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Rural numbering saves lives

A Queensland Coroner has described council's Rural Numbering initiative as "sensible and possibly life saving approach to rural numbering."



The comments arose from a recent coroner's inquest into the 2010 death of a Pioneer Valley man on a property outside of Marian.

Mayor Deirdre Comerford said council launched an extensive campaign in 2010 to accurately identify rural properties.

"We have had a number of unfortunate incidents where it was difficult to identify a rural property."

"To avoid any repeats, council actively promotes its rural addressing system."

"The addressing system assigns an individual number

to rural properties and free reflective pickets are handed out to property owners to identify entry to a property."

Cr Comerford said the best thing about council's rural addressing system is it's free, easy and can save lives.

"By installing a reflective number on your property you are providing Emergency Services and postal deliveries with quick identification and location of your property."

"I encourage all rural landowners to take part in council's rural addressing initiative and pick up your free reflective rural number today to ensure your family's safety."

>> To organise your free rural address picket, call 1300 MACKAY (622 529) or visit council's website.



Farmers to benefit from road upgrade

Farmers will enjoy improved access in and around the Pioneer Valley, thanks to a \$1 million upgrade to Crediton Loop Road.

Council is sealing Crediton Loop Road between Broken River and the Crediton Recreational Hall.

Roads and Drainage portfolio councillor Kevin Casey said the million-dollar project will greatly benefit farmers and tourists alike.

"Access in and around the area will be improved including entry to the Great Walk through the Crediton State Forest from Broken River to the hall," he said.

"Work will start this month at the intersection of Cathay Creek Road and Crediton Loop Road and progress south for 1.5km within the Crediton State Forest."

Cr Casey urges motorists to please be patient and drive with care while the upgrade occurs.

"Residents are advised that part of the road will be closed for up to 10 weeks, however traffic diversions will be in place and local traffic access will be maintained."

Works are expected to be completed by mid-December.

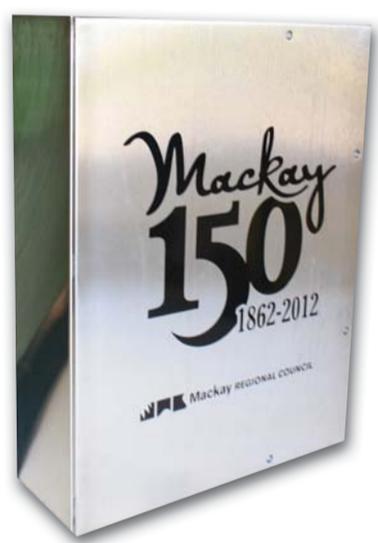
>> For up to date info visit www.mackay.qld.gov.au/roads.

Secure your history in Mackay's Time Capsule >>

Council is offering residents, community and sporting groups the chance to secure their history and donate memorabilia to Mackay's Time capsule.

Festival, Events and the Arts portfolio councillor Chris Bonanno said the time capsule will be open in 2062 and we want to provide those residents with a true snapshot of our region.

"Resident's have the chance to tell our future generations what people, places and stories shaped our region to this point."



Donations to the Capsule must be paper based and can be delivered to our Customer Service Centres in Mackay, Sarina and Mirani. Residents have until Friday, October 26 to contribute.

>> For further details visit our website or call 1300 MACKAY.



Be bushfire season ready

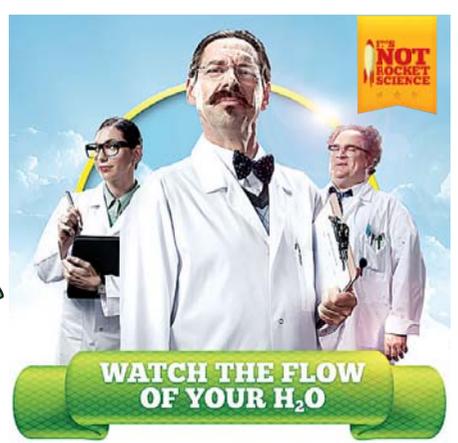
The fire season is here and it's important that you prepare yourself and your home.

Areas in Queensland are already feeling the effects of uncontrolled bush, grass and scrub fires. Council urges all land holders (both rural and urban) to prepare for the effects of fire.

Some important tips:

- > Clean up around your property to lower the fuel load
- > Prepare a bush fire plan
- > If you feel threatened by fire, phone 'Triple Zero' 000
- > Remember to 'Prepare-Act-Survive'.

>> For further information visit: www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au



Recycle Right

Food scraps and garden waste aren't recyclable, try composting instead!

Did you know?

The Mirani Pool is now open. Monday to Friday 6am to 6pm and on the weekend 8am to 6pm.