

Thamarrurr

Development Corporation

'Coming Together To Work As One People'

Men's Health & Well Being Retreat



A group of local men travelled to Tchindi this week for a men's health and well being camp supported by Steve and Joe from TDC and Jonno and Lucas from TeamHealth.

The men spent their time fishing and spearing. It was clear how much they benefited from the chance to unwind away from the usual pressures of community life. They followed a healthy routine, falling asleep at dusk and waking at dawn. They also deeply appreciated the warm welcome and hospitality extended by the Traditional Owners during their stay.

Building Skills in Pest Control



With pest management becoming increasingly complex, comprehensive training is essential for effective and safe pest control. Pest control training is equipping local people with the knowledge and skills required to address a variety of pest issues, from common household pests to more challenging infestations in commercial settings. The Real Job Mob are always working to build skills in community to reduce the need for external contractors to come into community. If you have pest control requirements contact the Real Job Mob.

Congratulations Cert III Students

Congratulations to Martha Dumoo, Theresa Jinjair, Sophia Kundjil, Joanne Lantjin, Margaret Lantjin, Amanda Longmair, Gabriella Mollinjin, Rex Owen, Terence Parmbuk, Shannon Tirak, and Deanita Narjic (names not listed in order of photo).



All have successfully completed their Certificate III in Cleaning Operations. Together, they make up the Healthy Homes Team, providing both domestic and commercial cleaning services to our community. Well done on this achievement and your continued dedication to maintaining clean and healthy environments!

NT LIQUOR COMMISSION
IMPORTANT MEETING

WADEYE COMMUNITY CLUB LIQUOR LICENCE APPLICATION HEARING **TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2024**

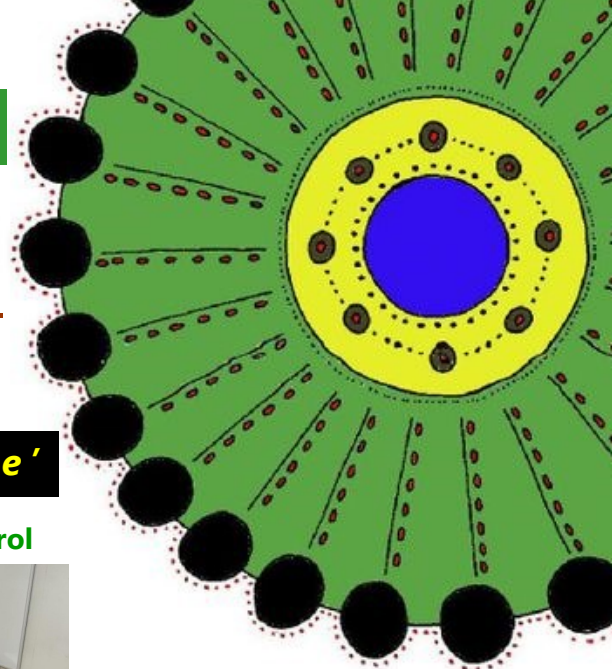
The NT Liquor Commission will be hearing the Wadeye Community Club liquor licence application. Hearings are open to the public.

Community Feedback About the Club is Important

Wadeye Police Station
Multi Purpose Room

Come along and have your say about the club

Starts from 10.00 AM



Mary Munar In the Spotlight



This week we are shining the light on **Mary Munar.**

**Clan: (Fathers side) Wakai Thay
(Mothers side) Rak Dirrangarra
Ceremonial Dance Group: Lirrga
Position: Kitchen Hand**

Mary currently works as a kitchen hand at 100 Man Camp and enjoys her role cooking and collaborating with the team at the TDC village.

She completed Year 11 at OLSH in Wadeye and has embarked on an exciting journey that includes travelling to India with Thamarrurr Youth to study textile manufacturing and dressmaking. Mary has created some stunning dresses from this experience. "I love the culture in India; we felt at home," she explains. "There are many similarities between India and home in Wadeye."

Mary has also participated in the Bright Leadership Program, where she gained valuable skills at Dumu Café that led to her current job in the kitchen in Wadeye.



Recently, she attended the Garma Festival with the TDC Team, where she supported the Lirrga Dancers with her ochre artistry. "I loved seeing all the different dance groups and cultures at

Garma," she says, "and it was inspiring to see how proud our Lirrga dancers were." Mary has a passion for travel and dreams of exploring the world to learn about different cultures. "When I see pride in other cultures, it makes me appreciate the importance of our own culture even more," she reflects.

Outrage at Telstra Outages

Wadeye has faced yet another unplanned Telstra outage this past week, and the frustration in the community is palpable. Since January 2024, the area has endured twenty days of disrupted internet and mobile coverage across five separate outages. While many local businesses have turned to Starlink in recent years to maintain operations, most residents still depend on Telstra for connectivity.



Photo: TDC Director, Jules Dumoo is not impressed as Wadeye experiences yet another Telstra outage.

The impact of these outages extends beyond inconvenience. For instance, aged care facilities rely on digital records software that cannot connect to Starlink due to cybersecurity concerns, rendering the service non-compliant during outages and delaying essential updates to client care records. Similarly, the fuel card reader, which also cannot operate on Starlink, limits access to fuel during these connectivity lapses.

Extended connectivity issues are unacceptable in urban centers, and they should be equally intolerable in remote communities where reliable connectivity is crucial. The persistent outages highlight a pressing need for improved and reliable communication infrastructure to ensure that remote communities are not left at a disadvantage. TDC has requested an investigation into Telstra services and outages.

TDC Governance, Risk and Compliance Manager Thivanka Silva will be reaching out to local organisations and residents to accurately capture the impacts of these events, and prepare a submission on behalf of the TDC Board.

What's On in September 2024

Pest Control Training - Wadeye

Mon 2nd - Thu 5th September
Mon 23rd - Fri 27th September
CDP Training Room

Small Engine Motor Mechanics

Mon 2nd - Fri 13th September
Batchelor Training Institute
Mon 23rd - Fri 27th September
Batchelor Training Institute

Aquaculture Training

Wednesday 4th September
Humpty Doo Barramundi

AKA Jack Leatherwork - Emu Point

Jack is back by popular demand!
Mon 9th - Fri 13th September

Natural Bush Products Cosmetic Creations

Mon 9th & Wed 11th September -
Wadeye Women's Centre

Tues 10th September—Palumpa
Resource Centre

Driver Training—Wadeye Mon 16th - Fri 20th September

Artists Pop Up Shop

Wed 11th - Sun 22nd September
Sister Buffalo - Pink Shop, Oleander
St, Nightcliff

Specialist Nursery Training

Mon 23rd - Fri 27th September
Thamarrurr Ranger Base

Sublimated Printing Training

Mon 23rd—Fri 27th September
Wadeye Women's Centre