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Story-telling project wins arts grant

A Palm Island art project has scored a \$10,000 grant from the State Government's 'Backing Indigenous Arts' program local MP John Hathaway announced last week.

La Luna Youth Arts Program Officer Michelle Hall said La Luna, Bwgomlan Community and St Michael's Schools and the Palm Island Council all contributed equally to the project which was also supported by Palm Island Community Company.

"The steering committee for this project is Marina Coutts, Archie Fraser, Virginia Chatterton and Marion Turner," she said.

"The project will start in Term 4 of this school year, with the Steering Committee employing two co-ordinators from Palm Island to help run the circus workshops."

Mr Hathaway said the grant would be used for an intergenerational story-telling project, including writing, drama, circus and visual arts workshops



This picture of Debbie Aldridge, Eva Haines, Walter Aldridge & Frederick Aldridge Snr was taken just outside the Townsville Show in 1974, nearly 40 years ago! To see who was at the Townsville Show in 2013 see our pics on page 8...!

to produce a dramatised narrative of the Palm Island story.

"These local projects will have a real impact on the region and are set to promote sharing of

knowledge, tradition and culture," Mr Hathaway said.

"The funding will help support professional development and also provide employment opportunities."



School fishes for Elders' NAIDOC gathering

Merle Robertson says the pics above are of Elders getting into some mackerel donated by Bwgcolman students and teachers Joe Istria and Chris Gundy who went fishing with the boys from the Step-Up Program. "It was enjoyed by everyone," she said.

"Big thank you to the young fishermen, I hope you all enjoyed catching the fish as much as the Elders enjoyed and greatly appreciated eating them."

Elders and HACC clients pictured include Doreen Morton, Nancy Murphy, Veronica Noble, Margie Parker, Mavis Foster, Kathy Gibson, Edna Coolburra, Irene Nallajar, Joe Rueben, Winston Bligh, Paul Wilson, Thomas Curley, Patrick Bramwell, Angie Curley, Muriel Bramwell, Annamay Sarabo, Thyra Huddy and Noreen Nomoa.

Thanks also to staff from Community Rehab NQ, Mariah Taylor, Dr Ruth Barker, and Lorna (last name unknown) who helped out on the day with cultural games for clients and elders, HACC Staff John Castors and Patsy Wilson for their outstanding help and support, and also to the PICC Disability Team – Arona Miller for his deadly cooking and Lyndel Prior.



Takahni Ryan and her little cousin Colyning Oui at NAIDOC on Palm Island



MEANWHILE in Townsville for NAIDOC was Calvin Jacob, Anthony Ketchup, Abraham Johnson & Paul Conway (above); Milton Thaiday (right); & Paul Conway (left).



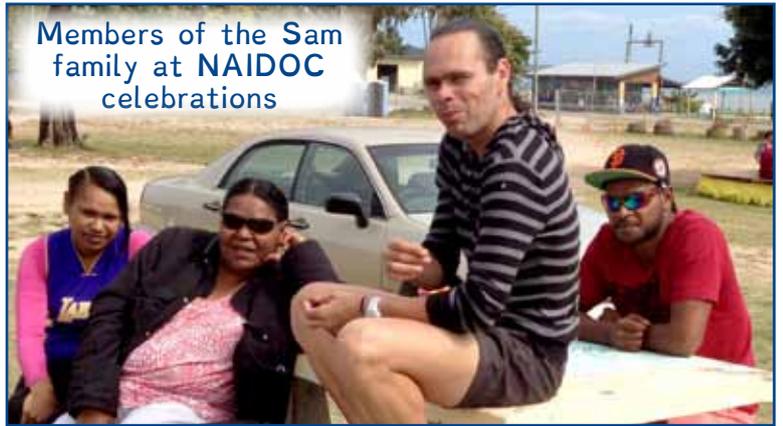


Noel and Jenny Cannon along with Walter and Rosetta Foster sang their beautiful songs to Angela Curley, Kathy Gibson and Walter's mum, Aunty Mavis Foster.



Merle Robertson with daughters Narelle & Gereldine, who organised the Elder's gathering

HUGE thanks to Cr Eddie Walsh & Merle Robertson for sharing their pics with us on these pages - much appreciated, thank you!



Members of the Sam family at NAIDOC celebrations



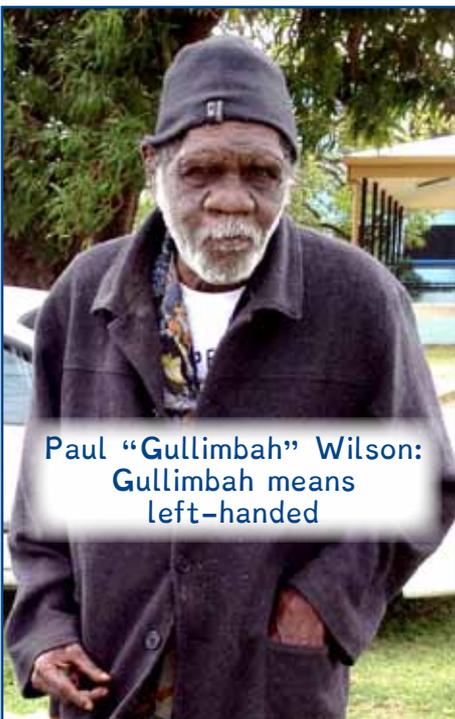
Tom Curley & Moe Bligh



Aunty Muriel Bramwell



Ralph Watson & Mr Anderson



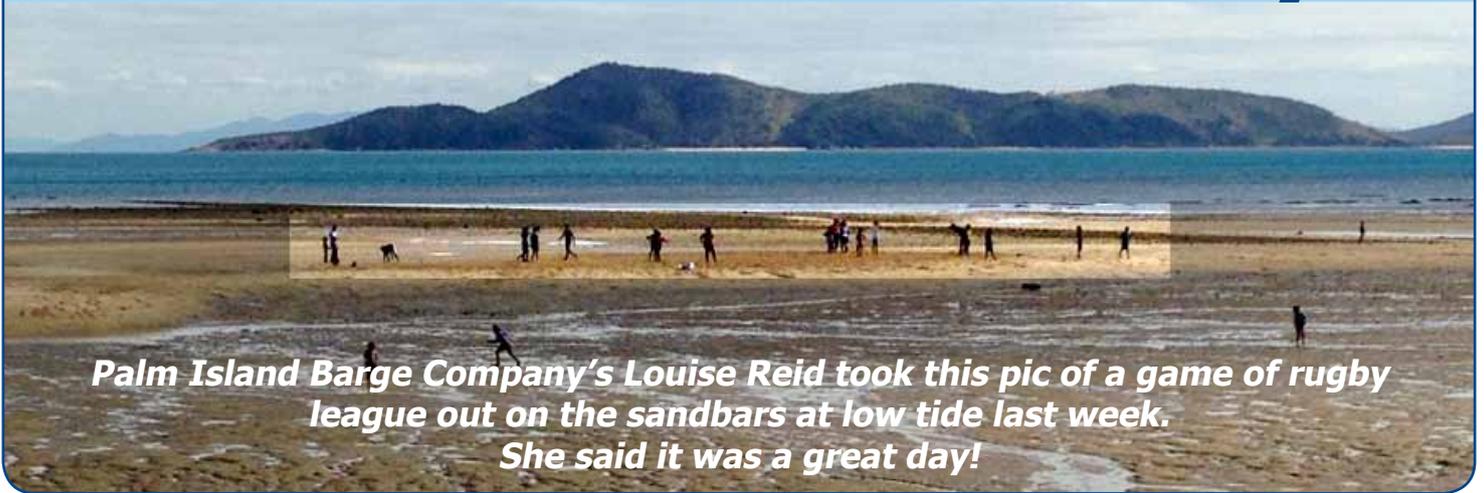
Paul "Gullimbah" Wilson: Gullimbah means left-handed



NAIDOC 2013

Kerrie and Dana Nallajar's stall

Football Palm Island-style!



Palm Island Barge Company's Louise Reid took this pic of a game of rugby league out on the sandbars at low tide last week. She said it was a great day!

Boxers looking forward to August tournaments

AFTER a break from competing at tournaments, Palm Island boxers have four coming up, all to be considered within the space of a month.

The first is a Sunstate Amateur Boxing League card at Innisfail (27th July) followed by Mareeba (3rd August), Burdekin (10th August) and then Townsville (17th August).

Three Palm boxers were to travel to Cairns on the last weekend in June but had to withdraw because of transport problems.

The most recent tournament Palm boxers attended was in Blackwater in early May.

15-year-old Kathleen Haines showed wonderful potential to win her first ever bout at that event and is one of several boxers who have been training strongly at the PCYC gym.

Talented youths Dennis Haines jnr and Albert Gorringer jnr have also

Palm Island Rugby League (PIRL) Footy Results

Saturday 6th July:

Jets def Butler Bay Bulls (forfeit)

Mount Bentley Raiders 74 def Hornets 22

Bwgcorman Brothers 32 def Mundy Bay Warriors 24

Skipjacks (bye)

Saturday 13th July:

Bwgcorman Brothers def Hornets (f)

Mount Bentley Raiders def Mundy Bay Warriors (f)

Butler Bay Bulls 72 def Skipjacks 10

Jets (bye)

been training well trainer Ray Dennis said. He said they would make comebacks to the ring soon.

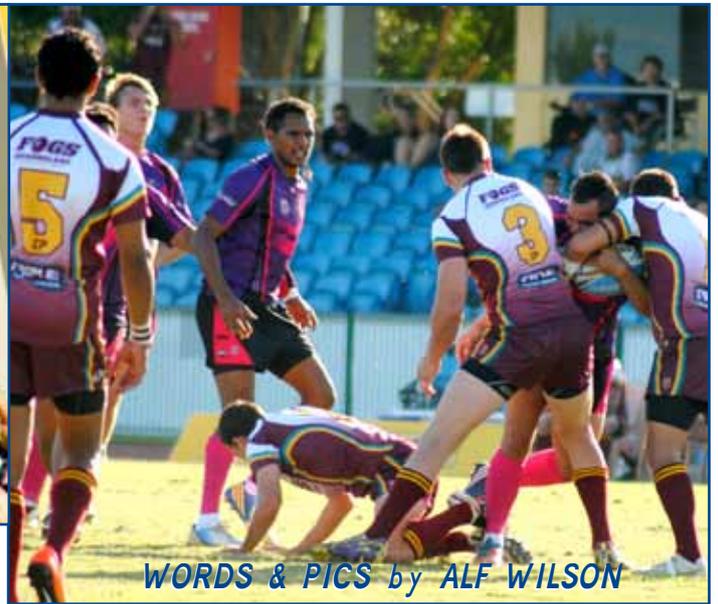
“Both Dennis jnr and Albert are quality boxers and we have those four tournaments to pick from and will do so soon,” Mr Dennis said.

Both will line up in the 60kg class.

Youngster Brayden Nallajar, 10, is another who should have a bout soon.



Kathleen Haines, sitting, with trainer Ray Dennis & Josie Nallajar at Blackwater



Palm players held up well

PALM Island's 'Fab Four' – Clinton Pearson, Mickeal Sibley, Fred Bulsey and Raoul Miller – performed strongly in the Remote Area Rugby League (RARL) comp for the Northern United rep side in Cairns late last month.

The team lost 60–22 to Queensland Outback which didn't stop a crafty Clinton Pearson lining up at halfback and often mesmerizing the opposition defence with his magic ball skills.

Flying Sibley showed great speed from a wing and scored a try in the first half. Forwards Miller and Bulsey proved to be genuine enforcers when they came off the bench and all impressed United coach Dave Kennedy.

"They went well, the Palm Island lads, and have great skills," Kennedy said.

The game was not as one-sided as the final score line may have indicated.

Kennedy said superior fitness had led to Outback winning so well.

"We only had a few training sessions in the two

days before and the boys did well," he said.

QRL Northern Division Regional Co-ordinator David Maiden agreed. "The players started the game very well and were the better side for the first 25 minutes and lead the game 16–8 at the time," he said.

"However, the lack of match fitness – which was expected due to a number of players only beginning their season the week before in the Cluster Comp – started to take its toll and the larger QLD Outback players started to make inroads into the North Queensland United defensive line.

"The scores were still very close at halftime but the superior match fitness



of the Outback side persevered. Preparations and recommendations have already begun for next seasons match with the ultimate aim of selecting a QLD Country side out of this fixture to take on their NSW counterparts as a curtain raiser to the third State of Origin.

"The game also needs to be played in late July to make sure that all players in the north have at least two rounds under their belts."



Top: Match officials Eddie Prior & Norman Bounghi; Above: The Fab Four: Fred, Raoul, Clinton & Mickeal.

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Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council has 156 'likes' on Facebook!!!



Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council is closed every 2nd Friday (Council pay week) for RDO.

The next RDO is

Friday 26 July

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NOTICE to Mamu-related people re Meeting in Innisfail

When: 10am Saturday 27 July

Where: Terrain Board Room, 3 Stitt St, Innisfail.

What: Part of the discussion may involve people who were removed from country.

If you are able to come along please contact Philip Obah on 0427 215 192.



Changes to electricity prices.

From 1 July 2013, all customers in regional Queensland on the general residential tariff are paying more for electricity. The general residential tariff is now 29.40 cents per kilowatt hour. The service fee on this tariff, which gets deducted from available credit on your meter, will increase to 55.24 cents per day.

If you have an electric hot water system, you may be connected to one of the cheaper Super Economy or Economy rates, which have increased to 13.60 cents and 19.85 cents per kilowatt hour. This extra cost means that your power card will not last as long. A \$20 card may last up to three and a half days, and a \$50 card may last up to eight and half days*. Please remember this when buying new cards.

Your card meter will be adjusted for this increase when your meter reader visits in the coming months.

If you have any questions, please call Ergon Energy on 13 10 46.

*Calculated on an average usage of 20kwh per day



Happy Birthday to you!
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Happy Birthday dear.....

21 July - my sister Lerinne James and my other half Keri Morton. Also on that day is Sioni Norman, Terence Sibley Jr, John Charles aka "Chicko", Patrick Charles & Leon Watson.

23 July My niece Zaeisha James will be one-year-old.

25 July My big son Daniel Morton turns 11.

28 July My Godson William Charles and sister-in-law Kirsten Charles.

With love from Frank and family

Palm Island Voice also wishes a Happy Birthday to Cr Eddie Walsh, who turned 60 on 11 July!!

Happy Birthday to you!

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At the **TOWNSVILLE SHOW** in 2013 were:
 [Clockwise from top right]: Brayth Haines & Lakeisha Brown;
 Delena Foster with her grandchildren; Reynard Chookie & David Pompey with Peter Pompey, aged 13, & Rubhen Pompey, 12; the Haines & Brown families; and Clive Poynter holding Labrow Poynter, aged 3, with his partner Krishna Burke and Dontay Poynter, 2.



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