

# THE BOTTOM RAIL

## Message from the Aramac and Muttaborra Acting District Manager

Welcome to 2026! I'm Kerry, stepping in for Amber, and kicking off a fresh year with plenty of new projects and initiatives on the way. Stay tuned for more details as they get underway. Australia Day is just around the corner — come along for a great day of activities, food and drinks, and the chance to meet our ambassadors. More details are available on the back page, with further information to come, hope to see you there! We've already seen some damaging floods this season. If you require SES assistance, please call 132 500, or phone 000 in an emergency. Council can also assist with most clean-up situations.

## STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE MOST RECENT ROAD REPORTS HERE:

Barcaldine Disaster Dashboard- <https://rapad.gitplus.com/barcaldine>

Barcaldine Regional Council Website (road reports)-

<https://www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au/.../Road-conditions...>

QLD Traffic- <https://qldtraffic.qld.gov.au/>

## Local Use Permits– Road Closures

Residents and other eligible road users who need to travel within a road-closed area may apply for a Local Use Permit. Written approval can be provided by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) to allow a road user to drive past a restricted road use notice for a single, multi-trip or for those performing roles such as transport inspectors. The below form can be submitted to [barcaldine.office@tmr.qld.gov.au](mailto:barcaldine.office@tmr.qld.gov.au) when completed. For more information contact the department on (07) 4651 2777.

## Aramac and Muttaborra Aquatic Centres – Summer Opening Hours

Get ready to dive in! The Aramac Aquatic Centre has new opening hours for 2026:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 6:00–7:00 am
- Daily: 3.00pm– 5.30pm

Please note: **Muttaborra** Pool will be from **closed from Monday 5 January till the Sunday 18 January 2026** for staff holidays.

## Galilee Gazette 2026

Last year we changed how the Galilee Gazette is delivered. If you haven't been receiving it and would like it sent to your inbox or mailbox — or know someone who would — you can register via the Council website or by emailing [events@barc.qld.gov.au](mailto:events@barc.qld.gov.au).

To submit content for the Gazette (including event dates), please email [events@barc.qld.gov.au](mailto:events@barc.qld.gov.au)

## PUBLIC NOTICE– 2026 GENERAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

In accordance with Section 277 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 notice is hereby given of the following General Meetings of Council:

- Wednesday 21 January 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 18 February 2026 – Aramac Council Chambers
- Wednesday 18 March 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 15 April 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 20 May 2026 – Muttaborra Town Hall
- Wednesday 17 June 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 24 June 2026 (Budget Adoption) – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 15 July 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 19 August 2026 – Jericho Town Hall
- Wednesday 16 September 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 21 October 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers
- Wednesday 18 November 2026 – Alpha Council Chambers
- Wednesday 9 December 2026 – Barcaldine Council Chambers

All meetings are scheduled to commence at 8.30am. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Council on (07) 4651 5600.



# ISSUE

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### January 2026

5	Barcaldine Regional Council Admin Offices/Libraries/ Community Services and Information Centres Reopen
16	Aramac Racing Club AGM– Aramac Bowls Club
16	Social Touch Training Aramac
21	Coast 2 Country Training First Aid Courses in Aramac
21	Council Meeting Barcaldine
23	Social Touch Training Aramac
24	Barrels 4 A Cause Aramac
25	Barrels 4 A Cause Aramac
25	Australia Day Celebrations Aramac and Muttaborra
26	Australia Day– Public Holiday
27	Term 1 Starts
29	Child Health Clinic Aramac
30	Social Touch Training Aramac
30	Tender Closes (53 Boundary St)

### February 2026

6	Social Touch Training Aramac
7	Barrels 4 A Cause Barcaldine
8	Barrels 4 A Cause Barcaldine
19	Child Health Clinic Aramac
27	Child Health Clinic Muttaborra

## Riddle of the fortnight:

I mark a day for sun and cheer,  
With BBQ smoke and cold drinks near.  
What am I?

*The answer can be found on the back page.*

## HEALTH CLINICS

**IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 000**

### ARAMAC PHC

#### January

19 Doctor

20 Doctor

27 Doctor

30 Doctor

29 Child Health Clinic

#### February

19 Child Health Clinic

#### Appointments:

Ph: 4652 9000 -

Monday to Friday

8.00am to 12.00pm and

2.00pm to 4.00pm

Please note these dates are subject to change.

### MUTTABURRA PHC

#### January

20 Doctor Face-to-Face

27 Doctor Face-to-Face

#### February

27 Child Health Clinic

#### Appointments:

Ph: 4658 7500 -

Monday to Friday

8.30am to 12.00pm and

2.00pm to 4.00pm

#### Dental Appointments:

Ph: 4650 4077

**Riddle Answer:** Australia Day!

## Community Grants Program – Round 3

Barcaldine Regional Council's Community Grants Program – Round 3 is now open. Projects running **27 February– 29 May** must apply by 1 February. The program supports a wide range of projects by local community groups and organisations that enhance life in our region. Start planning now and get your application in! For more info, email [grants@barc.qld.gov.au](mailto:grants@barc.qld.gov.au) or visit the Council website.

**Aramac Racing Club AGM 2026**  
Aramac Racing Club Inc. AGM Meeting Friday 16 January 2026 from 6.30pm at the Aramac Bowls Club with sausage sizzle and Raffles!

## Ballyneety Rodeo Club AGM and General Meeting

The Ballyneety Rodeo Club will be holding an AGM (all positions open) and general meeting on Saturday 24 January 2026 at the Desert Rec Club from 4.30pm. New members are more than welcome to join!

## GET YOUR

# GLOVES ON

**GIVE BACK TO THE PLACE WE CALL HOME**

**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY**



**SUNDAY 1 MARCH 2026**

**REGISTER NOW**

Clean Up



## First Aid Training Aramac 2026

First Aid and CPR training available in Aramac on Wednesday 21 January 2026. For the full list of courses and more information contact Lisa or Anna on 0439 324 848 or email [admin@coast2countrytraining.com.au](mailto:admin@coast2countrytraining.com.au)

**SOCIAL TOUCH FRIDAYS**

LET'S GET THE BUSH PIGS READY FOR LONGREACH % !

**SOCIAL TOUCH TRAINING**

**ALL AGES WELCOME**

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

Every Friday from January 9<sup>th</sup> to February 6<sup>th</sup> 2026  
5:30pm start - Aramac Show Grounds Oval  
Sausage sizzle - BYO drinks  
Family friendly - play at your own risk  
**PIG! PIG! PIG!**

## CONTACT US

**BARCOLDINE:** 71 Ash Street | 07 4651 5600

[www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au](http://www.barcaldinerc.qld.gov.au)

**ALPHA:** 43 Dryden Street | 07 4651 5680

**ARAMAC:** 35 Gordon Street | 07 4651 5650

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**JERICHO:** 8 Darwin Street | 07 4651 4129

**MUTTABURRA:** 20 Bruford Street | 07 4651 5654

PO Box 191, Barcaldine QLD 4725

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JERICHO

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**ARAMAC AQUATIC CENTRE**

**NEW OPENING HOURS**  
**STARTING 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026**

**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY**  
**6AM TO 7AM**

**DAILY**  
**3PM TO 5.30PM**



**AUSTRALIA DAY**  
*Celebrations*

**24TH JANUARY 2026**  
**FROM 12PM**  
**ALPHA RACETRACK**

**ALPHA'S BEST NOVELTY TEAM COMPETITION**  
**(TEAMS OF 7)**  
**DUNK TANK**  
**AUS DAY AWARDS - 1PM**  
**BAR**  
**BRC FREE BBQ LUNCH**

*Proudly Supported* **BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL**



**BUSH PIGS**  
★ **ARAMAC**

**AUSTRALIA DAY PARTY**  
**SUNDAY 25 JAN FROM 2PM ONWARDS**

**AUSSIE GAMES** | **AWARDS BBQ** | **YABBY RACES**  
**BAREFOOT BOWLS**

Come along for a fun-filled Aussie afternoon at Aramac Memorial Park! Bring your best Aussie spirit for thong toss, lamington-eating contests, yabby races, best dressed Aussie icon comp & more. Enjoy a free BBQ, AUS Day Awards, and then kick on with barefoot bowls at the Aramac Bowls Club.

**BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL** **AUSSIE AUSSIE AUSSIE, PIG PIG PIG!**



**BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL** **Australia Day**

**AUSTRALIA DAY**

**CELEBRATIONS MUTTABURRA**

**AWARDS, FREE BREAKFAST, GOLF FOR ALL AGES, LUNCH AND A BAR OPERATING**

**MUTTABURRA GOLF CLUB** **7.30AM**

**SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2026**

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## PUBLIC NOTICE HOUSE AND LAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

Barcaldine Regional Council invites tenders for the purchase of the following property:

**Address:** 53 Boundary Street, Aramac QLD 4726

**Lot/Plan:** Lot 4 on SP187147

Inspections of the property are welcome, and times must be arranged with the Aramac Office.



Tenders must be submitted clearly marked **"Tender – 53 Boundary Street, Aramac"**. The highest, or any tender, will not necessarily be accepted. Late tenders will not be accepted.

Tenders may be submitted into the "Tenders Box" found at the Aramac Administration Office or by mail addressed to:

**The Chief Executive Officer – CONFIDENTIAL TENDER**

Barcaldine Regional Council  
PO Box 191  
BARCOLDINE QLD 4725

Please direct all enquires to Kerry Robinson, Acting District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra by phone 07 4651 5654.

**Tenders close at 12.00pm on Friday 30 January 2026.**

Daniel Bradford  
**Chief Executive Officer**

PO Box 191  
**Barcaldine QLD 4725**

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