



Yarrabah News

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It was a happy Easter for all!

The Yarrabah Arts and Cultural Precinct says they have had a great turnout for their Easter holiday program this year.



“The team from Museum handed out free Menmny water bottles, postcards and rulers,” they said.

“We also supplied plain t-shirts for printing and watched the kids get creative during all these activities.

“They made necklaces, anklets, earrings, bangles, pinch-pots, mugs, bags and t-shirts. “Mostly important they also enjoyed getting together painting and being creative.”



The hard-working team included Darrell Harris, Finanin Richards, Valmai Pollard, Philomena Yeatman Ruben and Edna Ambrym.

MEANWHILE the YASC Easter Bunny spent some time out of a busy schedule to visit Yarrabah and spread some cheer.



WWI project finds results

Families and friends interested in Yarrabah's First World War project were updated by historian Geoff Wharton earlier this month.



The project commemorates 100 years since Yarrabah men enlisted in the Australian Imperial Forces (AIF) and is a joint venture between the Council and the Yarrabah Chapter of the RSL.

Mr Wharton said the project was sponsored by the Department of Veterans' Affairs 'Saluting Their Service Program'.

Starting with an uncertain list of eight people, the names of three being incomplete, he has compiled a list of 13 definite names of those who served.

The names on the Yarrabah nominal roll include:

- Private Arthur Murdock, 3466, stockman, enlisted at Charters Towers on 30 October 1916. Served in 41st Battalion, AIF.
- Trooper Valentine Hare (Ayr), 3297, labourer, enlisted at Townsville on 3 February 1917. Served in 2nd Light Horse Regiment, AIF.
- Trooper Harry Doyle, 2426, farm hand, enlisted at Cairns on 23 May 1917. Served in 11th Light Horse Regiment, AIF.
- Trooper Jack Pollard, 2441, labourer, enlisted at Cairns

on 27 July 1917. Served in 11th Light Horse Regiment, AIF.

- Private Carl John (Jack) Baker, 7744, labourer, enlisted at Cairns on 18 August 1917. Served in 15th Battalion, AIF. Passed away from wounds received from a German artillery strike, soon after the Battle of Amiens. Buried in a Commonwealth War Grave, Villers-Bretonneux communal cemetery, France.
- Trooper William Nicholld, 2439, labourer, enlisted at Cairns on 18 August 1917. Served in 11th Light Horse Regiment, AIF.
- Trooper David Molloy, 2437, labourer, enlisted at on 27 August 1917. Served in 11th Light Horse Regiment, AIF.

Others were Lieutenant John (Jack) Gribble; Private Tennyson Thompson; Staff Nurse Margaret Roberts; Gunner Eric Gribble and Privates Arthur Wales and Conrad Johnson.

Mr Wharton said he hoped to complete individual biographies and finalise his report within the next few months.

Department of Transport and Main Roads

See the Licensing Mob

Yarrabah Council Training Rooms

Tues 16 May 2017
Wed 17 May 2017
Thur 18 May 2017

- Go for a driving test
- Get your learner licence
- Renew your driver licence
- Get an Adult Proof of Age (18+) card

Eftpos only, bring originals of all your ID

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Queensland Government



Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council is hosting the Yarrabah NAIDOC Planning meeting on Monday 15th May 2017. The meeting will kick off at **2pm** and is being held in the Yarrabah IKC Building.

The purpose of the meeting is to come together and start working on a draft timetable and to share ideas for NAIDOC 2017 celebrations in Yarrabah. The theme has already been chosen for this year, 'Our Languages Matter'—aims to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that languages play in cultural identity, lining people to their land and water and in transmission of ATSI history, spiritually and rites, through story & song'. If you are after more information on this years theme you can head to <http://www.naidoc.org.au/>

Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council is urging everyone to come along to the meeting and have their say, and tea and coffee will be supplied. Let's make this years NAIDOC celebrations bigger and better than last year!

We are looking for 'volunteers' for the day to assist with the organization, planning and activities for the day. Volunteer Forms will be provided as well.

For more information, please call or visit them in their office
JGeary@yarrabah.qld.gov.au

Back Beach Road re-seal

Local road crews will begin putting a new seal on Back Beach Road starting Thursday 4 May from 7am-5pm and over several weeks.

Access to properties may be temporarily affected, although every attempt to keep disturbance to a minimum will be made. The community has been asked to slow down - you are driving through people's workplace! - be patient and drive to the condition of the road. Safety around road works is important for you and our crews, pictured here working up at Buddabadoo earlier this month. They said they said working around the community and on their own country was important to them. If you have any questions call Dawn at the Council on 4056 9120.



LEFT: Oswald Fourmile & John Richards; and BELOW: John Yeatman Snr, Ellen Keyes & Clifford Ambrym



LEFT: Council workers and MEGT Cert III in Business Admin graduates Finanin Richards, Moirin Smith & Nulyssah Bulmer almost certainly spent their Easter celebrating their achievements. Well done!!!



A new Job Creation program from the Queensland State Government has given 37 new recruits a start with Council. All local men and women, they will be working on \$2.81m worth of infrastructure projects including fencing upgrades, footpath and draining maintenance, upgrades at Jilara Oval, new playgrounds and a BMX track.



OC DAY

Event Planning Meeting
Monday 15th May 2017

call Lutricia Murgha or Jaelen Geary on: (07) 40 560 774
office located at the RTC Building/ ICL Department.
h.qld.gov.au or lsexton@yarrabah.qld.gov.au



ABOVE: Cairns District Junior Rugby League Carnival, the Nat Myles Cup, was played earlier this month in Gordonvale. Yarrabah lad William Mossman Jnr played on the winning team with the support of his dad and family. Pictured here is Isabella Cannon, William Mossman Jnr, Latiesha, Margie, Tykeisha & Lasharn. Well done William!



Scholarship well-earned

Footballer Piiramu Wilson, 8, has earned himself one of only two full year scholarships offered by Jamie Gosling's Football Academy.

The Academy, led by FNQ youth soccer development coach and current FNQ Heat star, Jamie Gosling, offers the opportunity for children aged 3-16 to develop their game.

Piiramu plays every Saturday for the 'Southside Comets' in Edmonton.

His family said they were very proud of his achievements.

Parents of 6-13-year old *Junior Seahawks* are advised Round 1 of their competition will start this weekend - on Saturday 22 April - at home. Under-15s will play Ivanhoes on Friday night, 21 April. Families & friends welcome.

Training Days for Junior Rugby League Players are Monday & Wednesday afternoons from 5-6pm at Jilara Oval.

If you need to register your child/children please see Shanara Andrews or Gillian Bann ASAP.

No registrations will be accepted on game day.

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For more information contact Jaeleen on 4056 9120 or Christine on 0419 656 277.

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