

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



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Eleven students from Gunbalanya School graduated with their Northern Territory Certificate of Education at a special ceremony on Thursday, 11 January 2024.

STUDENTS GRADUATE YEAR 12

The end of 2023 saw the Territory's highest number of Aboriginal students graduate year 12 and complete their high schooling. More than 212 Aboriginal

More than 212 Aboriginal students received their Certificate of Education, and on Thursday 11 students from Gunbalanya graduated on country.

Gunbalanya School operates on a Flexi School Calendar, based on the Kunwinjku Seasons and cultural movements of local people. There are 230 students enrolled from transition to Year 12 at the school, in addition to the Families as First Teachers (FaFT) program which first started in 2010 at Gunbalanya.

The Territory Government's \$12.9 million FaFT program has played a significant role in the education journey of the completers, with the program delivering quality early learning and parent support programs to young children and their families. The Gunbalanya School Secondary Campus /Trades

Training Centre enables strong industry pathways for students and community and has been a development area for Year 12 students.

It is to be noted that all of the graduating students at Gunbalanya have completed their NTCET without a VET component and averaged levels B and C in their final scores.

Chief Minister Eva Lawler said, "Every single child, no matter where they live, deserves a quality education, and quality access to learning resources.

"Congratulations to the 11 students who have graduated in Gunbalanya, it has been an honour to celebrate and acknowledge your hard work.

"This graduation is proof of what quality education can do. What quality policy settings looks like. These students took part in a Territory Labor Government initiative when they were children. Taking part in FaFT from a young age, set up these young people and their families for a successful future.

"The Territory Labor Government will continue to invest in life changing programs that we see results in; because that benefits the entire Territory."

Minister for Education, Mark Monaghan said, "This is a special day for these 11 Gunbalanya school students. You have made your community and families proud.

"Quality programs from day one, year one, are so important for a child's development and future prospects.

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'Be Crocwise' message delivered using voices and stories of people from their own communities.



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Young people in Jabiru have been busy in the lead up to the Jabiru youth art competition.



Warruwi came together to celebrate New Year's Eve with a community dance off!

ABORIGINAL INTERPRETIVE SERVICE

The Aboriginal Interpretive Service (AIS) helps to lessen language barriers faced by Aboriginal people in the NT who don't speak English as a first language. Any organisations, including councils, that need to communicate with non-English speaking clients can book an interpreter.

For most of the widely spoken Aboriginal languages in the NT, the service provides:

- face-to-face, telephone and audio-visual interpreting services
- recorded and produced messaging.

More information on the AIS, including how to book, can be found here: <u>https://nt.gov.au/community/interpreting-and-translating-services/aboriginal-interpreter-service</u>

PREPARE THIS CYCLONE SEASON

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Flooding

West Arnhem residents are reminded to prepare your family, home and pets for this cyclone season. There are a number of precautions community members can do to prepare and the NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services encourages everyone to have an emergency plan in place with an emergency kit.

Cyclones

Bushfires

"Cyclone preparedness information is available at SecureNT and follow them on Facebook.."

A full list of what residents should include in their emergency kit can be found on the Northern Territory Emergency Service website at www.pfes.nt.gov.au. Community members can also prepare their homes by: • Re-check your property for any loose material and tie down (or fill with water) all large, relatively light items such as boats and rubbish bins. · Fill your vehicles' fuel tanks. Fill Jerry cans with fuel if you have any. Check your emergency kit and fill any

water containers you may have (you should have at least 3 litres of water per person per day for at least 72 hours). Ensure household members know what the strongest part of the house is and what to do in the event of a cyclone warning or an evacuation. • Tune in to your local radio and/ or television stations for further information and warnings. • Check neighbours are aware of the situation and are preparing.

Severe storms

Cyclone preparedness information is available at SecureNT: https://securent. nt.gov.au/prepare-for-an-emergency/ cyclones or Follow SecureNT on Facebook.

The website features useful information about how to prepare for a cyclone, find an emergency shelter, how to prepare pets for emergencies, what to put in an emergency kit, how to create an emergency plan and more.

Secure NT also includes up to date emergency alerts and warnings from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM), NT Police, Fire and Emergency Services, Road Report NT, Power and Water and Bushfires NT.

For more information on the tropical low and weather warnings go to the BoM website: http://www.bom.gov.au/nt/ warnings



West Arnhem Regional Council acknowledges the First Nations Custodians; and the many Language and Family groups who are Managers and Care-takers to each of their Traditional homelands and Waters across the West Arnhem Regions Wards. West Arnhem Regional Council pay their respects and acknowledge Elders, past present and rising.

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GUNBALANYA STUDENTS GRADUATE YEAR 12

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"This is why you will see the Territory Labor Government continuing to invest in programs like FaFT, and why we make sure the Territory is funded and has the resources to deliver education to all Territory kids, no matter if you are the bush or in the city."

Gunbalanya School Co-Principal Esther Djayhgurrnga said, "I am proud of the graduating students and what they have achieved while they have been at Gunbalanya School. They are role models for the next generation of students who can aim for the same high level of achievement." Gunbalanya School Co-Principal Sue Trimble said, "Today we celebrate 11 graduates with NTCET. We are reminded that the educational journey began in FaFT and early years for the students. We all have a responsibility to grow our students. The importance of the family partnership in education is crucial to success of our youth.





BOKNO BUS TIMI	ETABLE -	Patonga/ Whistled	uck	
MORNING		AFTERNOON		
Patonga Homestead	7.00am	ALPA	2.45pm	
Patonga Airstrip	7.20am	Jabiru Plaza	3.00pm	
Jim Jim Rangers	7.35am	Bowali Ranger	3.20pm	
Cooinda Lodge	8.00am	Whistleduck	3.40pm	
Whistleduck	8.30am	Cooinda Lodge	4.15pm	
Bowali Ranger	8.45am	Jim Jim Rangers	4.30pm	
Jabiru Plaza	8.55am	Patonga Airstrip	4.40pm	
ALPA	9.00am	Patonga Homestead	4.50pm	
Town Camp/ Mudginberri/ Kapalga/ Mamukala				
AMPA	7.15am	ALPA Office	2.55pm	
Town Camp	7.30am	Jabiru Plaza	3.00pm	
Plaza Bus stop	7.45am	Mudginberri	3.15pm	
ALPA Office	7.55am	ALPA Office	3.30pm	
Mudginberri	8.15am	Jabiru Plaza	3.35pm	
Jabiru Plaza	8.40am	Mamukala	3.50pm	
ALPA Office	8.45am	Sth Alligator	4.10pm	
Kapalga	9.30am	Kapalga	4.25pm	
Mamukala	10.00am	ALPA Office	5.10pm	
Jabiru Plaza	10.30am	Town Camp	5.15pm	
ALPA Office	10.35am			

Congratulations to the students who attended their graduation ceremony in front of family, friends and the wider communty.

WORK IN & EXPERIENCE

Finance Manager - Jabiru or Darwin - \$120K - \$130K - Full Time - Accommodation available in Jabiru only -Applications close 24 January 2024

Director Community and Council Services – Jabiru, \$175k -\$185k – Full Time –Accommodation provided - Applications close Monday 22 January 2024

Mechanic – Jabiru, Level 8 - \$95K – Full Time – Accommodation provided - Applications close 17 January 2024

Finance Support Officer (Rates and Revenue) - Jabiru or Darwin, Level 4 - \$68k Full Time – Accommodation available in Jabiru only - Applications close 17 January_2024

Customer Services Officer – Maningrida Level 3 - \$59k – Full Time – No Accommodation provided - Opened until filled - All applications will be considered

Team Leader Works – Gunbalanya, Level 5 - \$74K – Full Time – Accommodation provided -Applications close 17 January 2024

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For more information: Please phone 08 8979 9404 or email <u>vacancy@westarnhen.nt.gov.au</u>



Indigenous people are encouraged to apply

WHAT'S ON



West Arnhem communities will celebrate together on Friday, 26 January 2024. See community event details on pages 8 & 9.

WEEKLY

Monday

Underwater Hockey: Jabiru Pool, 5pm Fire Station Training: Jabiru Fire Station, 6pm

Tuesdays

Jabiru Playgroup: see the Facebook page, 9:30am Bombers football training: Brockman Oval, 5:30pm Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training: Magela Oval, 5:30pm Aqua Fitness: Jabiru Swimming Pool, 6.15pm Jabiru Art & Craft Group: private residence (enquire directly) 7.30pm

Wednesdays

Skins Golf: Jabiru Golf Club, 4.45pm

Thursdays

Story Time: Jabiru Library, 11.00am Jabiru Bombers Football training: Brockman Oval, 5pm Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training: Magela Oval, 5.30pm Aqua Fitness: Jabiru Swimming Pool, 6.15pm Jackpot Joker Draw, Jabiru Golf Club 7.30pm

Fridays

Jabiru Golf Club raffles & Members Draw, 7pm Pool competition: Jabiru Golf Club, 7pm

Sundays

Jabiru Firey's Fitness Training 5.30pm

JANUARY

It's school holidays in some communities! Please see your local youth, sport and recreation team for the program.

Fri 26 Mardbalk Day - Warruwi

- Fri 26 Jabiru Splash Jabiru Pool
- Fri 26 Gunbalanya Day, at the park
- Fri 26 Minjilang Day, Council Office
- Sat 27 Maningrida Day, Maningrida Pool
- **28-Feb** Children's Week

RECONCILIATION WEEK THEME

National Reconciliation Week's theme for 2024 has been announced!

The theme, Now More Than Ever, is a reminder to all of us that no matter what, the fight for justice and the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will — and must — continue.

There have been many moments in Australia's reconciliation journey that make us want to turn away. But when things are divisive, the worst thing we can do is disengage or disconnect.

Now more than ever, we need to tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation. We know that the 6.2 million Australians who voted YES are committed to better outcomes for First Nations people, and are with us.

It is imperative that supporters of reconciliation stand up to defend and uphold the rights of First Nations peoples. To call out racism wherever we encounter it, and to actively reinforce the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across this continent.

Now more than ever, the work continues. In treaty making, in truth-telling, in understanding our history, in education, and in tackling institutionalised inequity. We need connection. We need respect. We need action. And we need change.

Now more than ever, we need reconciliation.

The National Reconciliation Week 2024 artwork and design represent the momentum of the theme Now More Than Ever. The chevron, a universal symbol for pointing the way, signifies advancing as one as we look towards a reconciled future; and the vibrant artwork of Gubbi Gubbi artist Maggie Douglas encourages connecting with one another, understanding and continuing to move forward.



PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST MELIOIDOSIS

Top End residents and visitors are being urged to take extra precaution to avoid melioidosis ahead of the wet season.

Melioidosis is a disease caused by the bacterium, Burkholderia pseudomallei, found in tropical soil and water.

"People are more likely to come in contact with the bacteria during the wet season, when bacteria increase after heavy rains and concentrate in the soil surface layers," said Royal Darwin Hospital and Menzies Professor of Medicine, Bart Currie.

"On average around 50 cases of melioidosis are reported in the Northern Territory each year, with the vast majority of those diagnosed between November and April," said Professor Currie.

Case numbers in the most recent wet season (1 October 2022 to 30 April 2023) were higher than usual, with NT Health recording 80 cases of melioidosis and six deaths in the Northern Territory.

Melioidosis bacteria can enter the body through cuts and sores. When it's wet and windy, the bacteria can be blown around in the air and inhaled through dust and droplets.

The first sign of melioidosis is commonly a chest infection. Other symptoms can include:

- \cdot fever and sweats
- headache
- \cdot confusion

· difficulty passing urine for men

joint pain or swelling

 \cdot skin sores that don't heal.

People are advised to seek medical attention early to ensure prompt diagnosis and treatment. Treatment requires hospital admission and intensive antibiotic therapy. People with underlying health conditions that lower immunity are more likely to develop melioidosis. This includes those with diabetes, heavy alcohol intake, kidney and lung disease, people who take immune suppression therapy medications, cancer, and advanced age.

To avoid melioidosis, the following precautions should be taken:

- wear covered waterproof footwear when outdoors
- wear gloves while working in the garden or a soil-based environment
- wash then cover sores and abrasions with waterproof dressings
- wear a face mask while using high pressure hoses around soil and paths
- stay indoors during heavy wind and rain

seek medical attention early.

Melioidosis does not usually spread from one person to another or from animals to humans.

More information about melioidosis is available at <u>https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/</u> <u>health-conditions-treatments/bacterial/</u> <u>melioidosis</u>

WARRUWI WELCOMES 2024 WITH A DANCE OFF

Warruwi came together on 31 December to celebrate New Year's Eve with a community dance off!

During the week prior to the event, Ronnie and Delilah (Youth Sport and Recreation staff members) along with the assistance of some amazing community volunteers, put together the decorations, 'Happy New Year' banner and event food, then spent all of their own free time on the Saturday decorating the hall so the Sunday event could happen.

The whole community turned out for the event which kicked off at 7pm. Damian Narul was our amazing DJ for the night, Jamie (Aged Care), his lovely wife Kaylene and Sophia (YSR Minjilang) manned the barbecue feeding the community before festivities kicked off.

The event started with traditional dancing, singing and music which delighted all, especially with our youngsters joining in. We then held a dance off with numerous groups showing off their dancing skills.

The Young Divas led by Rupert (Night Patrol) and Reuben (Centrelink) eventually took out first prize with their hilarious send up dance to Donna Summer's "She Works Hard for the Money".

All other teams put in an amazing amount of effort and were heard practicing until the wee hours of the morning leading up to the night.

We were also so proud of the community as this was a safe and fun event for everyone. The night ended with everyone outside the hall throwing clay and colour at each other. Even Jenny I (TO & Night Patrol) got Matt and Andie who dressed up for the event as Gravy and Vinegar (Salt And Pepper's failed backup singers).

A big shout out for Ronnie, Delilah, Damian, Jenny I, Sophia, Jamie, our night patrol boys and all the volunteers for all the hard work.











Don't get ** MELIOIDOSIS

Melioidosis is a serious disease caused by germs in our soil that surface after heavy rains. These germs enter your body through cuts and sores or you can breathe them in.

Your risk is greater if you have diabetes, kidney disease, drink too much alcohol, or have a weakened immune system.

Protect yourself from melioidosis

- Wear shoes during the wet season
- Wear gloves when working outside
- Wear a mask when using a high pressure hose
- Stay indoors during storms
- Take it easy with alcohol



TELLING THE BE CROCWISE STORY THROUGH ART

The NT Parks and Wildlife Community Engagement all-important team takes Be Crocwise messages to communities across the Top End, talking to everyone about how to stay safe while living in croc country. To make sure that everyone in the audience understands what we have to say it is vital that, wherever possible, the Be Crocwise message is delivered using the voices and stories of people from their own communities. In regional and remote NT many students and their teachers use languages other than English in their learning.

"Message is delivered using the voices and stories of people from their own communities.."

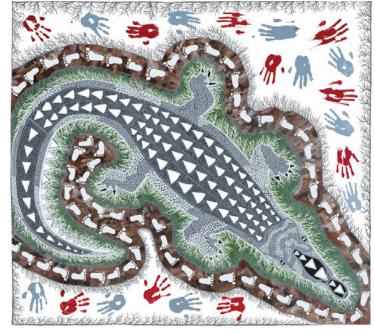
It is important to our team, and to the schools and

their communities, that Be Crocwise presentations and messages are able to reach the target audiences and convene the message they set out to.

Sharona Bishop, an Aboriginal artist from the remote Bob's Yard outstation in Judbarra / Gregory National Park, has designed and produced a unique and very beautiful artwork portraying traditional safety messages relating to the dangers that saltwater crocodiles pose to people hunting and fishing in Top End waterways. The artwork is being printed onto varning circle mats that will be used in classrooms during Be Crocwise visits, providing a resource to school staff who can interpret the messages using their own perspective, stories and language.

Staying safe around saltwater crocodiles is our own responsibility, and everyone's business. Ensuring that all voices are heard while we tell the crocodile story will help us keep our kids safe.

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BE CROCWISE

CRISIS SUPPORTERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR EVERYONE

Going through a tough time?

If you, or someone you know, are feeling worried or no good, we encourage you to connect with 13YARN on 13 92 76 (24 hours/7 days) and talk with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporter.

This is your story; your journey and we will take the time to listen.

No shame, no judgement, safe place to yarn.

We're here for you.

https://www.13yarn.org.au/ - 13YARN is run by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

- Free and confidential service available 24/7 from any mobile or pay phone

- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Crisis Supporters to yarn to.



Melioidosis

What is melioidosis?

Melioidosis is a serious disease caused by bacteria called Burkholderia pseudomallei, which live in tropical soils and water. Heavy rainfall brings them up into surface water and soil, where they can be picked up by the wind and spread in the air.

Melioidosis requires urgent medical attention as it can be fatal if not treated with the right antibiotics.

How do I catch melioidosis?

Melioidosis bacteria can infect a person through penetrating injuries, skin cuts and sores exposed to soil and water, breathing in dust or droplets (especially during storms or spray from high-pressure hoses), and rarely by drinking unchlorinated water that contains the bacteria.

It can also infect some domestic and farm animals and animals in zoos.

Melioidosis does not usually spread from one person to another or from animals to humans.

Where does melioidosis usually occur?

Melioidosis occurs in tropical areas worldwide, particularly in Southeast Asia and northern Australia. In the Northern Territory, it typically occurs in the tropical Top End but has occurred as far south as Tennant Creek. Melioidosis mostly occurs in the wet season (October to April), but cases also occur in the dry season.

What are the symptoms of melioidosis?

Most people have their first symptoms of melioidosis 1-21 days after being infected with the bacteria. Symptom onset can be sudden or gradual, but most cases present suddenly and may be very unwell. Melioidosis can affect almost any part of the body, and symptoms depend on the site of infection. Often it starts as a chest infection (pneumonia) with shortness of breath, productive cough, and fever.

Other people can present with fever, headache, confusion, difficulty passing urine, joint pain and swelling and/or bone pain, or needing Intensive Care due to severe, life-threatening infection.

In around 10% of melioidosis cases, the illness is chronic, with 2 or more months of symptoms. These cases may present as a chest infection with intermittent fever, cough, and weight loss or as a skin infection with a non-healing ulcer.

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LOADS OF HOLIDAY FUN IN GUNBALANYA

Gunbalanya had an actionpacked school holiday program with Build-up Skateboarding, Renegade hairdressers, a pool party, movie night, wellbeing sesh, sports, cooking, arts and crafts including tie-dye t-shirts and bags, slime making, pool table comp, mask design, water balloon fight, candle making and bush trips to waterfalls.

Thanks to Adjumarllarl, TeamHealth, Build Up Skateboarding, Renegade Barbers and ALPA CDP for assisting West Arnhem Regional Council with the program and the Sport and Recreation staff Ethan and Lauren who worked a lot of quality hours.









5 DIMENSIONS OF RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation Australia's vision of reconciliation is based and measured on five dimensions: historical acceptance; race relations; equality and equity; institutional integrity and unity.

These five dimensions do not exist in isolation, but are interrelated. Reconciliation cannot be seen as a single issue or agenda; the contemporary definition of reconciliation must weave all of these threads together. For example, greater historical acceptance of the wrongs done to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples can lead to improved race relations, which in turn leads to greater equality and equity.

Equality

And Equity



All Australians understand and value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous cultures, rights and experiences, which results in stronger relationships based on trust and respect and that are free of racism.

Institutional

The active support of reconciliation by the nation's political, business and community structures.

Integrity

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples participate equally in a range of life opportunities and the unique rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Unity An Australian society that values and recognises Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and heritage as a proud part of a shared national Identity.

Historical Acceptance

peoples are recognised and upheld.

All Australians understand and accept the wrongs of the past and the impact of these wrongs. Australia makes amends for the wrongs of the past and ensures these wrongs are never repeated.

AUSTRALIA



WORKING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT LITTER-FREE COMMUNITIES

In December 2023, West Arnhem Regional Council took receipt of nearly 500 pairs of rubbish pick up tongs courtesy of Keep Australia Beautiful NT and Northern Territory Government Community Benefit Fund. The tongs were designed and created by Darwin Corrections Metal Fabrications Team and will be invaluable in West Arnhem's drive to Keep Country Beautiful and work towards becoming Tidy Towns.



Heimo Schober from Keep Australia Beautiful NT, Ashlee Gilder from Darwin Corrections Precinct and Sam Fazzolari from West Arnhem Regional Council with the doanted tongs.



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Maningrida Local Radio

Tune in to 106.1





Ask your mob, your way, RUOK?

Come from a place of love and care. It's not about judging them for the way they've been behaving.

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Karen Meriam, Wagadagam

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FRIDAY, 26 JANUARY 2024

9-11AM BREAKFAST IN THE PARK (OPPOSITE SHOP)

WÍIR E JABIRU YOUTH ART COMPETITION AND EXPO

The Jabiru school holiday program returned in early this month much to the delight of the community, and West Arnhem Regional Council welcomes Jabiru Youth Sport and Recreation Officer Leah back to the team!

So far, the arts and crafts activities have been exceptionally popular amongst families, particularly with the Jabiru Youth Art Competition and exhibition coming up on Thursday, 25 January.

All young people are welcome to join in the arts activities where you can work on your art piece to submit in the competition. The theme of the competition is 'Kakadu'.

The age categories are: 4-5 years, 6-8 years, 9-12 years and 15 and over.

There are great prizes up for grabs.

The competition will end with an exhibition at the Jabiru Library on Thursday, 25 January.





Competition theme 'Kakadu'

Create your artwork in the Library with the school holiday program activities!

Canvases and art supplies available!

AGES: 4 - 5 YRS | 6 - 8 YRS | 9 - 12 YRS | 15+ YRS

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MANINGRIDA BASKETBALL CON

The Maningrida Basketball Competition was successfully run by the West Arnhem Regional Council Youth Sport and Recreation team with 11 women's and 11 men's teams registered. The competition Wednesday, every ran Thursday and Friday night from September to December. Each week we saw fierce competition, lots of talent on the court and spectators came everywhere around from community to cheer on their team and family. The main event, the grand final was played on 13 December,

with the women's game first Rebels Vs Mango and the men's game followed Mango vs Jaguars. Congratulations to the Mango women's team and the Jaguars men's team for taking out the competition. The grand final event was full of action with live local bands playing, No More Campaign and a free BBQ creating a great atmosphere. Thank you to the volunteers and stakeholders who supported the competition; WARC, Basketball NT, NTG, B.A.C, Night Patrol, RSAS, Njamarleya, MPA and NO MORE.

