

Tweed Link

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Wait staff showing customers through the kitchen garden at renowned Carool-based restaurant, Potager. Savour the Tweed is a 5-day event that will highlight the Tweed's culinary excellence.

An invite to a new food and drink event

Australia's newest premier food and drink event, Savour the Tweed, will be held from 30 October to 3 November 2024, shining a light on the Tweed's culinary excellence and unparalleled food and drink provenance.

The inaugural 5-day celebration will feature a program of curated events to champion the region's local produce and those who bring it to life, from First Nations storytellers and passionate chefs to talented distillers, brewers and baristas, cheesemakers and farmers and an endless list of artisan producers.

The event will feature a stunning program of 20 distinctive events featuring local and visiting chefs with highlights including a First Nations welcome dinner and native food foraging, farm to fork menus and wild-caught seafood lunch, plus events showcasing healthy and sustainable food practices and ethical farming.

The program is co-curated by Tweed-based chef and author Christine Manfield and local food advocate Amy Colli of Straight to the Source and will highlight the diversity and prominence of the Tweed as one of Australia's leading food and drink destinations with farm tours, distillery and brewery masterclasses, long table lunches, storytelling, cooking classes and local degustation.

Ms Manfield said the program aimed to unearth the distinctive 'terroir' of the region by showcasing locally sourced seasonal produce and native ingredients and the Tweed's host of talented chefs and food and drink artisans.

"Savour the Tweed will be a signature regional event,

created from the ground up, and I'm so excited to be collaborating with the Tweed's impressive line-up of food and drink producers, leading chefs and cultural storytellers to celebrate the distinctive flavours and character of the region and to offer a program of immersive experiences," she said.

"The Tweed's growing profile as one of Australia's leading culinary destinations is testament to the creative vision and hard work of the region's chefs, restaurateurs, growers, distillers, brewers, food producers and First Nations talent who will all feature throughout the event program."

Savour The Tweed is a partnership between Tweed Shire Council and The Tweed Tourism Company to boost regional tourism.

Sally Scott, General Manager of The Tweed Tourism Company, said this was an exciting addition to the region's annual tourism events calendar.

"As a 5-day event, Savour the Tweed is the perfect long-weekend getaway for foodies who also want to experience the Tweed's holiday highlights including the Tweed Regional Gallery and Northern Rivers Rail Trail in the hinterland to surf lessons and snorkelling with turtles from our seaside villages," she said.

The festival is a key investment by Council to host a signature event that showcases the region and highlights its culinary strengths.

For more information and to sign up for program updates and early ticketing details, head to visitthetweed.com.au/savourthetweed



BURNING! BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD

7-14 JULY 2024

NAIDOC WEEK PROGRAM

Wednesday 10 July – Health and Sports Expo 10am – 3 pm, Arkinstall Park

Thursday 11 July – July Saltwater Day 10 am – 2 pm Community barbecue and gathering Fingal Head Beach

Canowindra Elders Lunch 12 – 2pm South Tweed Sports Club

Friday 12 July – Tweed NAIDOC March and Corroboree in the park

10 am – 12.30 pm – Meet at Tweed Heads Civic Centre, cnr Brett and Wharf streets. Finish at Jack Evans Boat Harbour

NAIDOC Dinner Dance 6 pm – late Club Tweed – Tweed Heads Bowls Club (limited numbers)

For information, please contact Tweed Byron Local Aboriginal Land Council (TBLALC) via email admin@tblalc.com

In brief ...

What are you up to these school holidays?

Council's suite of facilities provide plenty of options for families during the school holidays - and all for little or no cost!

Visit the Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre to take part in some free fun and engaging activities including ART PLAY, ART MAKER and Gallery Playdates for small visitors.

Or explore the world of Time Travellers and be enlightened by Lantern Land while listening to history light up in front of your eyes at the Tweed Regional Museum's Mini Murwillumbah display – part of the mysterious Omnia – All and Everything exhibition.

For those who prefer the outdoors, explore the Northern Rivers Rail Trail or jump into action at Uki Mountain Bike Park.

And for those brave enough to dip their toes in the water, there's always Council's pools at the 3 Tweed Regional Aquatic Centres, where a small entry fee applies.



The Mini Murwillumbah display at Tweed Regional Museum.

Your voice, your events: Join Tweed's event planning journey

Council is asking for community feedback on the draft *Tweed Events Strategy 2024 - 2028* and draft *Events Sponsorship Policy*, which aim to attract and support events that showcase our natural, creative and culinary strengths.



Sporting events are included in the draft *Tweed Events Strategy 2024-25*.

The draft Strategy guides the sustainable growth, development and delivery of events that are the right fit for the region and uniquely Tweed. The document aims to balance visitation growth with protection of our natural environment and way of living.

This draft Strategy is connected and aligned to national, state, regional and local strategies, as well as being informed by community members and local event organisers.

The accompanying draft Events Sponsorship Policy aligns with the vision of the draft Tweed Events Strategy and provides the framework for event support, detailing how events will be assessed, who is eligible for support and the conditions for receiving funding.

Community members are encouraged to review the draft *Events Strategy 2024 - 2028* and draft *Event Sponsorship Policy* and provide feedback before 4 pm on Wednesday 31 July 2024.

For more information and to view the drafts, visit yoursaytweed.com.au/event strategy

Tweed Shire Council wishes to acknowledge the Ngandowal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung Country, in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul-gi-gin and Moorung – Moobah clans, as being the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters within the Tweed Shire boundaries. Council also acknowledges and respects the Tweed Aboriginal community's right to speak for its Country and to care for its traditional Country in accordance with its lore, customs and traditions.

ePayment and Property Services outage Council's ePayment and Property Services portal will be unavailable from 4 pm on 11 to 15 July.

Online eProperty Section 603 certificates won't be issued until 2024-25 rate levies have been calculated on 15 July. Levy information will be available after this. Application lodgements will resume after 19 July.

Development application determinations

Notification of development application determinations for the purposes of Section 4.59 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended).

Application details

Approved

DA24/0141 - Use of front retaining wall and proposed 1.8m

Lot 1SP 36616, Unit 1/No. 52 Ash Drive, Banora Point

DA24/0087 - Carport forward of the building line and a 1.8 m return fence

Lot 168 DP 217678, No. 24 Kurrajong Avenue, **Bogangar** DA24/0138 - Carport within the front building line and inground swimming pool

Lot 228 DP 840595, No. 10 Grass Tree Circuit, Bogangar

DA24/0035 - Demolition of existing dwelling, new dwelling, new shed with amenities and new swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 359521, No. 104 Wooyung Road, Crabbes Creek

DA24/0187 - Dwelling with attached garage and inground swimming pool

Lot 21 DP 1295758, No. 52 Bowen Loop, Cudgen

DA24/0165 - Inground swimming pool

Lot 1 DP 1287930, No. 259 Campbells Road, Dungay

DA24/0126 - Farm building and swimming pool

Lot 16 DP 343216, No. 163 Farrants Road, Farrants Hill

DA23/0518 - Demolition of existing dwelling and new two storey dwelling with attached garage, swimming pool and 1.8 m front fence

Lot 2 DP 23687, No. 17 Seaview Street, Kingscliff

DA23/0452 - Carport forward of the building line including 1.8m front boundary fence

Lot 1SP 72375, Unit 1/No. 23 Victoria Avenue, Pottsville DA24/0104 - In-ground swimming pool, retaining and 1.8 m

high front fence Lot 415 DP 1052083, No. 17 Euodia Avenue, Pottsville

DA24/0179 - Shed

Lot 186 DP 806528, No. 86 Overall Drive, Pottsville

DA24/0208 - Swimming pool

Lot 503 DP 1068516, No. 13 Brushtail Court, Pottsville

DA24/0022 - Two storey dwelling with attached garage, earthworks, in-ground pool

Lot 12 DP 1243926, No. 23 Winchelsea Way, Terranora

DA23/0604 - Demolition of existing dwelling, new dwelling, swimming pool, associated decking and tree removal

Lot 2 Section 7 DP 27263, No. 5 Stanley Street, Tweed Heads

DA24/0143 - Dwelling addition - patios

Lot 130 DP 246488, No. 72 Companion Way, Tweed Heads

DA22/0823 - Change of use of Unit 1 to shop and animal boarding or training establishment including dog grooming and ancillary dog day care

Lot 2 DP 596126, No. 17 Machinery Drive, Tweed Heads South

DA24/0029 - 6 lot strata subdivision

DA24/0112 - Outbuilding (shed)

Lot 7 DP 862572, No. 77 Tyalgum Ridge Road, **Tyalgum**

Approved - deferred commencement

820693, No. 16-32 Wharf Street, Tweed Heads

DA23/0209 - Concept Development Application under Section 4.22 of the EP&A Act 1979 for the staged redevelopment of the Tweed Mall – concept plan only (NRPP) Lot 1 DP 866236, Lot 3 DP 561138, Lot 3 DP 520173, Lot 672 DP 755740, Lot 1 DP 245697, Lot 2 DP 561138, Lot 1 DP

The above development determinations are available for public inspection free of charge at the Planning and Regulation Division, Murwillumbah Civic Centre, during ordinary office hours or viewed on Council's DA Tracking site located at <u>datracker.tweed.nsw.gov.au</u>

Current vacancies

Visit <u>tweed.nsw.gov.au/job-vacancies</u> to view current vacancies. Subscribe to receive Job Vacancy Alerts via email at tweed.nsw.gov.au/subscribe



Check when your water meter is read at tweed.nsw.gov.au/meter-reading

Funding opportunities for sustainable farming initiatives

Are you a local farmer with ideas to improve the health of your farm?

Farmers in the Tweed are invited to apply for up to \$4,000 in funding as part of Council's Sustainable Agriculture Small Grants Program.

Now in its seventh year, the program supports farmers to implement environmentally friendly farming practices and foster innovation in agricultural techniques.

Council's Program Leader – Sustainable Agriculture Eli Szandala said these grants were one way Council can support farmers in their efforts to improve soil, waterway and natural area management.

"Given agriculture's significant role in land use and its pivotal contribution to the region's economy, offering technical and financial support to farmers for projects focusing on sustainable agricultural practices is crucial," Mr Szandala said.

"These practices are critical as we all strive to conserve our unique environment, respond to climate change and enhance the natural resources on farms which are essential for their long-term viability.

"Last year we were pleasantly surprised by the number of innovative projects put forward by our farming community and we hope to see farmers who want to be more sustainable but might need some support, to apply this year."

Funding will be awarded to projects that demonstrate innovation, efficiency and environmental best practice across various aspects of agricultural

production. Projects which improve the health of soils, water quality and biodiversity on farms are prioritised for support.

The Sustainable Agriculture Small Grants Program highlights Council's commitment to working with the community to reduce our impact on the natural environment and adapt to climate change for a sustainable future.

Applications are open until 30 August for projects in the 2024-25 financial year.

To find out more, contact the Program Leader -Sustainable Agriculture on 02 6670 2400 or visit tweed.nsw.gov.au/agriculture



Grants of up to \$4,000 are available for activities that trial or lead to the adoption of improved farming practices.

Busting the myths of affordable and social housing

Council is seeking community feedback on its Draft Affordable Housing Strategy – a plan which aims to tackle the significant shortage of social and affordable housing in the Tweed.

Affordable housing is a critical issue for the Tweed community but is often surrounded by misconceptions. Some of the most common myths about affordable housing include:

Myth 1: Affordable housing only benefits people who are unemployed

Affordable housing supports a diverse group of people, including essential workers such as teachers, nurses, emergency services, as well as those who work in tourism, retail and hospitality industries. Despite having steady employment, these individuals still struggle with high housing costs. Currently, 47% of all rental households are experiencing rental stress in the Tweed, representing a significant portion of our community.

Myth 2: Affordable housing lowers property values Many studies have shown well-managed affordable

housing has no negative impact on surrounding property values or the quality of life for existing residents. In many cases, well designed social and affordable housing adds to the amenity and character of the community by improving the quality of building design and landscaping. A mix of different housing types supports a more diverse community, enabling older people, families and younger people the opportunity to live within our neighbourhoods.

Myth 3: Social and affordable housing is poorly maintained

Affordable housing developments are subject to strict building and maintenance standards with many managed by local community housing providers. Residences are designed to be attractive, sustainable and well-integrated into the community. In most cases you would not know the difference in terms of design between social, affordable housing and other housing.

Find out more and share your ideas on the draft Affordable Housing Strategy before 4 pm on 7 August at yoursaytweed.com.au/affordablehousing



Have your say

Add your voice to decision making in the Tweed



Have your say on council plans to support local events

Council is asking for community feedback on the draft Tweed Events Strategy 2024 - 2028 and draft Events Sponsorship Policy, which aim to attract and support events that showcase and celebrate the Tweed's natural beauty, lifestyle and culture.

Have your say

Share your thoughts by making a submission before 4 pm Wednesday 31 July 2024 in one of the following ways:

- online at yoursaytweed.com.au/eventsstrategy
- email to events@tweed.nsw.gov.au with the subject: Draft Events Strategy
- mail to the General Manager, Tweed Shire Council, PO Box 816, Murwillumbah, NSW 2484
- drop your submission off in person to the Tweed or Murwillumbah Council offices

All submissions, including postal or in person, must be received before 4 pm, 31 July and must include your full name, address and contact details. Please indicate if you do not give permission for it to be included in the final report to Council.

For more information and to view the draft strategy and policy,

Council confidentiality policy: On request, any submission including identifying particulars will be made public. Council will give consideration to the 'Public Interest' and requests for confidentiality however, the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 may require confidential submissions to be released to an applicant.

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