

Palm Island Voice



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PLEASE note there may be some images of deceased persons within this publication.

PIRL Round Robin winners



Butler Bay Bulls!

Last Saturday four Palm Island Rugby League (PIRL) teams hit the ovals for an all day round robin comp sponsored by Queensland Ambulance Services, TMV Plumbing, PI Servo, PIASC, Line King Concrete Pumping NQ and Hutchinson Builders. Butler Bay Bulls won the Grand Final over Skipjacks, we'll have more pics and a full scores in our next issue!

MORE FOOTY - OBE GEIA AND BILL COOLBURRA SHIELD - INSIDE!

Funeral benefit program open for applications

The Australian Government's Youpla Group Funeral Benefits Program will help the families of fund members affected by the collapse of Youpla Group to conduct Sorry Business with dignity.

The Program is not a compensation scheme, and will only pay a funeral benefit for a member who has passed away.

The Program will pay the cover limit of the member's Youpla Group policy.

Applications are now open.

If you have a loved one who has passed away who had a Youpla funeral expenses policy on or

after 1 April 2020 you can now make an application by following the steps on the Treasury website at: www.treasury.gov.au/youpla

Once you've filled out the application form, email the form and your supporting documents to Treasury at youpla@treasury.gov.au.

Or mail them to:

Funeral Benefits Program
Financial System Division
The Treasury
1 Langton Crescent
PARKES ACT 2600

You can also contact the



Helpline by phone or email if you wish to discuss an application for yourself, friend or family member.

- Call: 1800 296 989 9:00 am to 5:00 pm AEST, Monday to Friday
- Email: youpla@treasury.gov.au

Daphne Naden and Annique Jones from ICAN will be on Palm Island to talk about the program next Monday, 26 September, outside the Rainbow Gateway office from 10am.

12 teams play out 2022 Obe Geia Challenge

The North Queensland Cowboys hosted the Obe Geia Challenge on Palm Island for a full-day rugby league carnival last Friday week.

Three Palm Island teams were joined by primary students from eight Townsville schools and one Magnetic Island school.

The Obe Geia Challenge was presented by Navarre Minerals, and supported by SeaLink Queensland and Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council.

Selectability ran the free BBQ lunch while CEQ Bwgcorman Supermarket donated water to keep everyone hydrated.

Kelso State School won the grand final against St Clare's Catholic School.

Pics thanks to NQ Cowboys



Bill Coolburra Memorial Shield to stay on Palm



The Bill Coolburra Memorial Shield was played on Palm Island last week, between the Skipjacks and Army, in front of a huge home crowd.

The Skipjacks won the game, 38–18.

Skipjacks Captain Obe Geia said now they had the trophy back home, they were going to keep it there.

“It was a tough game, we enjoyed playing,” he said.

Palm Island Mayor Mislam Sam said the game had lifted community spirits.

Private Gail Coolburra said she was happy to have the game on Palm Island.

“I’m always proud to come over in my uniform and represent my

great grandfather,” she said.

“This game is bringing us altogether.”

The tally overall, since 2008, stands at 7–6 to Army.

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12/09/2022

COMMUNITY NOTICE

The Mayor & Councillors of Palm Island Aboriginal Community Council would like to invite community members to an informal community engagement opportunity.

Our Councillors will be there to hear from you, and they can also explain some of the work Council is undertaking to support the community of Palm Island.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DAY WILL TAKE
PLACE ON**

**TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022
FROM 3.00PM-5.00PM**

FOR BOOKINGS, PLEASE CONTACT RECEPTION ON
reception@palmcouncil.qld.gov.au or call on 47 700 200 to
make a booking for a 30-minute appointment between 9am
and 12pm.

Alternatively, you can drop in on the day and see if there
are any spots available.

Thanks and regards,

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DAYS GENERALLY OCCURS
3RD WEEK ON A TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH.

DEPENDING ON THE COUNCIL'S WORKLOAD, THESE DATES MAY CHANGE DUE TO
OTHER COMMITMENTS THAT COUNCIL HAS.

FOR ORGANISATION/GROUP BOOKINGS PLEASE EMAIL:
reception@palmcouncil.qld.gov.au



TRANSITION SUPPORT SERVICES



Secondary School & Careers EXPO

Monday 17th October 2022

Palm Island PCYC

10:00am – 1:00pm

- ❖ Boarding Schools
- ❖ ABSTUDY
- ❖ Birth certificate applications
- ❖ Scholarship applications
- ❖ Careers and training organisations

For more information please contact:

Jen Healey - 0457 524 744

Carina Bulsey – 0474 910 928

Letitia Murgha – 0407 145 230

RSVP attendance to Townsville.TSS@qed.qld.gov.au by 10/10/22

Travel to Palm Island via Sealink departing Townsville 7.30 am and departing Palm Island 2:30 pm. Tickets for travel can be purchased from Sealink ferry terminal or online at <https://www.sealinkqld.com.au/> adult return ticket \$76.90 or student return ticket \$38.45.

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COVID-19 CAN AFFECT EVERYONE IN OUR COMMUNITY

Even those that are young and healthy can get sick from COVID-19.



For more information call 1800 020 080.

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I HAVE COVID-19. WHAT SHOULD I DO?

Report your result to your local health authority if you used a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT)



For more information call 1800 020 080

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KEEP TWO BIG STEPS AWAY FROM PEOPLE

Help keep our communities healthy.



For more information call 1800 020 080.

OUR next DEADLINE* (Issue 361) will be Thursday 29 September for publication on MONDAY 3 October!

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Operating Hours for Palm Island Council are Monday–Friday 8am – 5pm

If you have any questions please contact Reception on 4770 1177 or 4770 0200

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