NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS

Ratepayers of the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council are hereby advised that rate notices for the period 01/07/2022 to 31/12/2022 were issued on 9 August 2022. Please note; two discount periods will apply as follows:

Full discount closes on Wednesday, 7 September 2022 at 4.30pm.

Half discount closes on Thursday, 22 September 2022 at 4.30 pm.

It is the responsibility of the property owner to advise Council of any change of address

Any person not in receipt of their rate notice/s should contact the Council Office immediately.

Prepayment booklets can be obtained from the Council Office for those Ratepayers wishing to prepay rates during the year.

THE CENTRE WITHIN

A two day course to give you tools and techniques to make improvements to your life and way of living.

22 & 23 October at Blackall Cultural Centre
For more information or to book please contact the Blackall Admin office on 4621 6600.

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COUNCIL CATCH-UP

~ an insight into what Council is working on in our region~



COMMUNITY GROUP INFORMATION

Council is in the process of updating the clubs and associations details on the website.

If you would like your organisation's details on Council's website, please email the following details to admin@btrc.qld.gov.au:

- Organisation Name
- Address/Postal Address
- Phone
- Email
- Website

2022 GARDEN COMPETITION

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council is pleased to announce that Jerry Colby-Williams (ABC's Gardening Australia) will be the judge for this year's competition, with judging being held during the week commencing Monday, 26 September 2022.

<u>Section One</u> (judged over both Blackall and Tambo)- best rural garden—garden with the best incorporation of native plants—flower/cottage garden—landscaped/structural garden—senior's garden—sustainable—kitchen garden

<u>Section Two</u> (judged over both Blackall and Tambo)emerging garden—corporate garden—best garden entered by a resident of either Coolibah Village (Tambo) or Barcoo Retirement Village (Blackall) - best junior gardener's garden

<u>Section Three</u> (judged separately)- garden with best and most creative use of recycled materials or individual garden art—my favourite garden space—footpath/street appeal

The full section details and judging criteria are available for collection from Council's administration offices.

FIRST FIVE FOREVER

The Blackall and Tambo Library encourages the public to bring your children aged 0 to 5 years to experience the First Five Forever program.

This program will be held every week on Tuesday mornings, commencing:

Blackall Library at 10:15 am Tambo Library at 9:00 am

The First Five Forever program involves reading, music, arts, crafts, and interaction with other children. If you are interested please contact the Blackall Library on 4657 4764 or Tambo Library on 4654 6408.

NOTICE OF NON-CLAIMANT APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION OF NATIVE TITLE

Non-claimant applications have been made to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) seeking determinations that native title does not exist in the applied for areas.

Summaries of the applications can be found on Council's website btrc.qld.gov.au.

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Jarrod Rogers on 07 3052 4369 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

TOWN WATER

Please note that Council does not supply hot water to residences. Council only supplies town water, and does not regulate the temperature in any way.

The temperature of tap water is often dependent on weather conditions and town water use and cannot be altered by Council.

If the supplied town water is low in temperature, residents may wish to consider installing a hot water system at their residence

REGIONAL WORKS

The Tambo Cemetery gates have been restored by the Blackall Work Camp. They have now been reinstalled by the Tambo Construction Foreman and Crew.

The Heavy Vehicle Bypass is well underway with subgrade complete and the majority of the gravel hauled.

Pavement and prime on the Barcoo River Bridge in Tambo is now fully complete. It is still awaiting sealing in the current weeks.

The Caldervale Two-Way tower has been stood however Council is awaiting final parts before it is back online.

DOG REGISTRATIONS DUE

A reminder to all dog owners that dog registration is due 30th September 2022. Dog registration is a requirement of State Legislation outlined in the Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act.

Dogs in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council must be registered with Council:

- Upon reaching three months of age;
- Within 14 days of obtaining your dog (if the dog is older than three months of
- Within 14 days of moving into the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

If any of your animal/s details have changed, you are required to advise council. Failure to advise Council of changed circumstances/details may result in the issuing of a penalty infringement notices.

BIOSECURITY

The largest current threat to Australia's biosecurity is the introduction of unwanted diseases. Emergency animal diseases have the potential to cause significant and farreaching impacts to Australia's livestock industries. The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry encourages livestock owners to be prepared and on the look out for any signs of Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD), Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), and African Swine Fever (ASF).

LSD, FMD, and ASF are not present in Australian livestock currently, but if introduced, pose a significant impact on production, businesses, and families.

Look for and report suspected cases to the Emergency Animal Disease Watch Hotline immediately on 1800 675 888.

Further information can be found at daf.engagementhub.com.au/animal-diseasepreparedness.

Regional Arts Development Fund

Grant Funding Available

RADF Funding Round 1 applications close 2 September 2022. Further information and application forms are available on Council's website

Meeting Highlights

- ~ Employee Conflict of Interest Policy has been updated
- ~ Council has approved the purchase of a new Tractor Mower
- ~ The Council auction held for the sale of a property for overdue rates, along with several non-current valuable assets resulted in all lots being sold
- ~ Council funding for the 2022-23 Regional Arts Development Fund has been approved by Arts Queensland
- ~ Funding for the Community Drought Support Program-Blackall-Tambo Circus Carnival event has been received
- ~ Council continues to support the Disaster Management Coordinator Position The full meeting minutes are available on Council's website btrc.gld.gov.au Next Meeting: 21st September 2022, Tambo



Office Opening Hours & Contact Blackall & Tambo Phone: (07) 4621 6600

Website: btrc.qld.gov.au



