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## Reduce the risk of flying debris - Prepare your property now



Residents and developers are being urged to prepare their properties now for the upcoming Summer storm season.

Mayor Deirdre Comerford said broken sheds, garden tools and equipment flying through the air is not what we want to see during a storm.

"Over the last two years, our region has felt the brunt of floods, cyclones and unseasonal rain."

"A few hours spent securing your home, tidying up your yard and making sure the building structures around your home are safe and secure is vital."

"Flying debris can cause severe damage to you and your property."

Planning and Development portfolio councillor Dave Perkins urges builders and developers to prepare their work sites.

"Builders and developers should have appropriate erosion and sediment control measures in place to stop sediment and other pollutants running into our waterways."

"Council will be inspecting building sites to ensure compliance."

**>> For a copy of council's Emergency Action Guide and Best Practice Stormwater Control Guidelines visit our website.**



## Multicultural delights on offer

Taste food from around the world and enjoy live music and entertainment at this year's Global Grooves festival.

Global Grooves, Mackay's popular multicultural festival is on Sunday, October 28 at Queens Park and is free for everyone to attend.

Festival, Events and the Arts portfolio councillor Chris Bonanno said Global Grooves allows us to come together as a community and share our traditions and cultures.

"We have over 30 different nationalities in our region and Global Grooves allows us to experience and celebrate our cultural diversity."

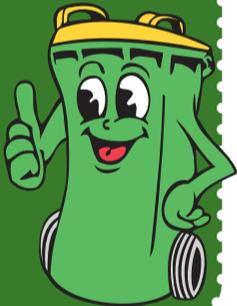
There will also be a special performance from the West Ambae Cultural Dance Group from Vanuatu, market stalls, free workshops and a spectacular fireworks display. The fun kicks off at 10am.

**>> This event is proudly supported by Mackay Regional Council & Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal.**

## Recycle Right

Plastics bags cannot be recycled and should not be placed in your yellow-lidded recycling bin.

Dispose of your plastic bags at major supermarkets



## Watch out for the red and white poles

The red and white poles you see on constructions sites are permanent survey marks and if you damage them they cost around \$5000 to replace.

Permanent survey marks are used to locate property boundaries and during the construction of roads and infrastructure. If you happen to come across one on your work site and it's within your construction zone, contact council's surveyors immediately for the installation of an offset mark or a replacement mark.

If the PSM is not within the construction zone, establish a two metre exclusion zone and ensure no work is performed there.

Under State law if a person interferes with or damages a permanent survey mark, they can be fined and ordered to pay the costs of replacing the marker.

**>> To locate Permanent Survey Marks in Mackay use council's free online mapping system MIMAPS.**



## Sarina shines

When you're out in the CBD, make sure you wear sunglasses.

Council's Civil Projects team have cleaned up the Sarina CBD using high pressure hoses and a special gum removal machine.

Roads and Drainage portfolio councillor Kevin Casey said it was imperative that council cleaned up the area following the extensive road works.

"There was so much dirt and dust on our footpaths following the State Government project."

"Council staff have done a tremendous job cleaning up the footpaths in Broad Street, Central Street and Anzac Street."

**>> To view council's work head to the Sarina CBD.**



WATCH THE FLOW OF YOUR H<sub>2</sub>O

## Value our water

Help us celebrate National Water Week, October 21 to 27, by watching the flow of your H<sub>2</sub>O.

Little changes around the home can make a big difference.

Visit council's website for details: [www.mackay.qld.gov.au/water](http://www.mackay.qld.gov.au/water)

## Did you know?

You have until Friday, October 26 to enter our M150 Heritage Awards. There's \$6000 in prize money up for grabs and the winners names will be placed in Mackay's time capsule. Visit [www.mackay.qld.gov.au/heritageawards](http://www.mackay.qld.gov.au/heritageawards) to enter.