

# Palm Island Voice



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



## All smiles for NAIDOC Week

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## Part of the LGAQ team



A team from the Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) flew into Palm Island to deliver an Elected Member Update (EMU) earlier this month. “We’re dedicated to visiting all our members across the state to get a better sense of how the LGAQ can empower councils to deliver for their residents – because every Queensland community deserves to be a liveable one,” they said.

*Words and pic thanks to LGAQ.*



# Horses set to be rehomed



Due to increasing numbers of horses on Palm Island, a removal of horses to the mainland – where they will be rehomed – will start tomorrow, Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council Civil, Open Space and Training Manager Vaughn Charles (*pictured below*) says.

Under the local laws of the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council (which can be found on the website) there were conditions for owning a horse on Palm Island.

They included they must be kept in a holding area no smaller than 5000 square metres per horse and they must be prevented from wandering in public places unless they are under control.

Mr Charles said the Council's Animal Control Team had worked with landholders and horse groups on the mainland to identify suitable land/homes.

"We're aiming to take up to 50 horses off Island in a horse truck this time, and if it works we will do it again in the future," he said.

He said they would be supported by a police escort when they moved the horses

from where they were being held to the barge via truck.

"The selection of horses for rehoming off Island will be managed by the team, who will continue to meet with community members, interested stakeholders and horse owners as needed," he said.

"The Animal Control team will also be taking steps to make sure horse numbers are kept to a minimum, such as desexing stallions."

Council CEO Michael Bissell Owners needed to take responsibility for their horses and action would be taken where necessary to enforce local laws.

"Council would like to thank the parties who have engaged with us to make this happen, especially the Palm Island Barge Company," Mr Bissell said.



Contact Council with any questions on 07 4770 0200 or email reception:-@palmcouncil.qld.gov.au



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The fight of the night at the NAIDOC Clash at Challenger Bay (also known as Battle of the Missions) earlier this month was between Laphya Reuben and Selwyn Seaton, organiser Telstan Sibley says.

“They went to war, Selywn showed absolute heart and was extremely disappointed the fight was stopped,” he said.

He said the event, attended by more than 300 people, was run in partnership with Palm Island Boxing Club and Hawks Boxing in Townsville.

“Chris Evers and Dennis Clancy do amazing work with our youth and young men” he said.

“Chris refereed all the fights, and he does a lot to keep boxing alive on Palm Island.

“He’s always there for the 30-40 kids who train every afternoon after school, even though they don’t have the equipment they need.

“Dennis and his team were the officials, they really enjoy coming over here to Palm.

“Dennis always gives his time to our young men throughout North Queensland and should be praised for the amount of youth he has put on the right path through boxing.”

He said major sponsors for the event were No Limit Boxing, Bravus and Rainbow Gateway.

## Results

**Lightweight**  
*Jase Thimble def Raymond Haines Jr by points.*

**Middleweight**  
*Laphya Rueben def Selwyn Seaton by stoppage in the Round 3.*

**Cruiserweight**  
*Brayden Nallajar won via Technical Decision due to Selwyn Seaton getting stopped in the previous middleweight final.*

**Heavyweight**  
*Nathaniel Seaton stopped Ali Kitchen in Round 3.*





*Pics courtesy Telstan Sibley*





# Palm Island

Congratulations to Milleah Fulford, she is the top points scorer, currently leading the TDJRL with 23 tries and 132 game points. Milleah's is still shining brighter than ever, congratulations to you and your support team!



## GARBUTT MAGPIES

# 10<sup>th</sup> CUP

CELEBRATING ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CHILDREN'S DAY



## SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING

Aitkenvale ~ Ayr ~ Bluewater ~ Bohlevale ~ Bowen  
Bwgolman ~ Cranbrook ~ Currajong  
Garbutt ~ Good Shepherd ~ Heatley  
Stars Foundation ~ Kelso ~ Magnetic Island  
North Shore ~ Rasmussen ~ Ryan CC ~ Shalom  
Southern Cross CC ~ Southern Cross CC Emerging Leaders  
St Anthony's CC ~ St Margaret Mary's Emerging Leaders  
St Michaels ~ Vincent ~ Weir ~ Willows

## QUEENS PARK

Paxton St, NorthWard

JULY 31ST, 2024

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

OPENING CEREMONY: 9:30AM



- Community Event
- Food Trucks
- Stalls
- Children's Activities
- Entertainment
- Contact  
CFCTownsville@thesmithfamily.com.au

## ST ANNE'S PARISH- PALM ISLAND

Parish Celebration - Community Invitation



# 100 YEARS

"I PRAY THAT THEY ALL MAY BE ONE" JN17:21

## First Mass Celebration on Palm Island 1924-2024

We are so blessed to invite you all to commemorate the 100th year since the First Eucharist celebrated on Palm Island

DATE: 26/07/2024 -

TIME: 11AM

WHERE: ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH

Following Mass - Lunch will be provided at the Casetment

For more information please contact the Parish

26 Banfield Dr

Facebook: St Anne's Parish, Palm Island

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