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## **Queensland Nickel Community Open Day part of Northern Beaches Festivities this Saturday**

Everybody loves great neighbours – especially ones that are hosting a party.

So Queensland Nickel's Yabulu Refinery is joining the festive atmosphere on the Northern Beaches this weekend by throwing open its doors and hosting a Community Open Day as part of the 2010 Northern Beaches Festival.

The Community Open Day will be held between 10am and 3.30pm at Yabulu Refinery, 25 km north of Townsville, on Saturday 22 May.

"We are really looking forward to opening the door to Yabulu and getting the families of employees, contractors and the general community to come out and have a good look around" said General Manager Trefor Flood.

"A Community Open Day is a great chance for us to display our business to the public, and is the first opportunity we have had to invite people in since the change to Clive Palmer's ownership last year" Trefor said.

A key feature of the event will be guided bus tours inside the refinery, which will provide families and children with a rare opportunity to get inside the gate and see how the refinery goes about making nickel and cobalt every day.

Together with bus tours of the site, there will be environment, history and process displays by various departments, rides and giveaways for children. 'Ranger Dan' will make present his wildlife show, Townsville Basketball players will be attending to shoot some hoops with visitors and vendors will provide plenty of food and refreshments.

The Open Day will also host 12 local high school bands, who will be battling each other to win the Northern Beaches Festival Battle of the Bands competition.

For further information, go to [www.qni.com.au/news-events/pages/upcoming-events.aspx](http://www.qni.com.au/news-events/pages/upcoming-events.aspx).

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**About Queensland Nickel**

Queensland Nickel operates the Yabulu Refinery which is located 25 kilometres north-west of Townsville, in Queensland, Australia. The Refinery is a leader in the production and marketing of high quality nickel and cobalt, producing approximately 32,000 tonnes of nickel per year for the world markets and has around 1000 employees and contractors.

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