

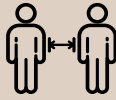
TOWNSVILLE ISLAMIC SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



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COVID-19 reminders:

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

20

Ashura - the 10th day of Muharram
(Based on Moonsighting Australia)

SEPTEMBER

8

Moon sighting on Castle Hill (29th day of Muharram)

9

Hearing for reports about serious vilification and hate crimes with Peter Russo

MONTHLY AYAH / HADITH

Hakam b. al-'Araj reported:

I went to Ibn 'Abbas (Allah be Pleased with both of them) and he was reclining using his mantle as a pillow near the fountain of Zamzam. I said to him: Tell me about fasting on Ashura. He said: When you see the new moon of Muharram then count the (days) and observe fast on the 9th. I said to him: Is it how the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) observed the fast? He said: Yes.

وَحَدَّثَنَا أَبُو بَكْرِ بْنُ أَبِي شَيْبَةَ، حَدَّثَنَا وَكِيعُ بْنُ الْجَرَّاحِ، عَنْ حَاجِبِ بْنِ عُمَرَ، عَنِ الْحَكَمِ بْنِ الْأَعْرَجِ، قَالَ انْتَهَيْتُ إِلَى ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ - رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا - وَهُوَ مُتَوَسِّدٌ رِدَاءَهُ فِي رَمَزِمٍ فَقُلْتُ لَهُ أَخْبِرْنِي عَنْ صَوْمِ عَاشُورَاءَ . فَقَالَ إِذَا رَأَيْتَ هَلَالَ الْمَحْرَمِ فَأَعْدُدْ وَأَصْبِيحْ يَوْمَ النَّاسِيعِ صَائِمًا . قُلْتُ هَكَذَا كَانَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ يَصُومُهُ قَالَ نَعَمْ .

Sahih Muslim 1133a

Narrated Ibn 'Abbas:

When the Prophet (ﷺ) came to Medina, he found (the Jews) fasting on the day of 'Ashura' (i.e. 10th of Muharram). They used to say: "This is a great day on which Allah saved Moses and drowned the folk of Pharaoh. Moses observed the fast on this day, as a sign of gratitude to Allah." The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "I am closer to Moses than they." So, he observed the fast (on that day) and ordered the Muslims to fast on it.

حَدَّثَنَا عَلِيُّ بْنُ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ، حَدَّثَنَا سُفْيَانُ، حَدَّثَنَا أَيُّوبُ السَّخْتِيَانِيُّ، عَنِ ابْنِ سَعِيدٍ بْنِ جُبَيْرٍ، عَنْ أَبِيهِ، عَنِ ابْنِ عَبَّاسٍ - رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَنَّ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ لَمَّا قَدِمَ الْمَدِينَةَ وَجَدَهُمْ يَصُومُونَ يَوْمًا، يَعْنِي عَاشُورَاءَ، فَقَالُوا هَذَا يَوْمٌ عَظِيمٌ، وَهُوَ يَوْمٌ نَجَّى اللَّهُ فِيهِ مُوسَى، وَأَغْرَقَ آلَ فِرْعَوْنَ، فَصَامَ مُوسَى شُكْرًا لِلَّهِ. فَقَالَ " أَنَا أَوْلَى بِمُوسَى مِنْهُمْ " . فَصَامَهُ وَأَمَرَ بِصِيَامِهِ .

Sahih al-Bukhari 3397

Ibn Abbas was asked about observing of fast on the day of Ashura, whereupon he said:

I do not know Allah's Messenger (ﷺ) singling out any day's fast and considering it more excellent than another, except this day (the day of Ashura) and this month, meaning the month of Ramadan.

حَدَّثَنَا أَبُو بَكْرِ بْنُ أَبِي شَيْبَةَ، وَعَمْرُو بْنُ النَّاقِدِ، جَمِيعًا عَنْ سُفْيَانَ، - قَالَ أَبُو بَكْرٍ حَدَّثَنَا ابْنُ عُيَيْنَةَ، - عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ أَبِي يَزِيدٍ، سَمِعَ ابْنَ عَبَّاسٍ، - رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا - وَسُئِلَ عَنْ صِيَامِ يَوْمِ عَاشُورَاءَ . فَقَالَ مَا عَلِمْتُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ صَامَ يَوْمًا يَطْلُبُ فَضْلَهُ عَلَى الْآيَامِ إِلَّا هَذَا الْيَوْمَ وَلَا شَهْرًا إِلَّا هَذَا الشَّهْرَ يَعْنِي رَمَضَانَ .

Sahih Muslim 1132a

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Weekly Zoom on Wednesdays following Maghrib prayer.
- A group of parents, teachers and committee members recently met to discuss the ongoing concerns regarding the safety and behaviour of children at the mosque. With support from all parties involved, madrasa will be able to continue, inshaAllah. If you have children who attend madrasa or the mosque regularly, please make sure you reinforce behaviour expectations with them at home to avoid any incidents at the mosque. InshaAllah, if we all work together to teach our children good values, we can ensure the safety of everyone at the mosque.
- The previous madrasa subcommittee has been dissolved, with the new subcommittee being led by Vice President, Br Naseer, who aims to address any concerns in a timely manner. Parents have agreed to actively volunteer before and after madrasa to avoid any possible mishaps in the future.
- Peter Russo MP is collecting information from members of various communities about occasions when they have been victims of hate crime and/or vilification. If you or anyone you know has experienced discrimination due to your race or religion, please contact us at info@townsvilleislamicsociety.com, speak to your community leader or approach any committee member in person. Your experience can remain anonymous if you choose. We need as much evidence as possible of such occurrences so something can be done to prevent them from happening again in the future.
- The hearing for serious vilification and hate crimes which is scheduled for the 9th of September may now be held via Zoom due to COVID-19.
- We are seeking generous volunteers from the community who are willing to cook and pack meals to sell after Jumu'ah prayer each week. The money raised will be used for our mosque and other important causes. Please contact us at info@townsvilleislamicsociety.com if you are interested.
- The Townsville Mosque has launched its new website. Please visit townsvilleislamicsociety.com for all the latest information, including prayer times, news, events and important announcements.
- Please renew your TIS membership ASAP. To renew, either fill out a paper form (located at the front entrance of the mosque in a set of drawers) or email treasurer@townsvilleislamicsociety.com with your name, address, email and phone number. Transfer your membership fee to the TIS general account using the description 'MEM YourName.'
- Alhamdullilah, a Townsville Moon Sighting Committee was formed during Ramadan this year. The committee meets on top of Castle Hill on the 29th night of each Hijri month to sight the moon. If you are interested in joining the committee or attending a moon sighting trip, please contact Br Robi on 0422 439 017 or Br Rezaul on 0469 019 274.
- 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 Br Abdiaziz on 0432 411 535.
- 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.

JOB ADVERTISEMENTS

TIS is looking to hire an administrative assistant who can help manage events and streamline communications for the mosque. This individual would need to be reliable, organised, motivated, confident using various technologies, and have strong English speaking and writing skills. The role would include:

- Monitoring the TIS mobile and passing on messages or inquiries to the Executive Committee
- Monitoring the TIS email account and passing on inquiries to the Executive Committee
- Maintaining a shared calendar with all TIS activities and events
- Reminding the Executive Committee about outstanding tasks from monthly meeting minutes
- Reminding the Executive Committee about upcoming deadlines to keep them on track with tasks
- Organising/archiving soft and hard copies of files

For more information or to express your interest in this position, please contact the TIS secretary via email at secretary@townsvilleislamicsociety.com.

QPASTT currently has the following vacancy

Youth Worker – Townsville (2 x part-time positions available)

We are looking for an experienced youth worker, with lived refugee experience, who is passionate about promoting wellbeing for young people from refugee backgrounds. You will be compassionate, patient and courageous in managing a range of vulnerabilities experienced by our young people, their families and communities. We believe in a culture of respect. We are looking for someone who is comfortable working with young people from diverse cultural, religious, gender and sexually diverse backgrounds.

Application Process

To apply, please read in full the position description [here](#) and submit the following documents:

1. A one page cover letter detailing why you would like to work with QPASTT and how you meet requirements of the role.
2. Your resume detailing professional experience and education.
3. A brief response to the responsibilities and requirements of the role. QPASTT is happy to accept this either in writing (no more than 2 pages) or in another format, such as video recording (no more than five minutes) .

The final date to apply is by 5pm on Wednesday 28 July, 2021. Please email your application to: JobApplication@qpastt.org.au.

Should you wish to talk with someone about this position, please contact Meredith Hands or Victor Kollie on 07 3391 6677

This is only an overview of the position. For a copy of the full QPASTT job advertisement, please contact the TIS secretary via email at secretary@townsvilleislamicsociety.com or visit the QPASTT website <https://qpastt.org.au/get-involved/jobs/>

You are invited to attend

MULTICULTURAL FARM JOBS



WORKSHOP

Date: Saturday **21st August 2021**

Time: 2pm to 6pm

Venue: **PCYC** 130 Wellington St, **Aitkenvale**

Organiser: NQ Ummah Care (NQUC)

Refreshment/dinner will be provided

This event is funded by Queensland Government Celebrating Multicultural Queensland Program



ISLAMIC LEARNING PROGRAM TIMETABLE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Saturday	Sunday
10am - Dhuhr				Qur'an	Qur'an
Asr - Maghrib	Qur'an	Qur'an	Qur'an		
Maghrib - Isha	Qur'an	Qur'an	Zoom	Qur'an	Qur'an

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

JULY

General account - amount received: \$4,255

General account - amount spent: \$7,822

Imam account - amount received: \$3,025

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WEBSITE: www.townsvilleislamicsociety.com

DONATE TO THE TIS GENERAL ACCOUNT

BSB: 064-823

ACC: 1077 9034

DONATE TO THE IMAM FUND ACCOUNT

BSB: 064-823

ACC: 1104 4507

JAMA'AT PRAYER TIMES

Fajr 5:45

Zuhr 13:00

Asr 16:30

Maghrib soon after sunset

Isha 19:45

Jumu'ah 13:00