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



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Youth in Gunbalanya worked alongside artists from Corrugated Iron Youth Arts recently to reinvigorate the Youth Centre and used film and paint to tell some stories about the Gunbalanya community.

MURAL REFLECTS GUNBALANYA

Gunbalanya literally came to life with a visit from Corrugated Iron Youth Arts recently.

Artist Janie Andrews and filmmaker Nat Kelly came to Gunbalanya for a two week program, working alongside local young people to reinvigorate the Youth Centre and use film and paint to tell some Gunbalanya stories as told by local youth.

Corrugated Iron Youth Arts usually run circus and performance workshops in remote communities, but this time they had to live up to their name as the brief was to facilitate painting workshops on the inside corrugated iron walls of Gunbalanya Youth Centre, as well as the curtains.

Over 50 young people were involved in the project, which saw the bumpy corrugated iron interior walls of the Youth Centre shed bought to life with the creation of two technicoloured murals and dazzling new curtains.

This story will also be shared as a short film in the upcoming Travelling Film Festival.

"Depicting the beautiful billabong and hills in Gunbalanya, the other, a vibrantly colourful Kunwinjku seasonal calendar.."

The seasons of Gunbalanya and the bush foods, plants and animals that are a part of the season will form the point of inspiration within the film.

The workshop took place in week 10 of the school term and the first week of school holidays.

The first part of the program saw both daytime painting workshops held at Gunbalanya school and afterschool sessions at the Youth Centre, along with food and additional games.

During school holidays, young people had the opportunity to explore the plants and bush foods around town, bringing back samples to draw. They made a short film with Nat documenting and explaining different fruits, nuts and animals from the seasonal calendar they had painted. This included the finding of blackcurrants, water peanuts and a water goanna.

Artist Janie supported young people to transform their ideas into painting and stencils for the walls and curtains.

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HOLIDAY HEALTH REMINDER

Territorians are being reminded to take extra precautions over the school holiday period, with measles still circulating and the mosquito-borne Kunjin virus being detected in the Top End.

"Everyone should be immune to measles, but it is absolutely essential to be certain of your immunity if you are travelling overseas where measles is currently at high levels," said Acting Director at the Centre for Disease Control Dr Ros Webby.

"There have been recent outbreaks in South-East Asia but high rates have also been reported in Europe. People aged from their 20s to early 50s need to make sure they have had a second MMR vaccine before they travel.

"Measles is still circulating in Darwin and Palmerston so everyone needs to make doubly sure they are immune."

There have been 30 confirmed cases of measles in the current outbreak.

Those born before 1966 are assumed to have had measles, while those born after 1996 are likely to have had two measles vaccinations as part of the routine childhood schedule. Everyone who has not had the measles needs two vaccinations to be considered immune.

"For those travelling closer to home it is also important to protect yourself and your family from mosquito bites.."

"For those travelling closer to home it is also important to protect yourself and your family from mosquito bites. Kunjin virus activity has been detected in Top End. Territorians should take extra precautions to avoid being bitten by mosquitoes during outdoor activities,

especially between sundown and sunrise."

The high risk period for Kunjin virus is from February to the end of July, and the mosquitoes that transmit the disease can occur in pest numbers within a few kilometres of their breeding sites, such as seasonal lagoons and wetlands. Following recent monsoonal activity, mosquitoes are expected to increase in rural areas, and remain relatively high until breeding sites dry up. Murray Valley encephalitis (MVE) virus is also transmitted by mosquitoes and is known historically to be in the Top End at this time of year. The MVE virus causes a disease very similar to and even more serious than Kunjin disease and is one to be avoided.

Symptoms of Kunjin virus and also MVE virus disease can include severe headache, high fever, drowsiness, tremor and seizures (especially in young children), with MVE being potentially fatal.



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WOMEN'S NETWORK SUPPORTS LOCAL CHARITIES

ERA's Ranger Women's Network celebrated International Women's Day in what was a wonderful evening out for Jabiru community members at the Mercure Kakadu Crocodile Hotel on March 13.

The night also included a huge raffle which was very successful, and all funds

raised from the evening was donated to local charities Jabiru Playgroup and the Jabiru Bushratz Junior Rugby Union.

The cheques were handed out at a lovely presentation with the playgroup and the junior rugby union recently and each group received \$1205.



Members from the Ranger Women's Network handing over the donation to the Jabiru Playgroup members at the Courthouse recently. Playgroup is held each Tuesday at the Courthouse during the wet season and at Jabiru Lake in the dry season.



The Jabiru Bushratz Junior Rugby Union team was presented with a cheque thanks to the Rangers Women's Network recently.

GET YOUR ENTRY IN FOR KAKADU TRIATHLON

Anticipation for the 2019 Kakadu Triathlon is building with registrations open and entries flooding in from people all across the Top End.

The seventh annual Kakadu Triathlon will be back on Saturday, May 11, 2019 with all funds raised supporting CareFlight to help continue saving lives across the Top End of the Northern Territory.

This event is a short-distance course that is perfect for all ages and abilities to participate in and enjoy the surrounds of the World Heritage listed, Kakadu National Park.

The 2019 event will incorporate the triathlon and duathlon categories for open competitors (14 and above) and for the younger ones, there is a junior triathlon divided into age groups. There will also be a relay team division for junior competitors aged 12 and 13 years.

Founding member of the Kakadu Triathlon, Leona Katzer, said the communityfocussed event has grown



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unbelievably since inception in 2013.

"Jabiru residents wanting more activities to occur in Jabiru, activities that would bring the community together of all ages. What evolved was the Kakadu Triathlon, an event that attracts many local residents

and participants from Darwin, Katherine and beyond to compete and visit Kakadu for the weekend," Leona said.

"An event that raises funds for CareFlight, a lifesaving service for remote communities such as Jabiru and its surrounding communities including tourists to Kakadu National

Park. The triathlon is driven by great support from local businesses such as ERA, West Arnhem Regional Council, Kakadu Crocodile Hotel and many more including local resident volunteers. The event has raised over \$50,000 for CareFlight and is heading into its seventh year under the coordination of West Arnhem Regional Council for years to come. As a community, we should be proud of what the triathlon has achieved over the years."

General Manager – Northern Territory of CareFlight Philip Roberts said, "ČareFlight appreciates the support of the Jabiru community and all the competitors and their supporters from across the Top End. The funds raised will help CareFlight in our mission to save lives and speed recovery."

Online registrations are now open at https:// kakadutriathlon19. gofundraise.com.au/

IDIGENOUS VOTERS IN LANGUAG

The 2019 Federal Election has been called by Prime Minister Scott Morrison and will take place on Saturday, May 18.

For the election the Australian Electoral Commission has developed a number of videos in 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages including Burarra and Kunwinjku. The videos aim to support and increase electoral participation in remote and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the upcoming federal election.

"Support and increase electoral participation in remote and Aboriginal and Torres The videos are in the Strait Islander communities."

In addition, these videos are a vehicle to celebrate and promote the International year of Indigenous Languages 2019, on a national scale.

The AEC's Manager for the Northern Territory, Mr Geoff Bloom, said the videos were created to raise awareness in remote communities about the importance of voting and how to participate.

"The majority of people who vote with our remote mobile polling teams live in the Northern Territory and are part of small Indigenous communities," Mr Bloom said.

"These videos give information on how to enrol, how to vote and also to promote employment temporary opportunities. The videos are translated into 12 Indigenous languages spoken in remote communities across the NT, including Murrinh - Patha, Arrernte, Walpiri and Yolgnu Matha."

following languages: Voting and Medicare information in Aboriginal languages: Anidilyakwa, Anmatyerr, Burarra, East Side Kriol, English, Kunwinjku, Pintupi Luritja, Pitjantjatjara, West Side Kriol, Warunmungu and Yolngu Matha.



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.



ANZAC Day commemorative services will be held in West Arnhem communities on April 25, including Jabiru, Maningrida, Warruwi and Minjilang.

WEEKLY

Monday

NT Fire & Emergency Training, Jabiru Fire Station 6pm

Kakadu Deadly Runners Training, 6pm

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

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

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

Jabiru Golf Club raffles, Jabiru Golf Club, 6pm Pool comp \$10 entry winner takes all, JSSC Pool comp \$100 Jabiru Golf Club 7pm

Sundays

Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training 5.30pm

APRIL

Sat 13-23 Easter School holidays

Fri 19 Easter Good Friday

Sun 21 Easter Sunday

Mon 22 Easter Monday

Thurs 25 ANZAC Day

MANINGRIDA'S OWN YOUNG ACHIEVER AWARD WINNER

Maningrida's very won has been recognised for her outstanding leadership skills amongst youth at the 2019 Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards.

The winners were announced on Friday 5th April at SKYCITY Darwin, in front of an audience of over 450 people, with Philamena taking the Minister for Territory Families Excellence in Youth Leadership Award.

Philamena McKenzie, 22 of Stuart Park demonstrates brilliance in youth leadership. As a member of the Indigenous Community of Maningrida, she is passionate about supporting local youth. She works at Great Youths Services to deliver programs supporting the health, education, wellbeing and leadership skills of young remote Indigenous youth.

"Supporting the health, education, wellbeing and leadership skills of young remote Indigenous youth.."

Philamena is a non-clinical sexual health educator, coordinator of the Gin-Derta Strong Young Women's Program and the Youth Leadership Committee, and senior youth worker.

She was also a co-director at the Lurra Festival. To broaden her knowledge and experience, Philamena participated in a 3-month self-funded volunteer program at an orphanage in Fiji.

Philamena also worked in sport and



Philamena McKenzie was presented the Minister for Territory Families Excellence in Youth Leadership Award by The Hon Eva Lawler, Member for Drysdale, Representing Minister Wakefield.

recreation with West Arnhem Regional Council in Gunbalanya.

The Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards were created in 1994, with the purpose of acknowledging, encouraging and most importantly promoting the positive achievements of young Territorians up to and including 29 years of age. The awards are an opportunity to demonstrate their achievements and showcase the recipients as role models within the community.

EASTER JOY AT KAKADU COMMUNITY CARE



Kakadu Community Care Clients visited the Jabiru Public Library to share the Easter joy with the staff. They utilise the library every week, having their lunch and sharing a movie together. The day was very special and staff and clients wished to thank Jillian May the Library Coordinator for her assistance in making Easter special for the clients. The clients loved their presents and celebrating Easter time in the community.

AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST ROLLOUT OF SOLAR POWER

The Territory Labor Government's target of 50% renewables by 2030 will deliver local jobs, and cheaper, cleaner power.

Construction is now complete on the Solar Energy Transformation Program (SETuP), which is Australia's largest rollout of solar power to remote communities and includes West Arnhem communities of Maningrida, Warruwi, Minjilang and Gunbalanya.

"Delivers reliable and safe power to remote locations.."

SETuP is a \$59 million program co-funded by the Territory Government and the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA).

The program was rolled out to 25 sites across the Territory. SETuP integrates 10MW of solar PV in remote locations



Solar PV panels constructed in Gunbalanya as part of the Solar Energy Transformation Program (SETuP). The program was rolled out to 25 sites across the Territory.

with existing power stations, resulting in remote hybrid power generation. This reduces reliance on costly diesel for electricity generation, and delivers reliable and safe power to remote locations.

The primary goal of the program is to reduce diesel

use by 15% in targeted communities, which adds up to 94 million litres of diesel savings over the life of the program (25 years).

The SETuP program was delivered by Power and Water Corporation and the existing funding agreement with ARENA will go through to April 2022 for performance reporting.

Minister for Renewables, Energy & Essential Services, Dale Wakefield said, "The SETuP program is an important step forward in achieving the Territory Labor Government's target of 50% renewable energy by 2030. SETuP will help to support cleaner power for Territorians in remote communities by reducing reliance on costly diesel, and also air pollution.

"ARENA is our partner in this significant program that will deliver for remote Territorians in decades to come. I thank them for their continued partnership and investment in the Territory.

"The SETuP program was delivered by Power and Water. The program has won engineering excellence awards and due to the hard work and innovation by staff, the Territory is now seen as a leader in remote hybrid power generation. I congratulate and thank all involved."

NEW GENERATION OF LEADERS

The Territory Labor Government is seeking 16 emerging Aboriginal leaders to join the First Circles Leadership Program, to equip them with skills to influence change in their communities.

Each year, the First Circles program selects eight Aboriginal Territorians from remote communities in the south and eight from the north of the NT to develop and expand their leadership skills, with the aim of participants returning to communities as strong community leaders.

Throughout the course of the year, participants will attend workshops where their voices will be strengthened, their contributions valued and where they will build the skills to confidently and directly speak to, negotiate and influence government about matters affecting their communities.

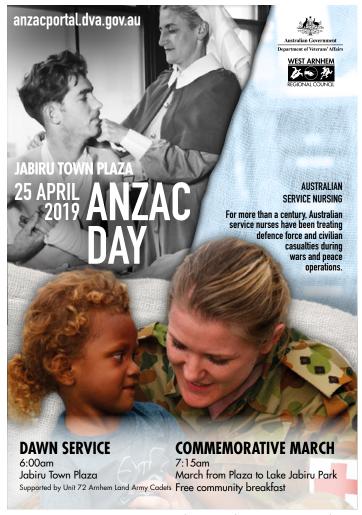
As part of the program, successful applicants will also attend the Aboriginal Leadership and Governance Forum held in Alice Springs, and will meet with the Northern Territory Cabinet.

Many past graduates have gone on to represent their communities at the Territory or national level, which has provided opportunities to advocate for change and connect with diverse networks across different regions.

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Expressions of interest applications for the First Circles Leadership Program close on 31 May 2019.

For more information, or to apply, go to: https://dcm.nt.gov.au/supporting-government/office-of-aboriginal-affairs/first-circles-leadership-program



GUNBALANYA YOUTH BRING MURAL TO LIFE

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Janie is presently involved in several murals in the Territory, including murals at Maningrida Community Education College and several locations in Darwin. Janie knew many families in Gunbalanya, having worked with youth and adults four years ago to create the mosaic artworks at the Child and Family Centre and at Injalak Arts Centre.

"It was great to reconnect with people and work with the children of the artists I worked with four years ago," Janie said.

Janie worked with small groups of youth to create two special large paintings. Over the two weeks, the murals grew into two stories: one depicting the beautiful billabong and hills in Gunbalanya, the other, a vibrantly colourful Kunwinjku seasonal calendar with long necked turtles, magpie geese, emu eggs and other bush foods.

There was also curtain printing with cut-out stencils which the kids filled in with paint and then added details. There are now fish, turtles, kangaroos, water lillies and so much more brightening up the

Youth Centre space. All of the children were really proud of their contribution and enjoyed showing everyone what they had created.

The entire process was documented by upcoming filmmaker Nat Kelly (who already has a number of award winning films to his name), which will be screened back to the community at the upcoming Travelling Film Festival.

Nat also supported young people to learn camera tricks and young participants were actively involved in capturing the content that will soon be screened to the community.

"Seeing people use the camera with confidence after only a few short instructions was definitely a highlight of my time with them in Gunbalanya," Nat said.

"When somebody else came up with interest, the person using the camera would often turn into the teacher, helping them understand how to press the shutter and change the exposure. Even when I was using the camera there'd be one or two asking lots of questions, which I thought was great, as it showed a real keenness to understand the process."











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Medicare Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Access Line 1800 556 955

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Full Time – No accommodation available Applications close 8am Monday, 6 May 2019

• Early Childhood Educator – Group Leader - Jabiru

Full Time – Accommodation available Applications close 8am Monday, 29 April 2019

• Childcare Centre Manager - Jabiru

Full Time – Accommodation available Applications close 8am Tuesday, 23 April 2019

• Community Care Officer x 2 - Gunbalanya

Part Time 20 hrs per week – No accommodation available All applications will be considered

• Administration Trainee - Maningrida

Fixed Term 12 or 18 months – No accommodation available All applications will be considered

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Email completed application to vacancy@westarnhem.nt.gov.au

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply

LIFE SAVING MESSAGES REINFORCED TO STUDENTS

Jabiru school students recently participated in the 'Enough is Enough' MACC road safety discussion and presentation with Arnhem Land Community Engagement Police Officer (CEPO) Paul Keightley and Clontarf staff.

The consequences of drink driving and not wearing a seat belt in particular were reinforced to students. Discussions with the students revolved also around messaging important to 'always do the right thing', 'never drink drive and always wear a seat belt', and 'not speeding'.

Jabiru Police have also placed a large 'Enough is Enough' banner in Jabiru and it is a highly-visible reminder to never drink drive.

Over the past couple of years in Arnhem Land communities, the Car Seats for Kids program (Booster seats and baby capsules supplied and fitted), and the Enough is Enough campaign, has provided a lot of education and support for



Jabiru Area School students holding the 'Enough is Enough' campaign banner which reinforces road safety messages.

everyone to understand the importance of road safety.

By not drink driving, always wearing a seat belt, and driving safely to the conditions, individuals can keep themselves, families and other road users safe.

Another important message was to never ride on a roof rack anywhere - this is very dangerous.

Students also participated in a cyber-safety 'Think U Know' presentation. Staying safe, and being respectful online, understanding the digital footprint or shadow we leave online and how this can impact your future job opportunities, were also discussed.

As a link between online safety and road safety, the dangers of also using a mobile phone whilst driving a vehicle were discussed.

Never use a mobile phone while you are driving, it is very dangerous, and also illegal.

Jabiru clinic staff also participated in a 'Think U know' cyber safety presentation last week and there are plans for more cyber safety education in Jabiru, and remote communities this coming dry season.

So please stay safe online, and check out the attached links regarding being safe online. Please also stay safe on the roads.

Usefulv links:

- 'Think U Know' website: www.thinkuknow.org.au.
- Australian cyber safety: www.esafety.gov.au/ education-resources/ classroom-resources/ bedeadly-online//

DANCE WORKSHOPS IN JABIRU



The Jabiru youth performing on stage as part of the Rix Kix Arts visit recently where they learnt plenty of new dance moves.

Youth in the Jabiru community were treated to two weeks' of free dance workshops facilitated by Rix Kix Arts recently.

There was a fantastic turn out of children of all ages and there was plenty of talent on show each day at the Community Hall.

The participants also did a great job learning different dances which reflected the Jabiru community, and at the end, they performed the show in front of a great audience.

Thank you to all those who attended and supported these workshops.

If you would like to make an appointment, please call the listed number or contact the Maningrida Clinic for further information

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INVESTMENT IN WEST ARNHEM LAND SERVICES

The Country Liberals are investing \$13.8 million to deliver important services such as night patrols, youth community safety and programs business programs in Arnhem Land.

Country Liberals Senator for the Northern Territory and Minister for Indigenous Affairs Nigel Scullion, and CLP Candidate for Lingiari, Jacinta Nampijinpa Price, said this investment will improve outcomes for Indigenous Territorians living in Arnhem Land.

Minister Scullion said that everything the CLP had delivered since coming to office was delivered in partnership with Aboriginal communities and designed to help close the gap in disadvantage between Indigenous and Indigenous Australians.

Ms Price was pleased to announce the additional funding for organisations in Arnhem Land.

"Through the IAS, we are investing in local projects

across our priority areas of school attendance and education, employment and business development and community safety," Ms Price said.

"West Arnhem Regional Council will receive funding of \$515,000 over a year for youth sports and recreation programs to not only increase participation in sport and recreation activities; also encourage community ownership and management of sport and recreation activities, and provide employment opportunities to Indigenous people in the delivery of sport and recreation activities."

Senator Scullion, "I am also pleased to work with the Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation with an investment of \$500,000 for an Indigenous Business Incubator Pilot to work with local Aboriginal people in Millingimbi, Galiwinku, Ramingining, and Arnhem home lands to get small businesses started and support them as they stabilise."

Kakadu Triathlon & Duathlon

Saturday, 11 May 2019 INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS



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

<u>Carpariss</u>

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 Road
- 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

<u>Carparking for the event</u>
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 <u>0475 564 621</u>. 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 emergencies ring 000.

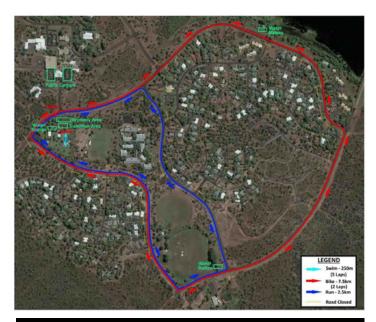
<u>Community feedback line</u>

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

Kind regards, Kakadu Triathlon Coordinating Committee

TRIATHLON AND DUATHLON COURSE MAP









The smaller the boat the greater the risk

If you are taking the boat out make sure that you remember to #becrocwise and stay safe on the water. Saltwater crocodiles have been known to sit underneath boats, waiting for dinner to

Remember that crocs can jump and a small tinny with a shallow draft is no protection. Always use a long handled gaff or net while you are bringing in or releasing your catch and keep your arms and legs inside your boat at all times.

The smaller the boat the greater the risk, Be Crocwise and stay safe while you are fishing and hunting. www.becrocwise.nt.gov.

GREAT TURN OUT DURING HOLIDAY PROGRAM

The Gunbalanya school holidays had a cracker start of arts-based fun with the visit of filmmaker Nat Kelly and artist/designer Janie Andrews from Corrugated Iron Youth Arts in week one.

This was followed by a continuation of good times in week two, with programs which promoted safety, exercise and wellbeing while ensuring a lot of laughs and smiles.

Some of the most popular activities with the Gunbalanya youth were sunset basketball, a water fun day and movie sessions.

Sunset basketball at the community courts brought over fifty youth of all ages, including a large cohort of teenagers eager to battle it out amongst the girls and boys for best on court.

There was some great skills and competition and, with everyone having such a fantastic time, it was challenging to wrap up for the night.

Not only was there a good atmosphere on court, there was also a great turnout of supporters who cheered on the teams from the grandstands.

Most nights, sunset basketball



was accompanied by a big barbecue so everyone went home with a full tummy after all of physical activity all evening.

Meanwhile, the water fun day at the Gunbalanya Youth Centre saw younger ones slipping and sliding on the water slide and bumping and bouncing in the giant fun bubbles which are giant blown up balls that you can crawl inside of.

This was a hit with the kids and there was a lot of big smiles as they cooled down under the sprinkler and went home with a bacon and egg sandwich.



Young people demonstrated the depth and breadth of their geographical, ecological and gastronomical knowledge during some short walks around Gunbalanya community,





finding the bush foods, animals and other treasures that can be found locally around town, including delicious minya berries, Kakadu plum and a whole lot more.

VOLLEYBALL REINVIGORATED IN MANINGRIDA

Although Volleyball has a long history in Maningrida, in recent years the sport has remained dormant. The opportunity to reignite the volleyball spark and practice digs and spades came in March with a visit from Volleyball NT.

"Increase participation and accessibility for residents of New Sub.."

Over ten days, people from as young as four to as elderly as 80 took part in daily workshops around town. Sessions took place at Maningrida College, Aged Care, New Sub, Town Hall, the pool and the community basketball courts. A big balloon was used to play the sport with elderly residents of Aged Care, which was



not only a lot of fun but also supported their mobility and stretching. The pool offered an extra degree of intensity due to the water factor and also meant a whole bunch of swims and splashes.

A new venue of New Sub was trialled during these workshop. With high levels of participation, they learned the importance of offering activities to residents of this area – who often miss out due to the long walk to central Maningrida. Moving forward, the team will continue to find ways to increase participation and accessibility for residents of New Sub.

The fortnight concluded with a final competition on



Thursday, 14 March with around 80 attending.

The instant popularity of volleyball and the natural ability of those who participated tell us we may be in for a volleyball revival – so stay tuned.

Big thanks to Volleyball NT and all those service providers who provided support.





HOLIDAY PROGRAM INCLUDES EASTER FUN







With only a week to pack in as much fun and activity as they could, the youth of Jabiru began their school holidays by getting their groove on at a youth disco held in the Jim Jim Room of the Crocodile Hotel.

Sunday morning was a bike ride to the pool where a rainbow of pancakes was produced for an enjoyable breakfast treat.

Monday morning, the Jabiru youth got out in the garden to make 'eatable pots' filled with seeds and leafy greens that they can watch grow into the dry season.

On Tuesday, the youth piled on the bus for a road trip to South Alligator.

The team saw a number of different fauna friends on the walk out to the Mamukala lookout and with the help of Jabiru's very own local cultural guide Ruby, they were able to identify the surrounding country.

After a long walk, the group cooled off in the pool before a picnic lunch and some games.

On Wednesday, the youth had their creativity stirring at the library while designing Easter hats for the Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday at the Crocodile Hotel. In the afternoon it was over to the hall for chocolate crackles and cupcake decorating.

Thursday morning was a 9am tee off for the Jabiru Junior Ambrose at the golf club.

It was some good fun in the sun that made for a good laugh and prizes. After a game it was back to the clubhouse for a sausage sizzle.

Jabiru Sport and Recreation would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and a safe holiday.

STAFF MEMBER FAREWELLED



Gunbalanya youth and West Arnhem Regional Council staff farewelling Senior Team Leader for Youth, Sport and Recreation Page McMillan.

West Arnhem Regional Council would like to give a sincere 'thank you' and 'farewell' to Page McMillan, who has served as Senior Team Leader for Youth, Sport and Recreation in Gunbalanya since May 2018.

Page has worked closely with her team members, Jayden, Treanne and Staceyanne and other community stakeholders to facilitate vibrant and diverse programs for young people and the broader community.

The team is committed to continuing this good work and ensuring young people have the opportunity to participate in fun, safe and dynamic activities. Council wishes Page all the best in her future endeavours.

