

TOWNSVILLE ISLAMIC SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

COVID-19 reminders:

- **Maintain a distance of 1.5m between yourself and others**
- **Wash your hands regularly with soap**
- **Stay home if you are feeling unwell**
- **Sign in when you arrive at the mosque**



UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 02** Multicultural food festival
- 09** Food for sale after Jummu'ah to raise money for Gladstone Masjid Fund
- 17** Community Iftar dinner
- 27** Year 12 students from Saint Margaret Mary's College visiting mosque (group 3)

MONTHLY AYAHS

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا كُتِبَ عَلَيْكُمُ الصِّيَامُ كَمَا كُتِبَ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قَبْلِكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَّقُونَ

O you who believe! Observing As-Saum (the fasting) is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you may become Al-Muttaqun (the pious - see V. 2:2).

-Surah Al-Baqarah, Ayah 183

أَيَّامًا مَّعْدُودَتٍ فَمَن كَانَ مِنكُم مَّرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَى سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ وَعَلَى الَّذِينَ يُطِيقُونَهُ فِدْيَةٌ طَعَامُ مِسْكِينٍ فَمَن تَطَوَّعَ خَيْرًا فَهُوَ خَيْرٌ لَّهُ وَأَن تَصُومُوا خَيْرٌ لَّكُمْ إِن كُنتُمْ تَعْلَمُونَ

[Observing Saum (fasts)] for a fixed number of days, but if any of you is ill or on a journey, the same number (should be made up) from other days. And as for those who can fast with difficulty, (e.g. an old man, etc.), they have (a choice either to fast or) to feed a Miskin (poor person) (for every day). But whoever does good of his own accord, it is better for him. And that you fast, it is better for you if only you know.

-Surah Al-Baqarah, Ayah 184

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There has been a recent incident we would like to share with the community. One sister was physically assaulted, had her hijab pulled off, threatened and robbed at 5pm near TAFE in Pimlico by three male miscreants, most likely of Aboriginal background. We condemn this heinous crime. We would like to request everyone to be extra vigilant when walking alone, particularly our sisters wearing a hijab. May Allah SWT keep our community safe.
- ZOOM every Wednesday following Maghrib.
- On the 2nd of April, Townsville Mosque will be holding a multicultural food festival to raise money for the masjid. There will be a variety of foods, sweets and snacks for sale. The festival will begin after Jummu'ah prayer. If you would like to donate your own food to help raise funds, please contact Ss Rukiye on 0488 475 100.
- TIS is making a Ramadan calendar for our brothers and sisters to be able to track important dates during this holy month. We are looking for any Muslim owned businesses throughout Townsville who wish to sponsor our calendar and advertise their business. This would be a brilliant opportunity to increase exposure of your business for a small fee. If you are interested, please contact Br Isse on 0481 283 294.
- There are still two groups of Saint Margaret Mary's students due to visit the mosque. Please do your best to keep the mosque tidy in preparation for their visits and make them feel welcome.
- Do not forget to make an appointment to donate blood if you have registered.
- Farm Works vacancies for men and women. Local labour hire is going to pay workers. Quick registration available via phone 0469 821 393 or email info@uhc-medical.com. Register now to get called first for work. For more information, contact the phone number or email address listed above.
- Message for TIS members: Please email info@townsvilleislamicsociety.com with your current email address if you wish to receive our monthly newsletter and other important information.
- The mosque needs reliable volunteers to help out with events and general mosque maintenance. If you are willing and able to be a volunteer, please provide your name and contact information to Ss Ferzana (0425 000 822) or Br Abdiaziz (0432 411 535).
- Message for parents: TIS is considering organising parenting lessons/workshops. If this interests you, please let us know by contacting us via email.
- A local meat industry is looking for a Muslim meat worker. Please contact Professor Usman Malabu (0407 586 026) or Br Ahmed Osman (0435 854 117) for more details.

COMMUNITY NEWS



Volunteers at the mosque held a BBQ for the madrasah students after some hard work in class.



Sisters of all ages from the Townsville community gathered in the mosque to participate in trivia and share delicious food inspired by their diverse backgrounds.



The second of four Year 12 Religion and Ethics classes from Saint Margaret Mary's College visited the mosque to learn about Islam and debunk some of the common misconceptions about our religion.



The Multicultural Football Tournament finals occurred on Sunday the 21st. Despite the rain, it was a brilliant, action packed day with plenty of talent on show.



Queensland MP Les Walker and Football Queensland North Manager Declan Carnes pictured with players from Central African Republic.



MADRASAH TIMETABLE

Teachers: *Sheikh Osman, Sheikh Abdelkhani, Sheikh Abdikarim*

BOYS' BEGINNER CLASS

(cannot read/write Arabic)

> Monday - Thursday between Asr and Maghrib

BOYS' ADVANCED CLASS

(can read/write Arabic)

> Monday - Thursday between Maghrib and Isha

GIRLS' BEGINNER CLASS

(cannot read/write Arabic)

> Monday - Thursday between Asr and Maghrib

GIRLS' ADVANCED CLASS

(can read/write Arabic)

> Monday - Thursday between Asr and Maghrib

ALL CLASSES HADITH

> Every Friday between Asr and Maghrib

ALL AGES ZOOM SESSION

> Every Wednesday between Maghrib and Isha.
New topic each week. Join in person at the mosque or on Zoom.

Please enrol your child/children according to their most suitable group.

All classes are managed by the teachers.

Monthly payment is \$50 per child.

For more information, kindly contact Sheikh Osman on 0466 549 811.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FEBRUARY

General account - amount received: \$8,626

General account - amount spent: \$8,651

Imam account - amount received: \$5,545

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BSB: 064-823
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DONATE TO THE IMAM FUND ACCOUNT

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JAMA'AT PRAYER TIMES

Fajr 5:30

Zuhr 13:00

Asr 16:30

Maghrib soon after sunset

Isha 20:15

Jummu'ah 13:00