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OUR COVER

Citizen of the Year
Kim Lennane and
Young Citizen
of the Year
Crystal-Rose
Madelene Paul.

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FROM THE

MAYOR'S OFFICE

A YEAR OF OPPORTUNITY AHEAD

Welcome to a new year everyone in Isaac will be hoping is so much better than 2020. Isaac Regional Council is planning to make that a reality. The past year has emphasised not only the economic importance of our region to the Queensland and Australian economies but also the spirit and resilience of our communities. In 2020, our Isaac communities proved we can hang in there in tough times. In 2021, we will prove we can rebound and get our communities and businesses back on track.

PANDEMIC RECOVERY PLAN

Isaac Regional Council has a COVID-19 strategic recovery plan (which is available on the IRC website). As part of this plan, Council has appointed two specialist staff to help the community and businesses recover from the impacts of the pandemic. The Community Resilience Coordinator is focused on reactivating the community through events and celebrations in a "new normal" COVID-safe manner. The outcome will be growth in community and social capacity and resilience. The Economic and Business Resilience Coordinator is undertaking targeted research to find vulnerable businesses, facilitate connections, and design intervention for supporting programs and opportunities to build business resilience and capability. Tourism industry development has been identified as a key focus.

AUSTRALIA DAY

One of my first official duties for the year was to attend Australia Day ceremonies at Middlemount, Dysart and Moranbah. It is wonderful to welcome the nation's newest Australians into our communities and also to acknowledge other citizens making outstanding contributions in Isaac. Thirteen new citizens took the oath of citizenship, hailing from the Philippines, United Kingdom, India, Czech Republic and Fiji. Our 2021 Isaac Region Citizen of the Year is Kim Lennane, founder of the Middlemount Bush Santa. Dysart's Crystal-Rose Madelene Paul, a high-achieving marvel through her academic, sporting and community

work, is Young Citizen of the Year. Event of the Year went to organisers of the Moranbah Miners' Memorial and Driveways at Dusk. The Isaac Community Chest corporate contributors took out the Corporate Community Contribution at the awards.

NEW CAREERS

Another wonderful event that always occurs early in the year is welcoming people who are beginning traineeships or apprenticeships with Isaac Regional Council. Nine people on their way to new careers recently completed a two-day introduction to Council structure, responsibilities and procedures, and have now commenced at least a year's supervised training. Council sees the annual intake of trainees and apprentices as an important responsibility. At the end of their training, some of these people will join Council and some will move to other positions in government or private enterprise. As a major employer in the region, Council sees it as a social responsibility to help train administrative staff and tradespeople in the region.

RECRUITMENT OF A NEW CEO

Our outstanding Council CEO, Gary Stevenson, PSM, is transitioning to retirement and the search is on a new chief executive. This is part of an orderly transition plan initiated after Gary advised Council early last year he planned to step down by mid-2021. Gary has brought a high level of professionalism to the role and his trusted advice has been instrumental in shaping the future direction of our Council and our Region. Council has commenced a nationwide recruitment process and, while this may not necessarily be a quick or easy process, we will look to have a new CEO in place by mid-year. I envisage there will be a handover transition period once the new CEO is appointed before we finally, sadly, farewell Gary.

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WELCOME TO ISAAC

Whether you are here for work or just to be closer to family and friends, we would like to warmly welcome all new residents to Isaac! Find out more about what there is to explore and our facilities and services at isaac.qld.gov.au



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EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH

- 1** F5F Pop Up @ The Park, Nebo
- 4** Moranbah Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 5** Nebo Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 6** Clermont Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 7** Glenden Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 8** F5F Pop Up @ The Park, Moranbah
- 12** Isaac Coast Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 12** Dysart Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 13** Middlemount Inspiring Women in Isaac
- 19** F5F Pop Up @ The Pool, Middlemount
- 19** Ride2School Day, Clermont
- 28** Moranbah Freemasons' Markets
- 31** F5F Pop Up @ The Pool, Flaggy Rock

APRIL

- 7-11** Australian Campdrafting Association (ACA) Finals, Nebo

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Citizen of the Year Kim Lennane, Middlemount



Young Citizen of the Year Crystal-Rose Madelene Paul, Dysart

RESILIENCE SHINES AT AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS IN THE ISAAC REGION

A Middlemount woman who embodies the region’s passion for netball and community resilience has been named the 2021 Isaac Region Citizen of the Year during Australia Day celebrations in January.

Kim Lennane, also an avid photographer and founder of the Middlemount Bush Santa, received the award from Mayor Anne Baker in Middlemount. Dysart’s Crystal-Rose Madelene Paul, a high-achieving marvel through her academic, sporting and community work, was named Young Citizen of the Year. Event of the Year went to organisers of the Moranbah Miners’ Memorial and Driveways at Dusk and the Isaac Community Chest corporate contributors took out the Corporate Community Contribution at the awards.

This was a joint partnership between Anglo American, BHP, Civeo, South 32/Aquila Resources and Isaac Regional Council. Mayor Baker, who attended local Australia Day events in Dysart, Middlemount and Moranbah, said the award winners were worthy recipients.

“Every single award winner plays an integral part in the community

and creates a positive difference to the lives of those around them,” Mayor Baker said.

“We are a region rich in resources, but we are also blessed with the greatest resource of all - our people, especially through 2020 - what a tough year with COVID but we’re making it through together.

“We heard about people who donate their time to bring sport, arts and culture to our region. We heard about organisations and individuals that have raised thousands for charities.

“We heard about resilient and hardworking people that personify the spirit of Isaac through their passion and work and so many more.

“It is people like these who make me proud to be in Isaac. Congratulations to each of our nominees and winners - your hard work and passion is truly inspiring.”

The 2021 Australia Day Awards is an Isaac Regional Council event assisted by the Australian Government through the National Australia Day Council.

Visit Council’s Facebook page for images of your local event.



Event of the Year
Moranbah Miners' Memorial and Driveways at Dusk



Corporate Community Contribution of the Year
Isaac Community Chest Contributors



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It has been great to see so much use of our amazing Glenden Pool recently with perfect pool weather. I had a great time at the Australia Day ceremony and pool party. Congratulations to all nominees and awardees, your recognition is well deserved. Many also enjoyed the First 5 Forever Pop Ups @ the Pool in February, which is an interactive reading and playing session, bringing kids under 5 to Isaac’s wonderful outdoor facilities. Thank you to our Isaac programs team for coordinating these fun sessions. Keep an eye out for more Pop Ups @ the Pool in Glenden in the future.

Event of the Year

- > Moranbah Miners' Memorial and Driveways at Dusk, Moranbah

Corporate Community Contribution

- > Isaac Community Chest corporate contributors – Anglo American, BHP, Civeo, South32/Aquila Resources and Isaac Regional Council

Special Award – Spirit of Isaac Award

- > Joint Winners 4RFM and ELAM, Moranbah

Mayor's Award

For recognition of service to the community. This award is for our unsung heroes and quiet achievers who vastly contribute to our communities but can sometimes go unnoticed.

- > Aaron Kleier, Clermont
- > Crystal-Rose Madelene Paul, Dysart
- > Tamara Coleman, Glenden
- > Nic Kelly, Middlemount
- > Desley Kerr, Moranbah
- > Kate Hardwick, Nebo
- > Tammy Lando, Carmila
- > Mark Robertson, St Lawrence

Community Business Award

- > Focus Sports and Remedial Massage, Moranbah
- > Carmila Hotel, Carmila



Spirit of Isaac
4RFM

Individual Achievement Medallions

To recognise an individual who has contributed positively to their community, in their respective category.

Achievement

- > Elisha Parker, Clermont
- > Ange Bromley, Dysart
- > Christopher Ward, Glenden
- > Peta Oram, Middlemount
- > Morgan Stockwell, Moranbah
- > Kate Hardwick, Nebo
- > Tammy Lando, Carmila
- > Mark Robertson, St Lawrence

Arts and Cultural

- > Cheryl Arthur, Dysart
- > Jodie Cawter, Middlemount
- > Mark Hollands, Moranbah
- > Sue Gedda, Nebo
- > Katherine Brock, Carmila

Sport

- > Rhys Wood, Clermont
- > Taine Waerea, Glenden
- > Alexandria Hite, Middlemount
- > Rhondda Witherspoon, Moranbah



Australia Day Ambassador
Jenny Woodward

Group Achievement Medallions

To recognise a group who has contributed positively to their community, in their respective category.

Achievement

- > International Rural Women's Day Luncheon, Clermont
- > Catherine and Scott Phillis, Middlemount
- > John Allen Memorial Golf Day, Moranbah
- > Nebo Community Sport and Recreation Club, Nebo

Arts and Cultural

- > Kids Voice 2020, Clermont
- > CQ Dance Academy - Jayde McNichol, Rosie Mallinson, Charlotte Mallinson, Lainey Griffiths, Dysart
- > 2019 Middlemount Community Christmas Celebrations (MCSA), Middlemount
- > Moranbah State School Book Week Parade, Moranbah

Sport

- > Dysart Amateur Boxing Club, Dysart
- > Glenden Community Group, Glenden
- > MCSA Netball, Middlemount
- > Moranbah Bulldogs Australian Football Club - under 12 Derby Blue vs White, Moranbah
- > Nebo Community Fitness Inc, Nebo



Spirit of Isaac
ELAM



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Congratulations and welcome to Isaac's newest citizens, who took the plunge and pledge on Australia Day. I am proud to see nine Dysart locals among the 13 new citizens. The citizenship ceremony is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and honour the rich diversity of cultures that exists within our Isaac region. The often-difficult journey culminates in being officially recognised as an Australian. Any persons interested in becoming an Australian Citizen should contact the Department of Home Affairs on 131 881 or visit www.isaac.qld.gov.au/citizenship-ceremonies for more information.

STRATEGIC PILOT PLAN ADOPTED TO COMBAT ILLEGAL DUMPING

Council has adopted a 12-month pilot plan to examine motivations for illegal dumping in the region.

Mayor Anne Baker said the plan is to deal with the root causes rather than the results of illegal dumping.

“Illegal dumping includes bags of household rubbish and garden waste as well as items such as whitegoods, furniture and abandoned cars,” she said.

“It includes commercial or larger scale deposits of construction and demolition materials, car tyres and hazardous waste. So, when you see it, stop it by calling 1300 ISAACS. Let’s keep Isaac tidy!

“Our aim is to minimise the incidence of illegal dumping in the region, drive positive long-term change in community attitudes and behaviours to prevent illegal dumping, and reduce the social, environmental, health and financial impact of illegal dumping.

“We need to reduce perceived financial benefits in illegal dumping, increase the risks of getting caught, make access to illegal dumping sites more difficult, and reduce people’s reasons for dumping illegally.

“Our strategy is to make illegal dumping less attractive by using those illegal dumping intervention mechanisms. It’s time to stop the excuses and we need everyone to spread the word.”

For more information call Council’s Customer Service Centre available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on 1300 ISAACS (1300 472 227).



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The Moranbah Coalface Art Gallery is hosting the Vision 2020 exhibition until 19 March. Curated by Copacabana artist Brenda Gael Smith, the exhibition explores the theme of “vision” from different angles, highlighting the importance of eye health and vision care, especially for a vibrant creative life. After the exhibition leaves the Isaac, it will continue on tour around Australia. I urge people to view this exhibition while it is in our neck of the woods.



Rodney Dan, Harieta, Marseu, Mikayla, Paul, Rodney and Bernadette Suliana with Mayor Anne Baker

THIRTEEN TAKE TRUE BLUE PLEDGE

Thirteen new citizens have been warmly welcomed to the Isaac region during a special Australia Day ceremony at Moranbah Community Centre.

Gathering with friends and family to share this exceptional milestone, the new Australians proudly took the pledge on Australia Day. The citizens who took the oath hailed from the Philippines, United Kingdom, India, Czech Republic and Fiji.

Mayor Anne Baker said citizenship ceremonies provided a wonderful opportunity to celebrate and honour the rich diversity of cultures that exists within the Isaac region and the nation.

"Being part of the ceremony to welcome our new citizens is a real privilege and we are thrilled to help them embark on this exciting new journey in their lives," Mayor Baker said.

"They have all undertaken a journey much greater than most of us could imagine.

"The process can take some people several years to bring to fruition.

"I congratulate them for their commitment, persistence and desire to be officially recognised as an Australian."

The new citizens are Daisy Jane Sacare Caotivo (Philippines),

Emma Jayne Goodman (United Kingdom), Harmanvir Kaur from (India), Mudrabahen Balvantbhai Patel (India), Alma Tuyan Siatrez (Philippines) and Petra Vokoun (Czech Republic), along with a family of seven from Fiji who celebrated becoming new citizens together. They are Rodney Dan, Harieta Loloma Bernadette Suliana, Marseu Joseph Sosefo Suliana, Mikayla Lanette Margaret Mary Suliana, Paul Atunaisa Vukialau Suliana, Rodney Atumurirava John Kaurasi Suliana and Bernadette Lowata Manu Kaufuti.

Council, under direction of the Department of Home Affairs, conducts Australian Citizenship Ceremonies throughout the year for registered applicants. Australian citizenship represents commitment to Australia and its people, the values we share and our common future. Since the first Australian citizenship ceremony was hosted in 1949, more than four and a half million people have chosen to become Australian citizens.

Any persons interested in becoming an Australian Citizen should contact the Department of Home Affairs on 131 881 during office hours from 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday. For more details, visit www.isaac.qld.gov.au/citizenship-ceremonies or call 1300 ISAACS (1300 472 227).



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There was a phenomenal response from the public for the Moranbah Greg Cruikshank Aquatic Centre water park survey, and a successful community meeting in February. Thank you to everyone who participated. The feedback has been valuable and supports Council's approach to consultative decision making. We have some great assets in our region, and by working with the community we can understand what is important to you.



NEW SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

Council has adopted a new social sustainability policy.

“This is a very important policy for our communities,” Mayor Anne Baker said.

“Council aims to achieve the greatest possible social benefit from development in the Isaac Region and this new policy will help us achieve that goal.

“It represents a contemporary position on social sustainability in Council’s dealings on major projects approvals processes, works and services, in forward planning for infrastructure, and in Council’s own activities and services.

“Council has reviewed its approach to ensuring the greatest possible benefits – sustainable social benefits – for Isaac communities and developed this new policy.

“It reflects ‘world’s best practice’ principles and will be applied in

Council’s dealings with, for example, resource companies and the State and Federal Governments.

“We want to ensure the economic success for the region also leads to sustainable social outcomes.

“Council is not satisfied with a ‘business as usual’ approach to social development. We will apply the new policy to decision-making in the next generation of major project approvals and seek to genuinely fulfil policy and regulatory goals of social sustainability.

“Council has adopted a new over-arching policy on social sustainability and this will now be further developed for use in future discussions with industry and government.

“Adoption of this policy is an important step in the process and Isaac communities will see a lot more about this policy as it is further developed and applied throughout the year.”

COUNCIL RECRUITMENT FOR NEW CEO



Isaac Regional Council has commenced the process to recruit a new Chief Executive Officer. Mayor Anne Baker said this was part of an orderly transition plan initiated after current CEO Gary Stevenson, PSM, advised Council early last year he planned to step down by mid-2021.

“Gary joined Council as CEO in 2016 and has guided the organisation through significant challenges and milestones during his time with us, including of course the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic across our communities,” Mayor Baker said.

“Council is very reluctant to see him go but understands Gary has made the decision to step away and spend more time with his family.

“Gary has brought a high level of professionalism to the role and his trusted advice has been instrumental in shaping the future direction of our Council and our Region.”

Mayor Baker said Council would commence a nationwide recruitment process later this month.

“This may not necessarily be a quick or easy process but we will look to have a new CEO in place by mid-year.” Mayor Baker said.

“I envisage there will be a handover transition period once the new CEO is appointed before we finally farewell Gary.”



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A record number of 107 competitors of all fitness levels, ages and experience participated in the Australia Day Triathlon this year. Congratulations to all participants and winners. I am always amazed at the encouragement, enthusiasm and spirit of everyone who participates. I would also like to thank all our volunteers and supporters this year. It takes many hands to pull together an activity such as this, and even more when we are operating in a COVID safe environment. There is no better way to start your day than a quick swim, cycle and run!

TEXTILE EXHIBITION AT COALFACE ART GALLERY



An eye-catching collection of 40 textile works have been in Moranbah's Coalface Art Gallery for a six-week exhibition.

The Coalface Art Gallery is hosting the touring exhibition Vision 2020, an assortment of diverse works featuring artists from Australia, New Zealand, USA, Lithuania, Sweden and the United Kingdom curated by Brenda Gael Smith from Copacabana, NSW.

From dreams to vistas, anatomical studies to optical illusions, the exhibition explores the theme of "vision" from different angles, highlighting the importance of eye health and vision care, especially for a vibrant creative life.

Mayor Anne Baker said the Isaac region has a passion for textile arts and encourages everyone interested to see the exhibition.

"Our region is fortunate to have a number of textile groups, including We're Sewing Outback, Clermont Patchwork and Quilters, Flaggy Rock Quilters and Ilbilbie Craft Group to name a few.

"Vision 2020 is not only of interest to our textile groups, but to anyone who appreciates eye catching artworks and understands the importance of vision".

Mayor Baker said after the exhibition leaves the Isaac, it will continue on tour around Australia, including Melbourne's Australasian Quilt Convention.

"We have snagged a highly commended exhibition for our great gallery, and I urge people to view this exhibition while it is in our neck of the woods."

The Vision 2020 Exhibition is running until 19 March 2021 at Coalface Art Gallery from Monday to Friday between 8.30am to 5pm.

Vision 2020 is Brenda's fourth touring exhibition. It will build upon the success of her "A Matter of Time" exhibition which was displayed in the Coalface Art Gallery and Dysart Artspace between May and June 2017. Visit the Vision 2020 website www.vision2020textiles.com for more information about the touring exhibition.

For more details on what's on offer at Coalface Art Gallery and Isaac Libraries visit www.isaac.qld.gov.au/library-arts-culture or call Council's 24/7 Customer Service Centre 1300 ISAACS (1300 472 227).

COUNCIL SEEKING YOUR FEEDBACK



Council is refreshing its current Corporate Plan and will be seeking your feedback. This initial process is to develop a bridging Corporate Plan that will see us through the next 18 months. Once this bridging document has been finalised, Council will be planning a more rigorous engagement process to review the Corporate Plan and the 20 year Community Plan. Your thoughts are important to influencing this long-term vision of our region.

The first stage of this project will be refreshing and reminding the community of the current priorities and we will then take the time later this year to actively review the communities thoughts on our collective priorities.



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Keep an eye out for works to upgrade the footpaths around town! Clermont and Dysart are benefiting from the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Grant Program. The project will see the construction of new as well as upgrading some of our more popular footpaths and installing disability/pram ramps on existing paths. The footpaths will be built using recycled plastic instead of steel to reinforce the concrete, meaning there is less plastic ending up in landfill. The works will continue into April 2021, just in time for perfect walking weather, and form part of Council's commitment to promote community safety, health and wellbeing.



TRIATHLON A ROARING SUCCESS

Kimberly Rheeder and James Leonard have taken out the 2021 Moranbah Australia Day Triathlon's open female and open male categories respectively on Australia Day morning.

A record number of 107 competitors of all fitness levels, ages and experience powered their way at the Moranbah Australia Day Triathlon. The event, staged at the Greg Cruickshank Aquatic Centre, saw Ava Kearns win the junior female category and Nicolas Beresowskyj snapped up the junior male section. The open team's race was taken out by H2E – Ella Rogers, Harry Rogers and Harry Ney – and the junior team was won by the Untouchables – Zac Kelly, Will Jaques and Ellie Dyer.

The adult's triathlon consisted of an 800m swim, 20km cycle and 5km run and for the juniors under 16 years, the course covered a 400m swim, 5km cycle and 1.5km run.

Deputy Mayor Kelly Vea Vea congratulated all those involved in the annual Australia Day triathlon in making it yet again another success.

"It was fantastic to see so many people giving it a go," Cr Vea Vea said.

"The encouraging atmosphere surrounding the event, and the determination of each and every participant, is a testament to the amazing community spirit our region embraces especially in this COVID-19 normal we find ourselves in.

"Every competitor, regardless of place, should be proud of their accomplishment. I look forward to seeing the participants at next year's event."

Cr Vea Vea said Council was extremely thankful for the support the triathlon received this year.

"We're very grateful to the Moranbah Highlanders, Moranbah Crossfit, Moranbah Bulldogs and Moranbah Boxing and Sporting Club for their assistance in running this event," Cr Vea Vea said.

"Also a huge thank you to Freemasons for cooking a wonderful breakfast that was generously supplied by Civeo."

The Moranbah Triathlon operated under an approved COVID Safe plan. This Council event was assisted by the Australian Government through the National Australia Day Council.



Ava Kearns



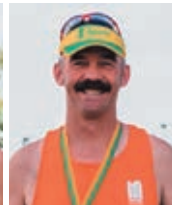
Nicolas Beresowskyj



Zac Kelly, Ellie Dyer, Will Jaques



Kimberly Rheeder



James Leonard



Ella Rogers, Harry Rogers, Harry Ney

JUNIOR FEMALE

- 1st Ava Kearns
- 2nd Bria Goldman
- 3rd Annabelle Binnekamp

JUNIOR MALE

- 1st Nicolas Beresowskyj
- 2nd Kaiawha Abbot
- 3rd Andrew Dyer

JUNIOR TEAM

- 1st *Untouchables* – Zac Kelly, Will Jaques, Ellie Dyer
- 2nd *Tri-Hards* – Aja Nicholas, Lincoln Nicholas, Ben Perfect
- 3rd *Faster Than Covid* – Macie James, Dolcie Blackwood, Sean Perfect

OPEN FEMALE

- 1st Kimberly Rheeder
- 2nd Fiona Lenz
- 3rd Megan Moa

OPEN MALE

- 1st James Leonard
- 2nd Christian Smith
- 3rd Jared Havemann

OPEN TEAM

- 1st *H2E* – Ella Rogers, Harry Rogers, Harry Ney
- 2nd *Two Puds & A Chicken* – Jacob King, Glenn Debel, Kaitlyn Barnes
- 3rd *Team M* – Natasha Mallise, Crispian Mallise



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Congratulations to all of the inspiring women who were nominated for an Inspiring Women in Isaac award across the region. Your daily contributions make our lives and communities brighter. The awards are an opportunity to celebrate the incredible resilience of women in Isaac. I look forward to seeing the nominees and winners recognised at International Women's Day events in communities across the region between Thursday 4 March – Sunday 14 March.



Brandon Goode, Kyle Cherry, Jordan Pickering, Amber Smith, Samantha Bailey, Renae Womal, Lavinnia Jones, Dylan Little and Tessa Smith.

TRAINEES LEARNING THE ROPES

Nine people from across the region have begun traineeships or apprenticeships with Isaac Regional Council.

They have completed a two-day introduction to Council structure, responsibilities and procedures, and will now begin at least a year's supervised training.

Mayor Anne Baker said Council saw the annual intake of trainees and apprentices as an important responsibility.

"At the end of their training, some of these people will join Council and some will move to other positions in government or private enterprise," Mayor Baker said.

"This program helps bring bright people into Council and potentially begin them on a lifelong career in local government.

"Council is also a major employer and we see it as a social responsibility to help train administrative staff and tradespeople in the region."

Council CEO Gary Stevenson PSM said this year's intake

comprised seven administrative trainees and two apprentices, one in carpentry and one in plumbing.


"The traineeships generally run for approximately 12 months and obviously apprenticeships longer," Mr Stevenson said.

"We hope they all find this an enriching experience that prepares them for a satisfying career ahead.

"The role of the Council is to provide facilities throughout the region in an effective and efficient manner, and to encourage strategic and sustainable development of the area for the benefit of all citizens.

"That is a role we take very seriously and carry out very conscientiously. Working in Council, these people will be helping to provide the amenities and services that people need in their local communities every day.

"They will be improving people's lives. That is a very satisfying and very rewarding role."



RECOVERING FROM COVID

Our business community is at a turning point in the recovery process thanks to COVID.

As we charter unknown waters, the Isaac Region Business Recovery Survey hopes to capture this new phase of adaptation.

It's vital that we secure your feedback to help Isaac Regional Council's decision-making and to ensure our small to medium businesses stay operationally resilient and to serve our resource communities.

Take the online survey via Speak Up Isaac!
That's <https://speakup.isaac.qld.gov.au> or call our team at 1300 ISAACS.

The survey closes on 31 March 2021.



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Living and working in such a diverse and unique region, from agriculture and mining, to nationally significant wetlands, we are really lucky and thankful to live in a beautiful part of Isaac at the coast. St Lawrence locals see every day how special and full of life our wetlands truly are. The annual St Lawrence Wetlands Weekend, 11 to 13 June is coming around quick and we can't wait to show it all off once again, so please save the date and join us at one of Isaac region's most vibrant habitats bursting full of life.



SAVE THE DATE

St Lawrence Wetlands Weekend

11 - 13 JUNE, 2021

Featuring Matt Gollinski + Costa Georgiadis

Visit Isaac Regional Council's Facebook page for more info!
wetlandsweekend.com

