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

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## Advertisement

Please contact the Cocos Islands Community Resource Centre for a full rate schedule

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Boomerang Bags at the West Island Supermarket, Jukong Races and Mask Decorating at the CRC’s school holiday activity session.

We would love to receive your feedback or suggestions on what you would like to read in The Atoll - please contact the Cocos CRC at cocoosislands@crc.net.au

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$2.00
The Cocos Community are joining the challenge and reducing our single-use plastic!

ONYA Products now in stock!

- Re-usable Coffee Cups $19.95
- Stainless Steel Drink Bottles $27.95
- Lunch Wraps (recycled PET plastic) $12.95
- Fruit/Veg Produce Bags (pack of 8) $19.95

Feel free to email your thumbs up to: cocosislands@crc.net.au

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Cocos (K) Islands Community Resource Centre
your local connection

WEDNESDAY 28TH JUNE
WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY
WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY
8.30AM TO 10.30AM
FREE!

Colour by numbers
Playdough
Mask Decorating

WEST ISLAND CONFERENCE ROOM
PRIVATE RECYCLING BINS

The Shire of Cocos Keeling Islands will be upgrading the 140L recycling bins on West Island to 240L bins, with one set of bins being shared between 2 households.

The Shire will have a surplus of the 140L bins available for any household wishing to have their own private set for Aluminium and Glass bins. These bins will have to be stored out of sight, preferably at the back or the side of your property.

Anyone wishing to obtain these bins should contact Ian Evans via email at mws@cocos.wa.gov.au

Ian Evans
Manager for Works & Services

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Shire of Cocos Keeling Island are seeking expressions of interest on a as is where is basis of 1 x caterpillar vibe roller (CP-433E).

Submissions can be emailed no later than 12 noon on Friday 21 July 2017 to mws@cocos.wa.gov.au
KEEPING CHICKENS IN BACKYARDS

The Shire Ranger would like to remind that 12 weeks old chickens should be re-located at the designated area (Garden plot).

Chicken pens should not be placed straight onto the ground behind back backyards at any time.

I would like advise that all chicken pens carrying less than 12 weeks chicks should carry a ‘catchment device’ or tray underneath pens to catch waste and to avoid waste from entering straight through the ground.

HOME ISLAND BACK LANEWAY FENCING

I have noticed that some residents have been using the newly installed PVC fence to hang and dry heavy items over the fence.

The fencing is designed to identify the boundaries. It is not designed to withhold heavy item such as carpets, fishing nets, Ezygo curtains, mortar and etc.

It would be appreciated if this practice does not continue.

For more information please don’t hesitate to contact me on shire office 9162 6649 or email me on my details provided below.

Thank you for your Co-operation.

MENYIMPAN AYAM DIBELAKANG KEBON

Shire Ranger ingin mengingatkan yang anak ayam yang lebih dari 12 minggu mesti dimengalehkan ke kawasan kebon parma yang telah disediakan.

Kandang ayam tidak boleh diletak terus ditanah dibelakang kebon bila-bila masa saja.

Saya menasihati yang semua kandang ayam yang mengandungi anak ayam berusia kurang dari 12 minggu mesti ada alasan untuk menangkap kotor dan najis ayam supaya tidak jatoh dan meresap kedalam tanah.

PAGAR DIJALAN BELAKANG KEBON HOME ISLAND

Saya telah tandakan yang berberapa penduduk telah menggunakan pagar PVC yang dipasang dibelakang kebon untuk menjemur barang-barang yang berat atasnya.

Pagar ini di disain untuk menandakan boundary. Ia bukan di disain untuk memikul barang-barang yang berat seperti karpet, jaring, tutupan Ezygo, mota dan sebagainya.

Sangat dihargai kalau perbuatan ini tidak diteruskan.

Untuk keterangan selanjutnya silah hubungi saya diopis shire 9162 6649 atau email saya diketerangan dibawa.

Terima kasih atas kerjasama kamu.
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY DIFFERENTIAL RATES

In accordance with Section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995, notice is hereby given with respect of the intention of the Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands to adopt the following rates in the dollar for Gross Rental Value differential and minimum rates for each category for the 2017/2018 financial year.

The figures above are estimates only and may change as part of Council’s budget deliberations and consideration of any submissions received from electors and ratepayers.

A statement of objectives and reasons for adopting these rates is available for inspection at the Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands Home Island office, between 7am and 4pm Monday to Thursday and 7am to 12 noon Fridays, or at the Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands West Island office on Tuesday & Thursday between 11:30am and 3:30pm.

Electors and ratepayers may make submissions and any submissions should be received by 3.30pm noon on 31st July 2017.

If any further information is required please contact Joanne Soderlund on 08 9162 6649.

Joanne Soderlund
Deputy Chief Executive Officer
SKIPPERS WE NEED YOU!!!

2017 Cocos Keeling Islands Lagoon Swim
Skippers registration evening – Wednesday 12 July 2017 at the Home Island Jetty

Dust off those outboards, fill up those water bottles, and get ready for a flashy new fishing shirt -The 2017 Cocos Keeling Islands Lagoons swim is being held on Saturday the 11th November 2017!

YOUR help is needed to make this year’s lagoon swim the BEST yet! Come sign up as a volunteer support boat skipper and show our brave competitors how GREAT Cocos is!

PLUS, you’ll get all these FREE goodies;

- Free food at the Registration evening
- Free fuel for your boat
- Limited edition skippers hat
- Limited edition skippers Fishing Shirt
- Cocos Keeling Islands Aluminum Water Bottle

So come down to the Jetty at 5.00pm on Wednesday 12 July, have some free food, and sign up as a Skipper!

Don’t miss out – Registrations close on registration night!

Jangan ketinggalan – Rejistresen tertutup pada malam rejistresen!
2017 Cocos Keeling Islands Lagoon Swim
REGISTRATION EVENING - Friday 14 July 2017 at The Cocos Club

Warm up the wax pots and dust off the crowd pleasers, it’s the annual Cocos Keeling Islands Lagoon Swim, being held on Saturday the 11th November 2017.

Registration for swimmers and support boat skippers is on Friday 14th July from 5.30pm – 7.30pm at the Cocos Club.

Registration is $110 per person and includes;
- event participation
- commemorative swim cap
- commemorative t-shirt
- water bottle
- finish line lunch & briefing night dinner.

Registration forms are available from the Visitor Centre or on the night.

Don't miss out – Registrations close on registration night!

A great start to the season for tennis with great camaraderie and fun (with a hint of competitiveness thrown in). 5 teams battled it out over the season with Bumpheads winning the Grand Final and Barracudas coming a close Runner up. Thankyou to those who have expressed an interest in playing again next season (starting Monday 17th July). For last minute inclusions (either as a player or fill in), please contact Cathy Howitt on 91627617 or send her a Private Facebook message. This needs to be done by 11th July. Please pass message on to anyone who may be off island. Looking forward to a fun but exciting season.

The WISRA Committee.

Here is the winning Grand Final team from last season's tennis (Bumpheads), Peter Wicks (who filled in for Leigh Nelson), Leah Stratford, Megan Clunies-Ross and Jai Howitt.
**Quote of the Day**

Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is a progress, working together is a success.

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**Thought for the Day**

You never cross the ocean, unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore.

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**Joke of the Week**

Marvin, was in the hospital on his death bed. The family called Marvin’s Preacher to be with him in his final moments. As the Preacher stood by the bed, Marvin’s condition seemed to deteriorate, and Marvin motioned for someone to quickly pass him a pen and paper. The Preacher quickly got a pen and paper and lovingly handed it to Marvin. But before he had a chance to read the note, Marvin died. The Preacher feeling that now wasn’t the right time to read it put the note in his jacket pocket. It was at the funeral while speaking that the Preacher suddenly remembered the note. Reaching deep into his pocket the Preacher said “and you know what, I suddenly remembered that right before Marvin died he handed me a note, and knowing Marvin I’m sure it was something inspiring that we can all gain from. With that introduction the Preacher ripped out the note and opened it. The note said “HEY, YOU ARE STANDING ON MY OXYGEN TUBE!"
PERSONAL CARE USES FOR BAKING SODA

Soak Oral Appliance
Soak oral appliances, like retainers, mouthpieces and dentures, in a solution of 2 teaspoons baking soda dissolved in a glass or small bowl of warm water. The baking soda loosens food particles and neutralizes odors to keep appliances fresh.

Use as a Facial Scrub and Body Exfoliant
Give yourself an invigorating facial and body scrub. Make a paste of 3 parts baking soda to 1 part water. Rub in a gentle circular motion to exfoliate the skin. Rinse clean. This is gentle enough for daily use.

Skip Harsh Deodorant
Pat baking soda onto your underarms to neutralize body odor.

Treat Insect Bites & Itchy Skin
For insect bites, make a paste out of baking soda and water, and apply as a salve onto affected skin. To ease the itch, shake some baking soda into your hand and rub it into damp skin after bath or shower.

Make a Hand Cleanser and Softener
Skip harsh soaps and gently scrub away ground-in dirt and neutralize odors on hands with a paste of 3 parts baking soda to 1 part water, or 3 parts baking soda to gentle liquid hand soap. Then rinse clean.

50TH COCOS OLYMPICS 2017!!

Its coming soon and we need a new, special, snazzy t shirt design!!!
Putting it out there to all community members to create a design for our t-shirts.
YOUR NAME WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE SHIRT!!

We need a design submitted by 14th July to get printing underway.
Have fun and good luck!!
Email design to manager@cocosclubinc.com

The Olympic sub-committee are Di, Wendy, Taffey, Megs, Rohan and Carly.
Team lists available from the Cocos Club.

Olympics will run from 13 - 21st October 2017

Like the Cocos Olympics Facebook Page for more info www.facebook.com/cocosolympics

MANTAS V MORAYS
A group of people set out for North Borneo now called Sabah in 1949. As new home for the Cocos Malay people the new colony at Tawau made a new beginning.

Did You Know???

Rice– Nasik
Fried Chicken– Ayam Goreng
Fried Fish– Ikan Goreng
Fried Egg– Telor Goreng
Fried Potato– Kentang Goreng
Cocos Vegetable Soup—Sayur Manis

Cocos Malay Words

Healthy Living Tips

As a relaxing magnesium bath soak- Add at least 1 cup to a warm bath and soak for 20 minutes.

Splinter Removal– Soak in concentrated epsom salt water to pull out a splinter.

Better Vegetables– Add a tablespoon of epsom salt to the soil below a tomato plant to boost growth.

Facial Wash– Add a pinch to your usual face cleaner (or to your oil cleansing routine) for a skin exfoliating magnesium boost.

Tile/Grout Cleaner– Mix equal parts of liquid dish soap and epsom salts and use to scrub tile and grout. Rinse well for a streak free shine.

Body Aches– Add 2 cups to a warm bath and soak for at least 20 minutes to help relieve muscle sprains and for a transdermal magnesium boost.

Homemade Sea Salt Spray– Make your own sea salt spray to add texture and volume to hair-recipe here.

Water House Plants– Help house plants grow by adding a couple tablespoons of epsom salt to the water when you water them.

Foot Soak– For a concentrated magnesium boost, add 1 cup to a hot foot soak and soak for 20 minutes.

More tips in next edition...
A PICTURE PUZZLE TO COLOR.

Color the dot pieces blue.

Sudoku Station

9 5 1 3
4 6 7
5 8

1 4 3
6 3 1
3 8 9

3 1 2
9 4 6
2 9 8

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Across
1. Venus de Milo versus some Valentine couples (6)
4. Find refuge in easy lumber (6)
9. Plunder with arms (5)
10. Palindrome instrument (5)
11. Decorate a garment (5)
12. Short publication catches attractions (7)
13. Replace pieces of land beginning of February with crops end of July (6)
15. For each child is individual (6)
19. Fidgets with musical instruments (7)
21. Complete range found in mega mutation (5)
23. Some warning given in ideal army (5)
24. More ironic machine (5)
25. Endlessly shake a woody plant, to a greater extent (6)
26. Disoriented hikers shout (6)

Down
1. Sounds like clean cut grass, not wet (7)
2. Serve a jumble of poetry (5)
3. Short umpire employed and turned down (7)
5. Some foolish rugged gesture (5)
6. Used with snakes for a game (7)
7. Replace an apple core in public places with a meal starter that makes the grade (5)
8. Supports rays (5)
14. Final stage could lead to checkmate (7)
16. Confused his glen with a language (7)
17. Communicate to catch employment (7)
18. A facet of speaking (5)
19. Find cafe astir, so wine and dine (5)
20. Dance, slim body essential (5)
22. Sounds like clemency in France, thanks (5)
Do you have a Cocos Moment you would like to share?
Email your favourite photo to cocosislands@crc.net.au or drop into the Community Resource Centre.

Happy 1st birthday to Zeeyad Ezahri for the 27th July. Lots a love from Mum Dad and big sister.

Hari Raya Junior Soccer Game - photo by Dan Williams

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Have Your Say

Letters to the Editor will either be accepted or rejected by the Editor. Items need to be:
- Accurate and/or factual
- Not defamatory or inflammatory
- Identified by author

Please take into consideration our format when preparing your items/materials to make the most of the spaces available.

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**Thursday 20th July**

All items/materials must be received by:

*Semua majalah mesti diterima sebelum:

**3:00pm Tuesday 18th July**