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Book donations well-received

Woorabinda's Indigenous Knowledge Centre had some spare books – 21 boxes in all! – after their 'refresh' last month, and have put them to good use.

They have been donated to support Bridging Health Incorporated, a South Sea Islander run organisation seeking to assist communities in Vanuatu.

"It was a great opportunity to donate resources," IKC Coordinator Douglas Graham said.

"Where we can, it is very important to pass on

resources to communities with less infrastructure than we have here in Woorabinda."
Bridging Health secretary
Paula Viti said she was grateful for the donation.

"Thank you to the Woorabinda Indigenous Knowledge Centre and State Library of Queensland for your contribution and support," she said.

"Your second donation of books

to Bridging Health reminds us of how much we can depend on your generosity and moral support to accomplish our service with kind donations from the broader community and NGOs."

Pictured: LEFT: Bridging Health president Ricco Yasso; BELOW: IKC Coordinator Douglas Graham and his granddaughter Ngwiya with Bridging Health Public Relations Officer Michelle Yasso



Calling all artists!

Anyone interested in making art should come down to the new/temporary Woorabinda Art Shed, worker Shane Singho says.

He said they had been operating steadily for the past month and urged community members to come down and make use of the facility.

"We've been working with one of the men's groups in



community to facilitate artefact making," he said.

"There are also canvases and paints here that community members are free to come and use.

"If you are interested in art at all, come down to the shed and have a go."

Darumbal Youth Service worker David Forder has been at the shed learning artefactmaking.

"It's been really great to come down and learn, I'm hoping to bring some young



people down with me and use art in my programs," he said.

Pictured: LEFT David Forder – Darumbal Youth Service making artefacts; ABOVE: Arts Worker Shane Singho (pic supplied); BELOW: Big Uncle aka Anthony Henry





Last week the Queensland Police Service held a Woorabinda Awards and Recipients Ceremony attended by AC Kevin Guteridge.

He presented a number of medals, clasps and citations for ethical and diligent policing. Recipients were:

- Sergeant Gerald Doyle received his National Police Service Medal, 20 year Clasp to the QPSM, AC Certificate and QP150 Citation;
- PLO Vince Ghillotti received his AC Certificate and QP150 Citation; and,
- Sergeant Gerald Doyle and PLO Vince Ghillotti received their AC Certificates for performing duties and de-escalating a high risk situation in the community precinct armed with a weapon



Members of the Woorie community and local organisations are welcome to submit birthdays, community information, pics and yarns to WASC News via Jacob or Christine. WASC News is published fortnightly and can accept paid advertising, please call Christine on 0419 656 277 for more information.

The **DEADLINE** for our next WASC News will be

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