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WELCOME TO 2015!

Well and truly into the New Year, LandCorp is set for a busy 2015.

This year we continue to develop the region and map out opportunities for locals and investors.

Watch this space each month and join us online to keep up to date.

SCHOOL OPENING

Broome North Primary School opened its gates and welcomed the first students on Monday, February 2.

A milestone event, LandCorp extends a big congratulations to the school principal Noel Morgan and his staff who worked very hard to prepare the school for Term 1.

Please remember school zone speed limits are 7.30am-9am and 2.30pm-4pm (or as per signage) on school days.

BROOME NORTH

Waranyjarri Estate continues to grow into a vibrant and active community with more residents moving into their new homes over the holidays.

As the estate becomes more established, only a few lots remain available for under \$200,000.

Expressions of interest will also be sought in the coming months for the mixed use **Local Centre**. Likely to incorporate a supermarket, child care centre, medical facility, café and a variety of specialty retail stores, the Local Centre is set to become the social hub of Waranyjarri Estate.

STREET PARTY SUCCESS

Residents Ellen and Belinda hosted a street party during December to meet and greet their neighbours.

Funded by LandCorp's Small Community Grant program, the Loping Pass Street Party was a huge success. New friendships were formed and knowing your neighbours will improve security on your street.

Broome North residents can apply for a Small Community Grant of up to \$1,000 to turn your community initiative into a reality.

For grant information visit landcorp.com.au/BroomeNorth

BROOME ROAD INDUSTRIAL PARK

Broome Road Industrial Park lots will be released later this month. Register for pre-release information at landcorp.com.au/BroomeRoad

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A flatback turtle heads back to the water at Eighty Mile Beach. Pictures: DPaW

Visitors and volunteers do their part for turtles

More than 1200 turtle activities have been recorded at Eighty Mile Beach this season, according to the Department of Parks and Wildlife.

Dedicated volunteers have been out in droves to monitor the activity of nesting flatback turtles since October to help conserve and understand the species.

Turtle track monitoring has been conducted at Eighty Mile Beach, a 220km stretch of sand about 365km south of Broome, for 10 years.

DPaW visitor interpretation officer Sara McAllister said the Eighty Mile Beach turtle monitoring program had expanded in 2014 to include satellite tagging of some mature flatbacks.

"In a collaborative effort between Parks and Wildlife regional staff and marine scientists, Karajarri rangers and Nyangumarta traditional owners, satellite trackers were attached to 10 flatback turtles," she said. "We have seen one turtle return to the ocean and come up to the beach again to nest two weeks after the transmitter was attached."

"Each of the tagged turtles has been named and members of the public can track their movements on the seaturtle website."

This year's monitoring program began in mid-October and featured more than 100 volunteers, including guests staying at the Eighty Mile Beach Caravan Park, local residents and Broome-based volunteers, assisting with night monitoring.

"Thirty turtles were observed laying eggs and after their nests were marked, remote cameras were installed to monitor predator activity and nest disturbance," Ms McAllister said.

"The beach, which lies within Eighty Mile Beach Marine Park, is a significant flatback turtle rookery."

The program is a collaborative project of the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the traditional owners of Eighty Mile Beach, and is jointly funded by the Department of Parks and Wildlife and BHP Billiton Iron Ore.

For more information visit www.dpaw.wa.gov.au.



A nesting flatback turtle on Eighty Mile Beach.

Sandie all smiles after pearler of a prize win

One lucky Broome resident scored a gem of a prize after winning the Shinju Matsuri 2014 Pollies Pearl raffle.

Sandie McCaig bought two tickets in the raffle while attending the Shinju Art Awards and pocketed a stunning Allure South Sea Pearl pendant valued at more than \$6000 in the process.

Pollies Pearl first started in 2005 as a way to help raise funds for the annual festival.



Allure South Sea Pearls director Bill Reed and Broome store manager Barbara Farrell with Shinju Matsuri 2014 Pollies Pearl winner Sandie McCaig, centre. Picture: Shinju Matsuri

In the first few years of the campaign, each politician representing Broome on State and Federal levels contributed \$220 towards the purchase of a local pearl that was either raffled or auctioned off during the festival.

In more recent times, the pearl has been donated in full, allowing the contribution from the politicians to directly support the community event.

Last year, Allure South Sea Pearls donated the Pollies Pearl for the first time.

Broome store manager Barbara Farrell said she was thrilled to see a local lady win the coveted prize, and said she would become a great ambassador for the company.

Ms McCaig said she was "over the moon" with the win.