

Community News

Brought to you by Cr Cath Tonks, Division 9





Kickstart 2025 with free fitness and fun in City of Moreton Bay!

Start the new year with energy and connection through Healthy and Active Moreton

City of Moreton Bay is offering free and low-cost wellness activities throughout the year to inspire healthier, happier lives.

With a focus on inclusivity and fun, Healthy and Active Moreton welcomes all ages, abilities, and fitness levels. From yoga and boot camps to tai chi and paddleboarding, all activities promote both physical and mental wellness while growing community spirit.

With over 100 sessions each week, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Make 2025 your healthiest year yet! Join the movement at moretonbay.link/active-lifestyles







THE LIVING CITY UPDATE With Mayor Peter Flannery

There's so much in store for City of Moreton Bay in 2025.

This year we'll see work undertaken on significant projects across the city such as Caboolture River Road, Centenary Lakes revitalisation, The Mill Lakes Precinct, Deception Bay SES Depot and the much-anticipated construction of the new Suttons Beach Public Space Project.

Our garden organics (GO) collection service has been operational since December. A big thanks to you all for helping make our city more sustainable. This success means properties with a land size smaller than 300 square metres or larger than 2,000 square metres will be able to opt in to the service from 1 March. There are some great tips on how to use your GO bin in this edition of the newsletter.

Homelessness continues to be an issue for many in our community. Although housing and homeless are ultimately the responsibility of other levels of government, Council has stepped in to help people needing critical support. We're asking the new Queensland Government to prioritise solutions in City of Moreton Bay and will work with them to address this growing issue.

GO like a PRO

Summer is here, and with fastgrowing lawns and flourishing gardens, it's peak season for mowing and maintenance. During this time of year, it is especially important to understand what can and can't go into your new lime green-lidded garden organics (GO) bin.

Yes, place these items in:

- grass clippings, weeds, plants and flowers
- tree, shrub or plant branches
 (cut down to fit in the bin)
- leaves and other garden trimmings.

Please remember to place all garden organic material directly into the bin without any bags or boxes.

No, do not place these items in:

- plastic bags, general waste or food scraps
- compostable packaging and containers
- soil, potting mix, gravel, bricks, concrete or rocks
- potted plants and animal waste.

Also please ensure your GO bin weight does not exceed 40kg for collection.

By following these guidelines, you can help to minimise contamination and assist City of Moreton Bay in maintaining an efficient and effective garden organics waste management system.

GO like a PRO! What should and should not go in your garden organics bin





bags, food scraps, soil, stones and garden accessories

For more information visit moretonbay.qld.gov.au/GO





Community focus

There was plenty of festive fun to be had in the community in the lead up to Christmas, including the **Eatons Hill Santa Parade and Movie Night.** Big thanks to David, the man behind the Santa Parade and the Albany Creek Rotary Club who came on board last year to make the night even more special. It was great to see this local event so well supported by local families, it has certainly become a much-loved local tradition!



The **Annual Disc Golf Competition** for year 6 students was held in November at Pine Rivers Park, with the assistance of the Albany Creek Lions Club. Thanks to the Lions Club who helped deliver the fun event. It was wonderful to have students from All Saints Parish School and Good Shepherd Christian College involved. The weather was touch and go, but a great day was had by all.



No fishing in Caspian Parade Park Lake

Did you know that fishing in the Warner Lake is not permitted. We have some important wildlife living in and around the lake and it is crucial we help protect them. Please consider more appropriate fishing locations if you feel like wetting a line or teaching the young ones to fish.



DIVISION 9 UPDATEWith Cr Cath Tonks

I hope your new year is off to a great start. We have plenty happening this year, starting off with the popular free family movie nights.

Come along to Frank Nichols Reserve, Saturday 15 February from 6 pm and Sargent Reserve, Saturday 22 March from 5 pm to enjoy a relaxing evening with family and friends under the stars for a free, familyfriendly movie.

The young ones will be excited for the Moreton Kids Festival, happening at Pine Rivers Park, Sunday 9 March, 8 am - 3 pm. It is always a fun day out!

The lovely ladies who provide some extra sparkle to Mahaca Park at Albany Creek are on the lookout for some more volunteers, please get in touch if you would like to know more.

Locally, some long-awaited projects will be underway this year and I have included more information in this newsletter. If you have any improvement suggestions for our local area, please let me know.

Mobile offices 9:30 am - 10 am

Friday 21 Feb, Dragonfly Park, Warner Friday 14 March, Albany Creek Library



Divisional News from your local Councillor Cath Tonks



PROJECTS

Brendale - South Pine Sports Complex - amenities construction

The project involves the construction of a centrally located, compliant amenities facility for public use. Construction will consist of self-locking, vandal proof public toilets with two ambulant unisex cubicles and one unisex accessible cubicle with a baby change table. Works will include plumbing, electrical, sewer and water connections, pathway link to a disability car park bay, and landscape screening. Once completed this will provide a centralised amenities facility at South Pine Sports Complex, construction is scheduled for completion by June this year.



Joyner pedestrian bridge -Gordons Crossing Road

The long-awaited repairs and rectification of the existing Joyner pedestrian bridge are expected to begin early this year and we're hoping for completion by May, weather permitting. This pedestrian bridge provides an important connection across One Mile Creek for residents, and I am looking forward to the works getting underway.

Kumbartcho suspension bridge -Bunya Pine Court, Eatons Hill

As many residents will know, the much-loved suspension bridge at Kumbartcho was damaged in a previous weather event. Construction repairs are hoped to begin in the first half of this year. Given the complexities of the terrain, this project has undertaken several investigations. The works are scheduled with local native wildlife in mind, after an echidna breeding habitat was found on site. The design will remain the same as the original bridge, these works will include replacement of decking boards, anchors and cables.

South Pine Road pathway link

Construction completing the missing pathway link along South Pine Road between Leitchs and Scouts Crossing Roads is expected no later than June this year. Approx. 330 metres of concrete pathway will be installed to complete the connection for pedestrians and cyclists.

Albany Creek - Bleakley Park - Dog off leash area extension

After some changes to the design, I am very pleased to advise that construction is planned to begin in the next few months. The project will include a new concrete access path and entry, a shelter, water bubbler, bin and sandstone block seating. The existing DOLA, shelter and seating will remain.



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Zonta - Behind Closed Doors

Zonta Club of Pine Rivers and City of Moreton Bay have recently installed signs on the back of the doors of council toilet facilities to help support those experiencing domestic and family violence to access the support they need and importantly, these signs may also help someone who might be concerned about a friend, neighbour or a work colleague, so they can help them access assistance.

This project is part of Zonta's 'Behind Closed Doors' campaign and there are now 144 signs installed in council owned public amenities in divisions 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, including locations from North Lakes to Arana Hills and Dayboro.

I am so pleased to support the fantastic work of the Zonta Club and thanks to Council for providing funding for the project through the Grants Program. This project is part of the global '16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence' campaign which runs from 25 November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and Girls) through until 10 December (World Human Rights Day).

The Zonta Club of Pine Rivers is part of Zonta International, a global organisation that has worked to build a better world for women and girls for more than 100 years. If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic or family violence, contact 1800RESPECT (1800 737 732) or DV Connect on 1800 811 811.



Road resurfacing

Road resurfacing works are expected to commence early to mid February and take one week to complete, weather permitting.

Kent Court, Albany Creek

The project will involve the repair of road pavement, maintenance of existing drainage infrastructure and approximately 68 metres of road resurfacing works.

Pleasant Drive, including Lawn Street, Albany Creek

The project will involve the repair of road pavement, maintenance of existing drainage infrastructure and approximately 540 metres of road resurfacing works along Pleasant Drive, including Lawn Street, Albany Creek.

Please be assured every effort will be made to minimise noise and any other impacts on surrounding properties, with works being undertaken during daytime hours between 7 am and 6 pm. Please observe the instructions of work crews and road signage, and plan your travel accordingly.



Pets in Public Spaces information session

Join us at one of our pet-friendly education pop-ups held in local parks across Moreton Bay. Learn about your responsibilities as a pet owner, get some tips and advice, and pick up some freebies. Plus, we also provide FREE microchipping for registered dogs.

Saturday 22 March, 6 am - 10 am | Mervyn Kenman Park, Dayboro moretonbay.qld.gov.au/Pet-Education



Movie in the Park

Enjoy a magical evening under the stars with a free, family-friendly movie The Wild Robot, plus food trucks and kids activities.

Saturday 15 February | 6 pm - 9 pm Frank Nichols Reserve, Warner moretonbay.qld.gov.au/ community-events-calendar

Moreton Kids Festival

Join us for a day jampacked with endless excitement and joy - the ultimate kids day out!

Tickets on sale now.

Sunday 9 March 8 am - 3 pm

Pine Rivers Park, Strathpine moretonkidsfestival.com.au





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Saturday 22 March | 5 pm - 8 pm Sargent Reserve, Eatons Hill moretonbay.qld.gov.au/ community-events-calendar

WHAT'S ON

NEW DATE! Splash & Play @ The Mill Water Park

Join the Splash and Play event in Moreton Bay for a fun-filled day of water activities, live music, and family entertainment!

Saturday 1 March, 8 am - 12 pm
The Mill Water Park, Petrie

Music in the Park

Why not catch up with family and friends or just get out and enjoy one of our city's great parks and we'll provide the entertainment!

Redcliffe - 15 March Deception Bay - 30 March

For more details on community events visit

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Monster Siege

Get ready for a clash of epic proportions where kids unite in the ultimate battle of Monster Siege, a game of imagination, creativity, physicalility, and strategy against their dastardly foes: the adults! The perfect funfilled free adventure day for families.

8 & 9 April
Morayfield Sport
& Events Centre
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monster-siege



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