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With the creation of the Cairns Regional Council in March 2008, Cairns Libraries and Douglas Shire Library Service have amalgamated into an even larger Cairns Libraries. Cairns Libraries now has nine exciting branches and one mobile library, located throughout the Cairns Region.

Branch libraries are now located at Babinda, Gordonvale, Edmonton, Earlville, Manunda, City, Stratford, Smithfield and Mossman (including mobile library). Residents of the Cairns Regional Council area are eligible to join Cairns Libraries at any branch library.

Services available include access to a wide range of items such as books, magazines, large print books, talking books, CDs, DVDs, CD ROMs for all ages and interests. On line services include access to Internet and word processing in all branch libraries; free access via Cairns Libraries website to a variety of data bases, professional references services and information services. Children's activities including Storytimes and school holiday programs are an ongoing feature of Cairns Libraries services.

Residents of Cairns Regional Council are also eligible to join the Cairns Libraries Homebound Service and Friends of Cairns Libraries. For information about these services contact Lee on 4044 3797.

The library catalogue, which can be accessed at www.cairnslibrary.com.au, provides details and information about items available in all branches. Items may be reserved and picked up from any branch library.

The expanded Cairns Libraries aims to offer the best in library and information services for the residents of Cairns Regional Council.



Mossman Library



The New Manunda Library

**CAIRNS LIBRARIES
CONTACT DETAILS AND OPENING HOURS**

Library	Address	Phone	Library Hours	Council office hours
Babinda	24 Munro St Babinda	4067 1112	Mon - Fri 9am - 12.30 & 1.30 - 5pm Sat 9am -12noon	Mon - Fri 9am - 12.30 & 1.30 - 5pm
City	151 Abbott Street Cairns	4044 3720	Mon - Fri 10am - 6pm Sat, Sun 10am – 3pm	
Earlville	Shop M07M Stockland Earlville	4054 5976	Mon-Fri 10am - 5.30pm Sat 9am – 5pm	Mon - Fri 10am - 5pm
Edmonton	175 Bruce Hwy Edmonton	4055 4121	Mon - Fri 10 am - 12.30 & 1.30 - 6pm Sat 9am -12noon	
Gordonvale	88 Norman Street Gordonvale	4056 1365	Mon - Fri 10am - 6pm Sat 9am – 12noon	Mon - Fri 10am - 3pm
Manunda	Raintrees Centre cnr Alfred & Koch Streets Manunda	4044 3779	Mon - Fri 10am-6pm Sat 9am – 12noon	
Mossman	14 Mill Street Mossman	4099 9496	Mon – Wed 10am – 5pm, Thur 10am – 6pm, Fri 10am – 4.30pm, Sat 9am – 12noon	
Smithfield	Cheviot Street Smithfield	4057 7755	Mon - Fri 10am-6pm Sat 9am – 12noon	Mon - Fri 10am - 3pm
Stratford	11 Kamerunga Road Stratford	4055 1264	Mon - Fri 10am - 12.30 & 1.30 - 6pm Sat 9am - 12noon	



The new Manunda Library is NOW open!!!



Cairns Libraries proudly launched the new Manunda Library in March. The long awaited library, which is housed in the Raintrees Shopping Centre, features the latest in information and library technology in an exciting, modern setting.



Internet and word processing users will be thrilled with the increased access available. Eleven internet access points are ready for general use in addition to one in the children's section and another one in the purpose built Youth Area. Three word processing facilities are also available, including one in the Youth Area.



New features, exclusive to Manunda Library, are the facilities for people with visual impairments. An electronic magnification machine allows the viewer to magnify documents which can then be viewed on a screen. Once on the screen the document can be further manipulated and magnified. A scanning reading device has also been set up. An item can be scanned and then the user will be able to hear the document read. This will be a wonderful bonus for persons with visual impairments who need to read important documents.



Another exciting new feature is the CD select listening station. This station enables you to listen to your chosen CD before borrowing it. The listening station is adjacent to the café bar. The café bar is the perfect place to read the latest edition of your favourite newspaper or magazine, listen to your choice of music and enjoy a refreshing cup of coffee.

Regular storytimes will recommence in May. Storytimes will be held at 10.30am on the first Wednesday of each month, commencing on 7th May. These storytimes have always proved popular and it is essential to book to secure a place. Bookings can be made by ringing Manunda Library on 4044 3794.



Manunda Library is open Monday – Friday 10am – 6pm and Saturday 9am – 12 noon. For enquiries contact the library on 4044 3794.

Cairns Libraries invites you to come to the new Manunda Library for an enjoyable library lifestyle experience.





Friends of Cairns Libraries was established to enable Cairns Libraries to deliver additional library services to the Cairns Regional Community.

Friends of Cairns Libraries are a devoted group of volunteers who give time and energy to assist others. The activities of Friends include:

- delivering library materials to members of the community who are unable to visit branch libraries
- conducting regular storytimes, including National Simultaneous Storytime
- preparing activities for storytimes
- assisting in Cairns Libraries annual book sale
- staffing the many satellite libraries that Cairns Libraries operates in a number of aged care facilities in the region
- meeting authors in the regular Meet the Author and Author in Residence programs held each year by Cairns Libraries
- assisting Cairns Libraries staff to create colourful displays for library events including Children's Book Week
- assisting in the annual Seniors Week events at Cairns Libraries
- attending social functions conducted by Cairns Libraries such as the launch of the new Manunda Library.

Future activities could include a book club.

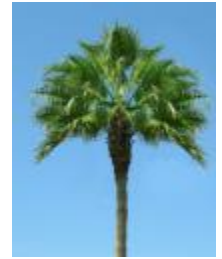
Friends of Cairns Libraries make a highly valued contribution to the Cairns community. Without our Friends many of the additional services offered by Cairns Libraries would not be possible.

If you would like to assist others to enjoy the many benefits of Cairns Libraries exciting service contact Lee on 4044 3797 and ask about membership.





What's new at Cairns Libraries



What topic is hot for you this month?

Cairns Libraries has recently developed a series of **TOP 10 lists of Hot Topics**. These lists have been created to enable students, residents, businesses, visitors and travellers to locate local, topical information. Hot topics include Cairns Regional History, Cairns Statistics, Cairns and FNQ Travel, FNQ Flora and Fauna, Indigenous and Torres Strait Islanders, FNQ Immigrants, FNQ World War Two and many more. Resources range from books, kits, CDs, DVDs to websites.

These lists are available from any branch of Cairns Libraries. Don't forget research assistance is available from the Information Desk Librarians at the City Library or by clicking on ***Ask a Librarian*** on the Cairns Libraries website: www.cairnslibrary.com.au .

Thanks for saying "thanks"

We love receiving uplifting suggestion sheets, the latest was from a very grateful lady in Edmonton.

"Angie is so bright, happy & helpful at all times even when she is run off her feet. I always walk in hoping she will be on duty. Thank you"

Thank you for your wonderful comments and well done Angie!!

New Maps

Travellers, bushwalkers, trekkers and environmentalists will be pleased to know that Cairns Libraries now has over 60 new maps located in the Reference Room at the City Library. These maps focus on Far North Queensland, Australia and Asia-Pacific. They include topographical maps of FNQ showing all key regions, townships, roads and rivers systems, vegetation and geographical terrain. Also included are: a State map of Queensland, City to City maps, Australian Touring map, Australia's Outback, Australian Rail Journeys, Australia – Present Vegetation, Australia – Soil Resources, Pacific Ocean and Asia West Pacific. All the maps are colour-coded and laminated.

