

# Palm Island Voice



**FREE!**

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

## PIASC moving and shaking at statewide Councils' meeting

Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council has tabled several motions for consideration this week at the Local Government Association of Queensland's annual conference in Cairns this week.

They include asking delegates from 75 of the state's 77 local councils to consider supporting the Uluru Statement from the Heart's Voice campaign for a referendum, which has already been supported by the national Australian Local Government Association, as well as motions around infrastructure funding arrangements, renewable energy initiatives, housing and Police Liason Officers.

We'll have a full report of outcomes from the meeting in our next issue!



*At the Indigenous Leaders' Forum before the main LGAQ meeting in Cairns: Main pic: Torres Shire Cr Gabriel Bani, Cherbourg Cr Frederick Cobbo, Uluru Statement from the Heart's Professor Megan Davis, Lockhart River Mayor Wayne Butcher, From the Heart Community Engagement Lead Kenny Bedford & PIASC Mayor Mislam Sam. Above Left: in session. Right: Pormpuraaw Cr Ronald Kingi & PIASC Cr Derek Haines. Pics by Christine Howes.*

## Champion!

Welcome to

### Queensland Sport and Athletics Centre



Ivan Barry-Hero, 15, participated in the state's Track and Field Athletics competition in Brisbane over the past few days, winning Gold and Silver in the following Multi-Class events: 100m Gold, 200m Gold, 400m Gold, Long Jump Gold and 100m relay Silver. He has been invited to travel to Adelaide to represent Queensland. Well done Champion!



Cash – through your bank account – for Cans is nearly set to go with the employment of Tajah And Fred Bulsey (left) who will assist with the setup and implementation of the activity, which will transition to Council in the coming weeks.

Cans have been collected by the team in readiness for opening.

Only those who have setup their scheme ID number will be able to ‘cash in’ on the scheme as no cash will be paid or held on the premises.

Residents will be provided

## Ca\$h for Cans open soon!



with a receipt to hold as they money is processed, with payments made direct from the mainland.

Once the workshop has been fenced, gates installed and IT connect-ed, our new Cash for Cans will be open for business.

## New Council jobs



Palm Island Council’s recent recruitment drive has resulted in the appointment of Environmental Health and Animal Control Officers Fred Bulsey Snr and Raoul Miller, both of whom started last week.

The old Gaol has been revamped as the Pound and the team will op-erate from there. They will also work with Tropical Vet when they are on the Island.

Until a mobile number and their IT connectivity is established, please call the Council on 4770 0200 for assistance.

Assets Manager Luke Argent recently took the opportunity to show community members how to operate , maintain and clean the Council’s new line marking machine.

Luke is pictured here going through a trial run before the CDP team move forward re-marking our school and local store crossings over the next week or two.





# CEQ up for award



Community Enterprise Queensland (CEQ) has been recognised for helping to protect Indigenous communities on Palm Island, and across Cape York and the Torres Strait, during the COVID-19 pandemic with a nomination for a statewide award.

The not-for-profit remote store operator is in contention for the Best Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic gong at the Queensland Government's Safe Work and Return to Work Awards 2022.

The winners will be announced at a ceremony in Brisbane later this week.

CEQ Chief Executive Officer Michael Dykes said it was a fantastic achievement for the organisation to be ranked in the top six organisations in Queensland for its COVID-19 response efforts.

"We're absolutely delighted to have been nominated for this award, and it is a tribute to each and every one of our wonderful staff," Mr Dykes said.

"It's a great acknowledgement for all the hard work put in by our people.

"This was a massive achievement, and I can't thank enough the efforts of our staff and local communities during the past year."



## Barracudas Gold @Bindal Sharks AllBlacks



*Pics above thanks to Evan Morgan (Townsville Bulletin): Top: Andrew Willis; Middle: Raymond Noble; Bottom: Gelam Geia*





## JCU Summer School for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students

**Monday 28th November to Friday 2nd December 2022**

The JCU Summer School is for anyone looking to commence study at JCU in 2023.

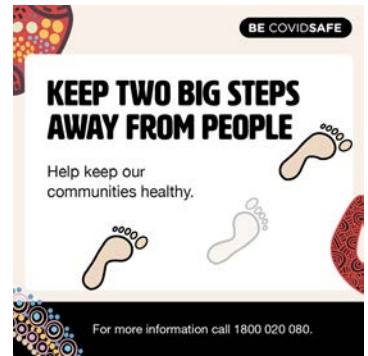
The pre-program is an intensive preparation program designed to build the competencies to commence tertiary studies.

The Indigenous Education & Research Centre covers all accommodation, meals and travel costs for students participating in this program.



**Scan the QR Code** to apply for Summer School.

For further information visit [jcu.edu.au/ierc](http://jcu.edu.au/ierc) or contact the Indigenous Education & Research Centre on **07 4781 4676**.



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