



Palm Island Voice

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PALM ISLAND



PLEASE note there may be some images of deceased persons within this publication.

ELECTION INFORMATION for Palm Islanders

Electorate Name: Townsville

Total Enrolled: 35,334

The Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) is encouraging electors to vote early in the 2020 State general election, from today, Monday 19 October, through to Friday 30 October.

Electoral Commissioner Pat Vidgen said there were 597 candidates across Queensland's 93 electorates competing for Queenslanders' votes in 2020.

Early voting for the seat of Townsville is now available at Brisbane City Hall and the Returning Officer's Townsville Office at 1 Woodman Court, West End.

Mr Vidgen said early voting centres were open from 9am to 6pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; from 9am to 9pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays; and 9am to 5pm on Saturday 24 October.

"On election day Saturday 31 October, approximately 1,300 voting centres across Queensland will be open from 8am to 6pm, and I remind electors that voting is compulsory," Mr Vidgen said.

Palm Islanders will be able to vote at Bwgcolman Community School on election day (Saturday 31 October) or at several locations across Townsville.

Be croc aware!



Fresh crocodile tracks have been photographed on the town side of Francis Creek Beach prompting Council to ask residents (and their animals) to be careful. PIASC has notified state authorities but in the meantime says:

DON'T TAKE ANY CHANCES!

The following candidates are running for Townsville (in the order of the ballot paper):

MCMAHON, Toni
SCHWARZ, Joshua
STEWART, Scott
GRUMBERG, Samara
HATHAWAY, John
DOWLING, Greg
HAWKS, Clynton
CLARKSON, Clive
O'GRADY, Tom

Informed Medical Options Party (IMOP)
KAP
Australian Labor Party
Animal Justice Party
LNP
Clive Palmer's UAP
NQP
Pauline Hanson's One Nation
The Greens

See <https://www.ecq.qld.gov.au/> for the most up-to-date voting locations, days and times.



Crews and contractors are working hard together to catch up on maintenance around Palm Island, including finalising a ‘Light Up Palm’ project at Butler Bay last week. CEO Adele Young said Council was looking to complete several other overdue projects and will post updates as they come to hand. “There is a lot of catch-up and more to do but we are all working together to deliver better services and finish these outstanding projects,” she said.

Big shout out to our water crew for their hard work on an emergency repair last week and other stakeholders who also chipped in – well done!

The Palm Servo's Opal pump is down and the required part is on the way, Daryl says. Diesel is OK. We apologise for any inconvenience.

INVITATION TO PALM COMMUNITY

SeaLink Travel Group is excited to reveal its latest purpose designed vessel, Coolgaree Cat, now servicing Palm Island.

We will unveil the story behind the stunning and exceptionally unique combination of coastal and land indigenous artwork, created exclusively for SeaLink by local artist, Sue Pryor.

Community members are invited to hop on board for a viewing of the vessel before its departure at 4:30pm.

When: Friday 23 October, 2:30pm – 3:30pm

Where: Palm Island Jetty

Please be reminded that social distancing will be required during the event and while on board Coolgaree Cat.

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We're going weekly (for a bit)! OUR NEXT DEADLINE (Issue 311.1) will be this Thursday 22 October for publication on Monday 26 October!

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