

Cycle Queensland's Mission Beach start.

The weekend of the 7th and 8th September saw MARCS Park inundated with 870 Cyclists turning the area into an awe inspiring sight.

MBBT had organised fantastic activities for them but sadly the weather was not in our favour and most needed to be cancelled. At the last minute, MBBT organised an ad hoc guided rainforest tour filling a bus with delighted visitors.

The Mission Beach Village Green also became part of the activities organised for the Cyclists with entertainment and a fully licensed area created for a street party. Rain at just the wrong time kept numbers down but Restaurateurs were extremely happy with the results. MBBT and MB Rotary worked together on the project and all are looking forward to working together again in the future.

The Mission Beach Art Gallery also provided some fabulous workshops and a very well attended Happy Hour.

The inaugural Barefoot Fun Run was held on Sunday adding to the fabulous atmosphere.

Volunteers from our MBVIC spent the weekend providing local information, alongside the team from Mission Wellness and our local massage therapists.

Despite the inclement weather, our visitors thoroughly enjoyed their visit and our hospitality with many saying they would be back again for a holiday. It was a fantastic effort by everyone and wonderful to be all working together.



MBVIC Volunteers Nicole and Kip

MB Community Bank

Mission Beach Community Bank recently sponsored MBBT by providing the funds for two large generic 'Welcome to Mission Beach' signs. The large A Frames can be easily wheeled into place and the black lettering can be peeled off and replaced for the next event.

The signs were placed at MARCS Park and in the Village Green.

We thank MB Community Bank for their sponsorship of these signs which add a warm welcome to our town.



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Recent staff meeting held in style provided by new member Hummers and Harleys!!

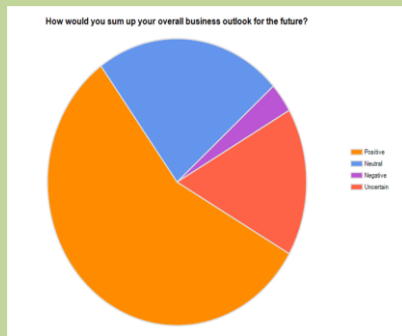
MBBT Business Snapshot Survey

Designed to provide current data regarding businesses in Mission Beach, and to help us better understand how to promote Mission Beach as a great place to live, visit and do business.

As a member of MBBT, you are being asked to complete this **anonymous** survey. This is the first survey to be completed at half-yearly intervals with results reported at the following MBBT General Meeting after survey closing. This data will provide information to the membership and our local Council about business trends in Mission Beach.

The survey can be accessed online via the following link. It will only take a short amount of your time and we hope that you will take a moment to complete it. **Thank you for your support.**

Survey link:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Business-Snapshot>



Turning the Tide website.

Check out MBBT's new additional website www.turningthetide.com.au which takes you through the project and provides 1,000 of reference points and information for the Great Barrier Reef.

There will soon be capacity to provide your feedback on the Turning the Tide project on this site.



Celebrities in Mission Beach

Migaloo the White Whale visited our shores recently. He only spent a short time passing through but surprising some very happy visitors who had hired a tinnie from Mission Beach Boat Hire who had taken these fantastic images.

Australia's famous white whale visited in close proximity of the Family Islands. This enabled locals and visitors to be treated to the rare sight, describing it as an ethereal and spectacular experience.

Migaloo is the only known all-white humpback whale. First sighted in 1991, and believed to be three to five years old at that time, Migaloo was named for an indigenous Australian word for "white fella". Migaloo was shown to be male in 2004 by analysis of sloughed skin samples.



The cast and crew of a new reality program glamorously arrived in three helicopters at The Elandra Mission Beach last week to film part of a new Reality Show.

Set to air on Foxtel next year, **The Real Housewives of Melbourne** promises to be uniquely Australian and will give viewers a glimpse at the extravagant lives of six of Australia's most privileged, powerful and glamorous women.

In a way Real Housewives are like the antonym of Desperate Housewives. Where the TV show Desperate Housewives were fictional characters, Real Housewives are well, like, real....

