## Gurriny Yarns



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the monthly staff & community newsletter - Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services

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## Thank you Joni.

IT is with a heavy heart we wish farewell to the famous-flamingo-loving Joni Duncan from the Oral Health, Yarrabah Travel Team.

Our little pocket rocket Joni has been running around Yarrabah for the last 7 years and has been a Dental Assistant for over 45 years!

You might have seen Joni looking in your mouth, looking for your kids in the hallways, looking for the sweets in the tearoom and sometimes under the trees "getting some air".

Joni is one of the few Dental Assistants who took on many roles in Yarrabah. Patients always felt safe with Joni because of the love and trust she brought to her work - not to mention her great suction skills!

Outside of the clinic, you might have noticed her down at the school teaching your kids to brush their teeth or even up the range crashing a car with Dr. Ron!

There was never a dull moment when Joni was with her favourite mob.



We wish her many years of happiness, health, and cuddles with her new, and sure to be plenty more grandbabies. We thank Joni for all her hard work and dedication to the service; she simply is irreplaceable.

Thank you, Joni!

From your Oral Health Team.







## **CIAF success** for Aunty **Philomena**

YARRABAH celebrated culture and excellence at the annual Cairns Indigenous Arts Fair awards earlier this

Philomena Yeatman, a local ceramist and resident artist at the Yarrabah Arts and Cultural Precinct took out the major award in the 3D Design, Sculpture and Installation category with her incredible ceramic creation Bicornual Basket 1. This amazing work fused the traditional craft of basket weaving with ceramics.

The award-winning artwork was inspired by a 110-year old bicornual basket, which Yarrabah safely treasures in the Menmuny Museum.

The ceramic basket features clay from Country (Yarrabah), pandanas and Lawyer Cane. The weave around the neck of the basket represents the transfer

Philomena Yeatman is a proud Gunggandji woman, born in Cairns and raised in Yarrabah. For the past 30 years Philomena has worked within the arts industry in Yarrabah and now serves as Artist in Residence at the Yarrabah Arts & Cultural Precinct.

Through her art, Philomena has connected with, and keeps family traditions strong. Her love for the traditional craft of basket weaving grew from a strong connection with her maternal grandmother, who introduced her to this craft in the mid-90s.

The Yarrabah Arts and Cultural Precinct also hosted several displays and a retail store at CIAF.



## Colourful company

YARRABAH'S families have been affected over the past year by COVID with the women of our community impacted to a greater extent. Figures released at the height of the outbreak revealed that females accounted for almost 59 per of all adult COVID cases in our community.

The pressures of overcrowding, COVID isolation, along with the flow on economic family pressures has taken its toll across our community.

Gurriny Yealamucka's Family Healing Services, launched last year the Yarrabah's Women's Group, who meet weekly in a space behind the Arts Precinct.

These weekly meeting provide a safe haven and support to the women of Yarrabah, allowing the women to meet, share cultural skills and relax in a supportive caring and safe environment.

A recent meeting included grand-daughters and daughters of the members, joining together to learn the art of tie-dying and creating some amazing t-shirt designs for the kids.

Keeping culture alive along and supporting the women of the community are a key focus's for this group. The group enjoys a relaxed social centred meeting, with shared experiences and an opportunity to learn from others and contribute collectively to build a strong and happy group.

The Yarrabah Women's Group meet each Tuesday between 11am and 1pm, more details are available from Gurriny's Family Healing Services Ph: 4056 0168, or just turn up on the day.



#### **PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

Wed Jan 26	Cairns Region	Australia Day
Fri Apr 15	Cairns Region	Good Friday
Mon Apr 18	Cairns Region	Easter Monday
Mon Apr 25	Cairns region	ANZAC Day
Mon May 2	Cairns Region	Labour Day
Fri Jun 17	Shire of Yarrabah	Yarrabah Foundation Day
Fri Jul 8	Shire of Yarrabah	NAIDOC Day
Fri Jul 15	Cairns Region	Cairns Annual Show
Mon Oct 3	Cairns Region	Queen's Birthday
Wed Oct 26	Shire of Yarrabah	DOGIT Day
Mon Dec 26	Cairns Region	In lieu of Christmas Day
Tue Dec 27	Cairns Region	In lieu of Boxing Day

# Capturing precious memories

GURRINY Yealamucka's NAIDOC Open Day was the time celebrate all things family this year.

A portable photo studio was set up in the Workshop Road meeting room and members of the community were invited to drop in for a family portrait sitting.

More than 30 families kept the photographer, Kristy Schuler, Gurriny's Human Resources Officer busy, capturing more than 100 portraits of the willing community members.

In an era of smart phones, most families can capture their precious memories however very few captured photos are actually printed out and shared with family members.

The Gurriny NAIDOC Souvenir photo folders were designed to allow community members the opportunity to have printed family portraits on display at home and also shared with family and loved ones.

The presentation folders containing the family portraits are available for collection from the Bukki Road Clinic Reception.





### New bubs in community

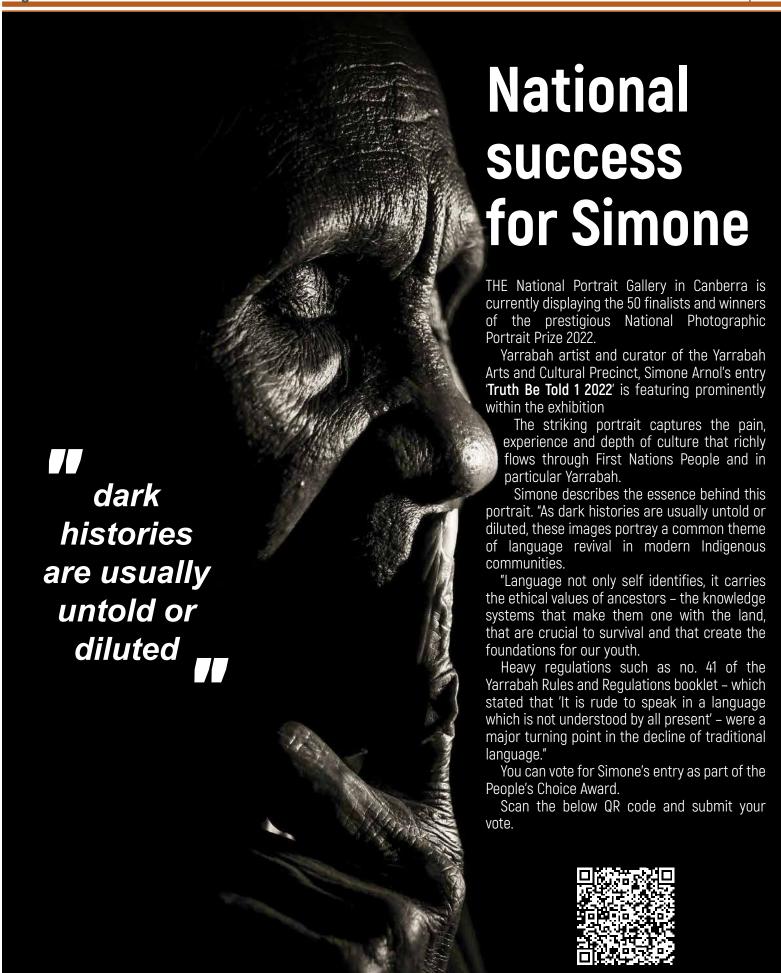
to Yarrabah ceremony for babies.

as, "the rebirth of culture, with three generations of women sharing their knowledge, experiences with new parents.

information about past customs and practices related to birthing.

marks an important step in restoring and preserving the sacred women's business of birthing.







## Assistance package annouced for YOUPLA members

THE federal government announced this week an assistance package for members of the Aboriginal Community Benefit Fund (ACBF) also known as YOUPLA.

After months of lobbying and pressure from community organisations around Australia, in addition to direct representation to politicians and political parties by Gurriny Yealamucka, assistance was announced designed to cover members through to the end of November 2023, allowing time to consider fully the best way to aid the 20,000 financial members of the collapsed funeral funds.

The government has made a commitment to cover the funeral costs for financial members of YOUPLA. To be eligible for this assistance, policy holders must have had an active policy on April 1, 2020. The assistance will be available through to November 30, 2023.

This assistance plan comes a welcome news to the 800 policy holders here in Yarrabah, and restores in a small way hope that their petitions to the government has been heard and will be responded to fully.

In March this year, Gurriny Yealamucka chief executive, Suzanne Andrews met with the then opposition Assistant Treasurer, now the government's Assistant Treasurer where Mr Jones pledged to review and act should they win government at the May election.

Meetings were help with LNP member Warren Entsch as well as Kennedy MP Bob Katter prior to the election.

Yarrabah was targeted by the sales teams selling the funeral policies. Travelling door to door and signing multiple members from families.

Yarrabah community member and Gurriny Yealamucka transport officer, Fredrick Creed was one member along with his partner paying a total of 6 policies.

Fredrick spoke to depth last week with ABC television expressing his concern for the families affected by the collapse.

"If the government steps in and gives us something back, it will be a bit of a relief for a lot of us families around every community (the company's salespeople have) been to," he said.

"I blame the government because they should have kept an eye on them."

In media report earlier this month, Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council Mayor, Ross Andrews described the collapse of ACBF as a disgrace.

"This represents a massive betrayal of our community members.

We believe the ACBF engaged in systematic cultural manipulation for financial gain.

They targeted our community, working door to door, selling a

funeral fund and the need for our community to join.

I am disheartened by the scale of their deception and exploitation of First Nations people, not just in Yarrabah, or Far

North Queensland but also Australia-wide."



## ACBF campaign goes national on ABC

THE campaign in support of the members of the ACBF and Youpla is stepping up in its intensity.

This month, two Yarrabah community members were interviewed on ABC Radio National as the pressure intensifies on the federal government to annouce what steps they are prepapred to take to protect those First Nations People caught up in the collapse of the ACBF Funds.

Allenby Ambrym and Jan Harris spent the afternoon being interviewed by Cairns based ABC journalist Brendan Mounter.

Aunty Jan, by nature is a very quiet and reserved person. Her story of how devestated she was when learning of the collapse of ACBF was a powerful story that echoed strongly in the news report. Sometimes the quietest voice can be the loudest.

The news report was published on the ABC website as well as running avross all ABC news and a current affairs channels and programs.



#### Eligible people CAN NOW GET a 4th dose

Protect yourself, your family amd your community.

Book in for your Booster and/or your 4th COVID

vaccination dose.







#### A combined community initiative

#### YARRABAH EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMUNITY

National Aborginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day celebrating Under 8s

"My Dreaming,
My Future!"

9:30am - 12pm
Thursday, 4 August
Daycare & Kindy Campuses
Morning Tea & BBQ Lunch
Yarrabah SS Gadigadi Dancers
Face Painting, Activities & More...















Yarrabah - Early Childhood Community Network Partners

### Your easy guide to the development of your baby

#### TAYLA SMITH - REGISTERED MIDWIFE

DO you know your baby's development milestones and the different things they should be doing as they grow?

Here's a quick summary of development milestones your baby should be hitting at different ages. If you find your bub isn't doing these things, you should book in with child health for an assessment.

This information can also be found in your baby's Personal Health Record (red book) in the pink "health checks" section.

#### 4-6 weeks old babies should:

- Turn their head and eyes towards light
- Startle when there are loud noises
- Watch your face when you are talking to them
- Track you with your eyes when you talk or move
- Be starting to smile

- Get more excited/attracted to bright colours and moving things like toys
- Bring their hands together over their chest and look at their hands
- Start to reach and hold things
- Start to become aware of their body parts "what is me" and "what is not"
- Learn to roll from tummy to back and then back to tummy
- Sleep less in the day and a little more in the night
- Be learning to sit with support
- Turn their head to interesting sounds
- Look like they listen when you talk
- Wake up easily to sound

#### To support your baby's growth and development you can:

- Do tummy supervised tummy time on a mat on the ground everyday with baby from the first week after birth
  - Talk to your baby lots and read to them

them or playing with them

bubba from practicing making sounds and shapes with their mouth that are needed to develop speech

when you are talking to them

face when you talk to them

when hungry, comforted when upset and loved up when they are awake, they develop bonding, attachment, security and trust which is important for bub's overall growth and





### Scholarship fund to assist with those studying and training in health

THE PUGGY Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme (PHMSS) is designed to encourage and assist undergraduate students in health-related disciplines to complete their studies and join the health workforce. The scheme provides scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people studying an entry level health course.

The Australian Government established the Scheme as a tribute to the late Dr Arnold 'Puggy' Hunter's outstanding contribution to First Nations Australians' health and his role and Chair of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO). A NACCHO News special tribute edition available here provides an insight to Puggy and his tireless efforts to improve Aboriginal health.

PHMSS will open for applications on Monday 29 August 2022 for studies undertaken in 2023, closing Monday 10 October 2022. Online applications will be available from this website once the scheme opens.

If you would like to be sent the link to the application once the scheme opens, please register for application updates, follow the attached link, https://acn.formstack.com/forms/phmss\_mailing\_list.

#### When should I get tested for COVID-19?

You should go to a walk-in (PCR) testing clinic:

- if you have COVID-19 symptoms (coughing, sore throat, fatigue etc)
- if you are a close contact to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms and you have access to a Rapid Antigen Test, you can test yourself at home and report any positive result online at www.qld.gov.au/rat-

positive or by calling 13 HEALTH (13 43 25 84).





Congratulations to all staff celebrating their birthday in August. Hope you have a sensational day.

**1** Agnes Neal

2 Ross Maloney

9 Renee Grosso

9 Jilara Murgha

**15** Tammy Ludwick

16 Russell Barlow

18 Karen Hacker

22 Bessie Patterson

**24** Rhys Lee Hong

28 Zipphora Smith

#### During August, a number of our staff are celebrating work anniversaries.

13yrs Lucresia Willett 2yrs Donna Singleton **1yr** Jai-Lee Titasey 1yr Wendy Stafford



#### **Need a Licence?**

#### We got you covered!

2022 Dates 9-10 February

14-15 September 23-24 November Sign up to our Learner Licence Program for:

- Understanding of Queensland's road rules (Day 1)
- · Written road rules test (Day 2)

#### Cost:

- · Transport and Main Roads written road rules test \$23.75
- · Queensland learner licence issued for 3 years

You need to bring with you an original birth certificate, debit card, healthcare card and Medicare card.

If you don't these, don't worry! Let us know and we can help you.



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ALCOHOL can impair your decision-making processes and lead to confrontations and senseless violence.

All too often a split-second decision can result in people getting hurt or even killed when they just went out to have a good time.

Violence is not the answer to solving disagreements; and there can be serious long-term consequences for both the person throwing the punch and the person who is punched.

#### Here are some tips avoiding violence:

- Walk away from conflict you have a choice,
- · Avoid going out with friends who you know get aggressive,
- Avoid fights or risk the physical, emotional and legal consequences,

- Don't use an angry or aggressive tone when speaking with people,
- Stay in well lit, public places with good security,
- Move to a different location or venue to get away from aggressive people.
- Let a bouncer know if someone is being aggressive,
- Scout the venue and leave if it seems too rowdy or risky,
- Avoid known trouble spots,
- Drink responsibly so that you maintain control over yourself.
- Remove mates from potential conflict situations before they develop, or
- Call it a night and head home.

https://www.police.gld.gov.au/.../fight-over-nothing...

## How do I keep my family's skin healthy?

- √ Wash your hands, face and body with MooGoo Body Wash
- √ Wash children every day
- √ Eat good tucker every day

Grab your FREE bottle of MooGoo Body Wash from Gurriny. You can refill it every week for FREE. So don't throw your bottle away, bring it in and refill it for FREE as many times as you want.









We recently said farewell to our Finance Officer, Allira Fourmile who has taken on a new opportunity over the hill in Cairns. Good luck and best wishes in your new workplace, Allira- your Gurriny co-workers are already missing you!



## **Green Island Tourism Venture**

A TRADITIONAL smoking ceremony and ceremonial dancers treated guests on Green Island - Wunyami, for the official launch of a brand new indigenous tourism product now available with Great Adventures. The Gunggandji and Yidinji Traditional Owners have commenced Wunyami Cultural Walking Tours, providing an authentic indigenous experience for visitors to Green Island.

The new venture was officially launched by Michael Healy MP, Member for Cairns and Assistant Minister for Tourism.

Quicksilver Group Managing Director Tony Baker said, "The Wunyami Cultural Walking Tour is 100 per cent indigenous owned and operated. It's a wonderful addition to the island experience bringing traditional stories to life and a whole new perspective to the cultural history".

Wunyami, which means "Place of Spirits" is Green Island's original name. The tour, designed for small groups, is very engaging and interactive, providing a fascinating insight for children and adults alike. Participants learn about traditional food and medicinal uses of the rainforest plants, participate in traditional fire lighting techniques and can learn about cultural importance of clay painting.

Elders Gudju Gudju Fourmile and Garth Murgha (Muka) say," Our guides explain how the island is connected to an ancient journey of two ancestorial story-time beings who fought and formed the island and who



still protect it today. This story is shared by the GuruGulu Gunggandji people (Yarrabah) and the Gimuy Yidinji people (Cairns). Our guides tell

of the relationship of these warriors and the connectivity of this iconic island to the ancient seascape."

Guides have been given special permission from their elders to share the stories of the island and the Great Barrier Reef with all who come on this tour.

The new business venture also includes the Black Seahorse gift shop which has opened in Green Island Resort's day visitor area, selling a range of authentic indigenous artworks and merchandise. The shop draws its name from the Black Seahorse, a known lucky charm for the saltwater women of the Great Barrier Reef in memory of Alma Fourmile (nee Patterson Katchewan).

The Wunyami Cultural Walking Tour will be available daily and takes approximately 1 hour. Tours can be pre-booked with Great Adventures Reef and Green Island Cruises or from the Black Seahorse gift shop on the island.



## Time to abandon NQ Pharmacy experiment



AMA President, Dr Omar Khorshid; AMA Queensland Councillor, Dr Lee Jones; RACGP representative, Dr Nicole Higgins; Cairns GP, Dr Aileen Traves spoke at a Press Conference, in Cairns recently (Wednesday 20 July 2022), about the North Queensland pharmacy prescribing experiment.

Dr Khorshid said "This trial is actually being run entirely in Queensland by the Queensland government. It is not supported by the previous federal government, it's not supported by the Pharmacy Board of Australia, and it's not supported by any reputable professional organisations, medical organisations, because it is dangerous.

Now, Queensland has chosen not to listen to those messages from learned colleges, from the AMA, from other concerned professional regulators, they've decided that they're going to do this."

"I visited the Gurriny Yealamucka Health Service in Yarrabah, just south of Cairns, where doctors, nurses, pharmacists, public health workers, Aboriginal health workers and Queensland Health employees work together to address the health needs of their community in a model that works.

"They deliver care in a culturally safe and appropriate manner in consultation with the community. A community pharmacist is embedded in the health centre.

"I was shocked to be told by these hardworking GPs and allied healthcare workers that not only is their community targeted as a site for the pharmacy prescribing trial, but that the Premier and Health Minister have not been to Yarrabah in this term of government, if at all.

"No-one has bothered to ask patients, doctors and allied healthcare workers in Yarrabah, or anywhere else in North Queensland, if they need or want the prescribing trial," he said.

Gurriny Yealamucka's Director of Medical Services, Dr Jason King believes the government's NQ Pharmacy experiment seriously compromises patient safety and is not needed in Yarrabah.

"We take a team based approach to healthcare in our community." Doctors, nurses, healthcare workers form community, along with visiting specialists, all combining together to deliver the best possible and culturally safe care to our community. Will 3 weeks of online training by

a pharmacist replace that?"

### What is in your lunch box?

THE Dental mob are coming back to the Yarrabah State School next month!

Did you know your kids' lunchbox can hide sneaky sugars which could be causing holes in their teeth? Many kids will get adult teeth from 6 years old, so we need to start healthy habits from a young age.

Some lunchbox ideas are:

- Crunchy carrots, apples or nuts: when we have to crunch our food, we produce more saliva which is like a big drink for our teeth
- Yummy cheese, yoghurts or milk: when we have dairy products, we intake calcium which is so good for our bones and teeth
- Always pack a water bottle filled with fresh water
- Try to leave lollies, chocolate, fruit juices and any fizzy drinks for special occasions at home

If you want have your kids' teeth checked, be sure to call 1300 300 850 to book a FREE dental appointment with Suzanne or Dr. Hannah.

We look forward to see your around the school or in the clinic soon,

From the Oral Health Team.



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Mon 1	Tue 2	Wed 3	Thurs 4	Fri 5	Sat 6	Sun 7
	Liver Clinic @ Bukki Rd Dr Peter Boyd @ Bukki Rd	Paediatric @ Bukki Rd		Physio @ Workshop Rd		
Mon 8	Tue 9	Wed 10 Thurs 11		Fri 12	Sat 13	Sun 14
Optometrist @ Workshop RD		Cardiology clinic @ Bukki Rd				
Mon 15	Tue 16	Wed 17	Thurs 18	Fri 19	Sat 20	Sun 21
	Liver Clinic @ Bukki Rd HAPEE (Audiology) @ Workshop Rd	Dietitian & Diabetes @ Workshop Rd		HRFC @ Workshop Rd		
Mon 22	Tue 23	Wed 24	Thurs 25	Fri 26	Sat 27	Sun 28
Optometrist @ Workshop RD		Dietitian & Diabetes @ Workshop Rd	Dermatology @ Bukki Rd	Podiatrist @ Bukki Rd	(	
Mon 29	Tue 30 Liver Clinic @ Bukki Rd Dr Peter Boyd @ Bukki Rd	Wed 31 Memory Clinic @ Bukki	AUGU	JST CLI	INICS	



Artwork info: bit.ly/First-Nations-artworks

# Do you want to help grow First Nations arts in Queensland?

Arts Queensland

#### Peer Assessors

THE Queensland Government is looking for First Nations Queenslanders interested in arts to assess and make recommendations on funding applications for arts and cultural projects including performance, visual art, music, writing, dance and more.

As a Peer Assessor, you'll support the important role of First Nations Peoples in decision making in Indigenous arts, cultures, policy and investment.

Arts Queensland is changing its approach to peer assessment to grow First Nations representation on all assessment panels, and support panels to have a more strategic role in the determination of funding outcomes. These changes will support Queensland Government's delivery of Creative Together 2020-2030 initiative.

Peer Assessors assess applications and make recommendations for Arts Queensland funding and provide advice on programs and policy.

The new approach has been co-designed with the First Nations Arts and Cultures Panel to support meaningful engagement and 50% First Nations led representation on all Arts Queensland assessment panels. Importantly there will also be 100% First Nations representation for First Nations-specific funds.

We encourage you to consider this opportunity to contribute to the Queensland arts and cultural sector and provide your experience and your expertise to support enhanced outcomes for Queenslanders.

Nominate yourself or someone else

Expressions of Interest and nominations are welcome from individuals aged 18 years and above.

#### Please nominate by Friday, 12 August 2022.

We are seeking expressions of interest from individuals living in Queensland with expertise in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and cultures, any art form, business, community networks, education, health, tourism and related areas. https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/



### Poached egg breckie

**Preparation:** 5 mins

**Difficulty:** Easy

Serves: 1

**Cooking Time:** 5 minutes

#### Ingredients:

1 egg poached 1 slice of wholegrain bread 1/4 avocado smashed 1/2 tomato diced 1tspn Sriracha chilli sauce 1/2 cup of wild rocket Cracked black pepper to taste

#### Method:

Step 1: Grab a coffee cup, put 1 tspn water in the bottom. Crack your egg into the cup and put in the microwave on High for 16 seconds

Step 2: Put the bread in the toaster

Step 3: Hit the egg with another 13 seconds in the microwave

Step 4: Smash the avocado over your toast and put your diced tomato and rocket over the top

Step 5: Check the egg. Another 10 seconds in the microwave if you don't want it runny then place over the rocket

Step 6: Drizzle a bit of Sriracha sauce and season to taste with cracked black pepper



## Keeping our children deadly and healthy

CHILDREN'S health checks are an important part of growing up strong, healthy and deadly.

The Child Health Team have been busy visiting Yarrabah Primary School to undertake health checks on site.

So far this year the team have seen children in prep and grades 5 and 6. The school have been very supportive and families have been happy to have the service easily accessible at school.

This term we are visiting to see children in grades 3 and 4.

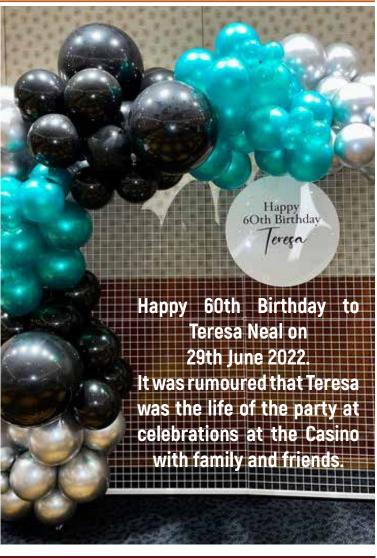
Bringing the clinic to the school goes a long way to breaking down the barriers between our service and the community. It is a great opportunity to work collaboratively with the school to improve health outcomes for children in the community.

Children at school were seen by a health worker, nurse and GP with consent from arents.

The dental service was also able to join in on some days undertaking oral health checks at the school.

The Child Health Team are hopeful this relationship will continue to build with the school and wider community to be able to reach all children for their annual health check and support development and learning.







Round 17 Sun Aug 7 Southern Suburbs v Seahawks

> Round 18 Sun Aug 14 Seahawks v Mareeba

Round 19 Sun Aug 21 Seahawks v Kangaroos

Round 20 Sun Aug 28 Seahawks v Edmonton





WITH a very stop start season featuring countless byes and forfeits the Yarrie Women are sitting in 3rd place on the ladder with 3 wins and 2 losses.

With 5 games played over the past 10 weeks, the Yarrie girls are working hard to build match fitness and momentum.

Katie Barron, from the team is happy with the way the team is developing. "We have a strong team, with a depth of talent. It's inspiring to see them play. Their football skills are better than many of the other players in the comp.

With 4 roster games remaining, it is hoped the girls will continue to impress and win and gain a finals berth.

"This is commented upon by our opposition and credit is given to our girls."

Perhaps this year, it will be the Yarrie Women who lift the premiership trophy and bring the football glory back to community.









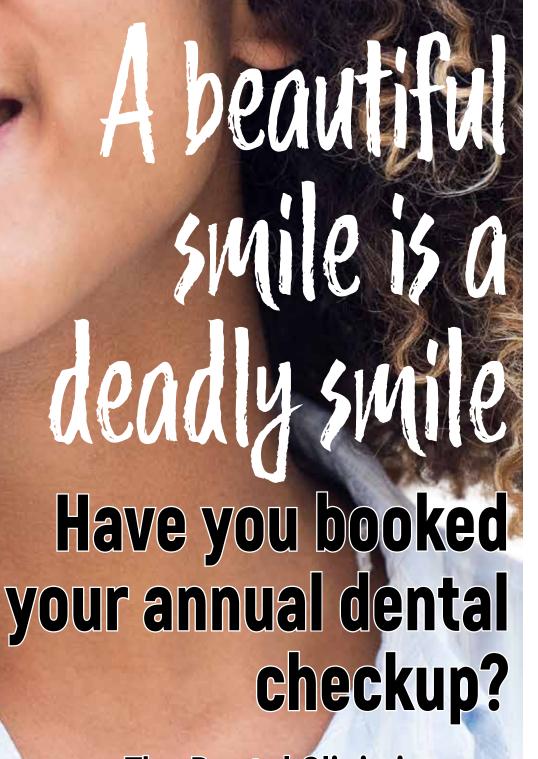












The Dental Clinic is open Tues, Wed & Thurs 9am - 2.45pm Ph 1300 300 850





## Dealing with grazes and cuts

#### HOW TO CLEAN A GRAZE







WASH HANDS

WASH CUT

APPLY BANDAGE

#### HOW TO CLEAN A CUT









APPLY BANDAGE

The above infographics are courtesy of the St John's web-

https://www.stjohnvic.com.au/news/open-wound-first-aid



### Keeping our skin healthy and our heart strong

TREATING any minor cut our abrasion (wound) correctly will help to avoid infections and also lead to a faster recovery and healthier skin.

The most common abrasion we suffer is a graze. Kids fall off their bikes or slip on the rocks, a graze happens easily and the treatment is just as simple.

#### Treatment.

- Wash your hands to rid your hands of any bacteria, use MooGoo.
- 2. Wash the graze with warm water and use a gentle soap applied using a clean gauze.
- Put a dressing on to cover the graze clean, this can be either a band-aid or bandage depending on the severity of the graze.

MooGoo

Clean your skin.

p prevent Acute cumatic Fever

If the graze is not healing within a week seek attention from your Gurriny GP or if after hours Yarrabah ED

#### Treating a cut is very similar to the treatment of a graze. Treatment.

- 1. Wash your hands to rid your hands of any bacteria, use MooGoo.
  - 2. Apply pressure to the cut
- 3. Wash the cut with warm water and a gentle soap using a gauze
  - 4. Apply a bandage to the cut

abrasion from the St John's website.

If the cut continues to bleed, seek medical attention from your Gurriny GP or is after hours Yarrabah ED

If you need to find out more about keeping your skin heathy and your heart strong, speak to your health care worker our your

Gurriny GP. You can also find out more about the treatment of cuts and

www.stjohnvic.com.au/news/open-wound-first-aid

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## Great News for ACBF Poilicy Holders

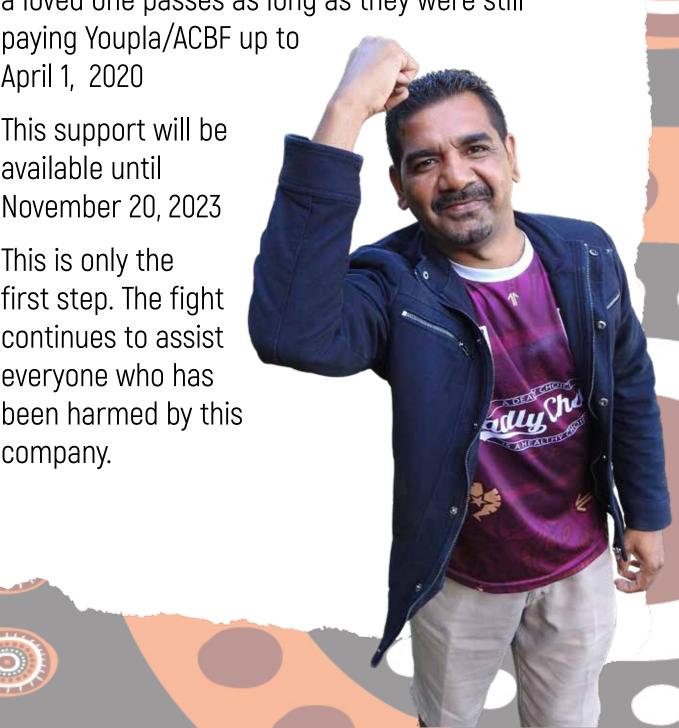
If you have a family member who has passed away, who had an active policy with Youpla/ACBF, their funeral coats may be covered under a government program just announced.

The government has announced it will pay claims if a loved one passes as long as they were still

April 1, 2020

This support will be available until November 20, 2023

This is only the first step. The fight continues to assist everyone who has been harmed by this company.







### Join for FREE and have your say

PROVIDING healthcare solutions to the community involves much more than access to health workers and doctors.

Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services is a true community-controlled health service, offering residents of Yarrabah the opportunity to join as a member and then have a say in the direction and future management of the health service.

Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services chief executive, Suzanne Andrews believes it is important for all resident to join and then have a say in the direction of Gurriny.

"Gurriny is owned by the community, if you want to have a say, then you need to become a member.

"We encourage residents in Yarrabah to become a member, allowing them to participate in our bi-annual members meeting as well as the annual general meeting."

"Throughout the year members can participate more in the directions and have an active voice in the management of the health service, "Ms Andrews said.

Membership is free and open to those over the age of 18, who also identify as Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander and normally reside in Yarrabah.

As a Gurriny member you can attend, speak, vote and put forward resolutions at the AGM and any special general meeting. Members can also nominate to serve on the Gurriny Board, as well as vote for those they wish to see serve as board members.

If you would like to contribute and have a say in the current and future directions of your health service here in Yarrabah, take to step, download a membership application and join. It's free and if you cannot download an application you can collect an application form from Gurriny Reception in Bukki Road or the Workshop Road clinic.

### Yarrabah designs hit the runway in Cairns

INTERNATIONALLY renowned fashion designer Cheryl Creed of Murrii Quu Couture brings her Fashique Runway back to Cairns in late August.

Ms Creed, whose collections have been exhibited on runways all over the world including Milan Fashion Week in 2020, has curated an incredible runway of local Cairns designers and organisations, celebrating the emergence of "slow fashion", a trend that rejects the principles of fast fashion and highlights a more sustainable approach to creating clothes.

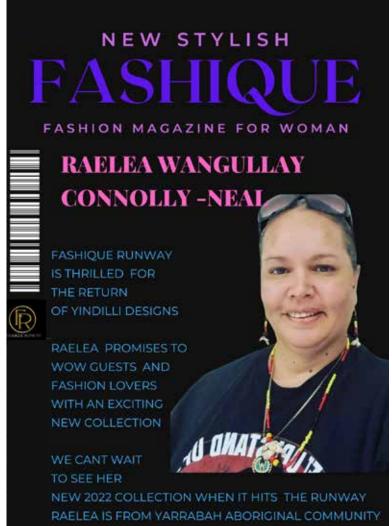
"Slow fashion is all about sustainability in design. I want to help the planet, and help people understand that there are options out there for high-end fashion right here in Cairns, if you know where to look," says Ms Creed.

The runway will feature 14 exciting collections from Queensland "slow fashion" designers Delivering high-end, eco-friendly collections, that's repurposed, recycled, organic, hand-sewn and limited editions designs.

"Cairns is in for a real treat, and people will be very surprised to see what our region has to offer when it comes to fashion" says Ms Creed.

Yarrabah fashion designer, Raelea Connolly-Neal from Yindilli Design will be presenting her latest creations.

Fashique Runway will be hosted at the Cairns Shangri-La Hotel, Saturday August 27, tickets are available from www.trybooking.com/



#MenziesT2D

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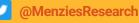


Text or call 0472 639 845 OR visit us www.diabeteslifecourse.org.au/youth-diabetes













## Our Values Ambassadors

THIS week we launched a staff focused Value Poster Project. The Values Poster Project features a number of Gurriny employees along with a copy of the service and corporate values of Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services.

The Values Poster Project is important to us for a number of reasons.

As a health care provider in community we commit to quality service, with strong leadership and a dedication to our community. At all times we will be seen to be accountable, and also reflecting the needs of our community as we manage their health needs.

We pride ourselves in our team work, at all time working in partnership with our community as well as our stakeholders.

These are our core values, this is what we aspire to and dedicate ourselves as an organisation to deliver.

We all know than the greatest strength of any

organisation is always their staff. Here at Gurriny it is true to say, our staff are our greatest asset, our staff embody what we aspire and commit to and the Values Poster Project is a reminder to ourselves and our community as to who we are and what we dedicate ourselves to.

These posters will be prominently displayed throughout our buildings, in public spaces as well as work spaces. Each poster contains a staff member, this staff member was chosen because they already, naturally reflect many of the values we as an organisation commit to.

The employees chosen who reflect our Values are: Rhys Lee Hong, Jannali Neal, Tamar Patterson, Darren Miller, Daryl Sexton, Bessie Patterson, Stanley Yeatman, Donna Singleton, Tanika Parker, Wendy Stafford, Trish Harris, Suzanne Andrews and Kevin Neal.



## Your school can win a visit from rugby league legend Johnathan Thurston

LEARNING about severe weather and disasters doesn't have to be frightening. The Get Ready Schools competition helps children learn about common disasters in Queensland and how to prepare for them in a creative and fun way. Choose from a range of activities to suit every class level and interest including worksheets, an online game, design challenge and a disaster-themed snakes and ladders board game. Best of all, our activities align to the Australian Curriculum.

#### Why do Queensland students need to Get Ready?

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Extreme weather is a part of life in Queensland. In fact, Queensland has more natural disasters than any other state in Australia (we've been through more than 80 severe events in the past decade including cyclones, bushfires, floods, storms and storm tides) and children are

among the most vulnerable.

We can't change the weather but we can be prepared. Research shows people who are prepared for extreme weather events can better care for themselves, their families and properties during a disaster which means they are able to recover faster. It's vital children are part of the conversation about preparing for disasters and play a role in helping their household get ready.

The Get Ready Queensland Schools Competition activities are a great way to start the conversation with your kids about what weather they might face this disaster season and how they can help.

#### How to enter

Follow the prompts online to find out more and complete your activity to enter. www.getready.qld.gov.au

WANT JT TO **VISIT YOUR** SCHOOL? Complete a classroom activity to enter by 7 October 2022. Visit getready.qld.gov.au/schools for full competition guidelines.

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# WOULD YOU RATHER?



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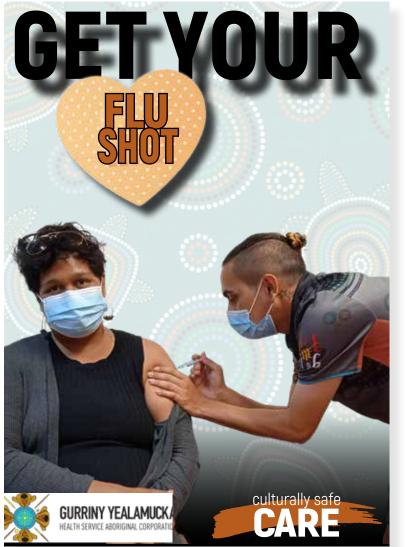
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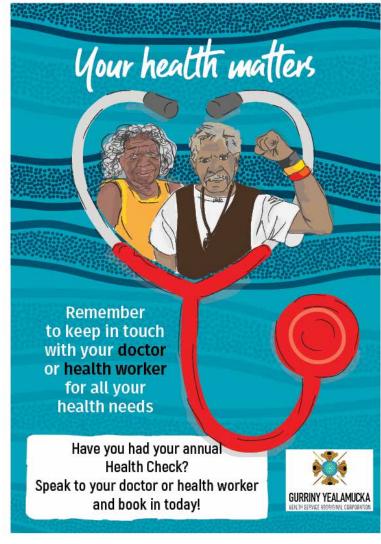
Menstruating isn't a choice, but those experiencing period poverty often have to choose between period products and other essential items just to get by.

There is a community based machine, based at Workshop Rd









## Welcome

### to the team



Renartha Bounghi

Trainee Youth Worker

Favorite Team: North QLD Cowboys

Best Past time: Spending time with my

children

Where will you be in 5 years: Helping

my community's youth and our future leaders at YSS

What excited you about coming to work? Gaining more
experience and knowledge, working with youth and meeting
the requirement to fulfil my role as a youth worker, and

most of all, creating a safe environment for our youth.





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#### Karren Doolan

Wellbeing and Engagement Officer Favorite Team: Brisbane Broncos Where will you be in 5 years: Here in Yarrabah, working within the community

**Top of your socials:** Spotify - I love my music

What excited you about coming to work? Working within this beautiful community that welcomes you with open arms, meeting new people and learning more..



#### **Daniel Mairn**

Trainee Youth Worker

Favorite Team: Brisbane Broncos
Favorite Movie: Avengers End Game
Where will you be in 5 years: In the
youth work industry. I love working
with kids, seei ng them grogress and

succeed.

**Top of your socials:** Facebook and YouTube **What excited you about coming to work?** Exciting environment to work in, with good people and miles everywhere you look.



#### Caynin Yeatman

Trainee Youth Worker

Favorite Team: North QLD Cowboys
Favorite Movie: Pirates of the

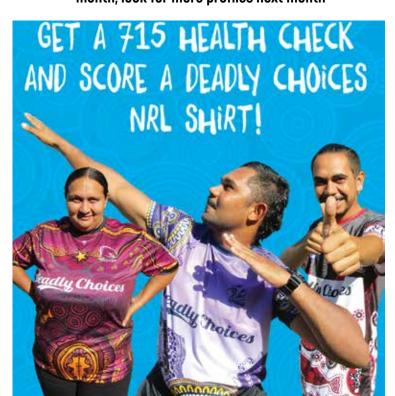
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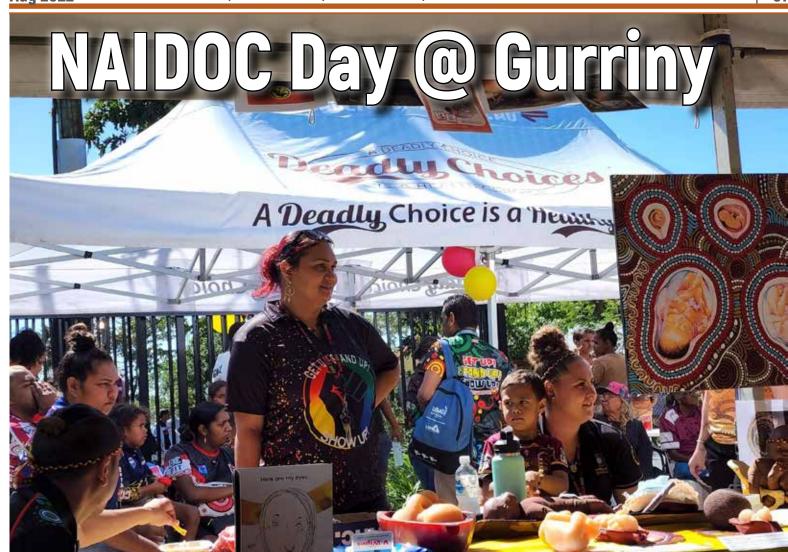
Where will you be in 5 years:

Hopefully working at the same

organisation helping and giving back to the community **Top of your socials:** YouTube State of Origin Highlights

We have many more new staff members who joined us this month, look for more profiles next month











ONCE again, the access to Yarrabah over the range was interrupted due to a motor vehicle incident earlier this week.

Gurriny Yealamucka Health Services drivers are very familiar with the risks posed by the daily commute over the range.

This was evident to the wider community when a NDIS vehicle carrying two patients caught fire towards the top of the range, placing the three occupants at extreme risk.

Gurriny Transport Officer, Clifton Burns was following the vehicle when he noticed the vehicle was alight.

Signaling the drive ahead to pull over, Clifton used the fire extinguisher in is Gurriny vehicle to douse the flames, enabling both passengers, including one in a wheelchair to escape the flames.

If not for the prompt actions of Clifton Burns, the incideould have had serious consquences for the passengers and driver of the NDIS vehicle.

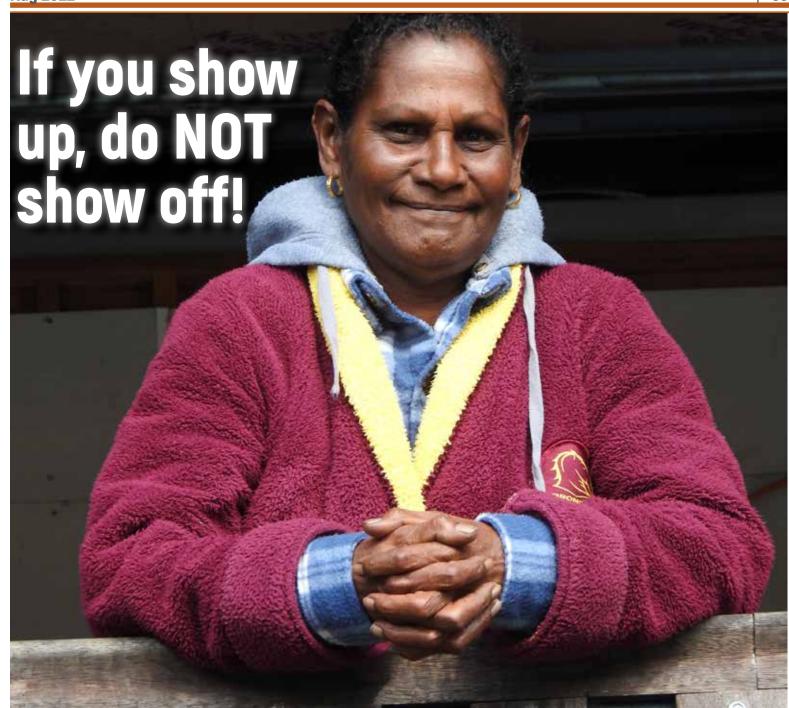
Fire crews then attended the scene and the fire was extinguished before it had a chance to spread into the nearby bush.

Each day more than 30 essential and non-essential Gurriny workers take the trip over the range. The condition of the range road along with no provision for overtaking lanes presents a considerable barrier to easy and safe access to and from Yarrabah.

The range road is the only access to Cairns from Yarrabah. Each week Gurriny transports patients to specialist appointments in Cairns. The road is an essential access point to Cairns for health, work, retail and social events. It is important that it be upgraded for the safety of all commuters as well as the wider community who rely upon access on a weekly basis.

Improving the range road is one important step in improving the social and emotional wellbeing of our community.





IF YOU show up, do NOT show off was a simple message from President of the Seahawks Junior Rugby league, Gillian Bann.

In the face of recent reports circulating in the Cairns media along with social media, we had the opportunity to sit down with the stalwart of rugby league here in Yarrabah.

Both Gillian and Sam Bann are the backbone of rugby league here in Yarrabah and unfortunately with Sam suffering from COVID it was left to Gillian to outline the passion and the processes being taken to make the game a family-friendly inclusive environment.

"We back the referees 100 per cent, before each game we tell them, it has to be a zero-tolerance policy at our homes games," Ms Bann explained.

"We want a family-friendly gameday. There's no alcohol at our Yarrabah games, and I support this fully. The Alcohol Management Plan for Yarrabah makes it a more enjoyable gameday.

"People are coming for our burgers rather than a beer, and that's the way we would like it to be."

According to reports it's only a few really passionate fans who may get a little too vocal, however the ground security and game day officials take steps to remove those unruly few from games, ensuring the balance of the crowd can enjoy the game for what it really should be.

"In the end, its only a game. We have to remember just how important it is for Yarrabah to have a team in A-Grade.

"Our senior side offers hope to all our juniors. We have over 100 juniors, boys and girls all having fun, playing the game they love and all dreaming of one day playing for the seniors."

Rugby League is a game that ignites the passion of supporters, Australia-wide, and Yarrabah is no different to anywhere in the country. The gameday officials take the Code of Conduct seriously.

The QRL released earlier this year, audio recordings of ex-Cowboys and now Pride Coach Ty Williams reminding gameday attendees of the QRL Code of Conduct. These recordings play constantly on gameday with the club planning to make localized copies featuring their players and even high school students.

"Football in Yarrabah is a community event. Having members of our community reminding our supporters of the behaviour we expect of them will go a long way.

Yarrabah Seahawks is a club driven by volunteers all with a passion for their community, their youth and the game of rugby league.

"Please, if you come to one of our games, or go over the hill to an away game, take your manners with you, if you show up, do not show off," Ms Bann stated.

The club is committed to the game here in FNQ and dedicated to keeping it safe for all and a very family-friendly environment for everyone involved.

The #PinkBox Dignity Vending Machine dispenses

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	Nursery Road				

## BUY & SWAP & SELL WARRABAH MARKETPLACE



#### GIVEAWAY: **5 Photo** Frames

5 Anko Photo frames, ideal from photos 8 x 10 inch prints.

Brand new, still in original packaging

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#### FOR SALE: Size 11 Oliver Safety Shoes

Hardly used, as new, size 11 men's steel capped safety shoes. \$25.00

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#### GIVEAWAY: Ratan Lamp

Beautiful ratan lamp, will need a lamp shade, but is still in good working order and will suit most decors.

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Used to be a camper trailer. This very solid and great condition trailer comes with water tank under, as well as sink and side tap.

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Can be sold with rego and road worthy. The trailer has great rubber and  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$ 

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Be the first to inspect this trailer.

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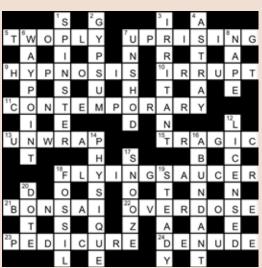
**Classic Dad Joke** 

How many telemarketers does

it take to change a lightbulb?

#### One and he has to do it while you are eating dinner.

Solutions



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8 a command or key on a computer which erases text (6)

9 excessively flattering or ingratiating (8) 10 a ball of minced or chopped meat (8)

11 speak to or treat with disrespect or scornful

12 difficult or annoying; hard to endure (6) 13 serving as a protector, guardian, or patron

15 to move goods or people illegally into or out

of a country (7)

17 British informal word for delicious (7) 20 to gaze at or observe the stars (8)

22 the best performance or most remarkable event of its kind (6)

23 something one accepts as true or real; a firmly held opinion (6)

25 a cessation of work by employees in protest at the terms set by their employers (8) 26 cruciferous vegetable with leafy stalks and

27 the ultimate purpose, object, or conclusion

1 a message or communication sent by telegraph (8) 2 an attacking player on the left side of a team on the field in soccer, rugby, and field hockey (4-6)

3 to cause to become less powerful or threatening, render harmless (6)

4 general excellence of standard or level (7)

5 an analogous great circle on a terrestrial globe (8)

6 a display of unnecessary or excessive excitement, activity, or interest (4)

7 the chief manservant of a house (6)

14 the area on which a rocket stands for launching (plural)

16 surpass or overtake another to move into a leading or dominant position (8)

18 a plant of the daisy family with yellow, orange, or copper-brown flowers (8)

19 close fitting rubber garment worn in cold water (3,4)

21 an idea used to account for a situation or justify a course of action (6)

22 a person involved in a disorderly public outbreak (6) 24 a restless or strong desire to do something (4)

## What's Con in

Mon 1

1-31 MS Readathon Tue 2

1-7 Dental Health Week



Thurs 4

4 National ATSI children's day Fri 5

5 Jeans for Genes Day



Sun 7

Mon 9

8-14 National Stroke Week



11 Thurs 12

12 Red Nose Day



Sat 9



Mon 15

15-21 National Wound Awareness Week



Wed 17 17 Launch of the Yarrabah Dignity Box



Fri 19 19-23 Healthy Bones Action Week



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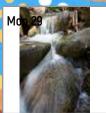
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Are you hosting a community event and wish to have it included on our What's on Page?

Email details through to comms@GYHSAC.org.au



A sore throat could be a sign of COVID-19 or a Strep A infection, which if left untreated could lead to Acute Rheumatic Fever (ARF) or Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD)

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