

Cruise ship runs into trouble

UP TO 100 passengers were confined to their rooms on a 16 night return cruise from Fremantle to Bali after contracting gastroenteritis.

The P&O cruiseship Pacific Sun left Fremantle on January 4, with passengers reporting the sickness, marked

by vomiting and diarrhoea, on January 8. WA's Department of Health said it was informed of the outbreak before the ship docked in Broome. One family who disembarked in Broome on January 16, said conditions on the ship had been terrible.

LANDSCAPING CONTRACTORS PREQUALIFICATION

We're seeking landscaping and irrigation contractors in the Broome area who are interested in prequalifying for our local landscaping register. Being prequalified will ensure your business is able to tender for a range of landscaping opportunities in the new Broome North development.

All landscape contractors in Broome and surrounding areas are invited to attend one-on-one meetings with LandCorp representatives to discuss the opportunity, and present their business' credentials and other details.

To book a time and obtain details of what each business should bring to the meeting, or to request further information, please contact Hilary Woodley in our Broome office on 9192 6557 or hilary.woodley@landcorp.com.au by Friday 5 February.

One hour meetings for each contractor will be held in Broome on Thursday 11 and Friday 12 February 2010.



Avoid swimming close to algae – skin and eye risks

OUTBREAKS of blue-green algae in the mudflats of Roebuck Bay have grown significantly in recent weeks.

This was reported by the Broome Community Seagrass Monitoring Project coordinator, Fiona Bishop.

Ms Bishop said the algae – known as *Lynbya majuscula* or maiden's hair – had bloomed rapidly.

"It is now significantly worse than a few weeks ago," she said.

Department of Environment and Conservation coordinator Sharon Ferguson said the public were advised to avoid affected areas.

Contact can cause skin and eye irritation – and people were urged to report any suspected blooms to DEC.

Fiona Bishop said the *Lynbya*



Toxic blue-green algae is taking over seagrass beds in Roebuck Bay. Photo: Broome Community Seagrass Monitoring Project.

could also smother the local Roebuck Bay seagrass and restrict its access to sunlight.

The algae could adversely impact on many varieties of

marine life, including dugongs and turtles.

It could also affect habitats important for commercial and recreational fisheries.

Hope for cane toad lungworm doing its bit to halt invasion

A PARASITIC lungworm known to affect cane toad breeding has been found close to the front line of the toad invasion in the East Kimberley.

The lungworm has been present in the cane toad population for several years, but

toads on the edge of the migration had managed to stay parasite-free until recently.

Kimberley Toad Busters has discovered the parasite in toads along the WA/NT border near Kununurra.

A KTB spokesman said the lung worm could slow the

advance of the toad by decreasing the number of hatchlings reaching maturity.

Federal Member for Kalgoorlie Barry Haase has praised the toadbusters' efforts and urged Environment Minister Peter Garrett to increase funding to the task.

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