



PORMPUR PAANTHU NEWS WEEK

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Reviving the art of making woomeras

Making woomeras – once a regular practice in Pormpuraaw – is back, thanks to Men’s Support workers Nevin and Vincent.

“We see this initial cultural activity as the first in a series of activities,” Nevin said.

“Woomera making, like many other traditional activities, were once a regular practice at Pormpuraaw.”

He said they realised many of the younger men of Pormpuraaw had not been involved in practices of traditional activities such as woomera making.

“We need to all work and walk together on one path of healing, learning and sharing to contribute to a safe environment and community,” he said.

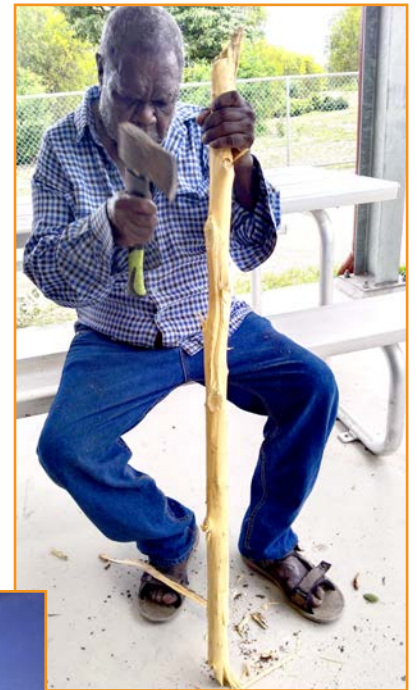
“Multiple generations are now working together to achieve this objective.”

Nevin said some of the older men were sharing their skills and knowledge with the younger generation so traditional activities could be passed down and not lost to future generations of Pormpuraaw people.

“When the woomeras are complete, we’re planning to change our cultural focus to making a number of spears,” he said.

“Then we are hoping to practice our traditional hunting skills and then coordinate a spear throwing competition and other cultural activities similar to events held in the past.”

He said the photo of himself was with a woomera made for him by Pormpuraaw people 45 years ago.



AA meetings are held at the RISE building every Wednesday from 2pm to 3:30pm.

The meetings are open to men and women with tea and coffee supplied.

Come along and enjoy a good yarn, support and fellowship with other community members.



PPAC is having a BBQ!

Please join us for a **BBQ lunch on 16/02/2024, Friday** at the Boomerang Building

Your feedback about PPAC programs will be appreciated!

Feedback forms are available at the BBQ area on 16/02/2024

You can contact 406 042 211 for transport



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Join a face-to-face training session



Dates, times and location

Tuesday, 30 January 2024

12.00pm – 2.00pm Rise Ventures, 29 Pormpuraaw Street
5.00pm – 7.00pm Rise Ventures, 29 Pormpuraaw Street

Wednesday, 31 January 2024

12.00pm – 2.00pm Rise Ventures, 29 Pormpuraaw Street

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