



Yarrabah News

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The announcements for Yarrabah's Young Woman of the Year and Woman of the Year were highlights of a program of local speakers at a luncheon to mark International Women's Day this year. Nominees included Thelma Yeatman, Sue Andrews, Kirra-Lei Kynuna and Bryanna Smith. Winners, Gwenneth Yeatman and Destiny Kynuna, said they were honoured to be recognised by their peers, colleagues, families and friends.

Gwen & Destiny IWD winners!



Left: Gwen Yeatman;
Below: Speakers on the day were local CEOs Janelle Menzies; Ailsa Lively; Marcia Hedanek; Leisa Garling; Cr Nadine Cannon (front); Helen Tait; Ngema Andrews & Sue Andrews



Indigenous Mayors from 17 Aboriginal communities across Queensland attended a forum with the Queensland State Government Cabinet in Cairns last week. On the agenda were topics important to all communities including: health, education, employment and economic development. Pictured left, at the Convention Centre after the Mayor's Meeting was Mayor Ross Andrews, CEO Janelle Menzies, DETE Regional Director Deb Dunstone and Clontarf Foundation Regional FNQ Manager Chris McDonald.

News from 2016!

Shields Street Heart Public Art Project

Yarrabah artists Philomena Yeatman, Edna Ambrym, Valmai Pollard and Andrew Garrett have been selected to produce designs and artworks for a major public mosaic work and also high tech gobo lighting installations on Shields Street, Cairns. This exciting public art opportunity has been a mammoth undertaking over the last 12 months and is about to open to the public. Many meetings with head builders, curators, designers, landscapers, engineers and installers have ensured that the artwork has maintained its integrity and is very much recognised as artwork by the artists of the Yarrabah Art Centre.



This is proudly the first major public art presented in Cairns by any artist of Yarrabah. It has been an amazing journey for all involved.

Congratulations to these wonderful artists!

Yarrabah Boardwalk Project

Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council has teamed up with MyPathways to help Yarrabah WFD participants to complete the Yarrabah Rainforest Boardwalk which is located behind the Menmuni Museum.



The boardwalk has not been completed after the initial multi-staged restoration project which commenced in 2014.

Participants will be working towards building, repairing, construction, landscaping, plant identification & cleaning over 200 metres of a wooden decked boardwalk

This program is a Community Enter-

prise Australia 'Work for the Dole' Project. The project commenced in August 2016 and will be completed in 26 weeks. Lavin Keyes who has been Supervising the project and the project will be finished in 2017.

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NAIDOC Celebrations



ABOVE: Senator Scullion met with the Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council on Thursday 9th September 2016 to announce \$1.1 million in funding for CDEP-like activities, which was an initiative put forward by the Yarrabah Aboriginal Leadership Group. The Group has been funded \$375,000 over 2.5 years to assist with the development of the Yarrabah Aboriginal Leadership Group.

2016 YASC Employees of the Month



Feb: Kirsty Patterson
 May: Roderick Griven
 June: Clive Connolly
 July: Lee Rodgers
 Aug: Felicia Bulmer
 Sept: Cameron Fournmile
 Oct: Caroline Pike
 Dec: Jaeleen Geary
 2017 Jan: Abigail Murgaha

Survival Day CELEBRATIONS



Congratulations to the Community's Competition Winners from Survival Day 2017

Spear Throwing Comp	Blaine Richards	\$80 BCF giftcard
Best Damper Making	James Creed	\$100 BIG W giftcard
Biggest Grunter (SNR)	Nehemiah Harris	\$80 BCF giftcard
Biggest Fish (SNR)	Richard Smith	\$100 giftcard
Biggest Grunter (JNR)	Rayden Kyle	\$80 BCF giftcard
Biggest Fish (JNR)	Bilba Fournmile	\$80 BCF giftcard & remote car
Family Sandcastle	Bianca Canendo & Family	\$100 BIG W giftcard + more
Coconut Husking	Alam Smith	\$50 BIG W giftcard
Children's colouring	Anthony Yeatman Jarkiesha Richards Yasserie Smith Rosemary Maloney	



Last weekend local MP Curtis Pitt took the chance to see some good footy and officially open the \$67,277 renovations of the canteen and change rooms at Jilara Oval. In the pic below is Andrew Garrett, Gillian Bann, Mr Pitt and Mayor Ross Andrews.



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ABOVE: Also at the Convention Centre after the Mayor's meeting were Palm Island Mayor Cr Alf Lacey, Local Government & Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Mark Furner, Douglas Shire Council CEO Linda Cardew, Traditional Owner Jeanette Singleton, Cape York's Tania Major, Vincent Jaaban Schreiber & Empowered Communities Executive Officer Renee Williams.

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