

COMMUNITY GATHERING

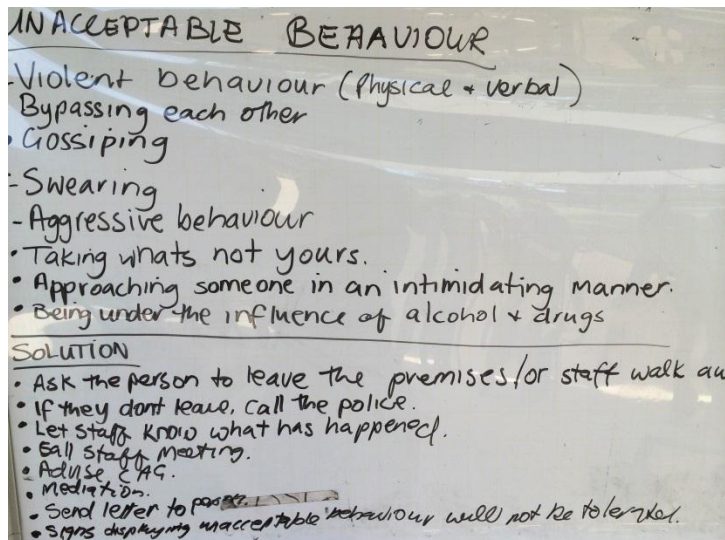


We had 18 people attend at our second Community Gathering at Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu on Wednesday 25th February.

Present: Sophie Nilsson, Florence Long, Jocelyn Ejai, Regina Mosquito, Lewanna Long, Minna Huotari, Marjorie Dann, Brenda Garstone, Daniel Akinshola, Kelly Wilma, Julie Pritchard, Jodi Bradshaw, Darryl Minga, Jonathan Farrar, Patrick Bradshaw, Matthew Watson, Lorenzo Gordon and Maria Lovison.

Discussion:

- Maria (Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu)
 - Welcomed everyone and thanked them all for attending.
 - Gave background to the gathering – began in June 2014; held every month; it's purpose is for the community to come together to talk about Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu and whether the centre is meeting the needs of the community, for the community to make suggestions on programs/events and to discuss community issues and develop community-led solutions.
 - Gave background to the CFC cultural Advisory Group – the group meet day before the community gathering but this month it met early in the month because of an incident at the centre; it's purpose is to provide advice and guidance to staff at Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu on cultural and community matters.
 - At the CFC Cultural Advisory Group meeting members discussed an incident that occurred at the centre early in the month. Members suggested "unacceptable behaviour" be discussed with community at the next gathering (this one today) and that solutions be explored.
 - Maria workshopped with community members as to what they see as unacceptable behaviour and the solutions to deal with the behaviour (see photo above).



Discussion (continue):

- Brenda (Empowered Communities)
 - Explained what Empowered Communities is all about – grassroots approach, Aboriginal people telling Government what their priorities are and saying to Government we may make mistakes and that is okay, support us in fixing our mistakes instead of taking away funding, Government has made many mistakes regarding Indigenous affairs, it is our turn to state our priorities and develop solutions and ways in meeting our goals.
 - Empowered Communities is governed by the 5 social norms: kids go to school; able bodied people work, train or study; pay our rent and look after our homes; look after our old and young people and don't commit crimes.
 - A report has been prepared by the 8 regional empowered communities across Australia. It will be submitted end of February.
 - A Halls Creek Empowered Communities Group was set up late last year. It is made up of volunteers and people willing to support the development and implementation of Empowered communities in Halls Creek.
 - Members of the Halls Creek Empowered Communities Group are: Jodie Bedford, Paddy McGinty, Charlene and Darryl Foyne, Rositta Bedford, Doug Dolby, Darrilyn Gordon, Carolyn McAdam, Maryanne and Edith Skeen and Joylene Bradshaw.
 - Next meeting of the Halls Creek Empowered Communities Group will be held at the Kimberley Language Resource Centre next Thursday 5th March.
 - There is room for 20 people at the meeting on 5th March (the 11 members listed above and 9 community members).

LILWUNS VISIT HALLS CREEK FRAIL AGE

The children at Liliwuns Playgroup have been practising their singing and playing musical instruments everyday for the last month in preparation for their visit to Frail Age on Wednesday 25th February.

The aim of these visits is to promote respect in the children for our elders and to encourage service to the community. You can see in the photo all the children participating and even some residents dancing.

Staff also downloaded and laminated a beautiful poem to present to all the elders in the Frail Age.

We plan to visit the Halls Creek Frail Age once a month performing different activities. Everyone is welcome to come and join in the visit.



EMPOWERED COMMUNITIES MEET

Halls Creek Empower Communities met at Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu on Thursday 26th February.

A small group of community members (Flora AhChoo, Jodie Bedford, Rosie Stretch, Charlene Foynes and Angeline Bedford) met with Brenda Garstone to discuss the East Kimberley Aboriginal Charter and the purpose of the up and coming community action planning workshop. The community members have agreed to work alongside Brenda to promote the Empowered Communities initiative.

Big thanks to Maria (Manager) for putting lunch on and to staff at Liliwuns Playgroup for making space.

TRASH AND TREASURE

We held our second trash and treasure day at Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu on Thursday 26th February. Around 16 people came through to check out the goods and to purchase.

Big thank you to Sandra Jedda, Manager Wunan House, for donating 4 large bags of goodies. The money raised from the sale of these items will go towards Wunan's Dural Program.

Trash & Treasure Day is held the last Thursday of every month at Ningkuwum-Ngamayuwu. Come join us end of March.



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2 March - Week 1

Times	Monday 2 nd	Tuesday 3 rd	Wed 4 th	Thursday 5 th	Friday 6 th	Comments
8:00		Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	
8:30		Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	
9:00		Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	
9:30 – 11:00	Public Holiday	Regular Program Jungarni Jutiya 9:30-10am Story time at HC District High Sch 10:30-11:30am	Regular Program Nutritionist Sugar in Drinks 10-11am Beauty Therapy 11am-1pm	Regular Program KTI 9-9:30AM Red Hill Primary School - Kindy 9-9:45am	Regular Program Radio 8-8:30am	Bushfire Sunday School 9-12noon
11:30		Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	
12:00		Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	
Afternoon Activity				Ngoonjuwah Brd Mtg 1-4pm		
Evening Activity		SEWB Yarning Circle 6-8pm	Comm Garden 6-7pm			

9 March - Week 2

Times	Monday 9 th	Tuesday 10 th	Wed 11 th	Thursday 12 th	Friday 13 th	Comments
8:00	CFC Staff Meeting 8-8:30am	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	
8:30	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	
9:00	Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	
9:30 – 11:00	Regular Program Comm Health-Sexual/Maternal Health 10-11am	Regular Program Jungarni Jutiya 9:30-10am Story time at HC District High Sch 10:30-11:30am	Regular Program	Regular Program KTI 9-9:30AM Red Hill Primary School - Kindy 9-10am	Regular Program Radio 8-8:30am	Bushfire Sunday School 9-12noon
11:30	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	
12:00	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	
Afternoon Activity			KCLS 1-4pm			
Evening Activity	Yoga with Wendy 6-7pm	SEWB Yarning Circle 6-8pm	Comm Garden 6-7pm		Blue Light Disco 6-9:30pm	

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16 March - Week 3

Times	Monday 16 th	Tuesday 17 th	Wed 18 th	Thursday 19 th	Friday 20 th	Comments
8:00	CFC Staff Meeting 8-8:30am	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	
8:30	Pick –up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	
9:00	Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	
9:30 – 11:00	Regular Program Comm Health- Sexual/Maternal Health 10-11am	Regular Program Jungarni Jutiya 9:30-10am Story time at HC District High Sch 10:30-11:30am Cultural Advisory Group Meeting 12-1pm	Regular Program Comm Gathering 10-12noon	Regular Program KTI 9-9:30AM Red Hill Primary School - Kindy 9-9:45am Allied Health 9:30-11:30am	Regular Program Radio 8-8:30am	Bushfire Sunday School 9-12noon
11:30	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	
12:00	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	
Afternoon Activity						
Evening Activity	Yoga with Wendy 6-7pm	SEWB Yarning Circle 6-8pm	Comm Garden 6-7pm			

23 March - Week 4

Times	Monday 23 rd	Tuesday 24 th	Wed 25 th	Thursday 26 th	Friday 27 th	Comments
8:00	CFC Staff Meeting 8-8:30am	Staff planning			Staff planning	
8:30	Pick –up	Pick-up			Pick-up	
9:00	Program start	Program start			Program start	
9:30 – 11:00	Regular Program Comm Health- Sexual/Maternal Health 10-11am	Regular Program Jungarni Jutiya 9:30-10am Story time at HC District High Sch 10:30-11:30am	Ind Parenting Factor Training 8-12noon	Ind Parenting Factor Training 8-12noon	Regular Program Radio 8-8:30am	Bushfire Sunday School 9-12noon
11:30	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	Drop off	
12:00	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	Program finish	
Afternoon Activity			Ind Parenting Factor Training 1-4pm	Ind Parenting Factor Training 1-4pm		
Evening Activity	Yoga with Wendy 6-7pm	SEWB Yarning Circle 6-8pm	Comm Garden 6-7pm	Trash & Treasure 5-8pm		

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30 March/3 April - Week 5

Times	Monday 30 th	Tuesday 31 st	Wed 1 st	Thursday 2 nd	Friday 3 rd	Comments
8:00	CFC Staff Meeting 8-8:30am	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	Staff planning	
8:30	Pick –up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	Pick-up	
9:00	Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	Program start	
9:30 – 11:00	Regular Program Comm Health- Sexual/Maternal Health 10-11am	Regular Program Jungarni Jutiya 9:30-10am Story time at HC District High Sch 10:30-11:30am	Regular Program	Regular Program Red Hill Primary School - Kindy 9-9:45am	Regular Program Radio 8-8:30am	Bushfire Sunday School 9-12noon
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Afternoon Activity						
Evening Activity	Yoga with Wendy 6-7pm	SEWB Yarning Circle 6-8pm	Comm Garden 6-7pm			

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