



Plan ahead for a seafood Xmas

LOCAL seafood lovers have been urged to plan ahead, with tossing a prawn on the barbie expected to be increasingly popular this Christmas.

Ingham Road Seafood owner Mark Partland said his staff had already felt the pre-Christmas rush with seafood platters swimming out the door.

"It's like a storm brewing," Mr Partland said.

"We've already broken our (seafood) platter record as

companies look to put on a Christmas holiday function.

"And we only expect that interest to increase as we get close to Christmas, with the 23rd, 24th and the day itself always our busiest of the year."

With demand expected to skyrocket as the holiday edged closer, Mr Partland said the seafood shop had introduced "shopping lists" to help customers plan their luncheon order.

"The lists are a simple way people can work out what they want and hopefully avoid them forgetting a crucial item," he said.

"But it also helps us and other customers by reducing the amount of time umming and aahing trying to make a decision.

"Prices aren't going to change from now, so come in early, see what's on offer and plan ahead."

— ANDREW STRUTTON



GET INTO IT . . . Ingham Road Seafood owners Mark Partland and Louise Wilson display a platter of fresh seafood, the perfect North Queensland Christmas lunch

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