



LEFT: The Yarrabah
State School held
a successful treeplanting event at the
Junior Secondary
campus last month,
after working on some
long term planning
with the Gunggandji
Land & Sea Rangers,
the Yarrabah Men's
Group and the
community.



Over a third of Indigenous women aged over 40 in the Far North Queensland region attend for two-yearly breast screens, but we would like to see more women taking advantage of the free breast screening service provided.

The BreastScreen mobile service only comes to Yarrabah and Gordonvale every two years, so make sure you don't miss out on screening!

To make a FREE appointment call 13 20 50 or see your health worker.

Yarrabah – 23 October – 2 November (LAST DAY TODAY!), front of the Yarrabah Hospital Gordonvale – 6 -23 November, Gordonvale Hospital



ABOVE: Jabu Birriny is currently showing State
Library of Queensland
visitors – including
Yarrabah Crs Colin Cedric
and Ian Patterson (pictured)
– the unique environment
of Yarrabah and its ongoing
importance to culture and
people, that collectively
embodies the land and sea.
The exhibition has been
co-curated with Yarrabah
Shire Council's Arts &
Cultural Precinct..



Local government meeting chance to network with other Indigenous Shires



Yarrabah Mayor, Councillors and CEO attended the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) conference in Gladstone, late last month, which included the Indigenous Leaders' Forum.

Hot topics at the forum included Queensland Productivity Commission draft report into service delivery to Indigenous communities, Telstra innovation tours, and Black Card culture awareness training.

The LGAQ conference brings together Mayors and Councillors

from all Local Governments in Queensland.

Marcia Hinze headed the entertainment billing while special guests included Queensland Governor Paul de Jersey, Premier Anna Palaszczuk, Local Government and Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Minister Mark Furner and Tourism, and Major Events & the Commonwealth Games and Education Minister Kate Jones.

Whilst the Mayors and Councillors were in Gladstone they also took the opportunity to visit the Nhulundu Health Service (with thanks to them for the pic below!).





Yarrabah Aboriginal Shir









Setting the Festival stage!

An important part of Yarrabah's preparation for the Band Festival on almost every level was the hard work and input of the Council's Works for Queensland program participants.

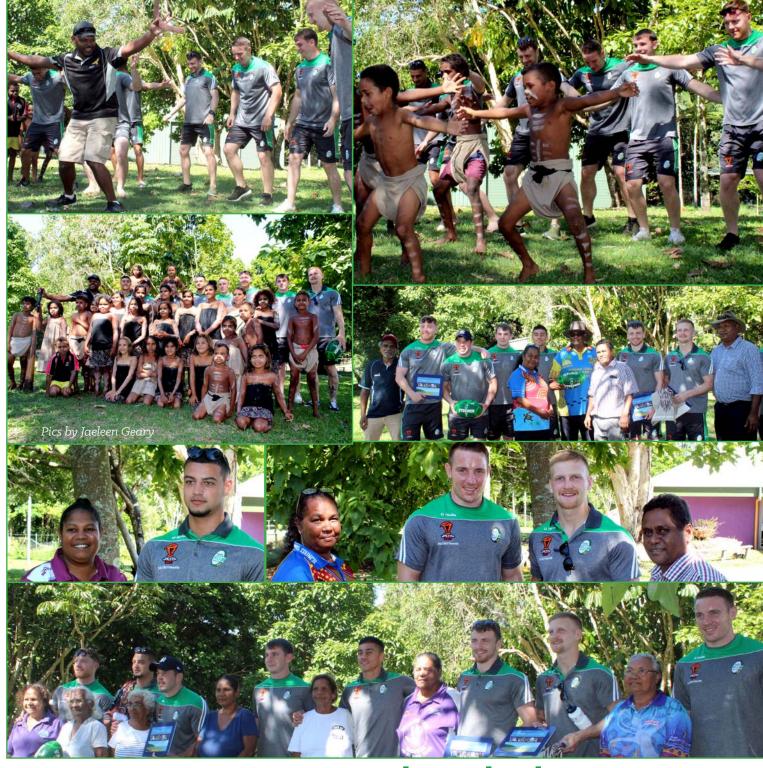
Clean ups, fencing, security and the various car parks' preparation, including mowing, were all part of 'setting the stage' for most successful Yarrabah Band Festival in its five year history.

The Works for Queensland program has helped fund hundreds of local projects across the state, from art installations to road upgrades, as a means of growing and maintaining employment levels in regional parts of the State.

A Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) census of the program showed that there had been an overall increase in council employment by 2.75 percent statewide.

LGAQ chief executive Greg Hallam said the figures suggested Works for Queensland was having a positive impact on jobs.

It certainly had a positive impact on the Yarrabah Band Festival!!!



Ireland thumped Italy 36-12 in the Rugby League World Cup last weekend, surprising everyone but Yarrabah locals who were fortunate enough to meet the team when they visited the community last week.

The team was keen to make the trip over the bump and do a little leg shaking (um...most of them didn't actually manage what you'd call 'shake-a-leg'!!!).

It was a thrilling afternoon of cultural exchange for both sides and a good turnout of Yarrabah supporters at the World Cup game in Cairns for the team ended with a great result all around!

Irish rugby league team visit success all round



Gindaja Cup played in tough conditions



Yarrabah Seagals beat Serenity Sisters 14-12 in the final of Shavanne Fourmile Plate at the Gindaja Allblacks in Cairns last month.

A Kulpiyam side, including former NRL star Dane Nielsen, beat Malu Kiwai 22-10, in the final of the Gindaja Cup men's division.

Nines men's sides along with

three ladies and two under 18 teams, competed in the carnival which was played in wet and muggy conditions.

Gindaja staff said they would

like to congratulate all the teams who competed in the 2017 Gindaja ATSI Rugby League Carnival, along with all their supporters and sponsors.

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Peak tourism body visits Art Centre

Earlier this year TEQ - Tourism & Events Queensland - visited Yarrie Arts Centre where photographer Elise Hassey went to work on taking these fantastic pics.

TEQ is a statutory body of the Queensland Government and the state's leading marketing, destination and experience development and major events agency.





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