

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



wire@westarnhem.nt.gov.au 08 8979 9465 Published by West Arnhem Regional Council



Sports teams across the region are gearing up for the highly anticipated 2024 Kurrung Sports Carnival which will be held in Jabiru on 30 and 31 August 2024.

COMMUNITIES UNITE AT KURRUNG

Sports teams across the region are gearing up for the highly anticipated 2024 Kurrung Sports Carnival which will be held in Jabiru on 30 and 31 August 2024.

In this year's program, the carnival will consist of men's and women's teams competing in the basketball and AFL competitions and a women's AFL 9's round, all hoping to take home the overall winning trophy to their community.

The Kurung Sports Carnival, hosted by West Arnhem Regional Council, is an exciting event on the local calendar, fostering stronger Community bonds and sense of belonging.

West Arnhem Regional Council Mayor James Woods said sport and recreation plays a special role within the West Arnhem region.

"Through the Kurrung Sports Carnival, teams are given the opportunity to showcase their talents and represent their Communities with pride and respect," Mayor Woods said.

"The carnival is more than just sport – it represents our Communities uniting for a common purpose and sharing the same values."

"Showcase their talents and represent their Communities with pride and respect.."

The carnival also promotes strong partnerships with stakeholders in the West Arnhem region, and Council is excited to announce that TEABBA radio will be broadcasting live from event venues over the two days. Communities are encouraged to tune into TEABBA to listen to the scores, interviews and leaderboards during the carnival.

Long-time and valuable partner, the NO MORE Campaign will once have a presence at the carnival. To promote and celebrate positive fair play, respect and camaraderie on and off the field, the NO MORE team will award the 'Spirit of Kurrung' cup to the Community which shows these key values.

Additionally, the carnival will feature a cultural dance performance known as Manyardi/Kunborrk, which will conclude the 2024 event. This was a highlight addition to the 2023 program which concluded the carnival on a very positive note.

For more information about the event, community members are encouraged to speak with their local Youth, Sport, and Recreation Officer. Team registrations close on Wednesday, 21 August 2024.

INSIDE THIS EDITION



Jabiru ALPA Office market garden continues to grow, providing produce for local families.

PAGE 7 >



Minjilang's Mamaruni School and Council take students out on Country for an afternoon.

MIXED NETBALL COMPETITION



Jabiru mixed adult netball competition has kicked off for the dry season.



Red Lily Health has partnered with the 2024 Kurrung Sports Carnival.

INFO ON TERRITORIES STOLEN GENERATIONS REDRESS

Sharing or reading this information might bring up difficult memories and feelings. There is 24/7 support available if you need help managing the emotional impacts of this information.

Stolen Generations survivors who were removed as children from their families and or communities in the Northern Territory or the Australian Capital Territory (before self-government) or the Jervis Bay Territory, can now apply for redress.

People can apply to the www. territoriesredress.gov.au in their own time until 28 February 2026.

The Scheme offers a redress payment of up to \$75,000 and a healing assistance payment of \$7,000. The Scheme also offers the opportunity for Stolen Generations survivors to have their story about the impact of their removal acknowledged by a senior government official, should they wish, and have it acknowledged in a written and/or face-to-face way.

Applicants do not need to have records about their removal to apply but may wish to share any documentation.

Free support services are available to help applicants throughout the application process - they can access these services even if they are just thinking about applying. The Scheme encourages applicants to contact these services to help them make a fully informed decision that best suits their personal situation.

Support to submit applications is available through local Link Up services.

Independent legal advice and financial counselling in relation to applications is available through knowmore Legal (www.knowmore.org.au). Service knowmore has culturally safe, traumainformed assistance on 1800 566 966 or 1800KNOWMORE. They have male and female Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Engagement Advisors available in all of their offices.

If a member of the Stolen Generations passes away on or after the Scheme was announced on 5 August 2021 and they would have met the eligibility criteria, their family will be able to apply on their behalf.

How to apply:

To apply for the Scheme, fill in an Application for redress form:

download from а copy territoriesredress.gov.au/apply

• call the Scheme on 1800 566 111 between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm (Australian Eastern Time), Monday to Friday (excluding Canberra public holidays).

Email the Scheme on help@ territoriesredress.gov.au

• Write to the Scheme at Reply Paid 83394, Canberra ACT 2601

• Visit your local Link Up service for a copy.

To find out more about the Scheme, visit territoriesredress.gov.au email or call 1800 566 111.



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.

The Wire is the only regular source of news and information in the Kakadu and West Arnhem Land region. More than 500 copies are distributed fortnightly to Jabiru, Warruwi, Minjilang, Maningrida and Gunbalanya.

Our electronic edition goes out to more than 500 individual email addresses across West Arnhem Land and the Top End.

The Wire accepts advertising from businesses and government organisations. Placement of ads is subject to editorial and Council policy.

Our competitive rates start from as little as \$72 (including GST). Call 08 8979 9465 today or email wire@westarnhem.nt.gov.au to discuss how we can help you spread your messages around West Arnh<u>em Land.</u>

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

Bookings: 5pm Monday prior to publication

Artwork: 5pm Tuesday prior to publication

The Wire is published fortnightly on Fridays.

The Wire is published by West Arnhem Regional Council. The views expressed here do not necessarily reflect those held by the Council or Councillors.

West Arnhem Regional PO Box 721, JABIRU NT 0886 Council

www.westarnhem.nt.gov.au

Call (08) 9465 or email wire@westarnhem.nt.gov.au

TUNE INTO TEABBA RADIO

Maningrida Radio	106.1 FM
Minjilang Radio	106.1 FM
Gunbalanya Radio	106.1 FM
Warruwi Radio	106.1 FM
Jabiru Radio	98.9 FM



13YARN CRISIS SUPP Orters available

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.

NEW BARGE SCHEDULE FOR ISLAND COMMUNITIE

Due to a change of vessels, the arrival of the regular Barge to Warruwi and Minjilang has now changed to every Wednesday at 7am.

For Warruwi residents, West Arnhem Regional Council wishes to advise that any Australia Post mail will be ready for collection after 10am every Wednesday.

8979

COUNT DOWN TO KURRUNG SPORTS CARNIVAL



<< From Front Page

West Arnhem Regional Council wishes to thank sponsor and partners of the event including including NO MORE, Red Lily, TEABBA, Adjumarllarl Aboriginal Corporation, Richmond Institute, Ozharvest, Blueridge Engineering, Kakadu National Park, Aurora Kakadu Lodge, Croc Hotel, ERA, PFES Cadets, Caulfield GS, Jabiru Area School, Cooinda Lodge, AMSANT.

West Arnhem Regional Council remains committed to supporting initiatives which foster Community pride and unity to achieve our vision of building stronger Communities.

(left) The Warruwi and Minjilang women's basketball teams in 2023, after Minjilang won the grand final.

OUR TERRITORY

YOUR

VOTE

IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY FOR MANINGRIDA AIRPORT

A new wheel chair lifter to help passengers access Maningrida Airport is only weeks away from being installed.

The Labor Government gave the Maningrida Progress Association a \$63,000 Community Support Grant to install the lifter.

The lifter has arrived in Darwin and is being assembled before it is transported to Maningrida Airport and installed.

The wheelchair lifter will provide safe access for boarding aircraft for community members.

Maningrida Progress Association is striving to make Maningrida Airport more functional and passenger-friendly for community members, and having safer access to aircraft will make it easier for people living with disability to travel for medical and social reasons.

Minister for Disabilities Ngaree Ah Kit said it was important to make sure we have accessible infrastructure for all Territorians.

"It is great to support the Maningrida Progress Association to deliver important outcomes for the Maningrida community."



Wheelchair lifter.

2024 TERRITORY ELECTION

VOTE NOW

Voting is now open for the 2024 Territory Election.

You can vote at any voting place.

If you are not sure, talk to the voting team and they will help you.

Find your closest place to vote online at **ntec.nt.gov.au** or call us on **1800 698 683**.





Northern Territory Electoral Commission

ntec.nt.gov.au

WHAT'S ON



Registrations for the 2024 Kurrung Sports Carnival will close on Wednesday, 21 August. Chat to your local youth, sport and recreation team for further details.

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

AUGUST

10-18 National Science Week
Mon 12 Internatinal Youth Day
17 - 23 Book Week
Wed 21 WARC Ordinary Council Meeting, Jabiru
30 & 31 2024 Kurrung Sports Carnival

SEPTEMBER

Sat 7 Indigenous Literacy Day Mon 9 WARC Local Authority Meeting, Minjilang

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WEST ARNHEM COMMUNITIES

West Arnhem Regional Council's Business Development Team accesses a lot of information about grants.

Each month, we highlight two grants that West Arnhem residents may be interested in. Check the grant guidelines to make sure you qualify to apply, and the grant does what you want it to, then give it a crack.

"Each month, we highlight two grants that West Arnhem residents may be interested in.."

There are literally hundreds of grants happening at any one time.

If you have a project or a passion, you are welcome to contact us to see if we can find a grant that might help you grow your idea. If you are interested in health, agriculture, education, sustainability, technology, music, conservation, art, sport and so much more, the opportunities are there.

To find out if there is a grant we know about that can help you, please contact grants@westarnhem.nt.gov.au Here are this month's highlighted grants: Northern Territory Aboriginal Investment Corporation (NTAIC) Community Quick Response Grant (Available 24/25 financial year until funds run out)

NTAIC has released three grant opportunities. There are the Business and Community Impact and Innovation Grants, along with the Community Quick Response grant.

NTAIC's Community Quick Response grant offers a quick turnaround for one off projects that are small scale and time sensitive.

Examples are cultural or community celebration days, community barbeques, training or skills workshops, art, cooking, music or dance classes or small community infrastructure. The activity must be happening within the next three months.

The application and acquittals are simple and funds of between \$1,000 and \$10,000 are available. https://www.ntaic.org.au/ index.php/ntaic-grant-program/

Arts NT - Professional Development Grant (Closes 12.30pm on 31/5/2025)

Individuals can apply for up to \$2,500 to participate in career developing activities including specialist arts workshops, arts industry forums and unaccredited learning opportunities. https://nt.gov. au/leisure/arts-culture-heritage/grants/ professional-development-grant





Enter your AFL & basketball team now!

Speak to your Council YSR Team to play in the carnival!

MEN'S BASKETBALL WOMEN'S BASKETBALL MEN'S AFL WOMEN'S AFL 9'S





& 31 AUGUST 2024 \ JABIRU



JABIRU HEALTH CENTRE NOW COMPLETE

The Jabiru Health Centre is now complete with operations set to commence from 2 September with primary healthcare service delivery undertaken by Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO), Red Lily Health Board Aboriginal Corporation.

As the main health provider in Kakadu National Park, the health centre will deliver care for all residents, as well as tourists.

The new purpose-built health centre will increase access to medical services in the region, including the expansion of renal dialysis services for people living in West Arnhem.

The new health centre includes eight consulting suites including paediatric rooms, four multi-purpose allied health examination rooms, a four-chair renal room and a dental surgery which includes sterilisation and work rooms, and dedicated separate waiting areas for men and women.

Specialised facilities include an audiology consulting room with a hearing booth, an X-ray room, a medication store and private pharmacy, a four-berth morgue with a viewing area and an external, culturally



An aerial photo of the new Jabiru Health Centre.

appropriate ceremony area adjacent to the morgue.

There will also be emergency capabilities at the health centre, such as a drive through ambulance bay and an emergency department with two resuscitation bays.

The Labor Government has invested \$135 million as part of the Jabiru Futures Package to repurpose Jabiru from mining to a tourism and services hub for West Arnhem in accordance with the vision of Traditional Owners.

Minister for Health Selena Uibo said, "We invested \$20 million in the Jabiru Health Centre because Territorians deserve the best health care, no matter where they live.

"This is wonderful news for the community of Jabiru surrounding and Kakadu homelands. It is through good infrastructure in remote communities, listening to community needs and working with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations like Red Lily that our Territory Labor Government supports better health outcomes for Aboriginal Territorians for years to come.

Member for Arafura Manuel Brown said, "The completion of the Jabiru Health Centre

WEST ARNHEM

REGIONAL COUNCIL

will improve health services around the region, with renal, paediatrics and dental capacities and culturally appropriate waiting areas.

"As local member, I know how much the community is excited for the opening of new health centre and transfer of services to Red Lily. Working with community is vital for better health outcomes in community."

Chair of Red Lily Health Board June Nadjamerrek said, "Red Lily Health Board welcome the opportunity to provide culturally-appropriate health care from a 'purposebuilt' facility in Jabiru.

"We are pleased that local people and Aboriginal Corporations were consulted in the design of the new Health Centre in addressing the specific needs in renal and child health care as well as ensuring enhanced morgue and mourning facilities on site.

"Red Lily thank the Northern Territory Government for their commitment to community control and local decisionmaking."



JABIRU VET VIST

Conducted by University of Melbourne

Thurs, 19 September 2024

This is a free health & animal management program for dogs (only domestic animals permitted in Jabiru)

Assistance to transport animals from Manaburdurma available if required

REGISTER YOUR PET:

With the Council Office (between 8.30am - 4.30pm) by phone: 8979 9444 or pop into the Council Office Or email: info@westarnhem.nt.gov.au

Bookings close COB Thursday 12 September.

<u>The treatments/ procedures covered by the program:</u> Health checks, surgical desexing and basic worming

Register in advance if you require vaccinations (fee for service for vaccinations - CASH ONLY)







We are excited to announce that the Top End Tackling Indigenous Smoking team will be hosting a stall at the Kurrung Sports Carnival on the <u>30th – 31st of August</u> in Jabiru.

This event is a fantastic opportunity to engage with the community, share important information about the dangers of smoking, and promote healthier lifestyle choices just before the tobacco tax and price of cigarettes goes up on 1st September.

Red Lily Health Board is working with **AMSANT**, Mala'la Health Service Aboriginal Corporation and **NT Health** on the Top End Tackling Indigenous Smoking program to reduce the harms tobacco causes in Top End communities.

Our stall will feature educational materials, interactive activities, and resources to help those looking to learn more about or quit smoking. We encourage everyone to stop by, ask questions, meet your local **Tackling Indigenous Smoking Worker**, and learn more about how we can work together to tackle Indigenous smoking.

Join us at the Kurrung Sports Carnival and take the first step towards a smoke-free future!



Kia Gowler (Red Lily Health Board - Tackling Indigenous Smoking Worker - Jabiru) will be at the stall.



DAPTS MARNI



Red Lily Health Board are pleased to announce we will be managing the Jabiru Health Centre from the new building from 8:00am on Monday the 2nd of September 2024.

RED LILY HEALTH BOAR

It will remain a service for all residents & visitors.

The flu shot stops you from getting really crook.

Yarn to your nurse or GP to get your flu shot today.



LEARNING TOGETHER ON COUNTRY CAMP

Minjilang's Mamaruni School and West Arnhem Regional Council combined the students to take out on Country for an afternoon. Council's very own Minjilang Traditional Owner/Custodian, Mr Charles Yirrawala and his family escorted the school group, which included eight kids (8 – 12 years old), teachers and Council staff onto Country and assisted with local knowledge and support earlier this month.

The idea of the trip was to promote stakeholder engagement in Minjilang to achieve outcomes for the community.

It also provided the children from Mamaruni School the opportunity to learn on country in a safe environment.

The students utilised fishing gear purchased from 'Fishing and Outdoor World' in Darwin with funds raised from business studies and they all have a great time.









Communique 4

Transition of Jabiru Health Centre from NT Health to Red Lily Health Service

This communique is to provide a further update on the current progression and transfer of the Jabiru Health Centre. As previously communicated, NT Health (NT Government) and Red Lily Health Service (Red Lily) have reached agreement on the transfer of the Jabiru Health Centre on Monday 2 September 2024.

In preparation for the transfer of the management of health services in Jabiru from NT Health to Red Lily Health Board at 8am Monday 2 September 2024, the Jabiru and Kakadu community should be aware that health services from Thursday 29 August will be open for emergency on-call acute services. Full services will recommence under Red Lily from the new Jabiru Health Centre as of 8am Monday 2 September 2024.

For specific questions related to the transition, we ask that you continue to engage with NT Health and Red Lily representatives with any enquiries. NT Health Transition Coordinator, Elliott Debnam on 0457 004 292 and Red Lily Transition Manager, Steve Hayes on 0437763990 for further information.

We thank all staff and community members involved in the transfer of services in Jabiru to Red Lily.

Allementer

Lisa Vermeulen A/Executive Director Population Primary Health Care NT Health 1/08/2024

Brad Palmer Chief Executive Officer Red Lily Health Service

1/08/2024

PLAC



vaccine is recommended for people aged 6 months and over and is FREE for those most at risk of influenza and its complications*

Department of Health Page 1 of 1



FIGHTING

WITH YOU

2024 INFLUENZA VACCINES AVAILABLE

FLU STARTS

ALPA GARDEN PROVIDING FRESH PRODUCE

The Jabiru ALPA office's front vegetable garden is bursting with life, showcasing vibrant bok choy ready for harvesting and cucumbers sprouting in every direction and tomatoes. Numerous local families have been enjoying the abundance of fresh produce, gathering their fill from the garden.

The aim is to increase the garden on the back of the success of this to provide more healthy options to local families.









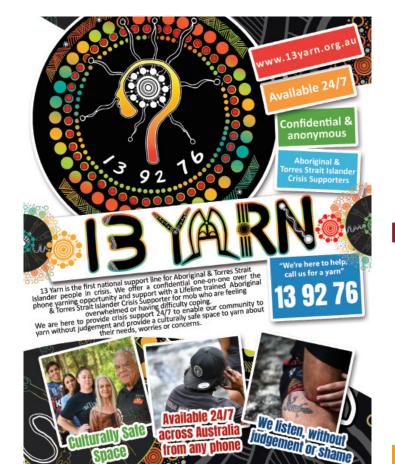
ADULTS MIXED NETBALL COMPETITION IN JABIRU

The Jabiru Community mixed adult netball competition is back for the dry season.

Games are held every Wednesday from 6pm at the Jabiru courts with mixed team's boys and girls playing each round.

All are welcome to join in the games.

For further information about the competition, please speak to Leah at West Arnhem Regional Council or follow Jabiry YSR on Facebook.



⊚Lifeli∩e

REGIONAL COUNCIL

Conducted by University of Melbourne

5-17 August 2024

This is a free health & animal management program for all community members!

HOW DO I SEE THE VET?

See Council staff to leave your name & lot number so the vet can see you:

- pop into the Council Office

The treatments/ procedures covered by the program: Health checks and consultations, tick/mange injections, flea treatment, tick spraying, de-sexing, contraceptives, minor surgery as required.



9

JABIRU YOUTH 'BUILD A KINGA' PROJECT

The West Arnhem Regional Council Youth, Sport and Recreation team in Jabiru continues to work with local resident Tarnia on the exciting 'Kinga' project!

You can see in the photos, it is really starting to take shape and they are on the home stretch to finishing the project!

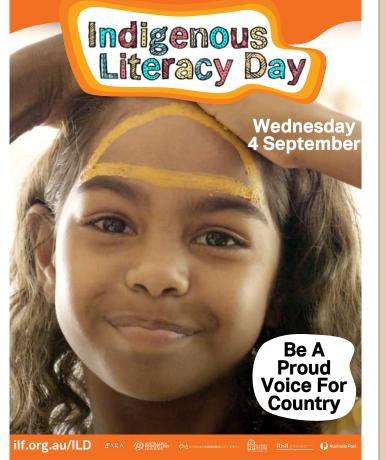
Thank you to Tarnia for volunteering and sharing her skills with the local children, guiding them to build a magnificent Kinga. The group will find him an everlasting home.







The Indigenous Literacy Foundation proudly present



WORK IN & EXPERIENCE

Council Services Manager – Minjilang, \$112k - \$114k + Super & Allowances – Permanent - Full time – Subsidised Accommodation available – Applications close <u>Wednesday 11 September 2024</u>

Childcare Officer – **Minjilang**, \$57k+ Super & Allowances, Permanent – Part time – No Accommodation provided – position open until filled

Wellbeing Services Coordinator – Jabiru, \$95k -\$101k + Super & Allowances – Permanent - Full time – Subsidised Accommodation available – Applications close Wednesday 21 August 2024

Regional Manager – Work, Health and Safety – Darwin, \$124k - \$141k + + Super & Allowances – Permanent - Full time – No Accommodation provided – Applications close <u>Wednesday 21 August 2024</u>

Centrelink Assistant – Gunbalanya, \$57k + Super & Allowances, Permanent – Part time, No Accommodation provided – position open until filled

Broadcasting Officer - \$68k + Super & Allowances Permanent – Part time, No Accommodation provided – position open until filled

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



Indigenous people are encouraged to apply