

Yugul-Ngukurr Nyus

Wanbala Bois – Bigis Ma Langgus

April, 2019



STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAM - COMMUNITY PLAN

The Strongbala Pipul Wanbala Bois Komiti held a 3 day Workshop 10-12th April 2019 to create a Community Plan. The Community Plan was created from the results of the Community Engagement Study (the community voice) which also guided the priorities and allocation of funding. The Stronger Communities Program will distribute a copy of the Community Plan and results of the Community Engagement Study to residents in the coming weeks.

STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAM CONSULTANT

The Strongbala Pipul Wanbala Bois Komiti contracted Ben Laidlaw from Keogh Bay Consulting.

Ben has worked with Yugul Mangi previously on other projects. Ben has been contracted to conduct Ngukurr's community governance mapping. At the moment stakeholders, service providers and government departments are not talking, or listening, to the community in a proper way. This does not value the way the community operates or how they wish to tackle community needs. A key desire is better consultation regarding program priorities such as Culture, Governance, Communication, Education, Employment, Social Development, and building the capacity of residents in all these areas. The Strongbala Komiti and Yugul Mangi are starting this new idea to identify real needs and the aspirations by working better together with the community.



Yugul mangi im grouwing, en garra holdim bigus ma program en moni invobe, megimat garra strongbala komiti board. Gabmen em lokunat brabili, huw moni garra spen la ola program. Yugul Mangi en strongbala komiti wandi komyunidi bla saport olabat direkta mob dumaji thai dumbat hadwad wek bla Ngukurr.

NGUKURR SCHOOL

Principal's report

Ngukurr School attendance: the best numbers of attendance were in week 7. During this period the school was closed due to teacher training and the School Council Meeting. The School Council had a discussion on the future of the school such as the horse program.

Community engagement: the Ngukurr School will be holding Community Engagement days for parents, children, families and community to engage with learning and have the opportunity to have a say about what goes on with the learning outcomes in a safe environment for children. The school will not tolerate bullying and bad behaviour such as fighting. Any conflict is to be resolved in the school with the support of teachers.



Congratulations!

Ngukurr teacher Georgia organised for 2 Ngukurr student's Zacquaysha Gumbula and Anesiahs Larsen to play for Indigenous Top End All Stars Netball competition, under 13 in January 2019. Anesiahs and Zaquaysha represented the Northern Territory all-star. This was funded by the Stronger Communities Program.

Anesiahs and Zaquaysha had the skill and confidence to play with other under 13 year girls and were very brave to play representing the NT state championship.

They went to Melbourne to play every state team. They came 3rd which was an excellent achievement. Further to this the students represented Ngukurr with outstanding behaviour and were presented an award by the Stronger Communities Program for this.

Well done

Anesiahs and Zaquaysha

STRONGER COMMUNITIES PROGRAM – Knowledge Sharing Seminar



The Strongbala Komiti from Ngukurr went to Alice Springs along with 10 communities from the Northern Territory 26-27 March. The Seminar has been established since 2013 where the Local Community Boards meet twice a year to talk about stronger communities initiatives. The seminar has given the boards opportunities to be able to talk about the issues that effects Indigenous children and how to better solve issues around children and families. It also strengthens community boards to better manage to support children and families in remote and urban locations.

NGUKURR GENERAL STORE



Tony and Leanne Owen's: Leanne has retail experience, she was a team member for Target in South Australia, she also worked in the Katherine region with Outback Stores. She has had experience working with Aboriginal Communities before coming to Ngukurr such as Begale Bay, Groote Island, Alicurang.

Tony worked as an Aboriginal Health Practitioner and his previous work was in Alice Springs communities. Tony has lived and worked in the APY Lands, Kintor, and Wadeye. Tony and Leanne both like Ngukurr. They looking forward to working and settling in, and getting to know the community and the local staff.

NOTICES

Ngukurr Nyus

Ngukurr Nyus is the voice of the Ngukurr community. We want to keep you up to date with what is happening in Ngukurr, like upcoming events and important things that are going on.

Have a story for us? **Our contact details have changed.**

Contact Daphne Daniels on 0472 526 948 or ngukurrnews@yugulmangi.com.au

Northern Territory Travelling Film Festival

The film festival will be held in Ngukurr Tuesday **21 May**

Where? **Footy Oval**

What time? **7pm**

What to bring? Rug/something to sit on

Come see *Lil Bois*

Written & Directed by Ngukurr's own Grant Thompson

Yugul Mangi Festibal

21-23 June 2019 (2 weeks after Barunga). Similar to previous years: Football, basketball, spear throwing, local bands – Fri & Sat nights, community stalls. More info soon.

