

Community gambling fund support for PPAC Youth Summit

One of PPAC's many successful grant applications has come through in support of our Youth Summit in January.

CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy said it was the first time PPAC had applied to the Gambling Community Benefit Fund.

"The Youth Summit was held in January this year and was a great and beneficial event for our youth and community members," she said.

"Motivational activities, fitness events and an attempt to capture underlying issues faced by our young people through Apunipima's Social & Emotional Wellbeing workshops were all highlights of this year's Youth Summit.

"We hope to make this an annual event and we are all already looking forward to the next one."



PPAC's Women's Group have held their first fortnightly Bingo morning since Covid-19 restrictions came into place, and with appropriate social distancing between households. Their next Bingo event will be on this WEDNESDAY morning from 10am – 12pm. There are LOTS of prizes to be won and light snacks will be provided.



Pic by Christine Howes, January 2020



Acknowledging the serious business that was...

MEN'S HEALTH WEEK 2020



All our Pormpuraaw men are welcome to come and yarn with us about anything anytime...don't let unnecessary stress beat you or your family – help is here whenever you need it.

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The Early Childhood Education and Care Relief Package will stop on 12 July and be replaced the next day – 13 July – with the Child Care Subsidy arrangements that were in place before Covid-19.

Until 12 July Covid-19 Child Care Services are required to:

- stay open unless closed on public health advice or for other health and safety reasons;
- ensure families are not charged a fee, including an out of pocket or gap fee;
- prioritise care to essential workers, vulnerable and disadvantaged children, and previously enrolled children
- continue to record attendance of children; and,
- comply with all other provider obligations including National Quality Framework and other relevant conditions of approval under Family Assistance Law.

It is important for families who have ceased their enrolment from the service to re-enroll so they can keep their CCS eligibility and the subsidies will flow again as per usual.



NAIDOC celebrations moved to November

National NAIDOC Week celebrations have been shifted to the 8-15 November this year due to the impacts and uncertainty caused by Coronavirus, the National NAIDOC Committee says.

“The postponement was aimed at protecting our elders and those in our communities with chronic health issues from the disastrous impacts of Covid-19,” they said.

“The NNC understands that the July dates for NAIDOC may still be acknowledged by communities and organisations,

however we are mindful that those celebrations and physical gatherings will still be impacted by the various State and Territory Covid-19 restrictions and social distancing measures.

“We thank you for your understanding and working with us during these uncertain times.”

If you have any ideas for events PPAC might run for NAIDOC Week please share them with us via email (admin@ppac.org.au) or come and see our staff.

Don't forget to WASH your hands and KEEP your distance, at all times!

You can find out about Coronavirus Travel Restrictions here:
<https://www.datsip.qld.gov.au/coronavirus/travel-restrictions-remote-communities#declared-travel-zones-3>

Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporation is a non-government, community-controlled organisation, established in 1991 out of a community need. Our focus is to provide quality, evidence-based services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in Pormpuraaw. We offer:



- Domestic violence and drug and alcohol preventative education, counselling, advocacy and support for families;
- Social & Emotional Wellbeing services;
- Family Wellbeing services;
- Other social services and support;
- Men's Group activities (including a lawn mowing and yard maintenance service);
- Women's Group activities;
- Youth activities & Student Re-engagement services;
- Outside School Hours Care services;
- Vacation Care activities;
- Child Care services (Long Day Care) including, Child & Family Services (CAFS) and parenting support;
- Playgroup;
- Night Patrol Services;
- NDIS (National Disability Insurance Scheme); and,
- Women's Shelter services (Maantchangk Women's Shelter is open 52 weeks a year has a 7-days a week on-call service).

Who to call and when...

If the situation is serious and urgent call our local Police on **4060 4004** or **000**.

Community members can remain anonymous when reporting illicit activity by calling the 'sly grog' hotline on **1800 500 815**.

To report other crime anonymously call Crime Stoppers on **1800 333 000**.

For non-urgent incidents, crimes or police inquiries call Police Link on **131 444**.

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