

Varraban News

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Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council CEO Eileen Deemal-Hall hosted this year's Local Government Managers' exchange between her Council and New Zealand's Hamilton City Council.

Hamilton City Council's City Delivery Unit Manager Simon Young spent a week at Wujal Wujal and during this time visited Hopevale, Cook and Yarrabah Councils.

Eileen will now visit Hamilton City Council in New Zealand.

During the visit to Yarrabah, Councillors chatted with Simon about New Zealand's Treaty and Australian Native Title processes.



Knights in shining armour Matt Davis and Simon Walker stopped to help Thora Patterson with a flat on the road to Yarrabah a few weeks back. Matt & Simon are from Brisbane and were on their way to do some ecological surveys for the new jetty at the boat ramp.



At the national Environmental Heath Workers conference in Cairns earlier this month was Stephen Canendo, Steven Kelly from SA, Shanna Mossman, Milton Richards & William Munns from Woorabinda



Above: Stalling at the Spill da Beanz event last fortnight and Below: enjoying a good read at the Yarricino Cafe was Fiona Johnson, Lutricia Murgha & Rosina Sands with Maryam E Clay, Lloy Bargud (5) & Marina Patterson













In February this year Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council was allocated \$2.81M in the Works for Queensland program.

The program supports regional councils to undertake job-creating maintenance and minor infrastructure projects and is funded through the State Infrastructure Fund. The crew of 37 has working hard on projects such as fencing around Community housing, Jilara Oval, Pool, PCYC, Arts Precinct, the Community Hall and the Leisure Centre, as well as maintaining footpaths and drains and refurbishments to several areas.



Listening up!

If anyone has asked your thoughts on ears, hearing, sore/runny ears and hearing loss, chances are it was Corinne Walsh, a PhD student from the Australian National University, who has been in Yarrabah for the past six months asking any-one who would speak to her those very same questions.

Her time here has come to an end and she said she has collected a lot of information she hoped would benefit Gurriny Yealamucka Health Service, Yarrabah State School, Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council, the local police, other services and the Yarrabah community as a whole.

She also hoped her research project will help people, organisations and decision-makers outside of Yarrabah who work with this community.

"I just would like to sincerely thank everybody in Yarrabah for allowing me to be a part of your beautiful community for the past six months, and for being so warm, welcoming, and happy to share your stories, experiences and suggestions," she said.

"There is quite a lot out there on what health professionals, politicians and bureaucrats think about ear and hearing health.

"But there's very little out there on how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people understand ears and hearing and what they believe works well for them.



"So your voices are very important, and this is what I hope my research has been able to do – allow the voices in Yarrabah to be heard."

Corinne will be coming back out to Yarrabah for a week or two next year, to give a report back to the community which contains findings and suggestions.

"Thank you again for having me Yarrabah!"

You can send her an email to: corinne.walsh@anu.edu.au

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