



Yarrabah News

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Yarrie free to move but...



ABOVE: Gurriny Health Promotion Deadly Choice team holding up signs to remember if you or your family are coming and going from Yarrabah: L-R: Natkiesha Patterson; Andrew Garrett; Marlene Willett & Cyprian Mossman. Pic thanks to Cr Lucrecia Willett.

Yarrabah is now well into Stage 2 of easing current Coronavirus restrictions Mayor Ross Andrews says.

“It means we are allowed to travel within our own Designated Travel Zone without needing to go into quarantine to return,” he said.

“They only have to go into quarantine if they go outside of that area, south of Cardwell, for example.

“The most important message we can give to people leaving Yarrabah is to make sure they keep up their social distancing and hand washing.

“Whatever comes back into our community now is our own responsibility – yours, if you are travelling to and from Cairns to shop or do whatever else you need to do.

“Do everything you can, at every opportunity to make sure you’re not the one to bring Covid-19 back in with you.

“It will be devastating to us if you do.”

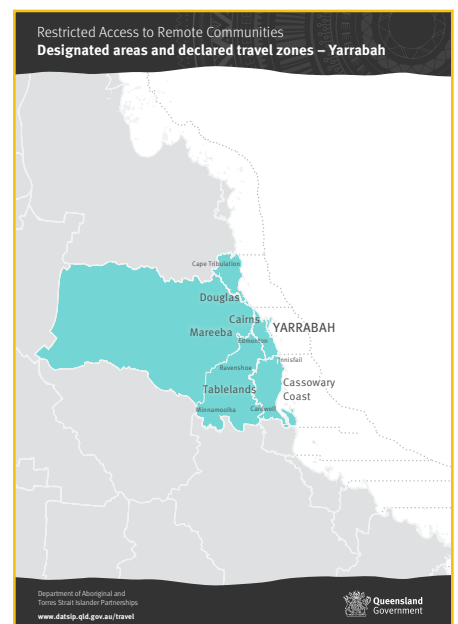
He said the other thing to remember was another outbreak in Cairns would likely see the lockdown returned.

“We should all be cautious and aware that if another outbreak occurs in Cairns, they will move us straight back into restrictions,” he said.

“I think people are generally aware things are far from normal over the hill, even though it might sound at times like things have gone back to normal.

“There are quite a few shops still closed and there are crosses on the ground to remind people to keep their distance, things like that.

“Nearly four months into this, things are still changing on a week to week basis, so we need the community to please keep up as best you can on Facebook and through other media.



“We still have some way to go with this, it’s far from over.”

Well done Jilara!

Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council is proud to announce Business Administration Trainee Jilara Murgha has completed her Certificate III in Community Services.

“It is great to see her so excited in her accomplishments, she is a great inspiration to others,” CEO Leon Yeatman said.

“This new qualification is a great addition to her other accreditations in Sport & Recreation and Hospitality.

“And she’s not done yet – her Certificate III in Business will be completed next year, giving her a variety of skills to further her career and be wherever she wants to be.

“Well done Jilara!”



Always Was, Always Will Be.

8-15 NOV 2020

(NNC) has postponed NAIDOC Week from the original July dates due to the impacts and uncertainty from the Coronavirus pandemic across our communities and cities.

The postponement is aimed at protecting our elders and those in our communities with chronic health issues from the disastrous impacts of Covid-19.

As cooler weather approaches the need to protect our most susceptible remain,” they said. “Further announcements regarding the National NAIDOC Awards and the reactivation of the 2020 NAIDOC Local Grants Round will be made within coming weeks. The NNC understands that the July dates for NAIDOC may still be acknowledged by communities and organisations, however we are mindful that those celebrations and physical gatherings will still be impacted by the various State and Territory Covid-19 restrictions and social distancing measures.”

They said they would continue to work with partners and key stakeholders to make NAIDOC Week 2020 a suitable and fitting celebration of #AlwaysWasAlwaysWillBe

Corporate Plan under review

YASC will be reviewing the Corporate Plan over the coming month or two and is looking for community input into the process.

Key questions being asked are:

1. What do you want to see in next 12 months?
2. What would you like to see in 3 years?
3. What would you like to see in 5 years?
4. What are key values for council to acknowledge?

You can comment on our Facebook page or YASC website, or contact Council Reception for a copy. We thank you in advance for your input.

<https://www.yarrabah.qld.gov.au/have-your-say>

WAYYYYYY BACK...



**...IN JANUARY
THIS YEAR...
Yarrabah celebrated
Survival Day as a
community, these
pics were in the
archives - memories
of the olden days?!**

New energy options mean new jobs

Yarrabah Council has been awarded a grant to do a feasibility study into alternate energy for the community which will also create jobs, Mayor Ross Andrews says.

“We’re really excited about this government investment to enable us to explore this project, it’s very innovative,” he said.

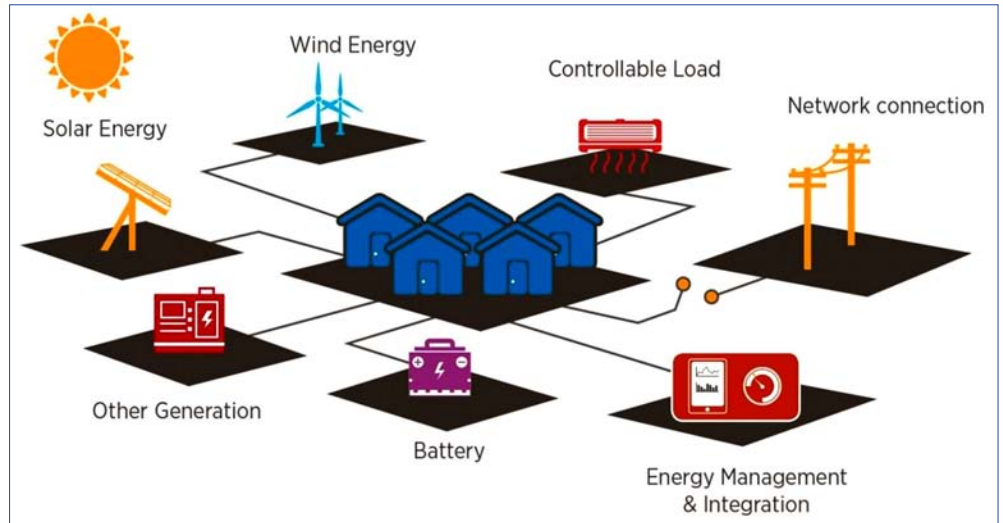
“We’re looking forward to working on it, our hopes are we will be able to be independent in terms of energy.

“Not only will it be efficient, but also green and cheaper, a real incentive to protect our environment and the community.”

Planz Town Planning Project Manager Susie Lord said the project would look at the use of microgrids.

“Micro-grids use a mix of different energy sources such as solar, wind, biomass (burning plants and weeds) and waste (rubbish) to energy,” she said.

“The project will look at creating a network of micro-grids using the latest renewable energy technologies to replace or upgrade the existing



Components of a microgrid - pic supplied by Planz Town Planning

electricity supply in Yarrabah.

“Reliable and reasonably priced electricity allows for new jobs opportunities and there will be opportunities for locals to talk about their ideas for energy and jobs.

“The project also includes mentoring and education about energy and waste from primary school to the broader community.”

She said the project was due to start in mid-July.

Yarrabah celebrates new graduate

Yarrabah recorded yet another university graduate recently, with Marita Miller being the proud recipient of a Bachelor of Business from Bond University on the Gold Coast.

Marita was initially enrolled via a Bond University Diploma program which she finished in 2017.

After taking a short break she re-enrolled in 2018 for the Bachelor program.

Fast-forward to 2020, she is now a proud graduate and holder of a tertiary degree.

CEO Leon Yeatman said she was an inspiration for all aspiring students in the community.

“Marita is a great role model,” he said.

Marita said it had been a great and rewarding experience.

“I encourage anyone who is interested, to explore tertiary study options,” she said.

“There are many choices available for students.

“I want to acknowledge my parents

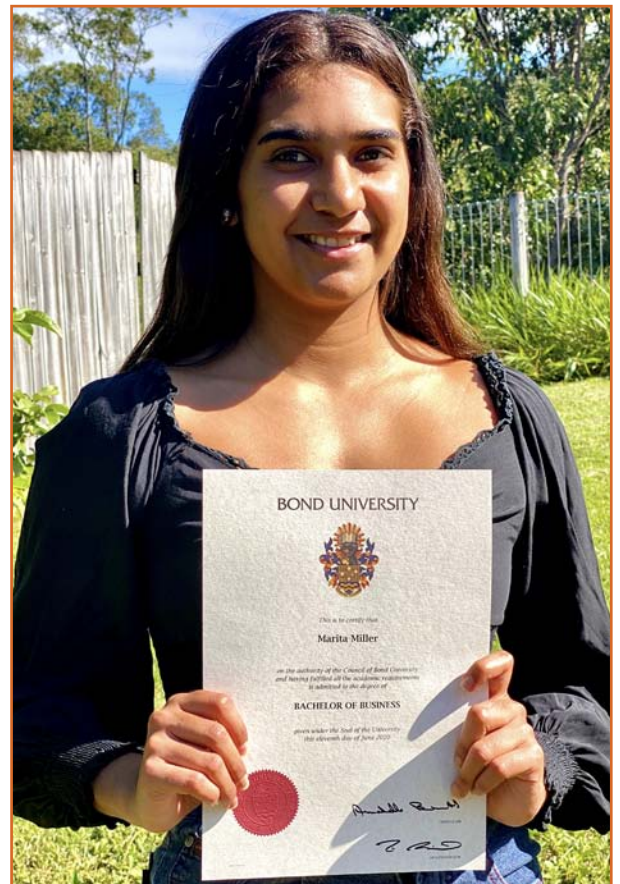
Nigel and Samantha Underwood for their guidance and support, which has helped me get through some tough times.

“I’d also like to recognise the advice and assistance provided by my broader network of family and friends.

“I’ve worked very hard and your support has really helped me achieve this result.”

Marita said her quest for higher learning was not over.

“I hope to study for my Masters Degree in the near future, but in the meantime I also hope to use my new qualifications to find full-time work,” she said.





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and Health
Service

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Manager Operational Services

Joyce Palmer Health Service – PALM ISLAND

Status: Permanent full-time

Salary: OO4, \$2337.40 to \$2563.20 per fortnight (full-time)

This position will:

- Coordinate hotel services within Joyce Palmer Health Service and PIPHSC ensuring standards of excellence are met e.g. Food Safety Standards and Infection Control Cleaning standards. Hotel Services comprise catering, laundry, general cleaning, ward portage, patient and staff transportation grounds and maintenance. The role also supports the systems for bulk stores, equipment servicing and maintenance.

Is this the opportunity for you?

- Knowledge and experience of hotel and/or operational services including commercial catering, cleaning, laundry and grounds, and the ability to deliver high quality services
- Ability to acquire knowledge of operational stock control and facility/equipment maintenance systems.
- Well developed management skills and knowledge and understanding of the development and implementation of policies and procedures including workplace health and safety
- High level communication skills and human resources skills.

Applications close: Monday 3 August 2020

Enquiries to: Judith Townsend-Stahre 07 4787 5121

Submit your application ONLINE:

<https://smartjobs.qld.gov.au/jobs/QLD-TV348224>



If you go to town remember to:

- *Keep your distance!
- *Wash your hands!
- *Keep your family and community safe!



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Please contact

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56 Sawmill Road,
Yarrabah Qld 4871.
or
rwright@yarrabah.qld.gov.au

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council is seeking applications for the following positions:

LABOURERS (7 positions available)

The Labourer works under supervision of the Project Supervisor, Works for Queensland. Project works will include general construction, as well as all other duties as directed by your supervisor.

Please send in your resume and cover letter to rwright@yarrabah.qld.gov.au

For further information and/or to discuss your eligibility to apply for this position, please contact the Human Resources Department on 4056 9120 during business hours.

Applications close at 4.30pm on Wednesday 8th July 2020

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