



What's on

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Bookings essential

Book online at mackay.qld.gov.au/whatson or call us on 4961 9387. Bookings essential for all library programs excluding Tech Talks and any programs promoted as drop in.



Hearing Loop

Hearing loops are available for use at our programs and events. If you would benefit from using this technology at an event you attend please let us know.



United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

Our libraries aim to support the UN Sustainable Development Goals in our program delivery. Programs that support this initiative are identified by the UN Goals logo.



Deadly Digital

Digital skills training program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Digital literacy is an essential skill in this day and age, as more services and daily interactions move online. We offer a range of group training sessions focusing on:

- Accessing financial services
- Online health services
- Connecting socially
- Internet safety
- Email, computer basics and Microsoft Word

Simply, request a group visit for your mob at your venue or bring your mob to our venue at mackay.qld.gov.au/ask or call us on 4961 9387.



Deadly Digital is an initiative of the State Library of Queensland and Telstra.



UN Sustainable Development Goals

Each month, we are highlighting a different United Nations Sustainable Development Goal. Join us at the following events to get involved.

Time to Choose (PG)

Academy Award®-winning documentary filmmaker Charles Ferguson (*Inside Job*, *No End in Sight*) turns his lens to address worldwide climate change challenges and solutions.

Gordon White Library

Monday, September 13, from noon to 2pm.

Supports goal twelve: Responsible production and consumption.

This Changes Everything (M)

The film presents seven powerful portraits of communities on the front lines, from Montana's Powder River Basin to the Alberta Tar Sands, from the coast of South India to Beijing and beyond.

Gordon White Library

Monday, October 11, from noon to 2pm.

Supports goal thirteen: Climate action.

Blue (PG)

This feature documentary comes at a time when we are making critical decisions that will decide the legacy we leave for generations to come. Blue shows us there is a way forward and the time to act is now.

This screening is thanks to the Australian Marine Conservation Society and is supported by Good Pitch Australia (Shark Island Institute & Documentary Australia Foundation)

Gordon White Library

Monday, November 8, from noon to 2pm.

Supports goal fourteen: Life below water.

Black Hole (M)

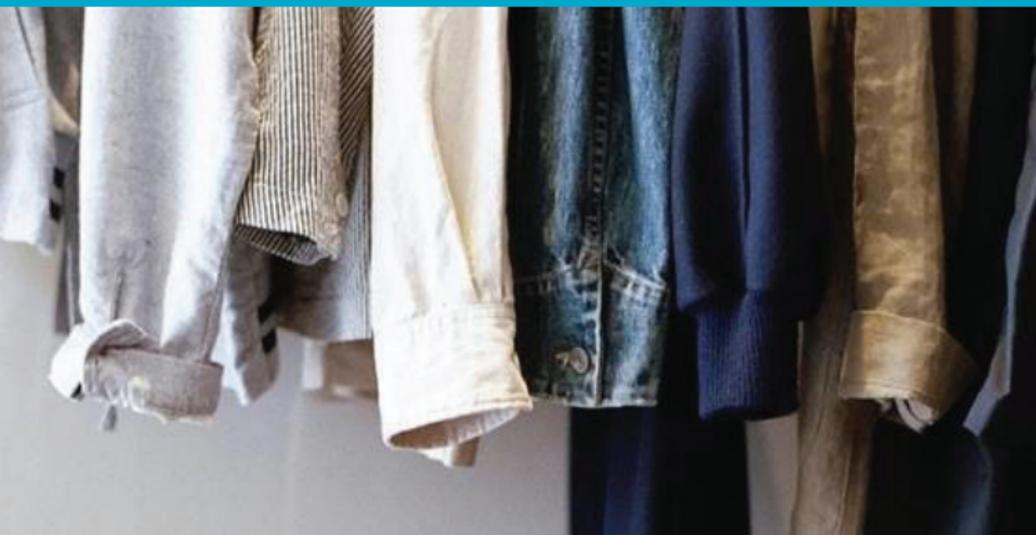
The stage has been set for one of the most intriguing David and Goliath battles in this country's history.

Black Hole is the story of the fight to save the Leard State Forest from one of the most controversial coal mining projects in Australia – Whitehaven's Maules Creek Coal Mine. Set against the backdrop of the mining industry's ever-increasing thirst for fossil fuels, Black Hole is an intense and riveting exposé of the tensions between large corporations, the Australian government and the community.

Gordon White Library

Monday, December 6, from noon to 2pm.

Goal Fifteen: Life on land.



Clear out what doesn't spark joy at the Dudley Denny City Library's clothes swap!

Drop off clean adult clothing (dresses, pants, shirts, and skirts) between 2pm and 5pm on Thursday, September 23, and receive up to five swap tokens in return.

Book your time slot, bring your tokens for Friday to browse the racks and leave with something new to spice up your closet.

Dudley Denny City Library

Friday, September 24, from 11am to 4.30pm.

Limited to five articles of clothing per person.



Sunflowers for Mindfulness

Take time for your mental health from October 5 to 15 for Queensland Mental Health Week.

Grab a Sunflowers for Mindfulness take home pack at your local library branch from October 5. Packs are free, however, you must have your library membership card and borrow one library item to collect your pack.

Numbers are limited.

Joining NDIS

Do you, or does someone you know, need help to join the National Disability Insurance Scheme?

Queenslanders with Disability Network (QDN) and our project partners QCOSS and ADA Australia are helping more eligible Queenslanders with a disability to join the NDIS and experience the benefits of the scheme through the Targeted Outreach Project.

The Targeted Outreach Project is helping people with disability to:

- Understand how the NDIS can provide access to the support they need
- Access free and practical individual support to apply for and access the NDIS through the Queensland Government's Assessment and Referral Team (ART)

Gordon White Library

Tuesday, September 21, from 10am to 11am.

Next Chapter Book Club

The Next Chapter Book Club is for adolescents and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

It provides an opportunity to read and learn, make friends and have fun together in our library settings. Does this sound like something you would be interested in?

To discover if Next Chapter Book Club is for you, and how we can support your group, contact our Community Outreach team at your local library.

This program is in affiliation with the Next Chapter Book Club and is for adults aged 18 and above.



*In partnership with
Next Chapter Book Club*

Cricket Set Spotlight



Get ready to have a hit!

Looking forward to the great Australian summer and wondering how you can make that next gathering something special? Drop into the Gordon White Library and see how you can loan a cricket set for that special event.

Gordon White Library

Wednesday, December 1

Keep Warm Project

Be a part of next year's community project.

Give some time to knit or crochet, or alternatively, donate wool, knitting needles or crochet hooks.

Stay tuned for how you can be a part of this warm and giving community project.

The project will commence in February 2022 with donations accepted from December.



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Meet the Author!



Leading Australian crime fiction novelist and author of international bestsellers *Scrublands* and *Silver*, Chris Hammer is visiting Mackay this October.

Before turning to fiction, Chris was a journalist for more than thirty years. He reported from more than 30 countries on six continents for SBS TV.

In Canberra, roles included chief political correspondent for The Bulletin, senior writer for The Age, and online political editor for The Age and The Sydney Morning Herald. Tune into our eNewsletter and social media for all the future details about this event.



OverDrive

Journal writing

Ever thought about keeping a journal?

There are many benefits to be gained by writing a journal. Let us start you on your journey by introducing you to the various styles and tricks to get started.

Dudley Denny City Library

Wednesday, September 1, from 9.30am to 10.30am.

Pages of Mackay



Our libraries are seeking passionate writers for a community project.

Be an author in the library's biggest storytelling project ever, Pages of Mackay.

Share your passion for writing with others to develop a community storybook.

Pages of Mackay journals can be loaned from library branches for budding authors to add to the scrolling story. Completed storybooks will be placed on display for the community of Mackay to enjoy.

Enquire today how you can get involved.
Commencing Wednesday, September 1.

Reminder

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Library out and about!

Be sure to stop by and say hello to us at the following events.

Disability Expo

The Mackay Disability Expo is a great opportunity for people with a disability to find out about the latest products, services, technology, aids and equipment.

Andergrove Community Hall

Monday, September 6, from 9am to 1pm.

Global Grooves

The festival features an amazing array of performers, bands and dance groups.

Enjoy music, traditional dances and costumes by local and international performers.

Queens Park

Saturday, October 23, from 3pm to 8pm.

Halloween at Greenmount

Libraries and Museums are partnering to bring a fun-filled day of Halloween activities. Listen to some sinister stories from a tour guide, enjoy a batty book during Story Time and bring home some haunted Halloween craft. Don't forget to dress up in your best costume!

Greenmount Homestead

Sunday, October 31, from 9am to 1pm.

Seniors Expo

The Seniors Expo attracts more than 80 exhibitors that provide information about services, activities and programs available to the seniors of the Mackay region.

The Big Shed, Mackay Showgrounds

Tuesday, October 12, from 9am to 1pm.



Become a presenter

We host a variety of sessions that provide lifelong learning opportunities for everyone in the region.

If you have valuable knowledge that you would like to share with the community then we would like to hear from you.

Find out more at mackay.qld.gov.au/presenter

Words for Wellbeing

New collection coming soon!

Words for Wellbeing provides you with a list of useful, evidence-based self-help resources, recommended by health professionals and organisations.



Australian Reading Hour

Stop what you're doing for one hour and pick up a book on Australian Reading Hour!

We want residents of all ages to either rediscover or introduce themselves to the benefits of reading and read for one hour on their own, with their children, a friend or with a partner. Take the time to learn, escape and relax.

Tuesday, September 14, 2021.

Dexter's Storytime

Come and join Dexter's Storytime.

Explore the magic of reading with Dexter, our comfort dog, as he reads a new title each month.

This program offers a welcoming, low-sensory and non-judgmental space for all family members.

Parental and carer's supervision is encouraged and required.

Gordon White Library from 10am to 10.30am

Tuesday, September 14, October 12 and November 9.



*In partnership with Healthy
Kids Nurtured by Nature*

Quiet Hour

We are making the Library experience easier for people with hypersensitivity to light and noise.

During Quiet Hour we dim the lights and soften the noise to a minimum.

Sarina Library, Mirani Library, Walkerston Library

Every Tuesday from 4pm to 5pm.

Dudley Denny City Library and Gordon White Library

Every Tuesday from 4.30pm to 5.30pm.



Melbourne Writer's Festival

This year, the boldest literary festival presents another diverse program to inspire and challenge readers and writers of our region.

Conversations with popular writers and thinkers from around the world are featured. Sessions will be digitally streamed.

More details available at mackay.qld.gov.au/libraries in the lead up to the festival. Stay tuned!

Author to author

It's time to network!

Local authors, aspiring and published, we invite you to network.

Come along and meet with other authors of the greater Mackay/Whitsunday region to share your experiences, ideas and inspirations as an author, or just be inspired by like-minded people. This is your opportunity to connect with other local authors and adopt new ideas.

This event is for adults aged 18 and above.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, October 14, from 5pm to 6.30pm.



Coffee with a Cop

Want a chance to have a chat with one of our community's police officers?

Coffee with a Cop gives community members an opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the fabulous work police do in our neighbourhoods and region in a relaxed one-on-one interaction.

Bring your own cuppa and stop by the library for a conversation with a cop. No bookings required.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, September 23, from 10am to 10.30am.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, October 28, from 10am to 10.30am.



In partnership with QLD Police Service.

Hanging at Home Digital Book Club

Join online. Read online. Review and connect online.

From the comfort of your own home, be a part of our Digital Book Club mackay.qld.gov.au/bookclubs

Mindful LEGO®



Playing with LEGO® as an adult comes with many different benefits including a way to practise mindfulness.

Our new collection of botanicals, Star Wars, Marvel and dinosaurs are making their way out to our branches for you to experience, build and play.

This event is for adults aged 18 and above.

Mirani, Sarina and Walkerston Library

October 4 to October 15.

Planning for your future

Basic investment, superannuation and insurance.

Start making a difference in your financial future, whether you are just leaving school, an apprentice or out in the working world. Create a financial foundation for success by learning to control your money today and in the future.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, October 14, from 10.30am to noon.

safeTALK Training

Learn how to:

- Identify someone at risk of suicide
- Talk to those experiencing suicidal thoughts
- Help guide them to resources.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, September 9, from 9am to noon.

Book at grapevinegroup.org.au/bookings/



In partnership with Grapevine SafeTALK

Relaxation Corner

There's something simply therapeutic about colouring-in!

Come along once a month to this quiet spot in the library and colour away your stress or just relax. Adult colouring-in is proven to be very therapeutic, so give this time to yourself and take a moment for you.

This event is for adults aged 18 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library from noon to 2pm

Wednesday, September 29, October 27, November 24.

Silver screen surprise

Come and watch a movie at the library!

Adults aged 18 years and older are invited to join in the fun and discover the magic of movies. Don't forget to bring your own popcorn or movie snacks and be ready to sit back and relax. Surprise titles will be unveiled mid-month.

Gordon White Library from 9.30am to 11.30am

Friday, September 24, October 29, November 26.

Collection showcase



Your library is at your fingertips from anywhere!

Let us highlight the online content you can access from the comfort of your home, waiting to pick up the kids or on your next holiday. Find out what's on offer. This event is for adults aged 18 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, October 21, from 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

Pets are part of our community too!

Are you looking at adopting a pet?

Talk to the people in the know about tips and tricks to responsibly care for your pet.

Discover our amazing resources available for you and your pet through this meet and greet with council's Local Laws team and a furry friend. No bookings required for this event.

Gordon White Library 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Tuesday, September 28, October 26, November 30.

Footloose Fridays



Start your weekend with groove in your step.

Join the fun on Friday afternoon at your local library as we end our busy week with the latest playlist from our eMusic collections. Did you know that you can access music for free through your library membership?

Come join us and feel the music!

Dudley Denny City and Gordon White Library

Every Friday from 4.30pm to 5.30pm.

Sarina Library, Mirani Library, Walkerston Library

Every Friday from 4pm to 5pm.

Working Together **computer program**

Are you studying or enrolled in an apprenticeship program and in need of updated computers to complete your assessments?

We can assist you with your technology needs and extend your computer time by up to six hours. Bring your student identification card or enrolment information, and we will add the Working Together program to your membership.



Music at the library

We have a range of entry level music programs on offer for beginners to advanced.

For more see next page or go to mackay.qld.gov.au/music

Ukulele Step One

If you are new to musical instruments, this is a perfect opportunity.

Learn some practical skills in a supportive learning environment. Ukuleles will be provided for this session. This event is for ages 12 and above.

Gordon White Library

Friday, September 3 and October 1
1pm to 2pm and 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

Ukulele Playing as a Group

You have the basic skills and knowledge. Come strum the ukulele in a group learning environment. You are sure to be amazed at how awesome you are at the ukulele. Ukuleles will be provided for this session. This event is for ages 12 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Friday, September 10, from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

Friday, October 8, from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

Ukulele Melodies

If you are a beginner to instruments, this program is a perfect opportunity to learn basic melodies on the ukulele in a supportive environment. Ukuleles will be provided for this session. This event is for ages 12 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Friday, September 10, from 1pm to 2pm.

Friday, October 8, from 1pm to 2pm.

Fully Uked Ukulele Group

Ukulele players of all levels are welcome to come and play along with our monthly ukulele songs. All songs suit beginners to experts alike. If you don't have your own ukulele, we have a few that can be loaned for the session. This event is for ages eight and above.

Gordon White Library from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday, September 2, October 7, November 4.

Dudley Denny City Library from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday, September 9, October 14 and November 11.

Ukulele and Guitar Rescue

Do you have a ukulele or guitar that doesn't stay in tune or is missing a string? No matter what the problem with your stringed buddy, bring it for the Ukulele and Guitar Rescue program. We will tune, tweak, repair or provide assessment as appropriate. This event is for adults aged 18 and above.

Gordon White Library from 10.30am to 11.30am

Thursday, September 2, October 7 and November 4.

Thunder Fingers Bass Guitar Group

Get the funk back into your life.

Come join the Thunder Fingers Bass Guitar Group. Slap, pop and rumble your way to whole new musical adventures. There's something different each month, with play-alongs and plenty of techniques shared and explored. We even have bass guitars for you to use. Beginners are most welcome. For ages 15 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday, September 23, October 28 and November 25.

Bass Guitar Step One

Learn how to lay down a funky groove on the bass guitar.

No experience required and the instruments are provided. This event is for ages 15 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, September 23,
2pm to 3pm and 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Thursday, October 28, 2pm to 3pm.

Bass Guitar 2gether

Play bass guitar with other music enthusiasts.

Easy songs, well suited for beginners. This event is for ages 15 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, October 28, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Drumming Fun for Seniors

If you are new to musical instruments, this is a perfect start to your musical development.

You will have the opportunity to learn some practical skills quickly and in a supportive learning environment. This event is for adults aged 50 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Friday, October 22, from 11.30am to 12.30pm.

Guitar Step One

Are you wanting to learn the guitar but keep putting it off?

We have the perfect opportunity for you to learn the basics of the guitar. You will learn practical skills quickly and in a supportive learning environment. This event is for ages 12 and above. Introduction along with some basic chords and strumming.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, September 16,
2pm to 3pm and 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Thursday, October 21, from 2pm to 3pm.

Guitar Riff Raff

Riffs and licks, techniques for some basic solos.

Dialling in different tones to your guitar and amplifier. This event is for ages 12 and above.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, October 21, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Guitar Jamming

Come along to learn and experience the joy of playing guitar with others.

A great play-along session for beginners. This event is for ages 12 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Friday, October 29 and November 26.

Shredded Fingers Guitar Group

A monthly get-together for guitar players of all levels aged 12 and above.

Come along for playthroughs, gear try-outs and to share playing techniques. There's something different every month and all musical tastes are welcome. We even provide guitars if you are just starting your musical journey.

Gordon White Library, from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Thursday, September 16, October 21 and November 18.



Book Clubs

Book clubs

Are you interested in joining a book club?

Come along to one of our monthly book clubs and connect with people who have similar reading interests.

Between the Lines Book Club

Gordon White Library, from 5.30pm to 6.30pm
Thursday, September 30, October 28, November 25.

Valley Page Turners Book Club

Mirani Library, from 6pm to 7pm
Wednesday, September 15, October 20, November 17.

West End Readers

Walkerston Library, from 5pm to 6pm
Thursday, September 16, October 21, November 18.

One More Page Book Club

Sarina Library, from 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Tuesday, September 28, October 26, November 23.

Book Club Sets

Access our range of book club sets available for loan, each containing six copies of a title for the exclusive use within your own book club.

Craft and Conversation

Are you a crafter and would like some company?

Join our Craft and Conversation group to share your love of all things crafty. Bring your current project (all crafts are welcome) and join this friendly group.

Gordon White Library, from 11am to 2pm

Saturday, September 25, October 30, November 27 and December 11.

Home Library Service

Do you find it difficult to get to your library but love to read? We can help you!

The Home Library Service ensures the information, recreation, cultural and educational needs of all library members are met, by bringing the library to the user.

This service may be for you if you are unable to visit the library due to mobility, illness, frailty, disability or are engaged as a full-time carer.

Contact your local library today to connect with this fabulous service.

Find out more at mackay.qld.gov.au/homelibrary

Think U Know

Children know tech and IT far better than their parents and grandparents do – but their understanding of risk is poorer in comparison.

Parents and carers can become a valuable asset in helping kids avoid online dangers.

Think U Know is an Australian Federal Police program designed to keep children safe when they are online. Contributions of parents and carers is absolutely vital.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, September 16, from 1pm to 2pm.



Made by you

An opportunity for adults aged 18 and above to create, make and take!

Through fun filled workshops for all levels of skills.

Acrylics for beginners

Create a bright giraffe painting, start to finish.

No previous experience necessary. Art supplies provided.

Gordon White Library

Friday, September 3, from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Seed cards

Join us in our workshop and create two eco-friendly seed cards that will grow when planted.

This event is for adults aged 18 and above.

Gordon White Library

Tuesday, September 7, from 1.30pm to 2.30pm.

Recycled bowls

Repurpose your unwanted magazines and newspapers and create a stunning paper bowl.

Walkerston Library

Friday, September 10, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Polymer clay miniatures

We share how to mix and marble colour to create cute modern miniature charms and trinkets.

Walkerston Library

Friday, September 10, from 2pm to 3pm.

Recycled paper beads

Would you like to make something a bit different that is the perfect accessory?

Come and create beautiful, recycled paper beads in a few simple steps and make a bracelet or necklace. All supplies for will be provided for you.

Walkerston Library

Wednesday, October 13, from 11am to noon.

Sarina Library

Wednesday, October 27, from 11am to noon.

Mirani Library

Tuesday, November 9, from 11am to noon.

Marbled pots

Discover the secrets of creating marbled pots! Learn easy techniques and take home a beautifully created pot that is sure to “wow” your family and friends.

All you need to do is bring two of your favourite coloured nail polishes to create your own amazing pot. Other materials for this craft are supplied.

Mirani Library

Thursday, October 21, from 11am to noon.

Sarina Library

Thursday, October 21, from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

First 5 Forever

Up to 90 per cent of brain development happens in the first five years of life. Make talking, playing, singing and reading with your child part of your daily routine.

You are your child's first and most important teacher! Spend time every day nurturing your child's love of language by sharing rhymes, telling stories and playing. Visit your local library for our programs aimed at promoting language and literacy development in the early years.

Baby Bounce Promotes early language and social development in babies from birth to walking. It's never too early to talk, play, sing and read with your child.

Toddler Time Promotes early language and literacy development for toddlers up to two-and-a-half and provides opportunities for toddlers to develop social skills.

Story Time Promotes early language and literacy development and is aimed at children aged two-and-a-half to five years. Sharing stories, singing and talking with your child is fun and good for brain development and social skills.

Dads 'n' Bubs Baby Bounce Promotes early language and social development in babies from birth to walking. The session features nursery rhymes, finger plays and songs, and is a great opportunity for dads to do something special and beneficial with their little one.

Multiples Chatterplay An interactive session incorporating songs, rhymes, stories and play-based resources. These sessions are designed for multiple birth families with children from birth to five years of age.

Reminder

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Program timetable



Program	Date	Time	Library
Baby Bounce	Monday	9.30am - 10am	Mirani Library
	Monday	11am - 11.30am	Dudley Denny City
	Tuesday	9.30am - 10am	Sarina Library
	Tuesday	11am - 11.30am	Walkerston Library
	Thursday	10.30am - 11am	Gordon White Library
Toddler Time	Monday	9.30am - 10am	Sarina Library
	Monday	9.30am - 10am	Gordon White Library
	Wednesday	9.30am - 10am	Mirani Library
	Friday	9.30am - 10am	Dudley Denny City
Story Time	Tuesday	9.30am - 10am	Mirani Library
	Tuesday	9.30am - 10am	Walkerston Library
	Wednesday	9.30am - 10am	Sarina Library
	Wednesday	9.30am - 10am	Gordon White Library
	Thursday	10.30am - 11am	Dudley Denny City
Dads 'n' Bubs Baby Bounce	Saturday, September 4		
	Saturday, October 30	10am - 10.30am	Dudley Denny City
	Saturday, December 4		
Multiples Chatterplay	Tuesday, November 16	9.30am – 11am	Gordon White Library
Programs are held during the school term.			





Oral history kits

Telling stories for the future.

Are you interested in recording the memories of your family, community, workplace or sporting group? Join us in learning how to use this wonderful new resource.

The library is here to help, with oral history recording kits becoming available for loan.

Dudley Denny City Library

Tuesday, November 30, from 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

Family History Online

Mackay Family History Society and Libraries present workshops to showcase genealogy resources plus Ancestry.com (Library Edition).

Receive an overview of online family history resources available at your local, state and national libraries.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, September 2, October 7, November 4 and December 2, from 5.30pm to 7pm.

Ancestry is freely available at any library branch. Ask our friendly staff for more information.

Ancestry Library Edition

You can use Ancestry to piece together a picture of the life of your ancestors and often unravel some family mysteries along the way.

Best of all, until December 2021 you can temporarily access Ancestry Library Edition online from home with your free library membership (usually available only inside our branches).

Access via our library catalogue on the Ancestry tab or ask our friendly staff if you require assistance locating Ancestry Library Edition.

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Be Connected Workshops

Be Connected: Helping older Australians thrive in a digital world.

To register for a session or learn more about Be Connected, email communityoutreach@mackay.qld.gov.au or visit your nearest local library.

Join our guided tour of the Be Connected portal and discover life online.

Online Games

Gordon White Library

Friday, October 15, from 9.30am to 10.30am.

Family History

Dudley Denny City Library

Friday, October 22, from noon to 1pm.

Live Webinars

Staying safe on Facebook

Gordon White Library

Tuesday, October 26, from 9am to 10am.

Safer online shopping and banking

Dudley Denny City Library

Wednesday, September 1, from 3pm to 4pm.

Protect yourself against scams

Dudley Denny City Library

Monday, October 11, from 2pm to 3pm.

Connecting to Others

Gordon White Library

Thursday, September 30, from 3pm to 4pm.

How to use government websites

Gordon White Library

Tuesday, September 28, from 10am to 11am.



Be Connected is an Australian Government initiative aiming to empower everyone to use the internet and everyday technology to thrive in our digital world. Delivered in partnership with Deadly Digital Communities.

Tech Talks

Drop in for a free Tech Talk from 10am to 11am and we'll figure it out together. No bookings required for Tech Talks.

Gordon White Library Tuesdays

Dudley Denny City Library Thursdays

Sarina Library by appointment, please call 49619387



Computer Essentials

As more things in life move online, it is increasingly important to feel confident in using computers.

An opportunity to participate in fun, free learning sessions that will increase confidence, skills and knowledge.

Dudley Denny City Library from 10am to 11.30am

Online Shopping - Wednesday, September 8

eSocial - Wednesday, October 6

eTravel - Wednesday, October 20

Photo Editing - Wednesday, November 3

Online Library - Wednesday, November 17

Gordon White library from 10am to 11.30am

Microsoft Word - Wednesday, September 1

Online Shopping - Wednesday, September 15

eSocial - Wednesday, October 13

eTravel - Wednesday, October 27

Photo Editing - Wednesday, November 10

Online Library - Wednesday, November 24

English Conversation Circles



Is English your second language? Do you want to practise your English-speaking skills?

Whether you are just starting out, or advanced in your skills, our program will assist in your language development in a relaxed and supportive environment.

Dudley Denny City Library, from 1pm to 2pm
Thursday, September 16, October 14, November 18.

Road to IELTS

Ask us about IELTS (International English Language Testing System). A self-study course to help prepare for the IELTS exam. Practice listening tasks under timed conditions, view videos of speaking tests, develop techniques and vocabulary for writing tasks; and work on text for the reading test, simulating the real exam.



Pirates and Buccaneers!

Arr all ye scurvy dogs, get yerself into the Dread Ship Dudley Denny fer some pirate antics.

Thar will be seekin' o' treasure, a fine portrait taken of yerself aboard a schooner and o' course a sea shanty orrr two to sing! For ages 12 and above.

Dudley Denny City Library

Tuesday, September 14, from 3.30pm to 5pm.

Skincare hacks

Forget about expensive lotions and potions.

We'll show you how to make an easy skincare range from your pantry and fruit bowl. For ages 12 to 18.

Gordon White Library

Tuesday, October 19, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Forensics: an overview

Meet police forensic investigators and find out what really goes on.

You'll learn about how to take fingerprints and catalogue a crime scene. For ages 12 to 18.

Dudley Denny City Library

Tuesday, November 16, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Anime and Manga Club

Come on out manga and anime fans!

A place for young adults aged 12 to 18 years to share their favourites or most despised story ideas, drawings and all things Japanese.

Gordon White Library 5.30pm to 7pm

Thursday, September 16, October 21 and November 18.

Christmas gift wrapping

Wrap your gifts with personalised style, save \$\$\$ and save waste!

Bring any light coloured scrap cotton or silk materials. For ages 12 to 18 years.

Gordon White Library

Tuesday, December 14, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

Sustainable Cities

Join us for a look at the positive potential of our cities and living spaces.

Young adults aged 12 to 18 years, find out the how's and why's of working in the ever-expanding field of environmental science.

Gordon White Library

Wednesday, September 22, from 2pm to 4pm

Bullet Journals for 2022



Get organised for 2022 with quirky bullet journals that keep you on track with a creative flare.

More than just a diary! For ages 12 to 18.

Sarina Library

Monday, January 17, from 2pm to 4pm.

Mirani Library

Tuesday, January 18, from 10am to noon.

Walkerston Library

Tuesday, January 18, from 2pm to 4pm.

Dudley Denny City Library

Wednesday, January 19, from 10am to noon.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, January 20, from 10am to noon.

Beautiful Bugs

Join our own in-house entomologist for an introduction to insect preservation.

You are welcome to bring your own (deceased) bugs. For ages 12 to 18.

Dudley Denny City Library

Tuesday, January 11, from 10am to noon.

STEMPunks

Inspiring Tomorrow's Innovators Space 2101

An immersive STEM workshop, where participants see if they have what it takes to join the Space Punks Alliance by completing our test mission.

During the mission, they will use design thinking as a problem-solving tool and experience real space objects, 3D design, coding and learn from real Marsonauts in this augmented reality.

This event is for young adults aged 13 to 15 and is delivered in partnership with Split Spaces and Local Buying Foundation

Gordon White Library

Wednesday, September 29, from 1 pm to 5pm.

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Write with Kat

Teens aged 12 to 18 years are invited to improve their skills in writing for an audience and for possible publications.

This event is hosted by noted and published author Kat Ilich.

Sarina Library

Monday, September 20, from 2pm to 4pm.

Mirani Library

Tuesday, September 21, from 10am to noon.

Walkerston Library

Tuesday, September 21, from 2pm to 4pm.

Dudley Denny City Library

Wednesday, September 22, from 10am to noon.

Gordon White Library

Thursday, September 22, from 10am to noon.



Frank the Kindy Dog

Book Talk and Meet and Greet

Meet local author Peta Baxter and the four-legged star of popular picture book "Frankie Goes to Kindergarten".

Frank and Peta will share their beautiful story and answer any questions you may have about the book and Frank's adventures at Kindy. Frank will also be available for pats!

Walkerston Library

Tuesday, September 28

9.30am to 10am and 10.30am to 11am.

Gordon White Library

Wednesday, September 29

9.30am to 10am and 10.30am to 11am.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, September 30

10.30am to 11am and 11.30am to noon .

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Wednesday, September 22, from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

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STEAM Club

Explore the fascinating world of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics.

Gordon White Library

Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm

*During school term

Bedtime Stories



A fun evening for children aged from birth to eight years-of-age and their families.

The session features nursery rhymes, stories, songs and a craft activity. Don't forget to wear your pyjamas!

Gordon White Library

Thursday, September 23, from 5pm to 6pm.

Thursday, December 16, from 5pm to 6pm.

Dudley Denny City Library

Thursday, September 30, from 5pm to 6pm.

Christmas Craft Packs

Hey kids, get creative over the Christmas holidays with our free Takeaway Christmas Craft Packs!

Available at all library branches from Monday, December 13. Limit of one pack per child.

Packs are free, however, you must have your library membership card and borrow one library item to collect your pack.

Available while stocks last, so get in quick!

Movie Matinees



Join us for an afternoon movie and popcorn.

This event is for children aged five to 12 years-of-age.

Raya and The Last Dragon (PG)

In a realm known as Kumandra, a re-imagined Earth inhabited by an ancient civilization, a warrior named Raya is determined to find the last dragon.

Gordon White Library

Friday, September 24, from 2pm to 4pm.

Luca (PG)

On the Italian Riviera, an unlikely friendship grows between a human and a human disguised as a sea monster.

Gordon White Library

Friday, October 1, from 2pm to 4pm.

Summer Reading Club

The Summer Reading Club is on again!

Young people and families are invited to join the Summer Reading Challenge, which encourages summer-long reading, plus engagement with your local library.

The campaign runs from Monday, December 1 until Friday, January 21. Sign up for our eNewsletters for more information closer to the date.

Our locations and hours

Phone: 4961 9387

To view our opening hours go to
mackay.qld.gov.au/contactus

Dudley Denny City Library

134 Victoria Street, Mackay QLD 4740

Gordon White Library

54 Phillip Street, Mt Pleasant QLD 4740

Walkerston Library

9 Dutton Street, Walkerston QLD 4751

Sarina Library

65 Broad Street, Sarina QLD 4737

Mirani Library

16 Victoria Street, Mirani QLD 4754

Mobile Library

Mobile Library operates on a fortnightly schedule.
View the schedule at mackay.qld.gov.au/contactus

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All attendees must maintain 1.5 metres social distancing as required by COVID-19 and be in good health.