

Fortnightly news in brief from Jabiru, Warruwi, Minjilang, Maningrida and Gunbalanya



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West Arnhem communities including Maningrida, Warruwi, Minjilang, Gunbalanya and Jabiru participated in the 2019 Clean Up Australia Day. All events across the region were a success thanks to the great support by all those involved. (Pictured above) Warruwi community members helping at the community event.

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Maningrida artist Balang John Mawurndjul attends prestigious symposium in the United States.



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# **REGIONAL EFFORT ON CLEAN UP DAY**

West Arnhem has made a regional effort to improve environmental sustainability with all five communities holding successful Clean Up Australia Day events recently.

After placing a great focus on waste management in 2018, West Arnhem communities of Maningrida, Warruwi, Minjilang, Jabiru and Gunbalanya are leading the way again in 2019 by holding events which engaged community members and promoted ways to look after the environment.

The Clean Up Australia Day event in Warruwi was supported by the entire community with a great turn out on the day.

The clean up and family fun day included raffles, games and activities as well as great prizes to those who went the extra mile to pick up rubbish – congratulations to the winners.

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Council Acting Council Service Manager Shane Slavin wished to thank everyone who helped make the day possible including the rangers, Yagbani, the youth and all community members who assisted.

"A good start to the rest of the year to achieve bigger awards at the Tidy Towns Awards for 2019.."

He also wished to thank those who donated the great prizes including Fly Tiwi, Barge Express, Warruwi School and Ajurumu Store. Ngarrurri ta Warruwi

karrungatpi la ngarrurrimung Ta kani ta kanak katpani-util la

karrungula ta kunak ngarrurru (We at Warruwi have pride in our community).

The Gunbalanya Clean Up Australia Day event saw West Arnhem Regional Council join forces with the Gunbalanya Community School, Rise and Njanjma Rangers for an afternoon of picking up rubbish.

More than 75 people supported the event, and all the hard work was rewarded with a community barbecue.

Many thanks to all who participated and a special thanks to the Gunbalanya Shop and the Gunbalanya Service Station for supporting the barbecue.

This was a good start to the rest of the year to achieve bigger awards at the Tidy Towns Awards for 2019.

Minjilang held their Clean up Australia Day event on March 8, and the residents were very eager and motivated to make Minjilang a cleaner community.

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Two men in their 20s were airlifted to hospital after spending two days stranded in a tree on the South Alligator River.

The men were on a fishing trip when their boat partially sank, forcing them to climb into a tree without any of their safety equipment or supplies.

When their boss realised they hadn't returned from their trip, he hired a charter helicopter to search for them.

Fortunately, before their boat took on too much water, they were able to reach a fire extinguisher which they used to get the helicopters attention.

CareFlight's Top End Rescue Helicopter, operating on behalf of the Northern Territory Government, was tasked and landed in the carpark near the South Alligator boat ramp.

Rangers and friends brought the men to



The CareFlight Helicopter at the South Alligator boat ramp carpark.

CareFlight's medical team, who treated them for extreme dehydration and severe insect bites.

The men were airlifted to Royal Darwin Hospital in a stable condition.

## JABIRU ANNUAL MOSQUITO SURVEY



Mosquito larvae found during a survey.

Medical Entomology will be carrying out the annual mosquito survey of Jabiru on March 20 and 21.

Each year the survey is carried out to confirm the absence of the exotic dengue mosquitoes.

Mosquitoes breed in artificial containers in urban backyards. Containers such as used tyres, buckets, drums, rainwater tanks, roof gutters, bird baths and dog water tubs can provide breeding sites for this mosquito.

The officers will be doing some doorknocking to look at pot plant drip trays, bird baths etc. and will also set a few mosquito traps in residential areas of Jabiru.



The West Arnhem Wire acknowledges the traditional owners of country and their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures, and to elders, past, present and future.

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## START UP GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY CHOIRS

To celebrate our 10th Anniversary, Creativity Australia will be awarding 10 grants of up to \$10,000 in 2019 through the With One Voice Community Choir Social Franchise start-up fund.

The closing date for round 9 applications is 5pm, Friday 29th March 2019.

With the target of 40 choirs by 2020 in reach, they are on the look-out for more people who are:

• Movers and shakers in their communities,

Passionate about

community wellbeing and the power of the arts - especially singing

Aspiring to create

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meaningful change and a

fairer and more caring society If this is you - We have grants

of up to \$10,000 available now! Local community groups, social businesses and notfor-profits wanting to promote social inclusion and tackle loneliness, isolation, depression and disadvantage in their community are invited to apply. Additionally, each successful application joins a 12-month intensive mentoring

program. All successful Start-up Grant organisations are located in areas that are culturally and economically diverse and seek to redress balance between those that have and have-not. They provide crucial interventions for all participants and support those directly and indirectly affected by many of life's challenges.

"Singing in a group can improve wellbeing, inspire personal growth and transform communities.."

Most importantly, these organisations recognise how singing in a group can improve wellbeing, inspire personal growth and communities.

transform

Each successful applicant must present a strong social franchise offer that we believe will be successful and sustainable.

The choirs will create new social connections and extend opportunities for residents in these multi-cultural communities to participate, celebrate diversity and develop social cohesion.

For more information and to apply for a place in the With One Voice Start Up project, and receive up to \$10,000 in seed funding please visit www.creativityaustralia.org. au/start

# MANINGRIDA ARTIST VISITS UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA







(above) Monacan Nation Traditional Owner Karenne Wood, Balang John Mawurndjul, Djon Mundine and Kluge-Ruhe Director Margo Smith).

(above, left Balang John Mawurndjul pictured.

Maningrida artist Balang John Mawurndjul has recently been described by art critics as one of the most important contemporary artists in Australia today. Balang has had a distinguished career that has taken him all over the globe to exhibition openings and conferences.

He recently travelled to Charlottesville in the United States to attend a symposium for the 30th anniversary of the 1988 New York exhibition, Dreamings: The Art of Aboriginal Australia. The symposium was hosted by the Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection at the University of Virginia.

The staff at Kluge-Ruhe are a fantastic crew who have promoted the Australian Aboriginal Art in the United States for many decades. Balang was accompanied on his trip by his interpreter Murray Garde from the Bininj Kunwok Regional Language Centre. Murray and Balang gave a joint photographic presentation about Balang's early life as a developing artist at Mumeka outstation in the early 1980s.

These photos of Balang were taken by the anthropologist Jon Altman when he did his doctoral fieldwork at Mumeka in 1979 and 1980. Balang was shown great hospitality by the Kluge-Ruhe staff, especially the Director Margo Smith and Curator Henry Skerritt. The trip could not have taken place without the assistance of Maningrida Arts and Culture who organised all the necessary details to make the trip a success.

## WARC SEEKS FEEDBACK ON FOOTBALL OVAL UPGRADES

West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) is seeking input from Maningrida community members on the proposed upgrades to the Maningrida Football Oval.

## "All ideas and suggestions are welcome.."

It is well-known that the Maningrida community has a passion for AFL football, with a huge number of teams participating in the local competition as well as teams playing games in various festivals and carnivals around Arnhem Land.

In an effort to continue to foster a vibrant and positive culture around sport in the community, West Arnhem Regional Council has successfully obtained funding to upgrade the football oval through the Northern Territory Government's Department of Tourism, Sport and Culture.

Now in the planning stages of the highly-anticipated project, WARC has extended an invitation to community members to have their say on the proposed upgrades at a community meeting on Wednesday, March 20.

It is hoped that from this meeting, WARC can incorporate the ideas of community members into the design which will result in a well-constructed multi-use complex which will benefit, not only Maningrida, but the entire West Arnhem region for a long time to come.

WARC Regional Manager Service Delivery Gordon Smith said community consultation on the conceptual design of the project is an important stage of the project while final approvals are progressing.

"All ideas and suggestions are welcome and these will ensure we reach the best possible outcome for the community," Gordon said.

All community members are encouraged to attend the community meeting from 3.30pm at the football oval on March 20, and a barbecue will follow.



# WHAT'S ON

If you have an upcoming event you would like to see listed in this space please phone the Wire on 8979 9465 or email wire@westarnhem.nt.gov.au.



Harmony Week (17 - 23 March) is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

## WEEKLY

### Monday

NT Fire & Emergency Training, Jabiru Fire Station 6pm

Kakadu Deadly Runners Training, 6pm

### Tuesdays

Playgroup, Jabiru Courthouse 9.30am-11am Jabiru Art & Craft, Town Hall 7.30pm Football training: Brockman Oval, 5:00pm Underwater Hockey: Jabiru Pool, 5pm Aqua Fitness, Alberto Luglietti Memorial Pool 6.15pm Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training 5.30pm

### Wednesdays

Kakadu Deadly Runners Training, 6pm Social Soccer, Magela Oval 6pm Skins Golf: Jabiru Golf Club, 5pm Xango Capoeira, Jabiru Community Hall, 5pm Football training: Brockman Oval, 5:00pm

### Thursdays

Aqua Fitness, Alberto Luglietti Memorial Pool 6.15pm Story Time, Jabiru Library 10.30am Membership Draw, JSSC 7.30pm Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training 5.30pm

### Fridays

Badge draw, raffles, meat trays Jabiru Golf Club Kakadu Deadly Runners Training: Magela Oval, 6pm Pool comp Jabiru Golf Club 7.30pm

Sundays

Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training 5.30pm

## MARCH

Fri 15 WARC Ordinary Council Meeting - Darwin Wed 20 Local Authority Meeting - Gunbalanya Sun 17-23 Harmony Week Wed 27 WARC Finance & Policy Meeting - Jabiru

# WEST ARNHEM COMMUNITIES SUPPORT CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA



Young people in Maningrida volunteering their time at the Clean Up Australia Day event.

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The day was made a success with support from all of the service providers including ALPA, Mamaruni School, Rise Ventures, Garngi Rangers and the Clinic.

Each service provider had a quick talk about the importance of a clean community and how it related to them.

After their success at winning the Litter Management category at last year's Tidy Towns Awards, Minjilang is excited to raise the bar this year.

In Jabiru, students from Jabiru Area School heard from Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT Chief Executive Officer Heimo Schober, before heading out to clean up the community.

Heimo put on a wonderful presentation about where rubbish comes from, the impact it has on the local environment and the health of animals, and how we can all work together to keep the local community clean. The students then headed out to pick up rubbish from around the school and the Jabiru Town Plaza before enjoying a barbecue lunch. Thanks must go to Jabiru Area School students and teachers, Clontarf, Council and Louise.

The Maningrida clean up event was also another great success, with the primary school students helping to collect rubbish along the foreshore alongside community members and the WARC works crew.

The Rangers also got involved by assisting with weed removal and educating the students about environmental sustainability. Afterwards, all those who were involved got to enjoy a party at the pool with music and a barbecue.

## HANDBOOK WELCOMES NEW JABIRU RESIDENTS

The 2019 edition of the 'Welcome to Jabiru' Handbook is now available online and in hard copy.

Now in its 14th consecutive year, the handbook continues to be an important source of information to new residents to Jabiru as well as locals and visiting tourists.

The extensive handbook features all the 'need-toknow' information about living in Jabiru which is a unique town because of its location within Kakadu National Park and proximity to Arnhem Land. The information is designed to assist new residents in Jabiru to gain



an understanding of their responsibilities and to encourage them to take advantage of the attractions around Jabiru as well as general explanations of the services and facilities within the town.

This includes sporting and recreation, festivals and events, accommodation and food options, restrictions, languages, emergency numbers and a lot more.

This year's edition was coordinated by West Arnhem Regional Council.

Copies of the latest edition of the 'Welcome to Jabiru' Handbook are available on the West Arnhem Regional Council website, and hard copies are available at the Council office in the Jabiru Town Plaza and the ERA office.

See online copy at: https:// www.westarnhem.nt.gov. au/employment

# **CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY IN WEST ARNHEM**

(right) Gunbalanya students out and about during the community clean up day recently.





The Minjilang clean up day received a huge amount of support from community members and stakeholders.

participating in the clean up day.



The young people in Warruwi collecting rubbish from around the community. Great work everyone.



Maningrida works crew busy at the Clean Up Day.

(left) Shane Slavin from VVARC, thanking Warruwi students for



Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT Chief Executive Officer Heimo Schober giving a presentation to Jabiru Area School students.



Gunbalanya youth lending helping hands to clean up their community.



Maningrida students listening to the Rangers on the foreshore.



The students from Jabiru Area School picked up rubbish around the school grounds and the Jabiru Town Plaza.



WARC works crew in Minjilang at the event.



The Maningrida foreshore was a hot spot for picking up rubbish in Man'ingrida.



Warruwi Clean Up Australia Day.



Jabiru Area School students on deck to help clean the community at the Clean Up Australia Day event.



Gunbalanya students doing a great Minjilang community members

job around the community.

## BE CROCWISE IN KAKADU

Everyone in Jabiru loves culvert fishing, but keep in mind that Kakadu is crocodile country.

You may not see crocodiles at these roadside locations – always expect that a crocodile may be in the area.

Some crocs move into well-known culvert fishing locations and remain there for the duration of the wet season. They are attracted – just like fishermen – to the fish.

<sup>^</sup> Road users, fishermen and other users need to take care when accessing these areas particularly during the wet season.

• Do not enter the water when fishing.

• Supervise your children, do not let them play in the shallows of a causeway.

Fish and fishing lures are replaceable - human life is not. A lure is not worth risking your life for. Never lean over the edge of a boat, out on a tree limb or enter the water to retrieve snagged lures.
Avoid returning regularly to the same spot at the water's edge.

•Report sightings of dangerous incidences, unusual crocodile behaviour or crocodile killing or Visitor poaching to the Bowali Centre 8938 1120.

For Emergencies use the Emergency Call Device (ECD) or call 000 (landline) or 112 (mobile).



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11 May 2019

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BRIEFING

# **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY**

Maningrida Youth, Sport and Recreation (YSR) alongside Aged Care and Stronger Communities for Children (SCfC) celebrated the young girls in Maningrida in recognition of International Women's Day on Wednesday, March 6.

Girls from around Maningrida came afterschool to join in with some Aged Care clients in a movie, '*The Songlines*', jewellery making and a big feast of fish, bush potatoes and carrots and salads.

Those who attended enjoyed spending the afternoon running around Aged Care playing 'hide and seek' and tip tip while waiting for tucker. There was also a spontaneous walk to the beach where all the girls had fun jumping, running and playing together.

The night finished off with everyone sitting together for a feed and three girls were also awarded with a certificate and gift bag to recognise their amazing skills and achievements.

Thanks to all who came along and enjoyed the afternoon and also to all the staff at Aged Care for hosting everyone and helping out with the afternoon.

Thank you also to Petra at SCfC who initiated the event and supported along the way and to the Youth, Sport and Recreation staff who did a great



## MEASLES CONFIRMED IN DARWIN

The local outbreak of measles has now reached four cases following the confirmation of two further cases of this highly contagious disease being diagnosed in Darwin.

Territorians are warned to be alert for measles and get a measles containing vaccine, known as the measles-mumpsrubella (MMR) vaccine, if required.

"At this point there are no direct links with the new cases to the previous cases so it is not clear where these new cases, who have not travelled outside of the local area, acquired their disease. Knowing the incubation period for measles and the timing of past cases make it likely that other non-immune people may be developing symptoms of measles in Darwin from today and for the next three weeks," said Dr Vicki Krause, Director of the Centre for Disease Control (CDC).

The CDC is contacting people who may have had contact with these measles cases to provide them with information and to offer preventive treatment or immunisation.

"You can catch measles very easily from public places such as shopping centres, waiting rooms, movie theatres and cafes when local measles cases are occurring in Darwin. So it is important to be aware that, if you are not immune you are at risk," Dr Krause said.

"To be immune to measles you need to have had measles previously or have had two doses of the measles-containing vaccine, known as the measlesmumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine. The vaccine is given as part of the routine national vaccination schedule at 12 months and at 18 months, but people born between 1966 and 1996 may have only had one dose as a child and should check their record.

Measles is a very contagious that viral illness spreads people between through coughing and sneezing. The symptoms of measles are fever, cough, runny nose and sore eyes, which usually occur 7-10 days after exposure to a case. A few days later days later a red blotchy rash appears often starting on the face and then becomes widespread.

For more information, visit https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/ health-conditions-treatments/ viral/measles



# **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY JOINT VENTURE**

Gunbalanya community members celebrated International Women's Day in style this year through a joint venture between Gunbalanya School's Deadly Daluks and West Arnhem Regional Council Youth, Sport and Recreation.

Between 50 to 60 powerful women attended the International Women's Day event on Friday, March 8, with this year's theme being 'Balance for Better'.

There were many beautiful speeches made which made the event an emotional yet empowering afternoon for all.

A highlight of the day was a number of young women doing a catwalk in their best dresses, and there was also a lovely afternoon tea and decorations which everyone enjoyed.

Overall, it was a great afternoon and everyone had a wonderful time.

Special shout out to Amanda and the Deadly Daluks for all their hard work.











#### Kakadu Triathlon & Duathlon Saturday, 11 May 2019 INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS

TRIATHLON

Dear Resident,

ROAD AND CARPARK CLOSURES - SATURDAY, 11 MAY 2019 FOR KAKADU TRIATHLON

We are writing to advise you that you may be affected by road and/or carpark closures on Saturday, 11 May 2019 as part of the Kakadu Triathlon. These closures will ensure participants can complete the triathlon and duathlon in a safe manner. A map with markings of all streets which will be closed off has been attached to provide you with as much information about the event as possible.

#### PLEASE NOTE: ALL RESIDENTIAL ROADS IN JABIRU WILL BE CLOSED FROM 6.30am to 9.00am, SATURDAY, 11 MAY 2019.

If you need to travel during the morning, please ensure you leave BEFORE 6.30am or plan to leave AFTER 9.00am to get to your destination. These closures will be enforced by road marshalls.

Re-opening of roads and carparks is anticipated to occur at times provided above however it could be earlier or later depending on the last participant finishing. The one exception to this is the Jabiru Swimming Pool Carpark will remain closed until 11.00am to cater for the awards ceremony.

#### Carparks

The following carparks will be closed to all vehicles from 6.30am to 9.00am on Saturday, 11 May 2019:

- Jabiru Swimming Pool carpark Magela Oval carpark, Kinchela Ro .
- Brockman Oval carpark, Kinchela Road
- Arnhem Oval carpark, Waterhouse Road Jabiru Area School carpark, Waterhouse Road
- Lake Jabiru carpark, Civic Drive (at the BBQ facilities beside the Lake) Ranger Mine Mess, corner Waterhouse Road and Calvert Crescent

#### Carparking for the event

Participants and spectators are encouraged to walk to the marshaling area at the Jabiru swimming Pool Alternatively the carparks at the Jabiru Town Plaza will remain open and you can park here however you will need to arrive BEFORE 6.30am.

#### Emergency number

The emergency contact number for the event is 0475 564 621. This number can be used if you require urgent access to roads or carparks between 6.30am and 9.00am on the day of the event. For all other emerge encies ring 000.

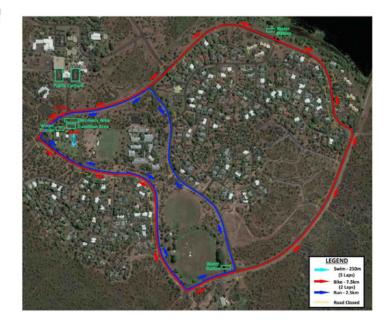
Community feedback line If you require any further information or have feedback on the above road closure for the Coordinating Committee, please call Jerry Pena on 0429 235 918 or (08) 8979 9444.

These road closures are a small but essential measure to ensure the race is enjoyable for spectators and safe for participants.

#### Kind regards,

Kakadu Triathlon Coordinating Committee

## TRIATHLON AND DUATHLON COURSE MAP





# STAFF MEMBER FAREWELLED



West Arnhem Regional Council staff and friends came together to thank Margie Betts (centre) for her passion and commitment as Centrelink Senior Officer in Jabiru over the last 13 years.

West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) would like to say a big 'thank you' to Margie Betts for her continued passion and commitment within her role as Centrelink Senior Officer in Jabiru over the last 13 years.

Margie was one of the first Centrelink Officers within Jabiru, and over the years, has supported a huge number of local indigenous and non-indigenous residents in Jabiru and surrounding areas.

Margie's dedication to helping others showed through her work each day, and she will be sadly missed in the Jabiru Centrelink Office.

WARC wishes Margie all the best in her future endeavours.



# REGULAR ACTIVITIES KEEP MINJILANG YOUTH BUSY

This month the Minjilang Youth, Sport and Recreation team have been preparing meals with the children as part of home economics taking place twice a week.

During the first week, the youth, with the assistance of the staff, made pizzas which they shared with their peers.

The second week, the youth prepared lasagne for each other and the children are continuing to make frozen cups to keep cool while the humidity is high.

On the weekends and occasionally during the week, basketball has also been taking place.

Discos have also been held regularly to go along with barbecues and other indoor activities which the youth enjoy during the weekend.

The team have also been running activities outside on the front lawn in the evenings when it is cooler.

Some of the games which have been taking place are; skipping which is popular with the very young children and a game with the hulahoops which involves the youth lining up on either in opposite teams and they have to make it to the other side as fast as possible.

They also meet up to battle it out with using rock, paper, scissor with the winner continuing on and the loser heading back to their line.



The Minjilang youth out and about in the community as part of the youth, sport and recreation activities.



### JABIRU LANDFILL OPENING HOURS

West Arnhem Regional Council wishes to advise Jabiru residents of the upcoming change in opening hours at the Jabiru Landfill (located at the Jabiru Industrial Area) commencing Monday, 25 March 2019.

#### **OPENING HOURS**

From Monday, 25 March 2019, the landfill will open during the following hours only:

MONDAY:	8
TUESDAY:	8
WEDNESDAY:	8
THURSDAY:	8
FRIDAY:	8
SATURDAY:	8
SUNDAY:	С

.00am to 4.00pm .00am to 12 noon LOSED



For further information, please contact the Jabiru Council office on (08) 8979 9444.



# YOUTH CELEBRATE WOMEN'S DAY

The young women of Jabiru did not let an impromptu storm dissuade them from brainstorming together about what it means to be an influential female in the community at the International Women's Ďay event recently.

#balanceforbetter was the name of the game and everybody got creative with arts and crafts to express the importance of the special day and what it means to young women everywhere.

Drawing on the experiences and positions of the older women in the group, the young ones spoke about their thoughts, feelings, dreams, aspirations and goals, and who were the influential people in their lives.

The Jabiru youth brainstorming together about what it means to be an influential female in the community.

they could work together to move forward and make society a more balanced place to be.

They also spoke about how

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- **Community Care Assistant Minjilang** Casual - No accommodation. Applications close 8 am Monday 18 March 2019
- Senior Team Leader Youth, Sport and **Recreation - Gunbalanya** Fixed term until 30 June 2021 - Full Time -Accommodation available. Applications close 8 am Monday 18 March 2019
- Area Manager Darwin or Jabiru Fixed term 3 years - Full Time -Accommodation available in Jabiru. Applications close 8 am Monday 18 March 2019
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Email completed application to vacancy@westarnhem.nt.gov.au Indigenous people are encouraged to apply

# WARRUWI YOUTH LEARNING TO PREPARE HEALTHY MEAL OPTIONS

There have been many activities running through the Warruwi Youth, Sport and Recreation recently.

Each Friday to Saturday basketball games have been taking place within the hall, movie nights and discos.

Also during this month, the youth have suggested to staff that they would enjoy 'action' on the weekends, and as a result, the children have been working together to form dance groups.

They also perform in front of friends and families at the hall.

Home economics has also been in full swing and once a week and the team are aiming to bring this project into youth sports and recreation on a regular basis, as there are many benefits of making healthy choices as it pays dividends to one's health and wellbeing.

The youth have been preparing healthy meals with the supervision of staff and the team has been encouraging all young community members to come in and enjoy a healthy meal.





#### Clean up after fishing, don't call out to crocs

Salties are as keen on fishing as we are and they can smell a potential feed a very

long way off. When they are below the surface they close their nostrils so the water doesn't get in but when they are cruising about hunting they open up their nostrils and start sniffing!

Don't get lazy when you are out fishing. Those fish frames and fish guts

that you throw into the water or on to the bank can be smelt by crocs for up to a kilometre away and they will come looking for an easy feed.

The person they find may not



be you!

Help to protect others in your community, take all your fishing rubbish home, don't call out to crocs. www.becrocwise.nt.gov.au #becrocwise

# **ACTIVITY AT NEW SUB AREA WELL-SUPPORTED**

Maningrida Youth, Sport and Recreation held their first activity in New Sub on March 12 while Volleyball NT were in the community.

To make the event possible, Volleyball NT brought down a net and volleyballs and ran a game in the New Sub park.

New Sub is an area of housing in Maningrida that is quite removed from the rest of the community.

"The participants also said they really liked having an activity close to their home.."

Geographically it is located on the far side of the airstrip and is approximately three kilometres from the main services in Maningrida.

The location and distance of New Sub from main services can be a barrier for Maningrida's youth to access Youth, Sport and Recreation activities regularly.

It can also add risks when having to walk the distance back home at night.

The positive feedback which the Youth, Sport and Recreation team received following this first activity in the New Sub was overwhelming.

Traditional Owners welcomed the idea with open arms and thanked the team for bringing activities to the youth in New Sub.

The participants also said they really liked having an activity close to their home and told the team that they would like to have more activities delivered in New Sub.

The Maningrida Youth, Sport and Recreation will continue to run activities and slowly increase the amount of programs delivered in New Sub over the year.

(right) Maningrida Youth, Sport and Recreation held their first activity in New Sub recently.





# ALL WELCOME TO JOIN IN TRIATHLON TRAINING



A complimentary 8-week training program is currently under way in the lead up to the Kakadu Triathlon. All ages and abilities are welcome. For more information, see the program advertisement (pictured right).

A complimentary training program for the 2019 Kakadu Triathlon began this week, with participants taking to the water for an introductory session in individual assessment, aiming to identify areas for improving their technique and stroke.

These sessions are facilitated by the West Arnhem Regional Council Sport and Recreation Team with thanks to the Kakadu Deadly Runners as well for their support. The weekly programs will be posted on the Kakadu Triathlon Facebook page if you would like to train at your own pace or if you miss a session.



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Note: Before starting an exercise program, consult with your GP