



Mount Isa Mail

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It's fantastic to see the International Legends of League has returned to Mount Isa for 2024.

I'm excited to be playing on the Australian Legends team with the likes of local legend Scott Prince, as well as Sam Thaiday, John Hopoate, Alex Glenn, and Ben Hannant.

We'll be going up against the Mount Isa Allstars team, who include local rugby league identities such as Darryl Avery, Brennan English, Zach Sarmardin, Daniel Simmons, Kieran Tully, Steve Clauson, Tony Schafer, Tim O'Sullivan, Tim Daniels, Tarnna Gee Gee, Darren Munns, and Aaron Tully.



Councillor John Doyle

It will be held on Saturday, May 4, at Alec Inch Oval, Thomson Road.

Gates will be open from 2pm, and the Legends game will start at 6pm. You can purchase your tickets online at www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1210721.

It's going to be a great event, and I encourage everyone to get

out there and support it.

The more you support it, the more that local rugby league can build and grow, which will have flow-on benefits for a lot of other sports that are played in the community.

We're looking to organise a junior under-17s game to be held before the main Legends of League game itself, as well as put together a Mount Isa rep team to go up against a Gulf team. From that, we're looking to pick a North West Queensland representative team to go away for the Queensland Outback rugby league trials, which will be held in Cloncurry.

Council is proud to again

be a presenting sponsor of the Mount Isa International Legends of League event. Queensland Health has also come on board and will be carrying out community engagement – both on match day, and in the days before it – to raise awareness about rheumatic heart disease (RHD), acute rheumatic fever, and to how to prevent and manage both, with the objective of helping to end RHD in Queensland by 2031.

They'll be promoting messaging around healthy skin, healthy throat and healthy heart to families, and young children who are most at risk of developing RHD.

What's Happening in The Isa?



International Legends of League

Date: Saturday 4 May 2024

Time: From 2pm

Where: Alec Inch Oval, Thomson Road



Mount Isa Restored Car Club Car Show

Date: Sunday 5 May 2024

Time: 9am-12 noon

Where: Lot 2 Vintage Lane (opposite airport)



North West MPX

Date: Wednesday 8 May to Thursday 9 May 2024

Time: 8am-4.30pm each day

Where: Mount Isa Civic Centre, 23 West Street



Border Collie Boogie!

Date: Saturday 11 May 2024

Time: 11am

Where: Mount Isa Civic Centre, 23 West Street

Opera Music Mashup

Opera Queensland's latest production, "Do We Need Another Hero?", will be performed at the Mount Isa Civic Centre on Friday, May 10, from 7.30pm.

Haven't got your tickets yet?

You can purchase them at www.eventbrite.com.au/e/do-we-need-another-hero-tickets-862523830997.

"Do We Need Another Hero?" – from the creative team behind "Are You Lonesome Tonight" in 2021, and "Lady Sings the Maroons" in 2023 – is a joyful celebration of songs about bravery and heroism.

The show is a fusion of the classical and the contemporary, blending the grandeur of opera with chart-topping anthems that pay homage to heroes from every corner of the world.

You can expect to hear songs from artists including the Beatles, David Bowie, and John Farnham being intertwined with opera classics from composers like Beethoven and Bizet, providing the soundtrack as the show seeks to answer the question, "What does it mean to be a hero?"

From pop to opera, country to classical, this live musical tribute will have you dancing in your seat.

Did You Know?

- Much-loved Australian country music singer-songwriter Graeme Connors is bringing his "My Lyrical Life" concert to the Mount Isa Civic Centre on Wednesday, July 10, from 7pm. Get your tickets at www.eventbrite.com.au/e/graeme-connors-my-lyrical-life-tickets-853255348717.
- Are you a local artist, performer, entertainer, singer or band? Council is seeking talented locals to be

a part of an entertainment register for consideration for future Council events and projects. Sign up at www.surveymonkey.com/r/6L622WX. Categories include: artists, choirs, comics/comedians, dancers or dance groups, drone photographers/videographers, face painters, graphic designers, instrument ensembles, bands, emcees, painters, photographers, and musicians.



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Latest Council News

Telstra Hill Works to Begin

Council has agreed to award the contract for Stage 1 of the Telstra Hill Upgrade Project.

Stage 1 will involve upgrading a section of road from the Telstra Hill entrance, and the construction of a new carpark (about 2000 sqm size) near the base of the hill.

The contract, worth \$362,328 (excluding GST), has been awarded to Oaka Constructions Pty Ltd.

Stage 1 works will cost \$476,484 in total.

The decision to award the contract was made at Council's April Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, April 24.

The Telstra Hill Upgrade Project will be completed in three stages.

Stage 2 will involve carrying out drainage and civil works for the road formation; the construction of a new 1.5km access road from the proposed car park, to enable safe pedestrian access from the

bottom to the top of Telstra Hill; and the installation of road signage, speed bumps, line marking, and bollards.

Stage 3 proposes to construct a pedestrian path along the northern verge of the Barkly Highway, to allow safe pedestrian travel from the city to Telstra Hill.

Stage 1 is expected to begin later this month and be completed in the second half of this year.

Out and About and Council Updates



ANZAC DAY: There was a fantastic turnout at this year's Anzac Day Dawn Service, Street Parade, and Main Service at the Mount Isa Memorial Cenotaph at the West Street Civic Gardens on Thursday, April 25.

Both services were emceed by RSL Mount Isa Sub-branch member Jason Corradi. There were speeches by Sub-branch president Troy Hartas, Mount Isa Mayor Peta MacRae, and Reservist Rick Leeman.

The prayer at the Dawn Service was given by Father Mick Lowcock, and Pastor Dave Quilty gave the prayer at the Main Service. After the

Dawn Service, a Gunfire Breakfast was provided for local veterans and others in the Civic Centre auditorium. Thank you to the Apex Club of Mount Isa for providing the catering for the Gunfire Breakfast. After the Main Service, refreshments and two-up were provided at the Irish Club.

At both services, bugler Keith Cox sounded The Last Post and the Reveille, and bagpiper Mike Skinner played Scottish laments. Members of the Vocal-Isas choir from Mount Isa Community Ensembles sang the Australian and New Zealand national anthems, as well as songs including "Abide With Me".

FUNDING AWARDED: Thirteen local community groups and sports clubs will share in \$83,180, thanks to the most recent round of Council's twice-yearly Community Grants and Events Sponsorship Program, submissions for which closed on March 1.

At its April Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday, April 24, Council agreed to award funding to the following recipients:

Community Grants

- **Mount Isa Pistol Club Inc:** \$1360 to purchase a LabRadar ballistic velocity radar machine;
- **Queensland Country Women's Association North Western Division (on behalf of the QCWA Mount Isa Copper City branch):** \$3323 for the installation of security screens on the QCWA Hall;
- **Arts on Alma Inc.:** \$1411 to replace their security system;
- **Mount Isa Amateur Netball Association:** \$2605 (incl. GST) to purchase a defibrillator;
- **Parkside United Junior Football Club:** \$5000 to upgrade their soccer goals;
- **PCYC Mount Isa:** \$5000 (incl. GST) to deliver their Braking the Cycle Program.

Total: \$18,699.

Events Sponsorship

- **Good Shepherd Catholic Parish:** \$6470.95 (incl. GST) for their 2024 Multicultural Festival, to be held on Friday, September 6;
- **Mount Isa Apex Club:** \$8000 for their 2024 Apex Rock Pop Mime Show in October;
- **Mount Isa Campdraft Association Inc:** \$11,710 (incl. GST) for their 2024 Mount Isa Campdraft, to be held in July;
- **Mount Isa Motorsports & Recreation Inc:** \$3300 for their 2024 Mount Isa Motor Show, to be held on Sunday, August 25;
- **Royal Flying Doctor Service (Queensland Section):** \$10,000 (incl. GST) for their 2024 RFDS Mount Isa Hangar Ball, to be held on Saturday, September 14;
- **The Camooweal Drivers Camp Association Inc.:** \$10,000 (incl. GST) for their 2024 Camooweal Drivers Festival, to be held from August 23-25;
- **Commerce North West:** \$15,000 (incl. GST) for the 2024 North West MPX, to be held from May 7-9.

Total: \$64,480.95.