



Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited

Quarterly Newsletter

SPRING 2017

A large, vibrant Indigenous artwork of a kangaroo, rendered in a semi-circular shape. The kangaroo is black with white and yellow patterns, set against a background of red and orange. A thick yellow arc curves across the bottom of the kangaroo. The artwork is composed of various geometric and organic shapes, including dots, lines, and cross-hatching.

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InspireU Youth Leadership Camp

Gulam Geeree Wunyunga Nullin (Good morning /hello everyone)

We're very excited to announce that applications are now open for the 2018 Back to School Education Program. After a thorough revision of the program, we are looking forward to a smoother application and assessment process and we are also opening the program earlier than ever before to ensure we can manage the volume of applications.

The PCCC is committed to our Education Programs and providing our young people with the best opportunity to succeed in their schooling. We have been able to assist over 500 students in the last year and we commend all those amazing achievements by our young academic, cultural and sporting champions.

With the success of our White Goods program, the Trust was able to provide much needed assistance to just over 30 families this year. The program has a lot of interest from the community and the Trust looks forward to being able to open another round of White Goods applications mid-2018. We will notify the community when the program opens.

We're one step closer now the Prescribed Body Corporate has been established and the final Consent Determination Hearing date is confirmed for 28 November 2017. We look forward to seeing the community attend the official proceedings at the Gladstone Entertainment Centre for the hearing and then joining in the community celebrations at the Marina.

Christmas is fast approaching which means the Elders Payments will open again soon. The PCCC is very proud to offer the program and provide support and recognition to our Elders. Further information about the program will be made available soon and application forms provided for new applicants.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognise the extensive support that Nhulundu Health Services provide to the Gladstone community and to congratulate them on the opening of their new facilities in Goondoon Street. We know there was a great deal of work that went into the fitout of the new premise and the results are amazing.

We have a busy few months ahead of us and we appreciate the continued support and participation of PCCC families in all our programs and events. It has been encouraging to see our membership continue to grow and seeing new applications coming in for all our programs.

Tony Johnson
Chair



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

The Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited's Annual General Meeting has been scheduled:

VENUE: Volunteer Marine Rescue Gladstone - Training Room

DATE: Saturday 4 November, 2017

TIME: 10:00am – 12:30pm

The purpose for the meeting is to provide all necessary PCCC Ltd Compliance Reports.

Please note there will be no PCCC Ltd Director nominations or election taking place at this meeting.

An agenda (order of business) for the AGM will be provided on the day of the meeting.

No travel assistance is available to attend the Annual General Meeting.



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Dr Kerry Blackman and Cherissma Blackman for graduating on the same day at Central Queensland University in their respective qualifications. Cherissma graduated with a Law Degree and her father, Dr Kerry Blackman, with an Honourary Doctorate for his leadership and commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for over 40 years.

NATIVE TITLE NEWS

The final Consent Determination Hearing is confirmed for 28 November 2017 at the Gladstone Entertainment Centre. Formal proceedings will take place in the morning before a community lunch and celebrations continue at the Gladstone Marina Parklands. The celebration will include entertainment and some guest speakers and we welcome the whole community to participate and join in the festivities.

We would love to hear from anyone in the community interested in performing at the celebrations and if anyone would like to volunteer can we please ask you to contact the PCCC office or email reception@pccctrust.com.au

Unfortunately travel assistance will not be provided to attend the event however we would like to consider hiring buses to travel from Eidsvold, Bundaberg, Rockhampton and Woorebinda. Can we please ask people to express their interest in catching buses from these areas to help with bookings. Please call or email reception@pccctrust.com.au

GO TO



pccctrust.com.au/news-events/

And keep up-to-date with all our news!



INVESTING IN YOUR EDUCATION

Back To School Education Assistance

The Back To School Program was established to provide assistance to Port Curtis Coral Coast Native Title Claimant families or carers who have children attending school (from prep to Year 12).

The Back To School Program assists students to access funding for school fees, uniforms and other student resources, such as stationery and textbooks. This is financed by the PPPC Trust directly to the supplier. In 2017 the Back To School Program assisted approximately 500 students to get back to school with the resources required.

Applicants are required to:

Read the Terms & Conditions

Complete application form - (go to - www.pccctrust.com.au/programs/education-grants-scholarships/ or contact the Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited office on (07) 4159 5589)

Attach invoices/quotes from suppliers for school fees/uniforms/stationery

Attach proof of enrolment (current report card or confirmation of 2018 enrolment)

Return to PCCC for processing

The 2018 Back To School Program round commenced in October and application forms are being distributed both directly to PCCC Native Claimant families and carers, and to schools and community groups.

Applications close 2nd February 2018.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

Eligible students are entitled to apply for up to:

- ▼ \$300 for Prep to Year 10 students and
- ▼ \$500 for Year 11 and year 12 students

Scholarships Priority

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PCCC Ltd recognises promoting excellence and engagement in education, including extracurricular activities, as being fundamental to enriching and enhancing the educational experiences, particularly as they relate to political, social and cultural engagement and sporting activities.

The Scholarship targets state, national and international events and grants of up to \$3,000 each student per academic year are offered.

In 2017 a total of 7 students were assisted and travelled throughout Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, USA and Singapore.

Applications for the Priority Two Scholarships open on 1st March 2018.

Tertiary Education Scholarship Assistance Program - Priority

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The Tertiary Education Assistance Program is a scholarship/grant given to approved PCCC applicants currently undertaking tertiary education and who have already completed one year of tertiary education. It grants up to \$5,000 per person, per semester, for full time students and pro rata for part time students.

11 students have accessed this funding in 2017 across a wide range of disciplines, including Veterinary Science, Philosophy, Business, Law, Education, Biomedical Science, Social Work, Indigenous Community Management and Development.

Applications for the next round of funding open on 1st February 2018.



Elders Council Reminder

We would like to call for Expressions of Interest for the Port Curtis Coral Coast Elders Advisory Council which will consist of members that are representative of the Port Curtis Coral Coast native title families who share a strong passion for better outcomes for Aboriginal people and keeping alive the tradition, history, heritage and culture of our people.

It is proposed that there will be 17 members of the Elders Council which will meet quarterly each year where a Yarning Circle will be convened to discuss issues which relate to the Elders and Culture Committee Objectives and the broader agendas of the PCCC Trust. The Elders Council will also be tasked with maintaining effective kinship care and strengthen apical ancestor family group connections to traditional land and sea area, kinship system, lore, culture, customs and values.

To register your expression of interest please email the PCCC Trust Office at reception@pccctrust.com.au and share with us why you would like to join the Elders Council, visit our website at www.pccctrust.com.au or contact the Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited office on (07) 4159 5589. For more information about the Elders Council we encourage you to contact your nominated Board Director/s.

Elders Payments are open to PCCC members who are 65 years and older.

Elders who have previously received payments need not apply. Elders who have not yet received payments and who are eligible will be required to complete the application form.

To obtain a copy of the Elders Assistance Payment Application Form, visit our website at www.pccctrust.com.au or contact the Port Curtis Coral Coast Limited office on (07) 4159 5589.

Applications open from 1st December 2017.

Elders Payments



Nhulundu Opens New Premises

27-29 Goondoon Street, Gladstone

On 27 September, Nhulundhu Health Service made the move to its new premises at 27-29 Goondoon Street, Gladstone. Nhulundu Wooribah Indigenous Health Organisation has a charter to provide an integrated, comprehensive primary care health service to the whole Gladstone community from birth through to old age.

The medical clinic offers a bulk billing GP service with both male and female doctors available, a chronic disease management team, a diabetes educator and dietician, immunisation, maternal and child health, men and women's health and hearing health.

The new state of the art centre has capacity for four GP consulting rooms, three assessment rooms, three treatment rooms and rooms to accommodate visiting specialists.

For further information contact Nhulundhu Health Service on (07) 4979 0992 or email info@nhulundu.com.au.

Nhullundu Opening - Matty Cooke



Nhullundu Opening - Uncle Rich





EQIP Gladstone

EQIP Gladstone creates opportunities for students to develop valuable employability skills, knowledge and experience through collaborations with schools, industry and the community.

PREQUIP APPLICATIONS OPEN NOW

PREQUIP supports year 10 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to develop employability skills in authentic work environments and raise awareness of potential career pathways. Students participate in a range of activities onsite at industry and business to build confidence and capability.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

www.eqipgladstone.com.au/preqip

Speak with your senior school coordinator

Call EQIP on (07) 4976 6129

JOBS! TRAINING! CAREER DEVELOPMENT!

We regularly receive Training and Employment opportunities at PCCC which we have been posting to the PCCC website and Facebook (@PCCC). We encourage people to regularly check the website to view new opportunities and please feel free to share these links and information with you family and friends.

Traditional Owner Hunting Permits

A Traditional Use of Marine Resources Agreement (TUMRA) describes how Traditional Owners work in partnership with Australian and Queensland Governments to manage Traditional Use activities in their sea country. The TUMRA represents the four Traditional Owner groups in the Port Curtis Coral Coast (PCCC) region, Gurang, Gooreng Gooreng, Tarebilang Bunda and Byellee. This agreement is the largest of its kind in Australia, covering an area of 26,386 square kilometres stretching from Burrum Heads to the northern end of Curtis Island.

If you are a Traditional Owner and thinking about hunting in the PCCC region, you must obtain a hunting permit.

A Tumra Community Engagement Workshop will be held at the following times and locations:

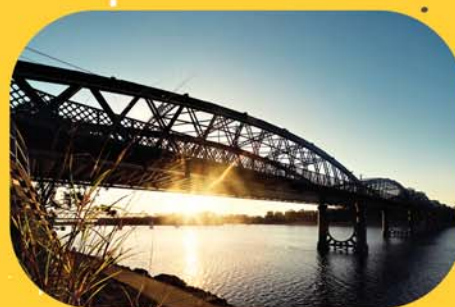


GLADSTONE

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2017

9am – 12pm

28 Beckinsale Street, Gladstone



BUNDABERG

SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2017

9am – 12pm

2 Marine Parade, Burnett Heads

The community engagement workshop will help to understand the TUMRA, Traditional Owner's Hunting responsibilities and obligations. It will also cover the correct reporting and application process to keep our water ways clean and safe.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

RSVP

Brent McLellan on either 0409 696 219 or tumra@gidarjil.com.au

Light refreshments will be supplied on the day.

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park



Australian Government

Great Barrier Reef
Marine Park Authority

70 million
football fields

3000



coral reefs

Roughly the
same area as...

600



continental islands

AUSTRALIA

ITALY



1625



types of fish

JAPAN



133



varieties of
sharks and rays

GERMANY



600



types of soft
and hard corals



MALAYSIA

AREA

344,400 km²

LENGTH

2300 km long

InspireU Youth Leadership Camp

Applications are now open for the InspireU Youth Leadership Camp at the Chaverim Educational & Environmental Centre Bingera Bundaberg, scheduled for Thursday 7th to Sunday 10th December 2017.

InspireU Youth Leadership camp is for Years 8, 9 & 10. To be eligible to participate in the InspireU Youth Leadership Camp, students must:

- A | Be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander origin;**
- B | Be enrolled in schooling in Years 8, 9 and 10 in 2016.**
- C | Be considering an Overall Position (OP) eligible pathway.**
- D | Have school attendance rate of 90% or greater.**
- E | Have positive engagement and behaviour at school;**
- F | Academic status: overall grades of A, B, C+**

For more information!

Contact Ms Belle Sanewski on

p: (07) 3365 6665

e: inspireu@uq.edu.au



The camp is open to Bundaberg, Wide Bay, Gladstone and Rockhampton secondary students.

Gidarjil School Based Ranger Program

The Gidarjil School Based Ranger Program is seeking applicants for 2018.

The Ranger Program was developed to create a pathway for young indigenous people into meaningful employment or higher education whilst connecting them to country. Students undertaking the Program receive a combination of structured vocational training, work with Rangers on cultural heritage projects and undertake paid work opportunities.

If you will be aged 15 or in Year 11 in 2018, call Tom Osborne on 0436 009 065 or email emtc.manager@gidarjil.com.au to register your interest.



On The Move?

If you are moving or have moved and would like to continue receiving our newsletters and various other updates (ie. Back To School and Elders Payments), please contact the office to update your details.

PCCC Office:

**2 Marina Drive,
Burnett Heads
QLD 4670**

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Bundaberg
QLD 4670**

P: (07) 4159 5589

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Website



You may have noticed that the www.pccctrust.com.au website has been changing recently with updated content and easy navigation to help you find what you need quickly and easily. In addition to the news, events and opportunities from PCCC we have also started to include some handy links to other relevant services available in the community.

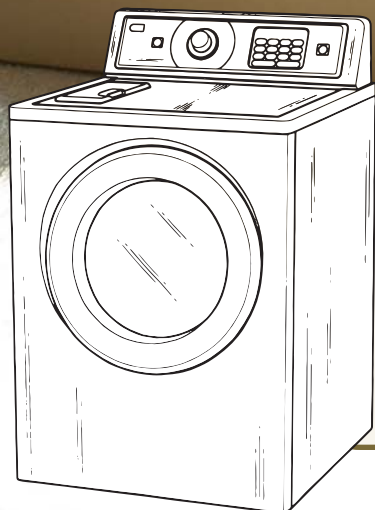
We are working on our forms at the moment with a plan to incorporate more e-forms which can be easily completed and lodged online which we hope will make it easier for people to apply for Trust programs.



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White Goods Program Round

The White Goods Program will not be opening again until mid 2018. We will keep you informed and updated on opening dates and program applications via our next newsletter and we encourage you to check the PCCC website regularly for updates.





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Language Team



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