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VISITOR GUIDE 2022/23

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BOWEN AND COLLINSVILLE

As Chair of Bowen Tourism and Business, our local Tourism Organisation, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our little patch of paradise. There is an amazing range of experiences for every taste and budget all year round.

A beach-lover's paradise with country town hospitality, Bowen's beauty will take your breath away. Situated on a headland overlooking the Whitsunday Islands, Bowen is home to eight secluded beaches, each framed by stunning coral reefs. You can escape the crowds on your very own beach, dive under our turquoise waters and discover beautiful corals and tropical fish, or hike over Cape Edgecumbe and be rewarded with glorious views. The choice is yours.

Bowen is the ultimate foodie destination with a range of restaurants, cafes and hotels showcasing our delicious local produce. You will enjoy the freshest seafood, including tiger prawns, coral trout and mud crab, caught in the waters

surrounding Bowen and unloaded daily in our harbour. If you venture to the outskirts of the town, you will discover farm stalls offering locally grown produce against a backdrop of mountain ranges and fields of fruit and vegetables. An absolute must for every visitor is a taste of our famous Bowen mangoes and a selfie with our very own Big Mango at the Visitor Information Centre.

Just 85 kilometres from Bowen is the historic mining town of Collinsville. Settled over 100 years ago, the community boasts a rich history filled with tales of struggle, strife and mateship. Known as the Pit Pony Capital of Australia, Collinsville celebrates the strong bond between miner and pit pony with the Pit Pony Experience.

For a deeper dive into the history of the coalfields, visit the Coalface Experience and learn about the early days underground and the tragedy of the 1954 mine disaster. A tour of the original No. 1 State Mine is an absolute must, and a trip out to the Bowen River Hotel for a glimpse into the region's pastoral history is a favourite for every visitor.

There are many more wonderful experiences on offer in our region, all captured in this excellent visitor guide. I truly hope you have time to discover them all!



Jenn Honnery
Chair, Bowen Tourism and Business

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BOWEN

THINGS TO SEE & DO



THE HEART OF SECLUDED BEACHES

Bowen has more than eight glorious beaches to enjoy – and each has its own charm.

Whether you are looking for a secluded sanctuary, a place for some safe family swimming or snorkelling, a place to enjoy water sports or fishing, you can find it here.

AVERAGE WATER TEMPERATURE

SUMMER 28°C
AUTUMN 26°C
WINTER 22°C
SPRING 24°C

HORSESHOE BAY

It's no surprise Horseshoe Bay is a regular at the top of 'best beaches' lists! Protected and cosy, the white sand and crystal-clear water make it one of Bowen's favourites. Just metres offshore a spectacular coral reef provides fantastic snorkelling and scuba diving. It also has an entry point to the Cape Edgumbe Walking Trail, which links the fringing reef beaches of Horseshoe, Murray and Rose Bays.

GRAYS BAY

One of the most picturesque bays in Queensland and magnificent for sunsets over the water. Grays Bay has a boat ramp, free barbecues and a shady playground area is situated nearby. It's a popular spot for water sports from jet-skiing to stand-up paddling.

KINGS BEACH

Beautiful, undeveloped and often deserted means you can have the place all to yourself. Kings Beach's sweeping shore is also an off-leash dog friendly beach so it's the perfect spot to hang out with your best mate.

MURRAY BAY

This is a beautiful tropical bay complete with coconut trees. Access is solely down a narrow track or walking trail, but once there the outlook is incredible, and you will love spending the day exploring the secluded beach. Murray Bay is a favourite for photographers and provides excellent snorkelling, diving and fishing.

QUEENS BEACH

Strolling along the 5 kilometre stretch of Queens Bay's sandy shore offers plenty of great activities – beachcombing, fishing or just taking in the sunset. Bowen's longest beach stretches from 'The Pocket' on Horseshoe Bay Road to Yasso Point and the Don River mouth. Along the way are several beachfront parks with free barbecues, large playgrounds and Sunday markets. Getting exercise with a view is easy with kilometres of walking and bicycle paths and free exercise equipment.

FRONT BEACH

The perfect pull up area for travellers, day-trippers and local and visiting families.



DID YOU KNOW?

Bowen is one of the very few places on the Queensland coast where you can snorkel directly off the beach. Just walk into the ocean, put your head underwater and in 10 kicks you will experience a living reef and an abundance of marine life.

The foreshore area includes community soundshell event space, Catalina Memorial and information kiosk, complete with replica Big Mango. Discover Bowen's role in the filming of the Baz Luhrmann's 'Australia' and learn how they created movie magic. Families and groups can relax as there are picnic areas, amenities, playgrounds, a skate park and free water park for the kids. Take a walk on the wharf and catch a fish or spot a green sea turtle as they pop up to say G'day!

ROSE BAY

This sandy beach offers lovely views of Gloucester Island and Mother Beddock. The adjoining public park area is perfect for families and groups with free barbecues, picnic tables and playground. Laze under the shade of the palms or snorkel the fringing reef.

CORAL BAY

Secluded and tucked away between Horseshoe Bay and Grays Bay, the shores of this hidden spot include Bowen's clothing-optional beach. There really is a beach for everyone in Bowen! Follow the bush track or ask a local for directions.

DISCOVER FRINGING REEF FROM THE MAINLAND

Snorkelling in Bowen is as simple as bringing your own fins, snorkel and mask and walking straight off the beach. High tide times allow snorkellers to explore up into the rocks and swim among the fish life at Horseshoe and Murray Bays.

Low tide is best for viewing hard and soft corals along the left side of Rose Bay and across the entrance of Horseshoe Bay.

Among the many species you are likely to encounter, expect to see large schools of brightly coloured parrot fish that are vital to a healthy coral ecosystem.



OUR PICTURESQUE WALKS

1 HANSEN PARK TO HORSESHOE BAY WALK **2.6KM**

Winding through shady beachside parkland and taking in beautiful views, follow the wide pathway from Queens Beach around to Horseshoe Bay.

2 KINGS BEACH WALK **1.8KM**

An easy walk along the sandy beach, starting from the car park area below Flagstaff Hill or via the short, unsealed road off Queens Road. The beach is an off-lead area suitable for dog walking.

3 QUEENS BEACH WALK **1.6KM**

Follows Queens Beach from Yasso Point at the Don River mouth to Golf Links Road for beautiful views of both the bay and the suburb of Queens Beach. Alternatively follow the shared sealed bike and walking pathway.

4 MULLERS LAGOON TO QUEENS BAY **3.8KM**

Includes a scenic walk around the lagoon and gardens, as well as along Soldiers Road that will take you to the beaches. Alternatively, if you are a keen bird watcher or botanist, stroll through Mullers Lagoon and enjoy the flora and fauna found within the 24 hectares of picturesque parkland.

5 CAPE EDGECUMBE WALKING TRAIL **2.5KM**

Taking in Horseshoe Bay, Murray Bay and Rose Bay, nature lovers will be impressed by postcard-worthy lookouts, bays and beaches and opportunities to see native wildlife and bird life. You can walk the entire circuit or just part of it and there are entry points at each of the bays. If you start at Horseshoe Bay, the track begins with a short 100-metre uphill climb with a lookout at the top, offering breathtaking views.

Continue along the main track for a few hundred metres and keep an eye out for a side path to your right, which leads to the site of a World War II radar station and anti-aircraft battery. Whilst the guns are long gone, you can still see the mounting points. Proceed through Murray Bay, continuing towards Rose Bay. There is another side path to an imposing boulder balanced precariously on a granite outcrop. This landmark, seen from many



locations throughout Bowen, is Mother Beddock. From here you can walk down to Rose Bay.

6 FRONT BEACH TO SPORTING COMPLEX WALK **4.6KM**

Foot pathed the whole way, this short walk will take you through the business centre of town towards our popular sporting complex. You will get a glimpse of Bowen's history, sighting some of the various murals along the way.

7 PARKRUN BOWEN

Parkrun is a free weekly 5km timed event for both walkers and runners. The event starts at 7am each Saturday from Barker Park walking and running to Grays Bay before making our way

through nearby parklands, Case Park and Hansen Park then finishing back at Barker Park. To register for free, go to parkrun.com.au/register.

8 BOWEN FORESHORE TO QUEENS BAY **3.5KM**

This is easy access from the business centre to scenic bays for walkers and cyclists.

9 BOWEN FORESHORE & JETTY **750M**

Explore the Bowen foreshore, parks and Catalina memorial along sealed pathways. Step back in time with a stroll along the 750m historic jetty. Built in 1865, it's perfect for spotting diverse marine life including turtles, dugongs and stingrays that cruise the shallows when the tide is in.



DID YOU KNOW?

Bowen and Collinsville are located in the Whitsundays Region that encompasses a total land area of 23,862 square kilometres. As at the June 30, 2016* Census, the estimated resident population of the region was 33,778 persons. The population of Bowen was 10,828 and Collinsville had a population of 1730.

OUR LOOKOUTS

FLAGSTAFF HILL

Flagstaff Hill offers some of the best coastal views you will ever see with a 360-degree panorama of the whole Bowen region without having to walk up a hill! The lookout is an easy, short drive from the main business centre and has glorious views. During winter, this is an ideal land-based whale watching location. *Please note: Towing vehicles are not recommended*

GRAYS BAY PICNIC SPOT

This accessible lookout is just a short walk from the Grays Bay car park and is a favourite for sunset dinner.

HORSESHOE BAY LOOKOUT

Take the short hike up to the Rotary Lookout for a stellar view of one of Bowen's favourite beaches. Continuing along the Cape Edgecumbe Walking Trail provides access to stunning elevated views from the World War II Radar Station Lookout and Mother Beddock.

RESERVOIR HILL

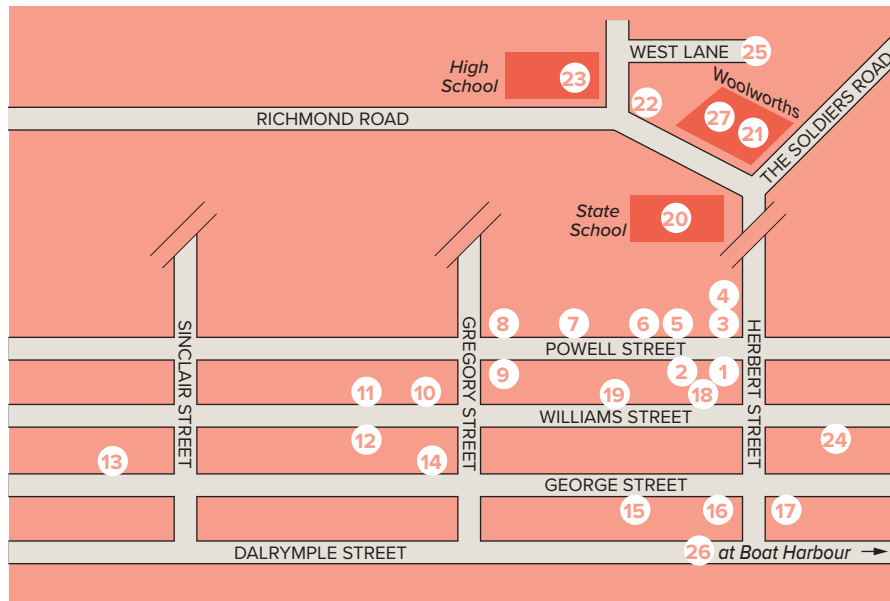
Although not an official lookout, take the short drive to view the water tank murals up close via Tynwald Avenue and you will be rewarded with excellent views of the coast, town and Mullers Lagoon.



HOW'S THE WEATHER?	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
MEAN MAX°C	31.6	31.5	30.8	29.1	26.7	24.8	24.4	25.7	27.5	28.9	30.6	31.4
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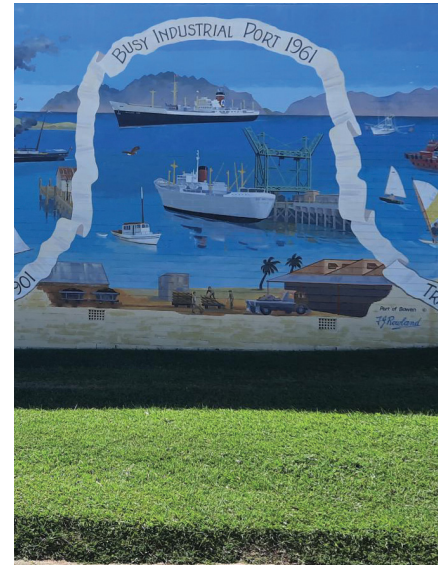
* 2021 Census data was not released at the time of publication.

OUR MURALS



Bowen's history, culture, nature and heritage are told through the 28 murals that adorn businesses across the town. The murals adorn the walls of buildings throughout town and on our water tanks. The Bowen Festival of Murals Society Inc was formed in December 1988 and has been responsible for most of the murals with thousands of hours of fundraising over the years.

1. *Transporting a Boiler to the Goldfields*, Herbert Street, Bowen Council Library
2. *Peter Delamothe, Attorney General**, Herbert Street, Council Chambers wall
3. *Goat Cart*, Powell Street
4. *Salt Harvest*, Powell Street, opposite ANZ Bank (car park)
5. *First Motor Vehicles*, Powell Street
6. *First Ambulance and First Fire Truck*, Powell Street, Burnups
7. *Early Farming Days*, Powell Street
8. *Carson the Wheelwright*, Powell Street
9. *Denison Hotel*, Powell Street
10. *Federation of Port*, Cnr Williams and Gregory Streets
11. *Betzel Pioneer Families*, Williams Street, Opposite IGA Supermarket
12. *South Sea Islanders, Aboriginal and Islander*, George Street – back of IGA
13. *History of Bowen**, George Street, Girudala Co-Operative Society Ltd
14. *Coal, Fire and Stream*, George Street
15. *The SS Canberra*, George Street, Jochheim's Pie Shop
16. *The Newspaper History*, George Street, Robbo's Bowen Furnishers
17. *Bank of New South Wales*, Cnr Herbert and George Streets
18. *Aviation History*, Herbert Street, Original North Australian Hotel
19. *Pioneer Women*, Williams Street, Original North Australian Hotel
20. *James Morrill**, Herbert Street, Bowen State Primary School
21. *Coal Loading from Jetty*, Herbert Street – Woolworths, Centrepont Shopping Centre
22. *Integration of the Arts**, Argyle Park/Richmond Roads
23. *Merinda School*, Argyle Park Road
24. *History of Policing*, Williams Street, Commonwealth Bank
25. *Murroona Homestead*, West Lane, wall of a Murroona Gardens resident house
26. *Scene of Front Beach Post WWII*, Birds Fish Bar, Henry Darwen Memorial Drive
27. *50 Years Queensland Rail*, Woolworths wall



BOWEN'S WATER TANK

Standing tall above the landscape of Bowen, visitors can't miss the bright scenes that adorn our town reservoir tanks. Once sporting the 'Bowenwood' signage (a homage to the town's movie making days during the filming of Baz Luhrmann's 'Australia'), the community, council and local tourism organisation came together to give our water tanks a colourful facelift in 2018. The result, featuring icons of the region from the famous Bowen Mango, to historic North Head Lighthouse and sailing across the blue waters of the Whitsundays, are a must see.



THE REGION'S QUILT

A tourist attraction that should not be missed is hanging in the Bowen Library, Herbert Street, Bowen. This is a masterpiece in stitching and was created by the Bowen Quilters and Needlecraft Group depicting the Whitsundays Region's history and attractions. It took 1426 hours of combined stitching by the group.

BIRD WATCHING

Mullers Lagoon is a bird watcher's paradise with 23.57 hectares of Wetland habitat easily accessible in the centre of town.

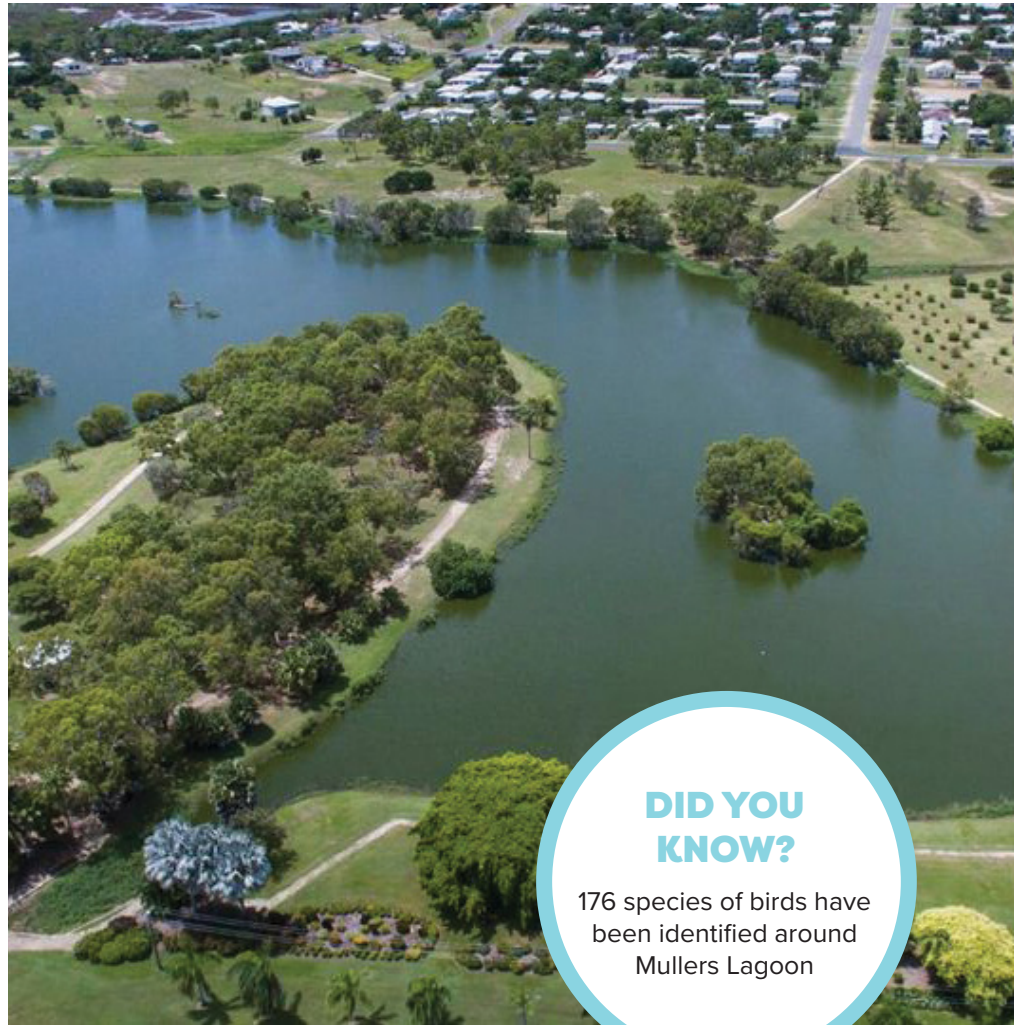
A walking track surrounding the lagoon features interpretive facilities, seating and bridges. It is well worth the walk with displays of dry climate palms, native and exotic shrubs and perennials.

There is also a Frangipani garden nearby with about 70 plants of various colours.

These varieties can have several characteristics, such as double flowers, large flowers and intense colours to name a few. It is a popular site for weddings and functions and also a place to relax and have a picnic with family or friends. There is a playground, picnic area with toilets, free barbecues and shady trees.

OTHER GREAT BIRD-WATCHING LOCATIONS:

- Don River mouth (coastal species)
- Cape Edgecumbe Trail, Foreshore (Red-tailed Black-cockatoo and coastal species).



DID YOU KNOW?

176 species of birds have been identified around Mullers Lagoon



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SUMMERGARDEN THEATRE



Bowen's Summervarden Theatre at Queens Beach is a gem of Bowen's heritage. It was built in 1948 and is the oldest continually running theatre in Queensland.

It was originally built as an open-air theatre and now combines state-of-the-art modern facilities with old world charm and an art deco style.

When the movie 'Australia' was being filmed in Bowen in 2008, the theatre was used for the filmmakers to view footage they had shot each day. The theatre also hosted the world premiere of the movie.

The theatre has only had two owners. The current owners, Ben and Phyllis De Luca, purchased the theatre in May 1962 and still operate it today.

GETTING HERE

ROAD

Bowen sits in the northern section of the Whitsundays, less than a one hour drive from Airlie Beach and it is halfway between North Queensland's major cities of Mackay and Townsville. Collinsville is located 85 kilometres inland from Bowen, about a 45-minute drive and is at the foothills of the Clarke Range. The turn-off to Collinsville is about a 10-minute drive north of Bowen off the Bruce Highway. It is clearly signposted.

AIR

Access is via the major airports of Whitsunday Coast (Proserpine) and Hamilton Island. The Mackay and Townsville airports are a two-hour drive from Bowen. The Whitsunday Coast Airport is a 50-minute drive from Bowen and has plenty of car parking and a rental car park.

RAIL

Queensland Rail's 'Spirit of Queensland' services provide regular connections into Bowen. The railway station is on Bootooloo Road.

Northbound: Spirit of Queensland – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 7.09am.

Southbound: Spirit of Queensland – Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday 5.20pm.

BUS/COACH

Coach services connect from Bowen daily and provide north and southbound services, arriving and departing from Bowen Travel, 40 Williams St, Bowen.

GETTING AROUND

Bowen Transit: Town bus services 3 times daily to Horseshoe Bay, Rose Bay and Queens Beach. The timetable is available from Bowen Travel.

WHITSUNDAY COAST AIRPORT

Whitsunday Coast Airport is the major aviation hub for the Whitsunday Region and is located just 30 minutes from Airlie Beach, only 12 kilometres south of Proserpine and just a 50-minute drive from Bowen.

Whitsunday Coast Airport offers direct flights to Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Cairns, Rockhampton, Newcastle, Sunshine Coast and Toowoomba currently being serviced by five commercial airlines: Qantas, Jetstar, Virgin Australia, Skytrans and Bonza. Bookings can be made direct via the airlines' websites or through any booking office or accredited travel agent.

Facilities are also available for private charter flights and light aircraft as well as freight operations. The Whitsunday Coast Airport also offers seamless transfers to the new Shute Harbour Marine Terminal.

The Whitsunday Coast Airport terminal has newly renovated facilities and features a state-of-the-art augmented reality screen, Heart of the Reef tropical aquarium and a commercial kitchen with Taste Whitsundays offering a delicious meal utilising local produce to those arriving or departing the Whitsundays.

Whitsunday Coast Airport services:

Virgin, Jetstar, Qantas: Daily to Brisbane

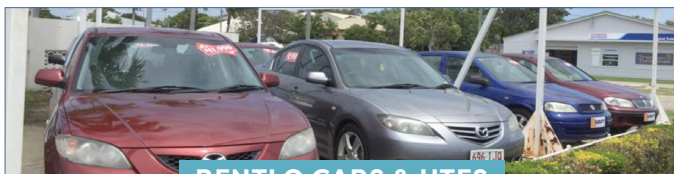
Jetstar: Friday and Sunday to Melbourne. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday to Sydney

Skytrans: Tuesday – Friday to Cairns and Rockhampton

Bonza: Flights to and from Newcastle, Toowoomba and Sunshine Coast from mid 2022

Note: Flight schedules can change without prior notice. Check with airlines for updated flight schedules or contact Bowen Travel on 07 4786 1611.

This information is correct at time of publication but subject to change. Please check with Bowen Travel.



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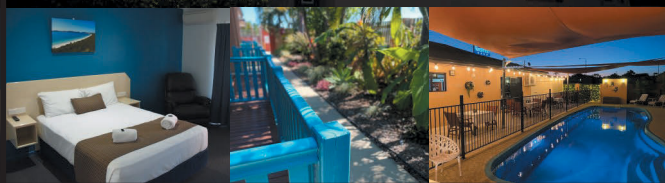
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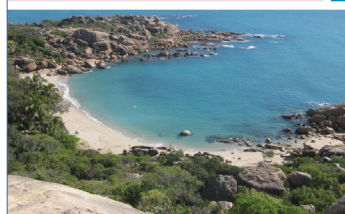
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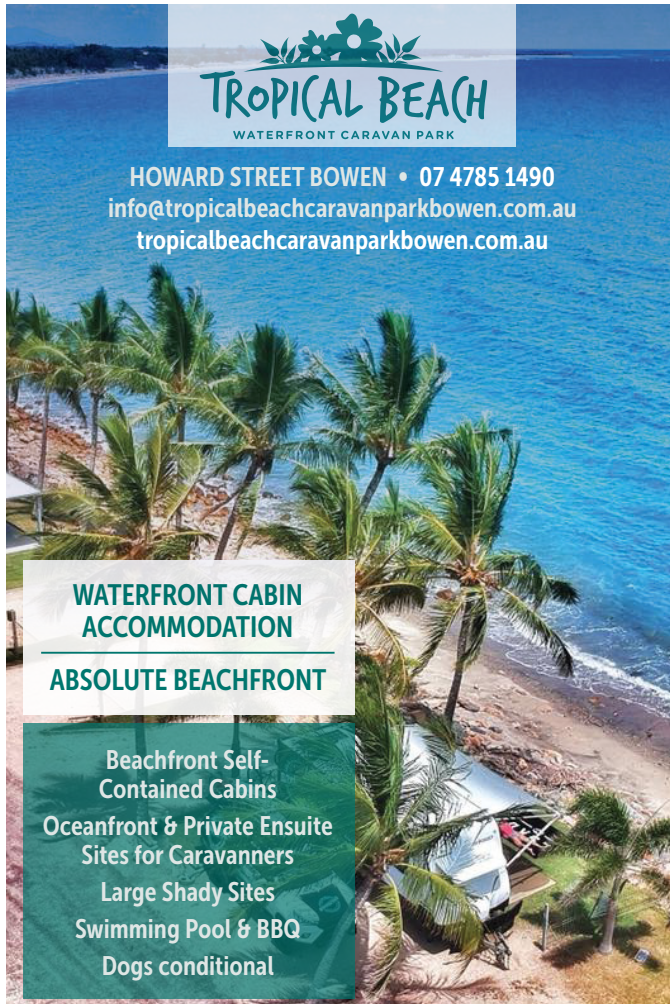
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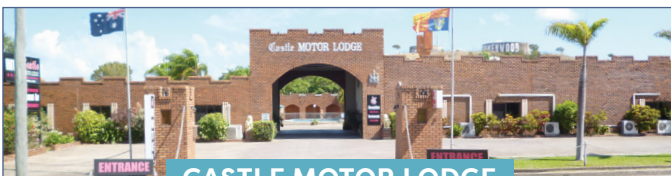


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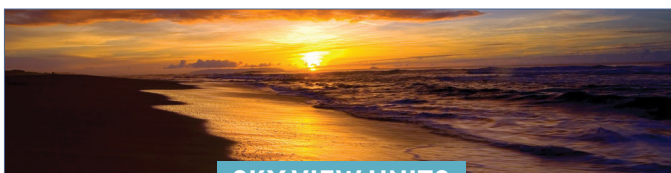


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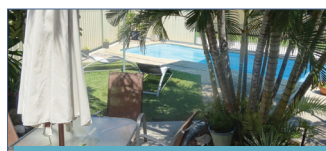


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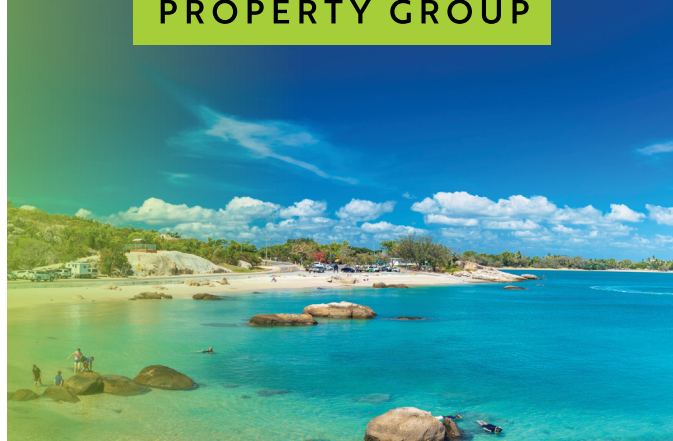
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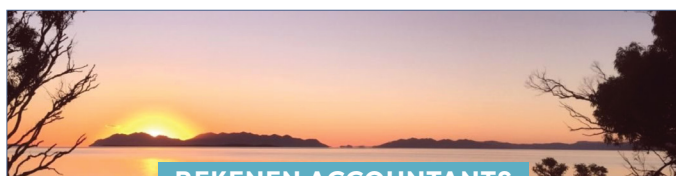
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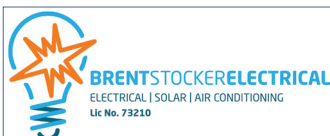


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The project, which has the blessings of the Juru traditional owners, is led by Gilmour Space Technologies, a leading Australian company based on the Gold Coast that is developing and launching Australian-made rockets and satellites to orbit from 2022.

Bowen is located about 20 degrees south of the equator which makes it an ideal geographic location to launch rockets and send satellites into space.

Pending approvals from various local, state and federal authorities, Gilmour Space hopes to launch its first Australian-made rocket, carrying Australian payloads, from an Australian launch site – here in Bowen.

At the time of publishing this Visitor Guide in June 2022, Gilmour Space was putting the finishing touches on plans to launch the first Eris rocket in late 2022.

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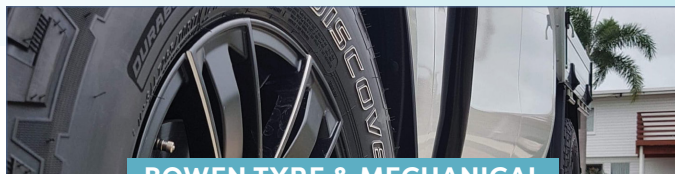
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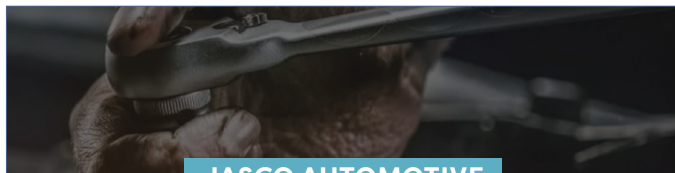
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SOUTH SEA ISLANDER HISTORY

Many South Sea Islanders in Bowen are the descendants of the people brought from islands in the Western Pacific to work as indentured labourers on the coastal farms of Queensland in the mid-late 1800s and early 1900s. The Islanders came mainly from Vanuatu (formerly New Hebrides), Solomon Islands, Melanesia and Loyalty Islands. There is information regarding the original South Sea Islands at Bowen's Yasso Point.

CATALINA INTERPRETIVE CENTRE

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planes coming in to land on the bay when the viewer is looking at the images. It also includes a modern war memorial wall. The precinct is dotted with plaques that explain significant historical events that helped shape modern day Bowen. Mature trees, shrubs and garden beds complete the stunning foreshore.

ART & PHOTOGRAPHY

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The Bowen Historical Museum was established on August 16, 1963 and from humble beginnings has grown to a well-known museum with displays of Aboriginal, pioneer and local history. Bowen was the first township settled north of Rockhampton in 1861.

Moss Vale Cottage, which was built on Moss Vale Station in 1872, was relocated to the museum grounds in 1972. The cottage features displays of old furniture, some created from kerosene boxes and tins (showcasing the inventiveness of our pioneers), tools, laundry, saddlery, cooking and butter making equipment. The exterior and internal walls of the cottage are of slab construction and the building has been kept as authentic as possible.

Every newspaper printed in Bowen since 1864 is available in digital form and visitors are able to request information

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Our local war heroes from both World Wars and the conflicts in Korea and Vietnam are honoured by a comprehensive display and visitors to the museum are free to browse the many albums of service records of local soldiers and airmen.

Displays of Bowen's industries such as farming, meatworks, saltworks and copper refinery are also featured as well as the history of our port and railway.

Other displays include education, religion, essential services and local government. A vast collection of local history captured in photographs and documents (such as immigration records) is available for research purposes.



'AUSTRALIA' MOVIE

The Movie 'Australia' directed by Baz Luhrmann and starring Nicole Kidman and Hugh Jackman was partly filmed in Bowen in 2008. The cast and crew spent several months in Bowen with Nicole Kidman celebrating her 40th birthday right here.

In 2008, Bowen Summergarden Theatre held a world premiere of the movie that was largely filmed in the area and since then, it has met with global acclaim, bringing a historical slice of 'Australia' to households right across the world. You can read all about it at Bowen's Front Beach.



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OFFSHORE FISHING

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IN THE REGION

Lake Proserpine is situated 30 minutes inland from Proserpine and is an ideal spot for freshwater fishing. Lake Proserpine is renowned as home to 1m plus barramundi which can be fished all year round! Each year, the lake is restocked with over 20,000 barramundi fingerlings. Access upgrades have also been completed with three new pontoons and a jetty installed for ease of access for boats.

Molongle Creek: A short drive north of Bowen, Molongle Creek offers great fishing, as well as access to Cape Upstart National Park that is only accessible by boat. If you have the time, you really should plan to stay for a few days, and Molongle Creek Tourist Caravan Park is worth considering.

To get there turn right off the Bruce Highway onto Molongle Beach Road, only 55 kilometres north of Bowen. The park caters for all who love fishing and crabbing and there's plenty of parking for boats.

The Molongle Creek Boat Club offers modern facilities and they are open to the public.

There are four boat ramps that are well maintained all year round. Beside the ramps is a huge multipurpose area that includes showers, toilets and a large covered area fitted out with barbecues. The club is continually working to improve access. The Great Barrier Reef Marine Park surrounds Cape Upstart National Park and is only accessible by boat.

DID YOU KNOW?

Some of the most popular fish species found in the Bowen waters are barramundi, bream, coral trout, flathead, mackerel, trevally and whiting.

WATER AND BOATING SAFETY

Volunteer Marine Rescue (VMR)
Bowen is a Marine Rescue service covering Abbot Point in the north to Dingo Beach in the south, and out to the Great Barrier Reef. This encompasses an area of approximately 7,000 square kilometres.

Contact VMR Bowen for more information on services and membership enquiries.
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The Base is manned on weekends and public holidays, depending on manpower, and we monitor HF channel 2182 and VHF Channels 16, 21 and 73. VMR Bowen maintains a VHF channel 21 repeater on Holbourne Island. Call Sign: VMR 487

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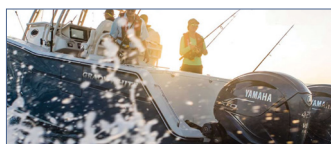
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the local economy.

FARMING IN OUR REGION

FARM WORK

Bowen offers a great location for travellers, backpackers and other visitors to work and play. There are plenty of employment opportunities, accommodation options and a laid-back recreational beachside location to enjoy including a fantastic climate. Accommodation options include apartments, hostels, affordable caravan parks and guest houses.

The horticultural season starts around April, with peak production increasing in June and finishes around November. The mango harvest season commences around November and finishes around January. Weather can play a part in seasonal work. It can delay harvest and if it rains, work may not be available, and your income may be affected. Experience is not always necessary, but you can gain new skills and sample what it is like living in paradise. Working on farms is fun, keeps you fit and is a great way to tuck away some savings for your next adventure.

GRAZING

More than 25 million hectares of the Bowen and Collinsville region supports beef cattle breeding operations, running an estimated 315,000 head. Cattle are sold to markets up and down the coast, live export and feedlots.

The region includes the State's second largest river system, the Burdekin River. Graziers and the extended community are working to reduce sediment from local land use entering local waterways. Several properties have been recognised with environmental innovation awards at State and National levels for changes designed to protect waterways and the Great Barrier Reef.

NQ Dry Tropics is the region's natural resource management group and works with landholders to implement practices that achieve enduring, sustainable and productive land management. The Landholders Driving Change project supports improved water quality outcomes by delivering gully remediation, improved soil health and pasture cover and beneficial grazing practices that could be transferred to other reef catchments.

This project has been funded by the Queensland Government through the Queensland Reef Water Quality



HORTICULTURE

The Bowen and Gumlu region is the largest winter growing vegetable region in Australia. With over 300 days of sunshine, water, high quality soils and established know-how, we're recognised as being the beating heart of Australia's fresh produce industry.

Major commodities produced are tomatoes, capsicums, beans, sweet corn, cucurbits and the world-famous Bowen mangoes. The beloved Kensington Pride and R2E2 mango varieties originated from our region. Annually, the region produces more than 250,000 tonnes of fresh produce which makes its way from our farm gates to central markets and supermarkets across Australia and to over a dozen export destinations including New Zealand, Japan, Singapore and the United States.

The industry produces more than \$450 million in economic output and employs over 3500 skilled and unskilled workers during the season with a wide and growing variety of career and business opportunities. Located in the Great Barrier Reef catchment, regional farms are transitioning to become world leaders in sustainable practice, implementing innovation and technology to deliver the highest quality standards for consumers that are becoming increasingly health and environmentally conscious.

We're happy to have you visiting our farming regions. Please respect our biosecurity and sustainability by reading signage at the farm's entrance and following the instructions on the sign. Help us to continue growing the very best fresh produce.

Program and through The Great Barrier Reef Foundation's partnership with the Australian Reef Trust.

AGAVE FARM

An Australian agave spirit farm has been established south of Bowen, owned by ASX listed Australian spirits company, Top Shelf International (TSI).

Founded in 2014, TSI is an Australian spirits company with a portfolio of brands that are setting the new benchmark for modern taste. Its ambition is to create the highest quality Australian spirit brands that embody the unique personality of the country.

Its brands, NED Australian Whisky and Grainshaker Australian Vodka are the fastest growing brands in their respective categories and have quickly developed a reputation for quality with accolades at multiple Australian spirits awards.

The company has currently ambition to create an Australian Agave spirit category with its home south of Bowen. TSI's 380-hectare farm has more than half a million agave already planted, with construction of the distillery and production facility set to start in mid 2022. In the long term, the facility will include a tourism experience for both locals and visitors alike.

BOWEN FARMING REGION



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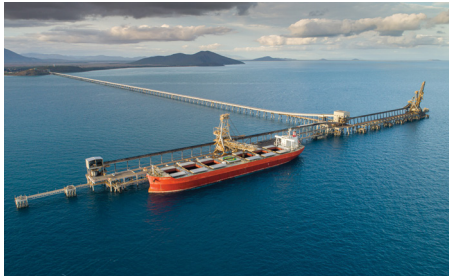
The Port of Abbot Point is Australia's most northerly coal port and has been safely, responsibly and efficiently exporting Queensland coal to the world since 1984.

The port is located 25 kilometres north of Bowen in naturally deep water and incorporates the 50 million tonne per annum capacity North Queensland Export Terminal (NQXT).

More than 29.5 million tonnes of coal were loaded through NQXT onto 394 bulk cargo ships in the 2020-21 Financial Year.

The terminal is leased to NQXT Pty Ltd by the Queensland Government with operations and maintenance functions managed by Abbot Point Operations (APO) team of more than 380 local employees and contractors.

In meeting the needs of Queensland coal producers, NQXT and APO prioritise the safety of everyone on site, the protection of the local environment, and investment back into the Bowen community.



FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

Bowen is Queensland's second largest exporter of live coral trout and this industry is worth over \$20 million to the local economy.

The red colour of our fish makes them the most sought after by the Chinese and the market price can vary from \$32 to \$64 per kilogram.

The Bowen harbour has two unloading facilities that both sell to the local market.

Aquaculture is also an important industry in the region with the Good Fortune Bay Fisheries operation north of Bowen producing 1,500 tonnes of fin fish annually including barramundi.

Tassal and Pacific Reef fisheries – prawn farms in the Bowen Whitsunday region –

are increasing production to become the largest prawn farms in Australia.

Queensland's only commercial blacklip oyster producer, Bowen-based John and Annette Collison, 40-year industry veterans, said blacklips were a hardy, fast-growing, disease resistant oyster.

A game-changer for Queensland's oyster farming industry is the first-time successful production and settle of 500,00 blacklip rock oysters at Bribie Island Research Centre.

This will allow for expansion of the oyster farming industry beyond the current South-East corner of the state into North Queensland including Bowen's already established oyster farm with an estimated production value of \$72.6 million.

THE SALT WORKS

Bowen's solar evaporation salt field and refinery at the entrance to the town began operating in 1925. It is one of a number owned and operated by Australian Saltworks. The operation utilises sea water, the wind and the sun to produce a natural solar evaporated sea salt. The business supplies customers in the stockfeed, swimming pool, water treatment and industrial markets in Qld, NSW & NT.

It is the northernmost salt field in Australia.

MURROONA GARDENS

The Murroona Gardens Board is very proud of the facilities and services that Murroona Gardens has available for the citizens of Bowen and surrounds.

Murroona Gardens has been caring for elders in our region since 1982 and the 'people before profit' focus is something they are proud of as a non-for-profit organisation.

Murroona Gardens has a strong reputation locally for quality care, welcoming atmosphere and dedicated staff. Since commencing residential care in 1982, Murroona Gardens has expanded to employ more than 130 team members who provide services for up to 104 residents.

Every effort has been made to present Murroona Gardens as a beautiful and hospitable community in which to live. The strategic refurbishments have continued over recent years with a focus on delivering contemporary environments aligned with the needs and expectations of our community.



Murroona Gardens provides a wide range of services from independent living units to residential care in their nursing home, as well as social support.

Qualified staff offer care tailored to each person and are an approved Home Care Provider, which allows clients to remain in their own home for as long as possible.

Murroona Gardens care home was born out of the community need for 24 hour nursing care, also providing a full catering service, laundry service, café, men's shed, and extensive activity programs.

HOME CARE

Murroona Gardens now has an office in the town's CBD in Williams Street, allowing greater accessibility to services including visits from allied health practitioners.

Home Care Packages are one of the ways older citizens can access affordable care services to receive help at home. They are designed for those with care needs, providing a wide range of services. There are four levels of Home Care Packages with different funding amounts, which cover basic support needs through to high care needs.



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The Bowen Neighbourhood Centre provides a range of community support services that enhance the capacity of the community, and responds to the needs of individuals, families and diverse community groups. Current services include support and information in relation to housing needs, no interest loans, emergency relief, legal assistance, domestic violence, mental health information, substance abuse issues, as well as any other community related matters. For further information please contact the Bowen Neighbourhood Centre on 07 4786 2111, email us on admin@bowennnc.org.au or find us online at bowenneighbourhoodcentre.org.au


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Quiet and secluded, these little hamlets are perfect for those seeking rest and relaxation on long, sandy beaches with hardly another soul in sight. Comprising just a handful of houses, resorts, a caravan park and pub, this is the perfect spot for getting away from it all. Pack a picnic, do a beach combing, and maybe cast a line off the beautiful, almost empty beaches.

Just a few kilometres on you will come to Cape Gloucester, overlooking Shag Islet and Gloucester Island. With its palm tree-lined beaches and sparkling turquoise waters it is an idyllic tropical escape.

With endless horizons and picturesque water views dotted with islands, Hydeaway Bay and Dingo Beach are perfect for long, lazy days spent wandering and exploring the calm bays by kayak or stand-up paddleboard. A well-known fishing destination,



Dingo Beach boasts a tidal boat ramp and extensive parklands, as well as barbecue facilities along the beach, the perfect spot for a family get together.

CEDAR CREEK FALLS

Cedar Creek Falls, when flowing, are the perfect place to take a dip in clear, fresh water. This picturesque beauty is located a half hour drive from Airlie Beach and Proserpine. It is signposted from the main road between the two towns.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Great Barrier Reef stretches for over 2,600 kilometres, is comprised of more than 2900 individual reefs and can be seen from outer space.



GREATER WHITSUNDAY REGION



Airlie Beach is an easy one hour drive from Bowen and is the gateway to the 74 islands of the Whitsundays. There is so much to see and do in the Greater Whitsunday region.

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Explore the Great Barrier Reef and Whitsunday Islands from above, below and in between with the opportunity to snorkel, dive, sail or fly. Don't miss Heart Reef, a stunning natural composition of coral in the perfect shape of a heart found nowhere else in the Great Barrier Reef.

The Whitsundays boasts several underwater sculptures throughout the marine park and is home to an Australian-first, underwater accommodation on the Great Barrier Reef with floor-to-ceiling views of the marine life below.

In Airlie Beach, a short one hour drive from Bowen, you can enjoy hiking, kayaking, skydiving, wining and dining, relaxing by the Airlie Beach Lagoon or on the beach. Discover the heritage heart in Proserpine, with country-style pubs, sugar cane and cattle farms as far as the eye can see and the chance to see crocodiles in the wild on the Proserpine River.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Lake Proserpine is renowned for having more barramundi over one metre in length than any other impoundment in Australia.

LAKE PROSERPINE

Lovers of the outdoors will find their haven at Lake Proserpine. A short 30-minute drive from the historical town of Proserpine, Lake Proserpine makes its home between tall gum trees and native bushland.

Famous for its large stock of one metre plus barramundi, avid fishers flock to

the lake's grassy banks and calm waters to try their luck at hooking the catch of their lives. The still waters also offer the perfect platform for a host of water activities for day visitors and overnight guests alike, including kayaking, boating, water-skiing and tubing.

For those searching for something a little more laid back, the idyllic picnic area boasts ample shady spots to pull up a

camp chair and take in the scenery. The newly renovated campground facilities offer campers their own slice of nature, accompanied by some of the best sunsets in the region come nightfall.

The lake, its campgrounds and the public boat ramp are open year-round, with campers able to stay for up to seven nights.

LAKE PROSERPINE



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Located in the heart of the Whitsundays outback, Collinsville is a historic mining town located 85 km west of Bowen and is about a 45-minute drive.

Situated in the foothills of the Clarke Ranges, Collinsville is your quintessential outback town boasting country hospitality and a rich past.

OUR PIT PONIES

Miners and pit ponies had a special bond. The ponies worked beside the miners every day, hauling coal and equipment.

Leaving Bowen, enjoy a scenic drive past farmlands and fruit orchards teeming with wildlife. Arriving in Collinsville you will see reminders of the town's coal mining and pastoral history.

Once there, you will be greeted by a close-knit community who always offers a friendly and warm welcome to visitors. The Collinsville area opened up for grazing in 1861, with Heidelberg and Strathmore Stations among the first in the district.

During the 1880s several gold mines were operated at Ukalunda, Mt Wyatt and Normandy and later at Mount Coolon. In 1866, coal was formally discovered and recorded by Richard Daintree.

By 1875 the Bowen River Coal Association was formed to explore the coalfield and in 1919 the State Mine was officially opened in the settlement of Moongunya.

In 1921, Moongunya was renamed to Collinsville and the town began to grow, the miners' bag humpies replaced by permanent homes. With a school, general store, butcher, bakery and police station, the town soon attracted families

from across Queensland. A hospital opened in 1926 and the town received reticulated water in 1930, with electricity connected in 1947.

Throughout the early days, the miners fought hard for safe working conditions underground. The town bore witness to many tragedies including the 1954 Mine Disaster that saw seven miners and two pit ponies killed underground.

The stories of the miners and the disaster are told through the interactive Collinsville Coalface Experience, open for visitors seven days a week.

While in town, stroll around and look for the historical mining murals and heritage signs that will provide an insight into the lives of the region's early settlers.

Visit the Collinsville Bakery for their famous fresh bread and pies, stroll downtown and delight in locally made arts and crafts or simply enjoy a delicious cup of coffee.

Enjoy a pleasant 3.7 kilometre walk from Collinsville to Scottville, or take a drive to the Bowen River weir for a scenic picnic in the bush.

Collinsville's latest tourist attraction is the Pit Pony Experience which celebrates the lives of Australia's last working mine pit ponies.

Retired in 1990, Wharrier and Mr Ed marked the end of a long history of miners and pit ponies working side by side as mates.

Centred around a life-size Collinsville pit pony sculptured in bronze, the Pit Pony Experience acknowledges the contribution from the community on a donors wall located behind the horse.

Around town are various 'selfie' walls where visitors and locals alike can picture themselves alongside the loved pit ponies. The Pit Pony Experience is a true reflection of the strong values of comradeship and community found in Collinsville.

COLLINSVILLE SCOTTVILLE AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Collinsville Scottville and District Historical Society Inc. opened its Historical Display Centre in May 2014.

The rooms are filled with local photographic history, historical items, an impressive bottle display and much more. The small band of volunteers works tirelessly to preserve local history and items for public viewing.

The centre is open every Wednesday, 9am to 1pm. Out of hours opening can be arranged if volunteers are available.

The heritage-listed BCCM No. 1 Mine Site in Scottville is a must to see. With 600 metres of railed concrete pathways around the site for visitors to see all the mining history, there's so much to see that you just can't experience elsewhere.



Mine site tours can be arranged by calling Ray Wallace on 0448 434 382. 81 Garrick Street, Collinsville Qld 4804, PO Box 25. Email: csdhs19@gmail.com

COALFACE EXPERIENCE

Collinsville's Mining Heritage Centre, the Coalface Experience, is dedicated to the history of Queensland's coal mining industry and showcases the rich mining heritage of the region.

Stories of struggle, strife and mateship are played out through a range of interactive displays, audio-visual exhibits, two theatrettes and historical records presenting visitors with a great interpretation of Queensland's coal mining industry.

The museum also shows visitors what life was like for the coal miners, both above and below ground in the early days.

The museum's opening coincided with the 50th anniversary of the town's biggest underground mining disaster,

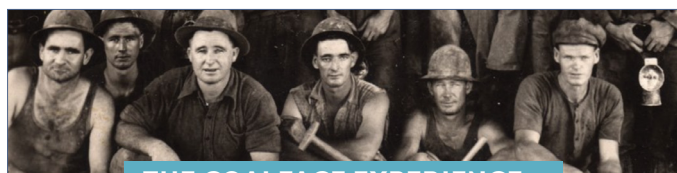
in which seven men and two pit ponies were killed in an underground gas outburst on October 13, 1954.

It honours those men, and 19 others who have also lost their lives on the Collinsville coalfield. Collinsville was recognised as a potential coalfield as early as 1866, when the area became known as the Bowen River Coalfield.

Railway construction from Bowen started in 1917 and full-scale coal production started in 1922 following the railway's completion that provided access to coastal markets.

MURALS

Several murals, depicting historic figures and scenes of historical mining activities, are painted on local business walls and contribute to the street beautification scheme. The latest murals illustrate the importance of the pit pony to this unique mining community and the coal industry in general and are part of a larger mural project linking Collinsville and Bowen.



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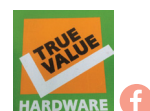
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COLLINSVILLE INFORMATION CENTRE AND RV PARK

Located on Railway Road at the southern end of the Collinsville Showgrounds and opposite the Workers Club is the Collinsville Information Centre & RV Park which offers up to 72 hours of free camping. The rest area caters for caravans, RVs, campervans, trailers and tents. Fresh water is readily available on site and there are standard and disabled toilets and showers 24/7 in the park. Looking for things to see and do – the information centre is a wealth of knowledge, hotels built from 1890, mining heritage and a museum dedicated to the region's rich history.



COLLINSVILLE SCOTTVILLE WORKERS CLUB

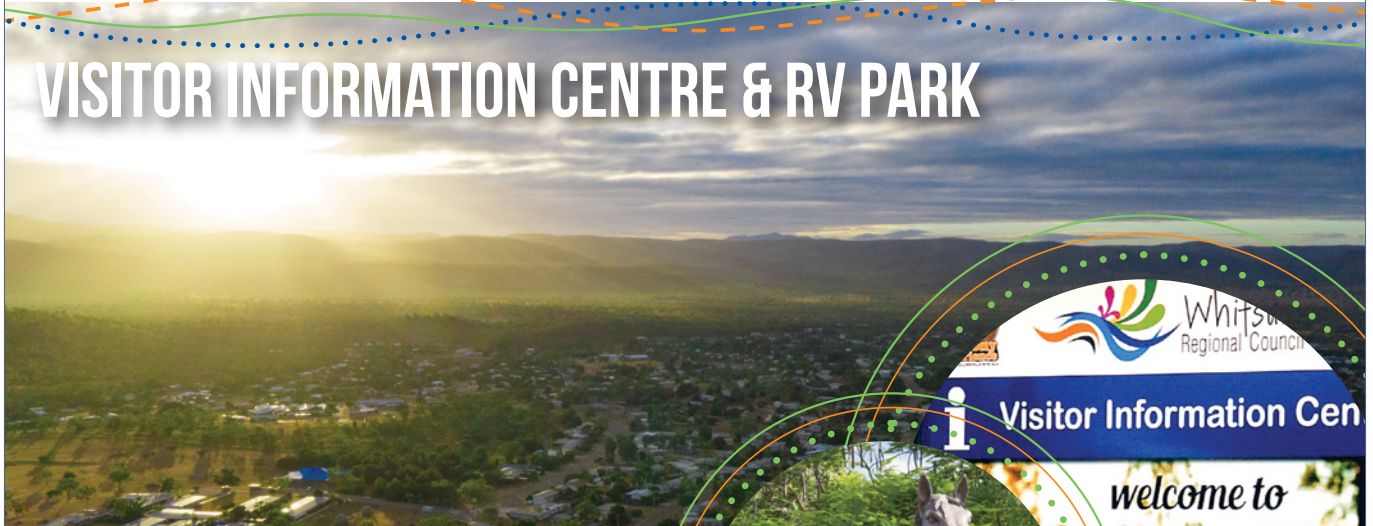
Everything you need in dining and entertainment is here 7 days a week. The venue boasts superb dining for lunch and dinner, bottleshop, exciting gaming room, as well as an outdoor deck. It also plays host to the Coalface Experience which is well worth a visit to see the rich history of mining in the region.



COLLINSVILLE



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- Visitor Information Centre.
- Located on Railway Road Collinsville at the southern end of the Collinsville Showgrounds, opposite the Workers Club.



BOWEN RIVER HOTEL - STRATHMORE PUB

Originally established in 1861, the building was donated to the National Trust of Queensland in 1974 by Ted Cunningham of Strathmore Station.

It was abandoned for some time but in 2003 was rebuilt and now comprises two buildings connected by a covered walkway. Today, the Bowen River Hotel retains its original décor and provides visitors with a step back in time and a true sense of life in the 1860s. A collection of photographs and memorabilia line the bar and tell the stories of the pioneers of the area.

The hotel has a licensed bar, an informal beer garden that is family friendly and serves lunch and dinner. Accommodation is also available.

Camping is offered for a small donation near the hotel. Every year in May, a fishing competition is hosted at nearby Terrible Creek and The Bowen River Rodeo and Campdraft is held in June.



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SLIDE INTO THE COLLINSVILLE WATERPARK

Big and little kids alike rejoiced as the new Collinsville Waterpark was officially opened in 2022. Complete with two thrilling water slides, a tipping bucket, water jets and shaded paddling area, the waterpark will offer a welcome and fun reprieve to the hot summer sun.

The design of the waterpark allows for free, unstructured and explorative play in a safe environment for children of all ages. The project has brought a new lease of life to the outback town, increasing liveability for residents and attracting new faces to the town.

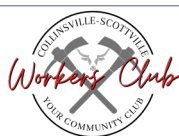


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PIT PONY TAVERN

The Pit Pony Tavern in Collinsville opened its doors on March 12, 2015.

The hotel was formally known as the Town and Country Hotel and with the name change came a full renovation turning the hotel into a modern establishment.

The Bistro houses pit pony pictures and memorabilia dating back to the 60s as well as a full-size picture of Australia's last working ponies here in Collinsville – Mr Ed and Wharrier.

The Pit Pony Tavern was the 2016 Bowen and Collinsville Large Business of the Year winner. Be sure to drop in and enjoy great service, meals and a cold drink.

The hotel also has accommodation available for those who wish to make a night visit to the town.



HERITAGE SIGN TRAIL

The Collinsville Historical Society has signs marking a few of the historical sites and buildings around the Collinsville, Scottville and Mount Coolon districts. Each sign has a picture and a description of the significance of the site.



MINERS MEMORIAL DAY

The Miners Memorial Day is held every year on October 13, in memory of the 26 men who have lost their lives in the Collinsville mines. The memorial is held at the Workers Club, home of the Collinsville Coalface Experience.

October 13 is the day of Collinsville's worst disaster which occurred in 1954, when 7 men tragically lost their lives in an underground outburst.

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AROUND COLLINSVILLE



CREEK PICNICS

You can have a picnic on the banks of any of our local creeks. The creeks usually have a good flow in them during the April-November wet season. 3 Mile Creek is part of the Pelican Creek system and is located 15 minutes west of town as you travel through Scottville and out along the Myuna Road. It's a great little swimming hole and picnic area.

Pelican Creek is a little creek that runs from the northeast of town round to the western area. It's easily accessible from several locations. 40 Foot is nestled up in the heart of Mount Devlin and in the wet season puts on a lovely waterfall display. A 15 to 20-minute hike up Mount Devlin will see you at the waterfall.

Terry's Creek is a 15-minute drive along the Peter Delemothe Road towards Bowen and is another popular picnic and swimming place in the wet season.

MOUNT COOLON

Mount Coolon is famous for its gold mining history, its pioneering grazing families and their experiences under harsh conditions. Mount Coolon is on the intersection of the Bowen Developmental Road and the Suttor Developmental Road, approximately 124 kilometres from Collinsville. Only 75 kilometres of the road is bitumen sealed.

BOWEN RIVER WEIR

Bowen River Weir is about a 20-minute drive from Collinsville. Take the Mount Coolon Road out of town and when you get to Sonoma Mine, the turn-off to the weir is on the left-hand side, opposite the mine's entrance. The road can be rough at times so drive to the road conditions. The weir is a popular fishing and camping spot.

The Collinsville water supply is pumped from here and is controlled by Sun Water. Be aware, saltwater crocodiles do inhabit these waters.

A jackeroo called Luke Reynolds from Yacamunda Station first discovered gold there in 1913. Reynold's claim was subsequently registered by Thomas Coolon and over the next five years the town witnessed a gold rush.

In 1918 following a claim dispute, Tom Coolon murdered four fellow gold miners before turning his rifle on himself. Today the story of Tom Coolon has become legendary across the old goldfields.

BOWEN RIVER RODEO, CAMPDRAFT & JUNIOR BUSH SPORTS

This event is held annually on the second weekend in June, at the rodeo grounds beside the Bowen River Hotel. Campsites are available over the weekend and there is also plenty of live entertainment. This event has been held since 1886. The Campdraft starts on Friday morning and runs until Sunday afternoon with the Rodeo running Saturday and Sunday. Bowen River Bush Sports, for the kids, is held both Saturday and Sunday. For more information contact bowenrivercommittee@gmail.com
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MOUNT COOLON HOTEL

The Mount Coolon Hotel is located in the original Mount Coolon Mine Manager's Homestead. This great old pub has heaps of character and memorabilia. Drop in for a cold beer, meal and a chat about the past with the locals. Accommodation is also available. P: (07) 4983 5530.

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bowenfamilyfishingclassic.com.au

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0428 855 295 | eventsecretary@donriverdash.com.au

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1/77 Herbert St | 07 4786 3833 | reception@hsfmc.com.au

Kylie's Family Dental

51 George St | 07 4786 3589 | info@kyliesdental.com.au
kyliesdental.com.au

Live Life Pharmacy Bowen

16 Gregory St and Bowen Plaza, Shop 7/16 Richmond St
07 4786 1045 | bowenplaza@livelifepharmacy.com

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Suite 1, 51 Powell St | 07 4786 3696 | bowen@tlcaustralia.com
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J&J Organic Pride

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info@topshelfgroup.com.au
topshelfgroup.com.au/brands/agave

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42 Powell St | 07 4791 1000 | bowen@burnups.com.au
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Bowen Travel

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Quick Cuts

40 Williams St | 0402 097 036 | atstreat@bigpond.com

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Simplicity Hair Studio

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Montes Reef Resort

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montesresort@bigpond.com | montesreefresort.com.au

Sunlit Waters

20 Airlie Cres, Airlie Beach | 07 4946 6352
info@sunlitwaters.com | sunlitwaters.com

Tasman Holiday Park

1 Jubilee Pocket Rd, Airlie Beach | 07 4860 1700
airliebeach@tasmanholidayparks.com | tasmanholidayparks.com

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info@whitsundayterraces.com.au | whitsundayterraces.com.au

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Shop 18, Coral Sea Marina, Airlie Beach | 07 4946 7500
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Ocean Rafting

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Red Cat Adventures

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info@redcatadventures.com.au | redcatadventures.com.au

Salty Dog Sea Kayaking

Kayaking base at Shute Harbour | (07) 4946 1388
info@saltydog.com.au | saltydog.com.au

Sealink Whitsundays

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whitsundays@sealink.com.au | sealinkqld.com.au/whitsundays

Skydive Australia Pty Ltd

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344 Shute Harbour Rd, Airlie Beach | 07 4940 2000
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Coral Sea Marina | 0418 757 088 | info@wings.com.au
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reservations@fishdvine.com.au | fishdvine.com.au

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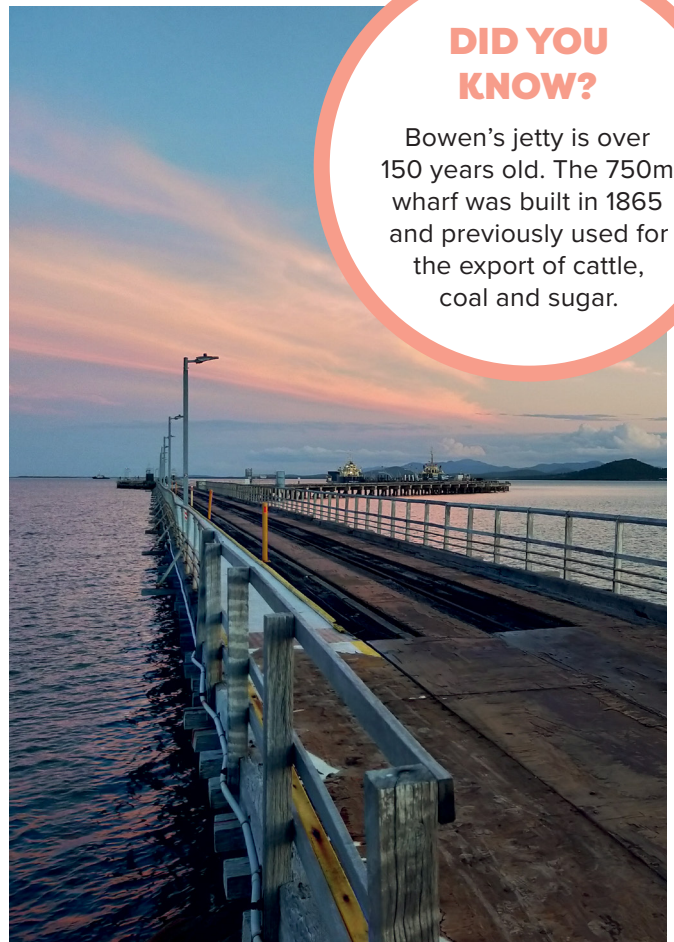
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colourmecrazy@bigpond.com | colourmecrazy.com.au

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Showgrounds, Mount Nutt Rd | 0414 339 081
secretary@thebowenshow.com | bowenshow.com.au

Bingo - Grand View Hotel

5 Herbert St, Bowen | 047864022
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Bingo - Wangaratta Bowls Club

1 Murroona Rd, Bowen | 07 4785 1197 | wangbcqb@gmail.com

Bowen Historical Society & Museum

22 Gordon St, Bowen | 07 4786 2035

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Anglican Hall, Gordon St | 0408 399 822

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0410 497 963 | cruiz75@hotmail.com
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0458611510 | pamelamaltby@y7mail.com

Bowen Bowls Club

38 Livingstone St, Bowen | 07 4786 1196

Bowen Breakers (Whitsunday) Basketball

0409 417 109 | whitsundaybasketballbowen@gmail.com

Bowen Coral Darts Association Inc.

0410 025 844 | facebook.com/Bowendarts

Bowen Cricket

Col Leather Sporting Complex | bowencricketinc@hotmail.com

Bowen Football Association

Col Leather Sporting Complex | 0413 469 157
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Bowen Golf Club

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Bowen Golf - Junior

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Bowen Netball Association

Col Leather Sporting Complex, Woodlands Rd, Bowen
0404 874 123 | 0408 863 277 | bowennetball@hotmail.com

Bowen Parkrun

The Pocket, Barker Park | bowen@parkrun.com
parkrun.com.au/bowen

Bowen PCYC

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bowen@pcyc.org.au

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Bowen Swimming Club

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Bowen Touch Association

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Bowen Turf Club

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bowenturfclub@bigpond.com | bowenraces.com

Gymnastics

Bowen PCYC | 07 4786 1383 | bowen@pcyc.org.au

Junior Sailing @ Port Denison Sailing Club

Port Denison Sailing Club, Thomas St | 0427 862 346
pdscbowen.org.au/home

NQ Speedway Riders & Supporters Club

0439 183 698 | facebook.com/NQSRASC

North Queensland Cruising Yacht Club

Starboard Dr, Bowen | 07 4786 3490 | nqcyc@admin.com
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pdscbowen.org.au/home

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McKenna Hall, Richmond Rd, Bowen | 07 4724 1000

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Santa Barbara Prde, Bowen | 07 4786 1383
bowen@pcyc.org.au | pcyc.org.au/clubs/pcyc-bowen

Sporting Shooters Association of Australia

Roddy Hughes Rd | 0419 650 602 | bowen@ssaqaqld.org.au
ssaabowen.com

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PCYC, Cnr Hay St & Queens Rd, Bowen | 07 4786 1383

Tennis Club

Esplanade, Bowen | 0407 164 375 | bowentennis@gmail.com

Wangaratta Bowls Club

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Whitsunday Regional Endurance Riders

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Australia Post

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bowenbaptist@westnet.com.au

Bowen Art Society

18 Beach Ave, Bowen | 07 4785 1522

Bowen Blue Tones Community Choir

Cunningham Villas, Bowen | 0439887297

Bowen Christian Family Centre

18556 Bruce Hwy, Bowen | 07 4786 5555 | 0439 290 746
whitsundayacc.com.au

Bowen Contract Bridge Club

DAF Conference Room, Warwick Rd, Delta | 0414 934 573

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17 Brisbane St | 0408 078 299 | bowen@guidesqld.org

Bowen Men's Shed

5 Sinclair St | 0417 162 068 | bowen.mens.shed@hotmail.com

Bowen Mural Society

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Bowen Scouts Group

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Bowen Woodturners Club

Green Shed at the showgrounds, Mt Nutt, Bowen | 0427 851 172

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centacarenq.org.au/centres/bowen

Centrelink

53 George St, Bowen | 13 24 68 | servicesaustralia.gov.au

Christian Outreach Centre Bowen

81 Mount Nutt Rd, Bowen | 0437 853 493
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bowenchristianoutreachcentre.org.au

Cooinda Family Centre

20 Williams St, Bowen | 07 4786 3866
info@cooindaafc.org.au | facebook.com/CooindaFC

Coral Sea Family History Inc.

18 Beach Ave, Bowen | 07 4785 1238

Court House

30 Williams St, Bowen | 07 4793 5300
courthouse.bowen@justice.qld.gov.au | courts.qld.gov.au

Department of Transport & Marine

6 Herbert St, Bowen | 13 23 80

Fauna Rescue Whitsundays

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Kingdom Hall

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Kennedy Masonic Lodge

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Esplanade, Queens Beach, Bowen | 07 4786 5312

Bowen Library

Herbert St, Bowen | 07 4761 3670
libraries.whitsundayrc.qld.gov.au

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Queens Beach Hotel, Bowen | 0408 185 439
bowenlionsclub@gmail.com

Lions Ladies Club of Bowen

0417 734 537 | ruthalece@gmail.com

Meals On Wheels Bowen

17 Williams St, Bowen | 0499 279 843 | 07 4786 1407

Orchard & Foliage Society

Orchid Pavillion, Bowen Showgrounds | 0457 150 733
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Police Citizens Youth Centre - Bowen

Cnr Queens Rd & Hays St, Bowen | 07 4786 1383
bowen@pcyc.org.au | pcyc.org.au/Bowen

Probus Club Bowen

0438 865 145

Queensland Country Womens Assoc. Bowen

52 Herbert St | 0418 870 600 | qcwa.bowenbranch@gmail.com
qcwa.org.au

Red Cross

1/37 Williams St | 07 4786 5737

R.S.L Bowen Branch

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Rotary Club of Bowen

0439 549 962 | secretary@rotaryclubbowen.com
facebook.com/rotarybowen

Salvation Army Corps

Cnr Poole & Gregory Sts | 07 4786 3057 | salvationarmy.org.au

SES State Emergency Service

Powell St (Behind Council Chambers) | 07 4761 3600
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Seventh Day Adventist

Cnr Poole and Gregory Sts | 07 4786 1184

St. Vincent De Paul Opportunity Shop

6 Gregory St | 07 4786 2811

The Neighbourhood Centre

20 Williams St, Bowen | 07 4786 2111 | admin@bowennnc.org.au
bowenneighbourhoodcentre.org.au

Uniting Church Bowen

Kennedy St | 07 4786 1949
bowen.unitingchurch.org.au

Veteran Affairs

38 Williams St, Bowen | 0409 342 151

VMR Volunteer Marine Rescue

Henry Darwen Dr, Bowen | 07 4786 1950

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AA Meetings

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Bowen Cancer & Ostomy Support Group

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Bowen/Collinsville Blue Care

1300 258 322 | bluecare.org.au

Bowen Day Therapy Centre

West's Ln, Bowen | 07 47913343

Bowen District Home Care

Gregory St, Bowen | 07 47868290

Bowen Flexi Care

44 Williams St, Bowen | 07 4786 4755

Bowen Hospital

Gregory St, Bowen | 07 4786 8222

Community Health

Gregory St, Bowen | 07 4786 8222

Murroona Gardens Administration

West's Ln, Bowen | 07 4791 3340 | pa@murroona.com.au
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Public Dental Clinic

61 Gregory St, Bowen | 07 4786 8261
MKY_Dental@health.qld.gov.au

Queensland Medical Laboratory

41 Murroona Rd, Bowen | 07 4785 1500

RSL Care

Cunningham Villas, West Lane | 07 4791 3999

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Bowen Taxi Service

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info@tourismbowen.com.au | tourismbowen.com.au

Coach Services

07 4786 4144

Railway Services

Rail Station, Bootooloo Rd | 1300 131 722

EDUCATION

Bowen Tafe

98-158 Queens Rd | 1300 308 233 | tafeql.edu.au/bowen

Bowen State High School

1-9 Argyle Park Rd | 07 4786 9888
admin@bowenshs.eq.edu.au | bowenshs.eq.edu.au

Bowen State School

29 Kennedy St | 07 4786 9555
admin@bowenss.eq.edu.au | bowenss.eq.edu.au

Merinda State School

Bergrl St, Merinda | 07 4785 2193
principal@merindass.eq.edu.au | merindass.eq.edu.au

Queens Beach State School

39 Tracey St | 07 4791 3111
principal@queensbeachss.eq.edu.au | queensbeachss.eq.edu.au

St Marys Catholic School

38 Poole St | 07 4786 1203
bwn@tsv.catholic.edu.au | smbtsv.catholic.edu.au

COLLINSVILLE

SPORTS CLUB

Bowen River Rodeo, Campdraft and Junior Bush Sports

41 Mt Wyatt, Collinsville | 0428 260 139
bowenrivercommittee@gmail.com

Collinsville Golf Club

Moongunya Dr, Collinsville | 07 4785 5352
collinsvillegolf@bigpond.com
facebook.com/pg/collinsvillegolfclub

Collinsville Bowling Club

Scottville Rd | 07 4785 5444

Collinsville Horse & Pony Club

Po Box 67, Collinsville | 0431 310 257

Collinsville Rodeo Association

0427 127 043 | noeleenanddavid@bigpond.com

Collinsville & Scottville District Swimming Pool

37 Conway St | 07 4785 5440

Echo Park Speedway

Lot 69, Scottville Rd | 0467 354 544
gavin@echoparkspeedway.com

South Pacific Tae Kwon Do

Footy Club Grounds | 07 4785 6527 | 0473 548 196
steves1949@hotmail.com | southpacifictkd.com.au

COMMUNITY SERVICES & CLUBS

Australia Post

30 Conway St | 07 4785 5347

Blue Care Collinsville

81 Garrick St | 1300 258 322 | bluecare.org.au

Bowen/ Collinsville Enterprise

Po Box 113, Bowen | 0419 153 984

Collinsville Ambulance

Located @ Collinsville District Hospital | 07 4785 4777

Centrelink Collinsville

81 Garrick St. | 07 4785 5965

Collinsville Connect Telecentre

37 Conway St | 07 4785 6934 | cvilleconnect@gmail.com
collinsvilleconnect.com.au

Collinsville Community Assoc. Inc

81 Garrick St | 07 4785 5965

Collinsville Family Practice

81-91 Garrick St, Collinsville | 07 4785 6429

Collinsville Fire Station

Garrick St, Collinsville | 07 4785 5083

Collinsville Hospital

Garrick St, Collinsville | 07 4785 4777

Collinsville Information Centre

RV Rest Area | 0418 556 560
brett.murphy@whitsundayrc.qld.gov.au

Collinsville & Scottville Memorial Pool

37 Conway St, Collinsville | 07 4785 5440

Collinsville Catholic Church

28 Stanley St, Collinsville | 07 4786 4416
facebook.com/catholicparishcollinsville

Collinsville Christian Fellowship

Conway St, Collinsville | 07 4785 5608

Collinsville Library

Cnr Stanley and Conway Sts. | 07 4785 5366
libraries.whitsundayrc.qld.gov.au

Collinsville Lions Club

81 Garrick St, Collinsville | 07 4785 5444
collinsvillelionsaust@gmail.com

Collinsville Pensioners

Collinsville Community Centre, Conway St | 07 4785 5418

Collinsville Pensioners League

Sonoma St | 0447 389 344

Collinsville Police Station

64 Sonoma St | 07 4785 5377

Collinsville Post Office

30 Conway St | 07 4785 5347

Collinsville Scottville & District Historical Society

81 Garrick St | 0402 507 860

Collinsville Uniting Church

Cnr Sonoma and Conway Sts

Collinsville - Whitsunday Regional Council

Conway St | 07 4785 5366

Country Womens Assoc. Collinsville

qcwacollinsville@gmail.com | qcwa.org.au

Collinsville Youth Coalition

Pelican St, Collinsville | 07 4785 6222
collinsvilleyouth@gmail.com

Kingdom Hall Collinsville

Ninth Ave, Scottville | 0412 004 631

Queensland Country Bank

12 Stanley St | 07 4785 5307

Meals on Wheels Collinsville & Scottville

37 Conway St | 07 4785 6934 | qmow.org

Multi Purpose Health Service

81 Garrick St | 07 4785 4777

Qld Government Agent

64 Sonoma St | 07 4785 5567

Rural Primary Health Service

81 Garrick St | 07 4785 4780

St Peter's Anglican Church

Blake St, Collinsville | 07 4785 5265 or 07 4785 5457

St Vincent De Paul Society

27 Garrick St, Collinsville | 07 4785 5002 | vinnies.org.au

EDUCATION

Collinsville Scottsville Playgroup Assoc.

Collinsville State Primary School | 0422 167 360

Collinsville State High School

Walker St, Collinsville | 07 4785 8111
principal@collinsvilleshs.eq.edu.au | collinsvilleshs.eq.edu.au

Collinsville State Primary

Devlin St | 07 4785 5338 | admin@collinsvilless.eq.edu.au
collinsvilless.eq.edu.au

Scottville State Primary

21 Eleventh Ave, Scottville | 07 4785 5288
principal@scottvilless.eq.edu.au | scottvilless.eq.edu.au

St. John Bosco Catholic School

25 Blake St | 07 4785 5276 | colinvle@tsv.catholic.edu.au
sjbtsv.catholic.edu.au

**EMERGENCY
NUMBERS**

Police | Fire | Ambulance.....000
Bowen Hospital.....07 4786 8222
Collinsville Hospital.....07 4785 4777
State Emergency Services132 500
Volunteer Marine Rescue.....07 4786 1950
Ergon Energy131670
RACQ131111

Bowen Non-Emergency Numbers

Police..... 07 4720 4555
Fire 07 4786 1811
Bowen Ambulance 07 4761 3733
Road Conditions 131 940
Poisons Information Centre 131 126
Covid Hotline..... 1800 020 080
13 Health Advice..... 13 432 584

Collinsville Non-Emergency Numbers

Police..... 07 4785 5377
Fire 07 4785 5083
Road Conditions 131 940
Poisons Information Centre 1311 26
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BIG MANGO AN ICONIC ATTRACTION

Bowen is most famous for being the birthplace of the Kensington Pride Mango and the popular R2E2.

The Bowen and Burdekin farming region produces over 1.5 million trays of fruit for market each year, with mango season lasting from approximately November to January.

Bowen's iconic "Big Mango" was completed on May 25, 2002 – meaning it will celebrate 21 years in 2023. The Big Mango cost \$90,000 to build and is 10 metres high. It is a very popular tourist attraction and is situated just 5km south of Bowen on the Bruce Highway, right next to the Visitor Information Centre.

The information centre is operated by Bowen Tourism and Business – a not-for-profit organisation with more than 200 members. The centre is manned by staff and a group of wonderful volunteers.

The centre has a vast array of souvenirs and merchandise including local produce and is known for the famous Bowen Mango Sorbet. It is also a booking agency for all local accommodation and tours.

At Bowen's Front Beach, there is a "Little Mango", right next to an information booth manned entirely by volunteers.

More than 40,000 visitors are welcomed to the Bowen region each year by the staff and volunteers at the information centre on the Bruce Highway and the information booth at Front Beach.



Volunteers Ruthie Carter-Crump and Anne Mason are excited that the Big Mango will turn 21 in 2023

BIG MANGO VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm
Saturday and Sunday 10am – 3pm
Public holidays 10.30am – 3pm

*Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day,
New Year's Day and Good Friday*

DID YOU KNOW?

Situated almost halfway between Townsville and Mackay, Bowen has a glorious tropical climate. We are in the "Dry Tropics" so do not receive as much rainfall in the "wet season" as some other parts of North Queensland.

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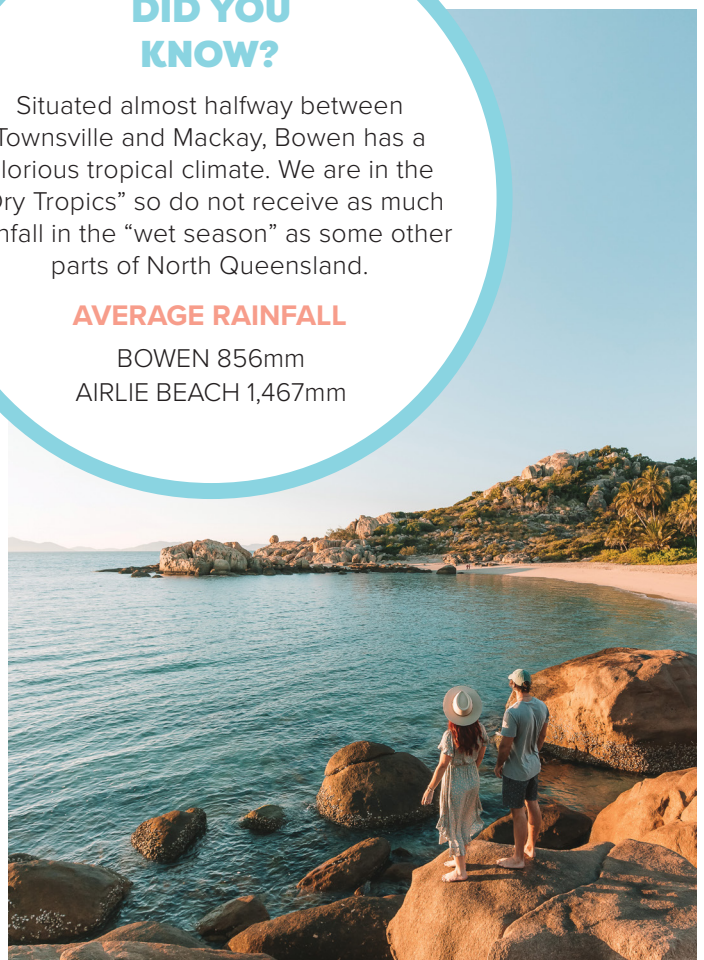
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Phillip Brazil 94 Powell St | 07 4786 1326

Sharon Bradford 0438 701 076

Von Hickmott 07 4786 1161



EVENTS



BOWEN RIVER RODEO, CAMPDRAFT & JUNIOR BUSH SPORTS

Held annually on the second weekend in June, at the rodeo grounds beside the Bowen River Hotel. Campsites are available over the weekend & there is also plenty of live entertainment.

FB: BowenRiver
bowenrivercommittee@gmail.com
Dates for 2022: 9th – 12th June

ROCK 'N REEF TRAIL RUN

Rock 'N Reef Trail Run is a new addition to the Mike Carney Toyota Trail Run Series. As we venture south to Bowen, the trail run scenery provides stunning beaches and rocky headlands. Why we love it: Rocky and technical trail sections with steep climbs and fast descents and some coastering in the longer distances.

Outer Limits Adventure
info@outerlimitsadventure.com.au
Date for 2022: Sunday 19th June

BOWEN SHOW

Bowen Pastoral & Agricultural Society
FB: BowenAgShow
bowenshow.com.au
secretary@thebowenshow.com
Date for 2022: Tuesday 21st June
Date for 2023: Tuesday 20th June (TBC)

COLLINSVILLE BACON BUSTERS

Collinsville Bacon Busters event is held annually, bigger and better than ever. Organisers are committed to delivering an affordable event for patrons, while promoting positive community connections. This event has delivered wider benefits for the community of Collinsville.

cshsbaconbusters@hotmail.com
Date for 2022: 20th August

DON RIVER DASH

The 2022 Don River Dash is set to break records yet again. More competitors. More spectators. More action.

Date for 2022: 9th – 11th September
eventsecretary@donriverdash.com.au



BOWEN TURF CLUB

Bowen Turf Club is a non-profit country turf club, run by a volunteer committee who is passionate about keeping country racing in the Whitsundays region.

Flemington Road, Bowen
FB: bowenturf.club
bowenraces.com
bowenturfclub@bigpond.com
Race Dates for 2022:

Saturday 20th August: Ben Bolt Cup
Thursday 1st September: TAB Race Day
Saturday 8th October: Bowen Cup
Race Dates for 2023:
Friday 3rd Feb: TAB Race Day
Saturday 8th April: Easter Race Day
Saturday 3rd June: Whitsunday Cup

BOWEN FISHING CLASSIC

Proposed date: 17th & 18th September 2022*. Go to bowenfamilyfishingclassic.com.au to keep up to date.

T8T FEST

T8T Fest is held annually in Bowen in memory of Nicholas Tait (Taity) who lost his battle with melanoma on 16th September 2016. T8T Fest raises awareness and funds for the Australian Melanoma Research Foundation, a not-for-profit organisation with the purpose of funding research into a cure for melanoma and providing education and awareness of its risks.

T8tfest@outlook.com.au
FB: T8TFest

LIGHTHOUSE WALK

North Head Lighthouse may be over 150 years old but is still a beacon to travellers. Whether it's capturing the iconic form in photography, sailing around the island for an up-close look or taking part in Bowen's walk to the lighthouse. Unfortunately, in 2022 there will not be an official Lighthouse walk event held but for those keen to do the walk unguided please follow these guidelines.

- The walk must be done at the lowest tide and can be done as an unsupervised walk by travellers and locals alike. Protective shoes such as water shoes or crocs are recommended.
- The tide must be below 0.20m and it is recommended to leave Dalrymple Point 1 hour before low tide.
- Walk lightly to ensure minimal damage to the seabed and marine life. Please also refrain from touching or picking up any of the marine life.

Lowest Tides 2022

13th July.....3:26pm.....0.18m
14th July.....4:15pm.....0.19m
11th August.....3:17pm.....0.15m
12th August... 4:02pm.....0.16m

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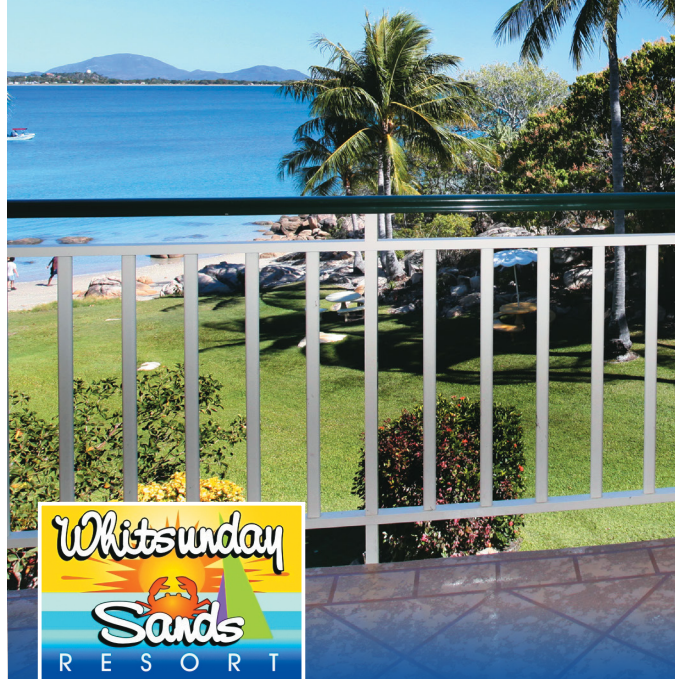
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Bowen Visitor Information Centre



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