space to talk

Advocacy
 - help to talk to businesses or agencies, information about your rights

Contact on Cocos Islands via the clinics or email below

Contact on Christmas Island see below

No referral required

Lisa Dore
 IOTHS Community Social Worker
 9164 8333 | 0447 975 436
lisa.dore@infrastructure.gov.au




Representing Cocos Keeling Islands in Parliament

A message from Senator Malarndirri McCarthy
 Your Labor Senator for Cocos Keeling Islands

As your representative in the Australian Parliament, I want to make sure your voices are heard on the issues that matter to you and your community.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with my office if I can be of any assistance.



Authorised by Malarndirri McCarthy, ALP, 38 Mitchell Street, Darwin NT 0800

Senator.McCarthy@aph.gov.au
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Blast From The Past



Bar Baru
Translation - New Bar

The only remains of Bar Baru is the shelter at Canoe Beach.

Photo taken sometime in 2010.

Photo Source: Cocos As it Was

Did You Know

The actual bar of the Bar Baru was actually made of glass bottles.

Cocos Malay Dictionary

Sand - Pasir
Beach - Pinggir Laut
Sea - Laut
Island - Pulu
Tree - Pokok
Shelter - Pondok
Camping - Menginap
Seafood - Makanan Laut
Sea Water - Air Laut

Thought of The Day

“Success is not forever, failure is not deadly, what matters is having the courage to keep going”.

- *Winston Churchill*

“The key to doing great work is to love what you do.”

- *Steve Jobs*

“Believe in yourself, and you’re already halfway to achieving your goals.”

- *Theodore Roosevelt*

“Opportunities often hide within difficult situations.”

- *Albert Einstein*

“Our doubts today can limit our potential for tomorrow.”

- *Franklin D. Roosevelt*

“Focus on being valuable rather than just being successful.”

- *Albert Einstein*

“Don’t waste your limited time living someone else’s life.”

- *Steve Jobs*

“Every journey begins with a single step.”

- *Lao Tzu*

“The future is shaped by what you do today.”

- *Mahatma Gandhi*



Not all storms come to disrupt your life; some come to clear your path

Paulo Coelho

Riddles

1. What is so fragile that saying its name breaks it?
2. What can run but never walks, has a mouth but never talks, has a head but never weeps, has a bed but never sleeps?
3. Speaking of rivers, a man calls his dog from the opposite side of the river. The dog crosses the river without getting wet, and without using a bridge or boat. How?
4. What can fill a room but takes up no space?
5. If you drop me I’m sure to crack, but give me a smile and I’ll always smile back. What am I?
6. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What are they?
7. I turn once, what is out will not get in. I turn again, what is in will not get out. What am I?
8. People make me, save me, change me, raise me. What am I?
9. What breaks yet never falls, and what falls yet never breaks?



- Answer:
1. Silence
 2. A river
 3. The river was frozen
 4. Light
 5. A mirror
 6. Footsteps
 7. A key
 8. Money
 9. Day, and night

HEALTH TIPS

20 Incredible Health Benefits of Drinking Water Every Day

1. Prevents constipation
2. Aids digestion
3. Supports kidneys health
4. Boosts skin health
5. Makes you work out better
6. Improves mood
7. Keeps you energized
8. Helps you lose weight
9. Boosts the immune system
10. Flushes out toxins
11. Boosts your brain power
12. Prevents headaches
13. Prevents cramps and sprains
14. Regulates body temperature
15. Prevents bad breath
16. Good for your heart
17. Ensures efficient transportation of minerals and nutrients throughout the body
18. It aids in forming saliva and mucus that keeps your eyes, nose, and mouth moist
19. Helps fight sickness
20. Improves oxygen circulation



Cocos Resident Profile

Name: Dan Williams

Kampong Name: Pak Braedan

Place of Birth: Christchurch, New Zealand

Besides Cocos, where have you resided or visited?

Christchurch, Brisbane, and Canberra.



What were you doing before?

Counter Terrorism First Response patrols at Canberra Airport.

What are you doing now?

Community Policing.

What are the top 3 things you love about living on Cocos?

The Community, the amazing wildlife and the weather.

What are the things that you would like to do on Cocos that you haven't had the chance to?

Learn how to fish properly.

Do you have a Cocos moment/mishap/ experience to share?

I went out a little further out than intended when snorkeling the Rip. Had a bit of a swim back.

Favourite sport/activity?

Exploring the many wonders around Cocos.

Favourite 3 places on Cocos?

The Coal barge, Pulu Maraya and Direction Island

Favourite Cocos food?

Nasi Kuning Ayam Panggang

If you could change Cocos what would you do first?

Like many, get a more regular and reliable delivery service of food and products to the island.

If you were stranded on North Keeling Island for 1 year, what 3 items would you require?

Fire lighter, fishing rod and my coconut spike.

List some of the things you are passionate about?

Helping the community and getting out enjoying everything the islands have to offer while I'm here.

Is there anything else interesting you would like to share with us?

My AFP journey has even taken me back to my home town of Christchurch immediately after the 2011 earthquakes where we supported the local police and my own community.

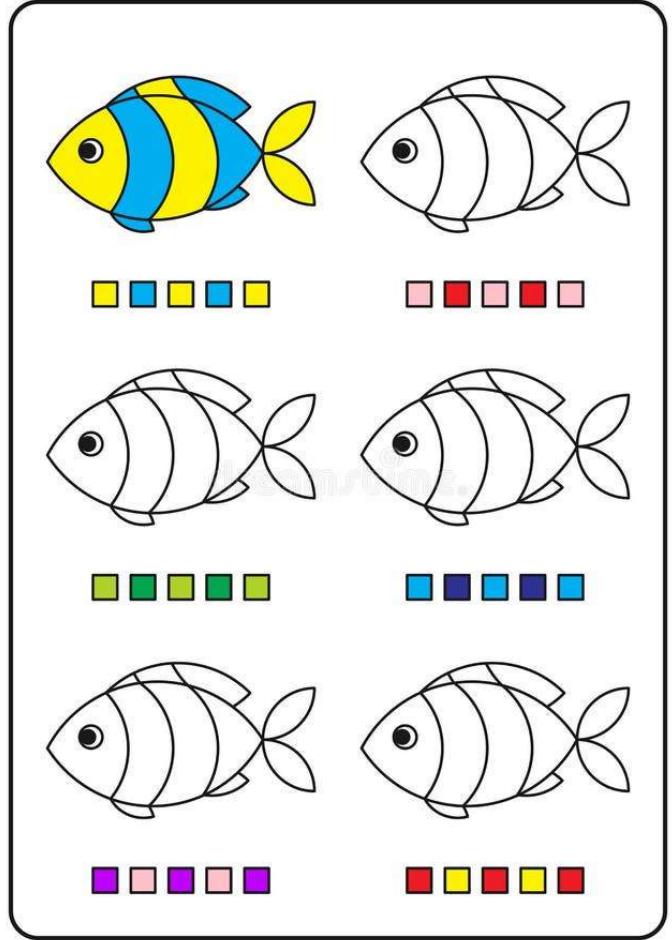




2023 AFL Broadcast Guide Cocos Keeling Islands Time

ROUND 24

Match	Channel	Time
Friday 25 August		
Essendon VS Collingwood	7mate	4.00pm
Saturday 26 August		
Hawthorn VS Fremantle	Channel 7	10.00am
West Coast Eagles VS Adelaide Crows	7mate	4.30pm
Sunday 27 August		
Sydney Swans VS Melbourne	Channel 7	11.30am



SEASIDE MAZE

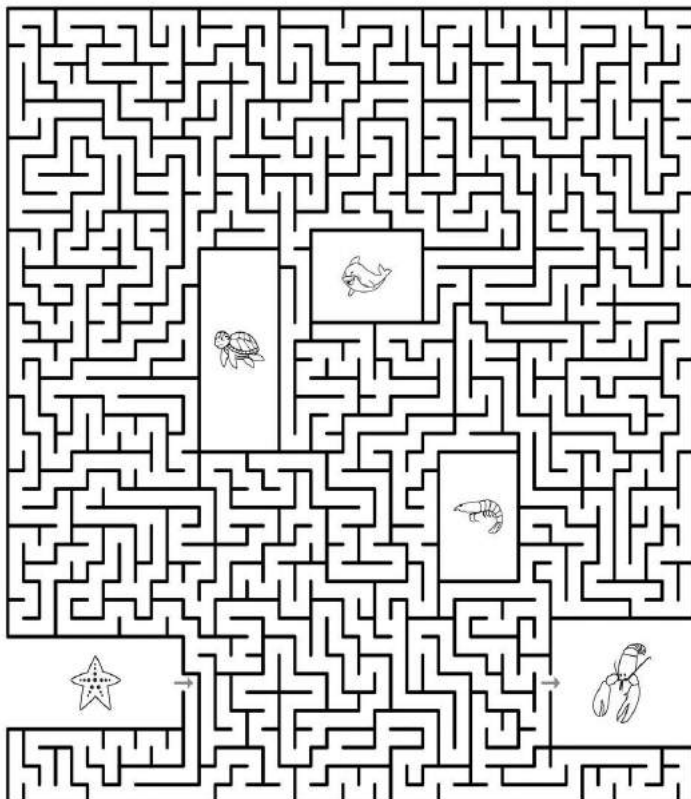
CAN YOU SOLVE THE MAZE?



ROAD TRIP

WORD Scramble

Can you unscramble all of these road trip related words?



DVRAUNEET	
RTES PSTO	
IERBGD	
AWYHGIIH	
LIAFYM	
BKAC TSEA	
OSEMERMI	
RIDGINV	
ETRLAV	
AAOINTCV	
AMP	
RAE EW ETREH EYT	
SLURENWADT	
PGS	
EEPDS ILTMI	
ETIDTNNISOIA	

A Cocos Moment



**The 30's Club!
Missing half of the '93 babies.**

Cocos “Feel Good” Stories

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Happy Birthday Pak Eer

Happy Birthday Nek Fifi Boy

Happy Birthday Mak Qush

Happy Birthday Pak Nabiyah Love M/P Ella Family

Happy Birthday Pak Izara Love Geng Cobis

Happy Birthday Pak Ish and Pak Nini



Wish to send loved ones special messages on their birthdays and anniversaries? Drop an email to CRC at Info@cocosislandscrc.cc

Have Your Say

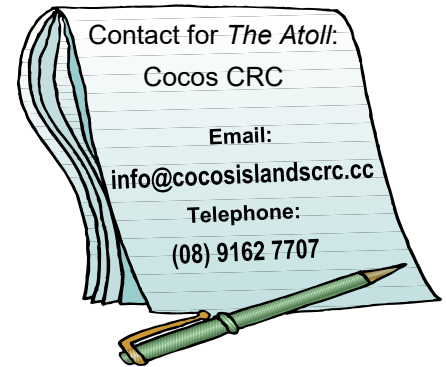
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- Accurate and/or factual
- Not defamatory or inflammatory

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Friday, 8th September 2023

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3pm, Tuesday 5th September 2023

2023 COCOS ISLANDS COMMUNITY EVENTS

26 AUGUST

Quiz Night
Cocos Club

15 OCTOBER

Beach Clean Up
Home & West Island

7-11 NOVEMBER

Celebrating Our Seniors
Shire of CKI

30 AUGUST

Shire Council Meeting
Cocos Islands CRC

16 OCTOBER

Sip & Connect - WI
Get Online Week
Cocos CRC

22 NOVEMBER

Shire Council Meeting
Cocos Islands CRC

9 SEPTEMBER

West Island Market Day
Cocos Islands CRC

18 OCTOBER

Cake, Cuppa, Connect - HI
Get Online Week
Cocos CRC

1 DECEMBER

Christmas Tree Lighting
Shire of CKI

16 SEPTEMBER

Sports Carnival
CIDHS

21 - 28 OCTOBER

Cocos Olympics
Cocos Club

6 DECEMBER

International Day of
People with Disability
Shire of CKI

20 SEPTEMBER

Shire Council Meeting
Council Chambers, HI

22 OCTOBER

CIDHS P&C Fete
Home Island School

13 DECEMBER

Shire Council Meeting
Council Chambers, HI

9 OCTOBER

Mental Health Week - WI
Cocos Islands CRC

25 OCTOBER

Shire Council Meeting
Council Chambers, HI

16 DECEMBER

West Island Market Day
Cocos Islands CRC

11 OCTOBER

Mental Health Week - HI
Cocos Islands CRC

OCTOBER (TBC)

Sculptures By The Sea
Shire of CKI

This is a FREE service for our Community.

If you have a community event you would like to advertise, please contact our office with your details.



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