



Yarrabah's School holiday program is packed with activities ranging from weekly bubble soccer at Bishop Malcolm Park (every Thursday from 5.30-7pm) through to several disconights, movie nights and an ongoing art youth logo design competition.

Arts 'n Crafts at the IKC and other activities at the Arts Precinct are amongst several highlights which also include the Council's Christmas break-up party @ Fire 'n Ice.

The new Youth Centre will play a central role in hosting several more activities from weekly cooking programs to pool comps.

And, of course, the inevitable

'Dive-in' movie night at the community pool will also be a highlight.

The full timetable for December and January is available now on a notice board near you.



Yarrabah heard on housing issues

A recent state government housing 'yarning circle' in Yarrabah, facilitated by First Nations Housing Advisor Mick Gooda, featured some 'robust' discussion around the current situation in the community.

Mayor Ross Andrews said the government wanted to hear from people living in Yarrabah about what needed to be done to improve housing. He said an additional \$40 million was on the table for housing from the State Government but a formula was yet to be found to distribute those funds.

"Mr Gooda suggested the allocation process to be community led, and that's being done through the democratically elected representatives of each local government community councils," he said. "And they're still waiting for the Commonwealth to match NPARIH funds.

"The money will continue the construction of additional housing as well as maintaining training and employment opportunities, so it's a multiplier effect, not only with accommodation, but with jobs and economic development."

Local MP Curtis Pitt said the forum would help to shape the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing Action Plan, to be launched next year.



Gambling awareness a safer bet for punters

Several key Yarrabah organisations have gotten together to support a Central Queensland University-backed project around promoting safe gambling in the community.

Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council, along with Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services and Gindaja Treatment & Healing Centre, launched the campaign last week at the Community Hall.

Mayor Ross Andrews said it was about promoting safe gambling tips to families in a positive way.

"We did a research project here, many years ago, which identified gambling as a serious issue and the need to educate our people on the effects of addictive gambling as well as the multiplier effect it has in families and the community," he said.

"Once you become addicted, it's hard to break, and I think we need to confront it honestly.

"We can't tell people what to do, we can only promote it in a positive way – we're not saying, 'don't gamble', we're saying, 'gamble safe'."



The sewing program run by Dreamtime Solutions is powering on with full commitment from the women involved, to the point where facilitator Vikki has to set her alarm each day for finish time or they would still be going.



Sewing skills are coming along nicely as they learn the new techniques that come with making a variety of garments.

A market stall will be held soon for items to be sold to the community just in time for Christmas.

Those items will include pillow beds, patchwork quilts, hats, shorts, dresses, t-shirts, kids clothes and bags.

Great work ladies, we are all very proud of what you are achieving.

Renée Schoder
DREAMTIME SOLUTIONS





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player for the Babinda Colts Reserve grade in the 1980s has bered with a memorial side called 'Yarra-Binda' – who have is year's Mossman Allblacks.

Yeatman Jnr, the team was inspired by the late Allan Snr to win 16-14 Jnited in a hard fought grand final, ultimately won by a penalty goal rles Murgha.

days of play the team had lost 18 to 12 to Erub United the day before me tough competition against Wujal Wujal, who they defeated 28 to ale, who they defeated 20 to 12, to make it into the Grand Final.

the win even more remarkable was that the team had only trained as," Bernadine Yeatman said.

e players had not played football for between 3-10 years, and three of s comprised of retired coach John Yeatman and retired players Claine and Jansen Yeatman.

t saw 100% commitment from each player, with outstanding from Charles Murgha, Landon Kynuna, Robert Garrett, Yapparlid Brian Schrieber."

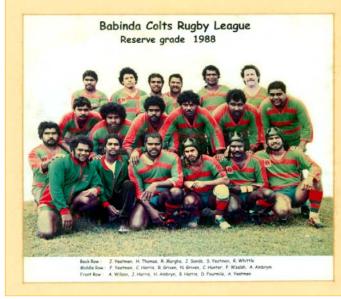
Yarra-Binda side won the 1985 CDRL Reserve Grade Grand and nr went on from there to be one of the original Yarrabah Seahawks

Club players when they nto the CDRL in 2000.

said she wanted to pass on a to all the officials, including h and William Mossman, yers, our supporters, family, ny, Gindaja and the YASC for along with special thanks to on and his family.

ther order for Yarra-Binda each, was about to be placed.

I like to purchase a shirt, ur order with the number sizes and your payment to ficky, Ms Kay or myself by ecember," she said.







Orange Sky social enterprise on the table for Yarrabah 2019

Social enterprise in the form of Orange Sky Australia is in discussion with Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council about how a mobile laundry service might benefit the community.

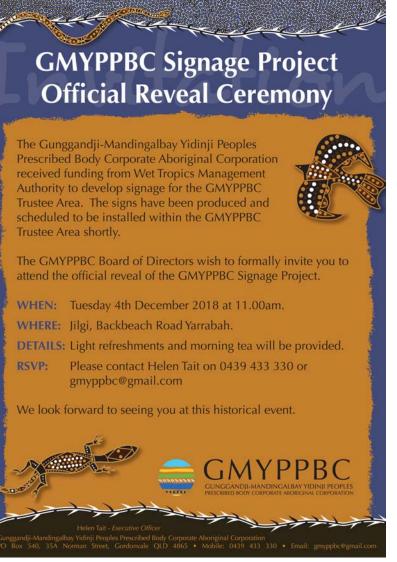
Mayor Ross Andrews said he met the two young entrepreneurs who started the service - Lucas Patchett, 22, and Nicholas Marchesi, 21 - on the Gold Coast at a Bond University function last week (pictured).

"The Lockhart River and Palm Island communities already have mobile laundry service provided by Orange Sky and we hear that it is already making a difference in improving the social circumstances, as well as health and wellbeing benefits," Cr Andrews said.

"The council intends to inform the community around developments on exploring this project for the new year."









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