

We welcome you to our

HOACA August Newsletter

Heart of Agnes Community Association Inc.



Agnes Water Community Youth Calendar

The first Agnes Water Community Youth Calendar is set for launch this September School Holidays, jam-packed with fun activities for young people aged 7-17. The Calendar opens to families next THURSDAY 8TH AUGUST, with local activity providers now coming on board. We are currently looking for industry sponsors to support a vast range of activities; if you or anyone you know might be interested in sponsoring our Calendar please get in touch.



Training for Members

HOA has received Grassroots funds through Gladstone Regional Council to deliver First Aid and Mental Health First Aid Training in Agnes in August and September. This will prioritise youth activity providers and all HOACA members. Registrations open in 1 week!

Discovery Coast Biosphere Reserve

Biosphere Reserves are environments of significant biodiversity that receive international recognition and protection. Biosphere Reserves are managed locally to balance biodiversity with conservation and human inhabitation. HOACA, along with Gladstone Conservation Council and Discovery Coast Environmental Group, is currently exploring this opportunity for the Discovery Coast region and speaking with national and global leaders—more info to come.



Father's Day Community Feast

The next Community Feast is for Father's Day, Sunday, 1st September, at Captain Creek Sport & Rec. Kicking off at 11 am, this year is set to be huge, with Bonny Doone Biodynamic Organic Beef also set to join us again on the Grill—a huge thanks to Gladstone Women's Health for supporting us with funding for this year's Feast. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! If you have a few hrs on Saturday, 31st August, for support with Prep or on Sunday itself to help out, we'd be grateful!

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Gladstone Community Sector Profile – Pilot Project

The second “Out of the Box” workshop for the Gladstone Community Sector is scheduled for Friday, 8th November. This event will launch a new initiative next year as a regional community sector exercise to look at our public profile so we can better attract support and resources from outside the traditional Government sources.



Presentation to Gladstone Regional Council

Last month, Michael Dietrich from DCEG and Byron Mulligan from HOA presented the Final Report from the community consultation conducted in the previous year to the new Council. The lengthy delivery sparked an interesting discussion about the “authority” to conduct community consultation, with Councillors focussing on the level of demographic detail required to qualify those consulted.



Mobi-Mat

Our license with Council has just been renewed for 12 more months, with the bonus of flexibility to now roll out on request any day of the year!

Our **Next Agnes Disability Network meeting** is on **Saturday, 3rd August, at 9:30 am**, at Tom Jeffery Park.

Everyone is welcome for more information email: info@hoaca.org.au.

Our **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING is happening soon!**

All members and friends welcome.

Thursday 22nd August, 5pm

at 1770 Southern Cross Retret, Agnes Water.

Please RSVP by the 18th August.

THANK YOU to all our current and new members..... we are stronger together.

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