



# Yarrabah News

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## Yarri clip set to go viral

A film clip of a song called “Muckin’ around in Yarri” is set to go viral on You Tube, with its strong messages of community pride and culture, after being approved to be on the playlist for Indigenous Community Television (ICTV).

Youth and Community worker Adrian Thomas completed a 12-week program with the Yarrabah Secondary School through the PCYC, and with the Clontarf Foundation, to get the film clip - which has already had 115 views - online.

“The idea was to give them a chance to develop the rap music I knew they had and breakdown shame so that people could see their talent and more kids would be inspired to show us how talented they are,” Mr Thomas said.

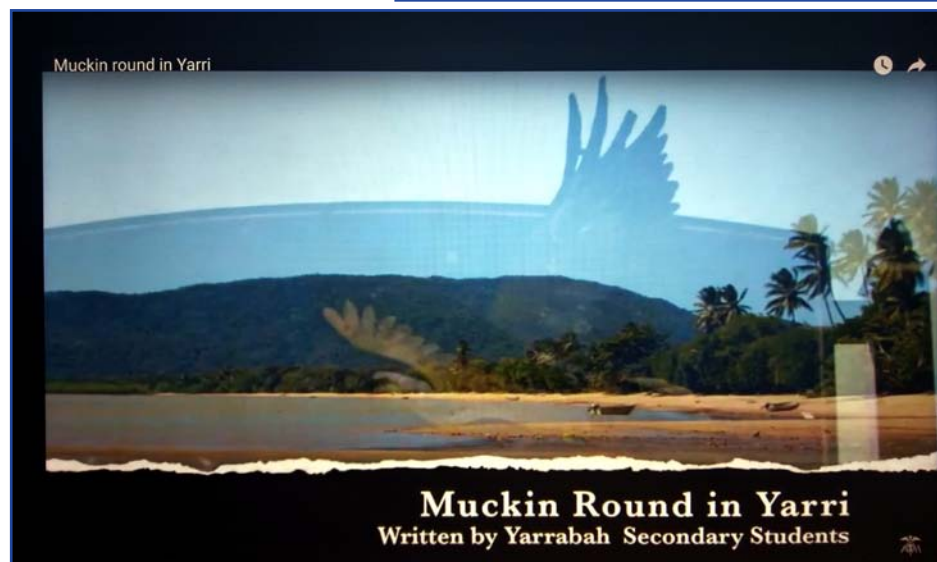
“We set up a microphone and some backing tracks eventually developing the program to the point that many kids were freestyling and giving it a go, writing lyrics and structuring a song.

“The song was recorded upstairs at the PCYC with Producer/Filmmaker Nick Rockett, who is also my guitarist, and launched at Yarri Secondary last week.

“The kids loved it and we’re very proud of Stacey, Ossie, Theo and Hezekiah as well as all the Clontarf kids who were involved that day.

“Special mention to John Illingham who couldn’t make it but was one of the kids who led the way for others to follow.”

You can find the song by searching You Tube for “Muckin’ around in Yarri”.



*The Marquette Golden Eagles women's basketball team, representing Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA was in Yarrabah last weekend to run a youth clinic on their last day in Australia. They said the visit was a highlight of their tour.*





# Bail support funding offered to Cairns/

The Queensland Government has announced it will fund \$600,000 per year in addition in the Cairns/Yarrabah region to help reduce the number of children and young people on bail. The funding will make sure young people on bail meet their court-imposed conditions.

Minister for Child Safety, Youth and Women Di Farmer said the money would be spent over the next three years to support young people charged, or at risk of being charged with offences.

"We want fewer young people offending and fewer in detention, but we also know that young offenders need to be held accountable for their actions," she said.

"This additional support will help young people

to meet and comply with bail conditions and help to break the cycle of offending.

"We want to reduce the number of children and young people offending and re-offending and that's why we are investing almost \$17 million across the state.

"This funding will help create safer communities by working with a non-government organisation to better engage children and young people here in Cairns and Yarrabah."

The additional bail support will provide activities for young people to address the behaviours and lifestyles getting them into trouble, to assist them with meeting bail requirements, and help them comply with the conditions of their bail.

Youth Justice will work with the community and the service provider over the next couple of months on how best to deliver the extra services in Cairns and Yarrabah. The new services

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*YASC Chambers are sporting a new look thanks to the hard work of this crew to install a new sign intended to point visitors to the community in the right direction!*



**Toddlers: Zacchery Mossman & Nora Thomas**

**5-6 Years: Hubert Ambrym/Kynuna & Barbara Hill**

**Queen: Naysharn Noble**

**King: Moirin Smith**

**Float: Gindaja**

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Picture thanks to Erica Martin

Several Yarrabbeans, including artists Gweneth Yeatman & Brian Fourmile, participated in this year's Gimuy Fish Festival in Cairns.

The 2018 Festival was a celebration of culture, community and culinary delights, Gimuy Walubara Yidinji said, so they invited all who love and cherish the region to unite on issues of sustainability, indigenous biocultural diversity and natural wealth.

"We all play a part in ensuring the environment we live in is strong and resilient," they said.

"A healthy country means healthy foods."

*Drain Buddy installer Aaron Horsey from the Cleanwater Group is pictured here with the Gunggandji Rangers devising new ways to stop plastic waste in particular from ending up in the ocean. The next community clean up event is scheduled for Saturday 15 September to coincide with the Great Northern Clean Up event.*



## PHD student Corinne returns to share findings

Australian National University (ANU) PhD student Corinne Walsh was in Yarrabah for much of last year conducting research to find out what the community thinks about ears, hearing, sore/runny ears and hearing loss.

She spent more than six months hanging out and yarning with many people who live and work in Yarrabah - listening to their stories, experiences and suggestions about ear and hearing troubles, and health on the whole.

She said she collected a huge amount of information and was back in Yarrabah this week to share her research findings with Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services, YASC and the Yarrabah State School, along with other individuals and groups she met while she was here.

Hard or electronic copies of this report can be obtained through Gurriny, the Council or the school, or from Corinne directly at [corinne.walsh@anu.edu.au](mailto:corinne.walsh@anu.edu.au)



"I hope that in my visit will be enlightening and useful, and people around the community feel they have the opportunity to review the research findings and provide me with their views and feedback," Corinne said.

"This project was fundamentally about Aboriginal voices being heard about an important health issue - ear disease and hearing loss.

"There have been countless stories shared, and many great ideas for tackling ear and hearing problems.

"I'm confident that this research project will be helpful not just to Gurriny, but to many areas of the community and beyond."

Corinne has compiled a short report that summarises the research findings, for distribution around Yarrabah.





*Former Yarrabah Seahawks Junior Nathan Bassani felt the full force of his extended family's support earlier this month as they turned out in droves from Hopevale and Yarrabah to see him play for the Central Queensland Capras against Northern Pride in Cairns. Now living in Rockhampton in his own home, Nathan grew up in Yarrie and was named Rookie of the Year in 2017. So far this year he has played 24 games for his side in the Intrust Super Cup.*

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## Loving the tennis!

Visitors to Yarrabah State School last week included Deadly Tennis and local MP Curtis Pitt.

"I visited Yarrabah State School to assist Keiryn Lenoy and Clint with coaching Deadly Tennis," Mr Pitt said.

"I'm proud to be partnering with Tennis Queensland by funding 60% of Deadly Tennis activities ensure Yarrabah State School students can participate in the Cairns Regional Council Indigenous Big Serve Tennis program.

"I've played tennis since I was four years of age and I'm pleased to be able to continue my association and passion for the game by bringing this opportunity to the kids in Yarrabah."

Deadly Tennis coach Keiran Lenoy told WIN News the program would run throughout August before the nationals in early September in Darwin.

"We'll be selecting students from Yarrabah and Cairns to participate and compete in the National Indigenous Tennis Carnival," she said.



*Champion footballer Milton Mossman (left) said he was sorry to say he will be out of the game for the season after injuring his right arm. "I'm disappointed I didn't finish the season, we hung in on games but didn't get the results," he said. "This year there are many young faces but we will get better next year." He said he was very definitely still involved with the game.*



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