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'The Rising Tide Project'
National Science Week In The Kimberley

Environs Kimberley, the leading environmental non-government organization in the region, has secured the largest state-awarded grant to stage its week long **'Rising Tide Project'**.

As part of the forthcoming Australian Government initiative, National Science Week (August 18–26), **The Rising Tide Project** will encompass a wide range of activities catering for all age groups.

Just a couple of the twenty plus events open to the public are:

20/20 Vision - A Kimberley Hypothetical is an entertaining look at how Climate Change will affect our world. Hosted by the ABC's Ben Collins and held at Notre Dame University's Graduation Gardens, this event will test a panel of 11 scientific experts and community leaders including Cr. Allan Griffiths, Jacynta Fong (Manager Manbana Aquaculture Centre), Maria Mann (Environs Kimberley) and Shaun Kildare (INPEX) on how they might handle the challenges facing the mythical 'Pearl Town' in the year 2020. Held on Thursday 23rd August this night will be enjoyable, comical and you may even learn something. Entry: \$5

Science by the Beach is a series of 'laid-back' lectures held at the Broome Life Saving Club overlooking Cable Beach. Our three internationally renowned academics will discuss coral reefs, mangroves and Irukandji jellyfish and how climate change will affect the Kimberley marine environment. The lectures will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 4.15pm. Please stay for some sunset refreshments. Entry: gold coin donation.

Everyone is invited to the numerous, mostly free, community events during Science Week. Special guests and speakers include Dr John Pandolfi and Dr Catherine Lovelock from the University of Queensland and Dr Donna Green from the University of New South Wales.

We will also feature the work of a few of our local scientists including Luke Halling, entomologist with the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS); Mike Collings, Bureau of Meteorology; Fiona Galloway, Department of Environment and Conservation; Jacynta Fong, Manbana Aquaculture; as well as Tanvier Fowler from Fusion Herbs; Nicola Rivers, lawyer with the Environmental Defenders Office WA; Dr Conrad Macrokanis, Broome Health Service and Sue Thomas, PM+D Architects.

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