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In 2009, imports from the Philippines became allowable under strict quarantine conditions, but no fruit has entered the market since.

And I know that there's a lot of little growers out there that when they heard this news, they were crossing their fingers saying, please don't allow it to happen. However, as a two-way trading nation, Australia is obliged to consider formal requests for imports from trading partners. A departmental spokesperson told

WIN News no decision has been made on whether imports can occur. The Australian government will never compromise on biosecurity. Our biosecurity system is world-renowned and vital in protecting our rural communities, our \$100 billion agricultural industries, economy and our way of life. The government needs to just support Australian industry first. Australian growers have their back. Gracie Newton, WIN News Evidence-based decision making, that's how experts are describing the process that must be taken to ensure the future of Australia's coral reefs. A major conference in Townsville showcasing the impacts decisions made on the land can have on life under the sea. Marine researchers from across the country and the world meeting in Townsville firmly focused on the future of our reefs.

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Hayden Manso, Wind News.

Audience

4,872 All, 2,323 MALE 16+, 2,549 FEMALE 16+

Interviewees

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Australian Institute of Marine Science, Exmouth Research Laboratory

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Audience

4,604 All, 2,532 MALE 16+, 2,073 FEMALE 16+

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Australian Institute of Marine Science, Exmouth Research Laboratory



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11,120 All, 7,193 MALE 16+, 3,927 FEMALE 16+

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While a three-minute test could help doctors flag patients who need further checks.

It gives you a sense of what your personal risk factors are for dementia. There's about 14 modifiable risk

factors, so risk factors that we can do something about. And about six of those can reduce the impact of dementia by up to

There's a real future in terms of treatment for dementia and it's a matter of sharing some of my thoughts on that with the people that are here today.

Meg Claridge, WIN News

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Hayden Mensah, WIN News

A regional Queensland locksmith has been named the profession's best apprentice in the country. Connor McColl taking out the Master Locksmiths Association Award in Sydney after competing in challenges against seven other finalists over two days. Every day on the job, able to pick up skills that I need, include picking, lock fitting, but it's just lots and lots of practise at the end of it. But yeah, pretty much with a tradesman for most of it.

Connor, who works at Norm Hyatt Locksmiths in Townsville, will also get to visit lock manufacturers in Germany and Italy next year as part of his prize.

We're very, very proud. It's always feedback when you can train apprentices and have them go through and win awards. Connor is on track to complete his apprenticeship later this year. Sport now with Jared Cunstable and JC. There was disappointment for a Boyne Island runner at the World Athletics Championships. Yes, Steve, unfortunately so. Peyton Craig struck some bad luck in his 800 metres heat in Tokyo and the Broncos play a grateful

Audience

4,153 All, 2,696 MALE 16+, 1,455 FEMALE 16+

Interviewees

Connor McColl, Apprentice Locksmith of the Year|David Williams, Alzheimer's patient |Dr Carly Randall, Senior Research Scientist, Australian Institute Of Marine Science|Dr Jodie Rummer, President, Australian Coral Reef Society|Kaele Stokes, Executive Director, Dementia Australia|Trevor Hyatt, Norm Hyatt Locksmith

Australian Institute of Marine Science, CatholicCare, James Cook University, Master Locksmiths, Minderoo Foundation



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MENTIONS James cook(2), University(2)

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on drive the campaign to have indoor air quality deemed a basic human right a group of australians think that healthy air is fundamental to our existence given how much time we spend indoors on average. 90% of our life spent indoors. You're going to hear from someone who took the pledge straight to the United

You're listening to ABC Queensland with Adam Stephen.

Concerns in Cairns now following revelations that bitumen and kerosene have been leaking into a creek that runs into the Great Barrier Reef Lagoon. Borrell says failure of a bund safety valve at its asphalt plant on Ormola Street in Cairns has led to what is known as a prime spill. The Department of Environment estimates 10,000 litres of pollution has gone into the Smiths Creek, which runs into Trinity Inlet. They're urging boaties in the area not to leave unless they've cleaned their vessels. There are concerns the pollution could kill fish and harm the delicate mangroves and wider marine ecosystem. Dr Jodie Rummer is a marine biologist at James James Cook University who has studied the impact of oil exposure on reef fish.

Well, I'm concerned. You know, this would have broader implications for the Great Barrier Reef I mean, it's quite close off the coast of Cairns. So we also know that Trinity Inlet is a nursery ground for a lot of reef fish species and prawns, you know, things that we depend on here in Australia, but also organisms that the Great Barrier Reef depends on for a healthy ecosystem. So a spill can ripple outward and have some really broad effects. So it's quite a sharp reminder that even in some of these port cities, accidents can happen and they can have some long-term effects affecting the reef.

What kind of impact would you expect to see on the marine ecosystem from 10,000 litres of bitumen and kerosene spilling into Trinity Inlet? Or Smith's Creek, which then flows into Trinity Inlet?

Well, kerosene would be expected to act more quickly than, say, an oil spill. It has lighter hydrocarbons. It dissolves in water. So my specialty is fish. We would expect that kerosene would hit fish and some invertebrates with a really immediate shock, immediate effects. And so we might see impaired swimming reduced predator awareness skill damage. Many species could die outright. So we might see some acute effects and those that survive might still face reductions in their fitness, maybe making them unable to reproduce and leaving them more vulnerable to predation as well. So this would be quite contrasting the effects of oil, which we've done a lot of work on, that would stick around a little bit longer and might be causing more of those developmental issues in the eggs than in the larvae. But I think it's important to note that both are dangerous. But what we might see with kerosene is much more of a rapid effect. So you could see, for instance, a fish kill, a quite obvious fish kill from a kerosene spill.

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There's actually an order on boats in that part of the inlet not to move until they're clean. Do you think that's important at the moment?

Yeah, I think that's great advice. So if the Department of the Environment is urging boats to stay put until they get things cleaned up, I think that's a great move. Boat wakes, propeller wash, all that's going to spread that fuel further into those mangroves and seagrass beds. And so if the Department of the Environment is saying, you know, let's keep the water still and give the responders the best chance to sort of contain, skim, break down the spill before it disperses, I think that's the best move for the safety of that area and, of contain, skim, break down the spill before it disperses, I think that's the best move for the safety of that area and, of course, the Great Barrier Reef I mean, are you concerned that it will be quite challenging to contain this spill in a tidal creek? I would say in comparison to oil, kerosene does evaporate much faster than crude oil. So the immediate crisis of this bill could pass much more quickly than what we might expect with one of our typical I hate to say, even typical oil spills. But it would also depend on the weather and the tidal flow as well. I think that monitoring is going to be key here and looking at which species of fish, which species of invertebrates are immediately affected. And then over the long term as well, even after, I guess, the visible signs of this spill have gone, let's keep monitoring that area to make sure that those long-term effects don't implicate the greater ecosystem.

It's a fair distance between Trinity Inlet and the nearest Great Barrier Reef so Green Island, Arlington Reef are the biggest reefs near Cairns, it is 10,000 litres in an ocean of billions of litres. Jodie, does that mean that there isn't as much concern with a spill like this as there might be a major spill, say, closer to the reef or on the reef from a vessel?

Oh, I don't think we can be too careful. I mean, our work on oil in concentrations equivalent to a couple drops in a swimming pool, we know can cause coral reef fishes to make poor decisions and affect their behaviour and their performance dramatically. So I don't think we can be too cautious in this case. The stakes are too high. You know, it's our beloved Great Barrier Reef that employs, you know, nearly 100,000 jobs and is, you know, the culture of Australia. It's our natural wonder. So

I do not think we can be too careful here. And then also just thinking of how connected that area is in terms of its importance as a nursery ground. You know, the coastal areas are important for filtering pollution and they have to do their job, but they are also really important grounds for baby fish, prawns, a lot of other marine life that is crucial to the health of these ecosystems. That's Dr Jodi Rummer from James Cook University in a statement from Borrell. They say a prime spill from our Cairns asphalt plant occurred over the weekend due to a bun safety valve failure. This was discovered after the plant was closed in an unrelated fire in a neighbouring industrial business. Since then we've been working collaborative with the authorities, including Maritime Safety Queensland and the Department of Environment, and securing the source and the clean-up effort. We regret the impact that this has had on the local community and environment. For members of the public who have a question or concern about the incident, you can contact us at the email address, community at boral.com.au. On ABC Queensland, this is Adam Stephen. After the news at four o'clock, a regional Queenslander that knows what it's like to win and lose an NRL grand final. Boralaba junior Jason Hetherington played in Grand Finals for the Canterbury Bankstown Bulldogs in the 1990s. He lost his first ever ever one, but won his second. And on Sunday, Jason will be in the stands in Sydney to hopefully see his son emulate the old man's achievements. Having lost the first ever Grand Final he played in for Brisbane back in 2023, Jason will be hoping that Kobe and the Broncos can win their second grand final in three years against the Storm. We'll tap into the excitement within the Wada Hetherington family when you hear from Jason after the news.

Audience

N/A AII, N/A MALE 16+, N/A FEMALE 16+

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ABC Far North, Cairns, 6:30 News, Newsreader

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MENTIONS James cook(1), University(1)

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News

Creek and he's got another creek, Giddens Creek, and they join up. He could not believe how it come up so quick. And that was that flush coming through from the table end. And then we got the constant rain of about 500 and over seven days, 550 millimetres in Babinda. So that kept everything up. You know, it receded very slowly because it just kept topping it up. The catchments were full.

Ballard and Kerr sugar cane grower Steve Calcagno. And that's the rural report for this morning. Thank

you, Feed Company. Until tomorrow, hooroo. Thank you. A marine biologist says it's important to keep monitoring the long-term effects of an oil spill which occurred around Cairns in far north Queensland. it says occurred due to a bond safety valve failure. Jodie Rummer from James Cook University says monitoring the longer-term impacts will be key to managing the spill. Looking at which species of fish, which species of invertebrates are immediately affected and then over the long term as well let's keep monitoring that area to make sure that those long term effects don't implicate the greater ecosystem. Bredesen from the Cairns and Far North Environment Centre says the spill will adversely affect the snorkel routes of mangroves, reef fish and crabs.

The mangrove crabs that live in the mangroves where those small little animals really provide the whole foundation of the ecosystem. If you don't have mangrove crops, you can't have mangroves. Those little creatures play a really important role in sequestering carbon in the mangrove mud.

Audience

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MENTIONS James cook(1), University(1)

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Some reflective tape on the tail tail of the cattle helps avert tragedy and also the loss of stock, which, as you know, is a vital, well, is an asset, a valuable asset.

Have you ever encountered cattle on the road? What happened? We're going to hear after the news from one woman who's still dealing with the consequences of a terrible accident on the Atherton Tableland. 0487 993 222 is my text number. You can give me a call as Pat just did, 1300 801 222. Del has also been on the

line and tells me that the cattle like the road not only to try and capture the warmth, but there's also a lot fewer insects than what would be coming off the ground so they they a bit of relief from the insect activity as well. Thanks for the call Del. On ABC Queensland this is Charlie McKillop. Now we're talking.

And we have been talking for the past 24 hours about a chemical spill, pollutants that are believed to have been kerosene and bitumen spilling into Trinity Inlet via Smith's Creek. And authorities now say they're considering compliance action against Boral after the company admitted to being responsible for this. They've blamed a faulty bund safety valve the problem and we had reports of kerosene and bitumen spreading to the inlet around the mangroves and other port infrastructure early yesterday. That was confirmed by Maritime Safety Queensland but unfortunately by that time many boats had already driven through the pollutants and now they're being advised that to not leave their berth until the hulls have been completely cleaned and free of contamination. The lead agency is the Department of Environment and Science. It's investigating but is yet to confirm what action it will take. And as I mentioned earlier, neither Boral or any government department has agreed interviewed by the ABC here on the Breakfast programme or elsewhere and it's left environmental advocates including Tanya Murphy from the Australian Marine Conservation Society demanding answers.

It's really devastating to hear about this pollution spill in the Trinity Inlet because bitumen can contain a variety of toxins like polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons and heavy metals like lead, arsenic and mercury which are really toxic and can lead to adverse health effects effects in plants, animals and humans through ingestion and skin contact and kerosene can coat and poison wildlife, damaging lungs and immune systems in and disrupting growth and reproduction in fish and other organisms. Oil can also smother the air-breathing roots of mangrove plants. It can block sunlight sunlight for seagrass photosynthesis and it can stay lodged in the sediment contaminating the food web for years. And so this pollution spill is particularly devastating because it poses a serious risk to the seagrass meadows and mangrove habitats near and in the Trinity Inlet which act as a feeding ground for turtles and dugongs and a nursery for many key reef fish species who live here before they mature and head out to the reef. I was actually at the marina this morning and saw the blobs of black bitumen stuck to the hulls of some of the boats, which means the spill has made its way all the way down to the marina and most likely beyond that. And if any of those recreational tourism vessels head out to the reef without realising real that they still might have some bitumen stuck to their hull, there's a risk of spreading those toxic substances out on the Great Barrier Reef When there is so much investment being made in protecting the reef, it beggars belief that something like this can be allowed to happen in the first place. So we're calling for transparency on who or what caused this spill and for those responsible to pay for the clean-up so that taxpayers left with the bill and also for a review of how this was allowed to happen, what regulations are in place to prevent this sort of thing so we can make sure it never happens again. Maybe we need to look at what sort of activities and developments we are allowing to happen near our waterways and coastlines because our community depends on a healthy Great Barrier Reef and negligent acts of pollution like this should be treated as a serious crime.

That is the Australian Marine Conservation Society's Tanya Murphy hoping and saying that this should never be allowed to happen again. Borrell has apologised. It says that it is sorry, it sorry, we regret, it says in a statement, the impact that this has had on the local community and environment. And it's advised members of the public who have a question or concern concern about the incident to contact the company at the following email address community at boral.com.au I spoke with a spokesman yesterday who said that there was no one available to speak with you on the breakfast programme this morning but the statement issued by Boral yesterday says that the company is working collaboratively with authorities, including Maritime Safety Queensland and the Department Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation on securing the source and the clean-up effort after what's believed to be 10,000 litres of kerosene and bitumen escaped from the asphalt plant via Smith's Creek and as you just heard from Tanya Murthy into the inlet, Trinity Inlet. What impact that has? Well we have marine biologist Jodie Rummer explaining to Adam Adam Stephen here about the impact of foreign chemicals in the water.

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How difficult do you expect it to be, actually, for this to be contained? I know it's not your exact area of expertise, Dr Jodi Rummer, but are you concerned that it will be quite challenging to contain this spill in a tidal creek?

Well, I would say in comparison to oil, kerosene does evaporate much faster than crude oil. So the immediate crisis of this spill could pass much more quickly than what we might expect with one of our typical, I hate to say even, typical oil spills. But it would also depend on the weather and the tidal flow as well. I think that monitoring is going to be key here and looking at which species of fish, which species of invertebrates are immediately affected. And then over the long term as well, even after, I guess, the visible signs of this spill have gone, let's keep monitoring that area to make sure that those long-term effects don't implicate the greater ecosystem. ecosystem.

She is a marine biologist with James Cook University, Jodie Rummer, speaking with Adam Stephen on drive yesterday, explaining the chemical effects. But one thing is clear, kerosene and bitumen do not mix with water, particularly when those waters are so close to the Great Barrier Reef UNESCO World Heritage Site. And the question is being asked among conservationists, does this incident highlight the need for a standalone?

Audience

N/A AII, N/A MALE 16+, N/A FEMALE 16+



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News

On Magnetic Island there's still no design to replace a key bridge and Paul O'Neill's residential street has become the detour. Start treating Magnetic Island like the Jewel of Townsville. Townsville. Queensland's Roads Department says repairs at Paluma will be slow. Townsville City Council says environmental restraints delayed progress on Suning Street Bridge.

James. James Cook University disasters studies expert Dr Yeti Gertner says residents will face a greater risk of isolation during the upcoming wet season in communities where damaged roads haven't been repaired. They will actually be more vulnerable this time because it may take longer for supplies to get there if roads were cut off so they will actually have to be even more prepared this wet season. The Bureau of Meteorology says above average rainfall is expected to arrive in north Queensland from mid-October.

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