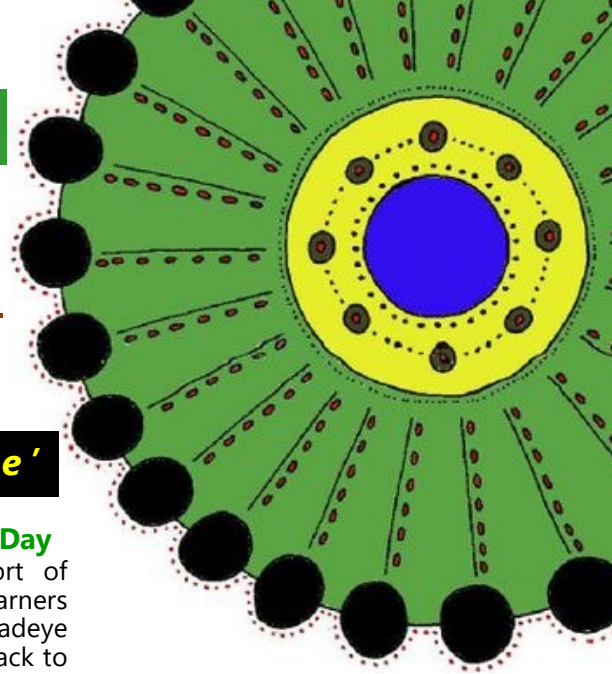


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## Development Corporation

**'Coming Together To Work As One People'**



### ACL Holders Launch Fish Trap Project



The Aboriginal Coastal License (ACL) holders are launching a traditional fish trap project to harvest fish from their sea country. The fish will be supplied to our local community and markets in Darwin. This initiative aims to create viable and sustainable microbusinesses for ACL holders, reflecting the aspirations of Traditional Owners to work on their country and utilise their natural resources.



Three fish traps have been established as part of the trial, and will be operated by the Traditional Owners.



A special thanks to Jonno Jauncey, Donald Bonson, Thomas Bonson and Adrian Marshall for their hard work in making this project a reality! In addition to promoting local economic development, the project will provide fresh food to the community. #GreatWork#



### Humpty Doo Barra Training Day



Our cohort of eager learners from Wadeye headed back to Humpty Doo Barra Farm this week to continue their aquaculture studies. Some participants dived into fish health, carefully dissecting specimens to examine their internal organs for signs of any fish health issues.



Others in the group focused on net mending, a craft that shares similar skills to traditional weaving.



The group wore our new aquaculture program shirts with the art work designed by David Dumoo.



There was a hum of excitement as ABC Landline turned up to do a TV film segment for Landline on Humpty Doo Barra. A big thanks to Crystal Shulz for running around to get everyone from Wadeye to the farm.



### Nganmariyanga Nominated for Territory Tidy Town Award

Nganmariyanga has been nominated for the Keep Australia Beautiful (KAB) Territory Tidy Town award! This week, a KAB judge visited community to assess the town for the award. The community is thrilled to be recognised for their efforts to keep the community clean.



This has been a fantastic collaboration between TDC, West Daly Council, ALPA, and the Nganmariyanga school. Congratulations to all involved!



Community members and staff from the local orgs will head down to the awards ceremony. A big shout out to West Daly Regional Council for championing the awards nomination. A massive thanks to Jeremy and Charlotte Amor for mobilising the teams to do the clean up.

## Margaret Melpi in the Spotlight



This week we are shining the spotlight on **Margaret Melpi**.

**Clan: Yek Maninh**

**Ceremonial Dance Group: Tharnpa**

**Country: Yulu**

**Department: Healthy Homes**

Margaret Melpi is a dedicated Healthy Homes worker who has made significant contributions to her community, over a long period. Before this role, she spent nearly a decade working in the Rangers, where she shared her skills in environmental stewardship. Now, Margaret is passionate about improving living conditions for families in Wadeye and Manthathpe through various community led programs and initiatives.

In her current role, she tackles a range of projects that promote healthy living. Margaret is especially committed to recycling and managing the Orange Sky laundry services.

"I love that we do different things all the time, I love cleaning, it makes me feel good" she says. The Healthy Homes team deliver cleaning services and hygiene training, making it easier for families to maintain clean and healthy homes. Outside of her professional life, Margaret loves going out on country. She loves swimming, fishing, and crabbing, often spending weekends gathering longbums - a local delicacy. These activities not only bring her joy but also connect her deeply with her cultural roots and the environment. "I also like cleaning my own home" she shares. "It is good to have a clean house".

Margaret dreams of a future where all families in her community are happy and thriving. "Happy Families is my dream" she states. Her passion for improving living standards and playing a nurturing role in her community makes her a valued member of the Healthy Homes Team.

## CFC & 54 Reasons Collaborate for a Cleaner, Safer Future for Kids



The Child and Family Centre teamed up with 54 Reasons to host a playgroup for local families with little ones aged 0- 5 years at Da Ngimalmin!

This year's theme is all about UNCRC Article 24: Children's right to a clean and safe environment.



The awesome mums who joined received handy cleaning packs, generously donated by MTD Shop.

Plus, the Child Health Nurse from the Clinic shared tips on keeping healthy and safe spaces for kids. The fun didn't stop there - there were art and craft activities and games galore for the little artists and athletes!

## First Learning on Country Meeting



The 1<sup>st</sup> Wadeye Local Learning on Country Committee Meeting was held this week. The Learning on Country Program (LoC) is a collaboration between the NLC, Aboriginal Ranger groups and schools in the Top End. It engages Indigenous



students in remote areas of the Northern Territory through education that emphasises 'both ways' learning within their secondary school curriculums. This blend of curriculum and culture helps develop the skills, confidence, and capacity of future leaders to thrive in both worlds. The 'two toolbox approach' integrates Western and Indigenous knowledge systems, providing culturally relevant education and training for remote students' learning and employment opportunities, while also fostering the intergenerational transfer of culture and traditional knowledge.

**Wadeye Mens Shed**

**OPEN DAY**

**SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER**

**9am - 12 noon**










**Bargain Clearance Tables**  
**Make an Offer**  
**Just in Time for Xmas**



**WADEYE WOMEN'S CENTRE**

**PINK RIBBON WELLNESS DAY**

**THURS. 31st**

**OCTOBER 10AM**

**TO 1PM**

The Ladies at the Women's Centre are hosting a Pink Ribbon Wellness event to raise vital funds for breast cancer research and help the National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF) towards their vision of Zero Deaths from breast cancer. Please support us by either joining our Pink Ribbon Wellness Day event @ Wadeye Women's Centre, Thursday 31st October 10.00am - 1.00pm, or donating to our online fundraising page to help us reach our goal. [CLICK HERE TO DONATE](#)

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