

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE SINCE 1999

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MANAGERS UPDATE CHRISTINE WILLIAMSON

The Youth Service have had a great start to 2019 with a successful school holiday program in January thanks to our amazing youth workers. The Youth Anangu Advisory Group (YAAG) held their first meeting in February. This group are working together to create opportunities for a stronger Anangu voice in the organisation, support each other and the great work that is being done as well as to work with the Youth Service leadership team. We also had our big meeting in February, where all our staff to get together and reflect on all the hard work we have put in over the last year.

I am really excited to announce we have received funding to start a new youth program in Blackstone and Jameson from July 2019 for three years! We are really proud to be able to offer this service and recruitment for these roles is now underway.

Finally, the Youth Service is turning 20 this year! We are looking forward to celebrating all the people across the lands who have contributed to the success of our program at our birthday party later on this year.

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BOARDING SCHOOL UPDATE

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PULKARA KULINMA

Dorrianne Tolson (Youth Worker, Kiwirrkurra) and Rosie Frecheville (Education Project Officer) took a bunch of young people from Kiwirrkurra and Kaltukatjara to Perth for boarding school.

They visited Kiwirrkurra students at La Salle College and Pukatja students at Clontarf Aboriginal College. After school they went shopping, to the beach, to the city and to laser tag.



Rosie is currently working with 16 young people across the lands who are either at boarding school or in the process of applying in Kaltukatjara, Pukatja & Amata. There are students attending boarding school in Cairns, Perth and Alice Springs!









KP_UPDATE KULINTJA PALYARINGKUNYTJAKU

In 2019 we welcomed Lloyd Wilyuka KP Project Officer for WA and Anne Leyland KP Project Officer for NT into the Team, joining Felix Meyer KP Project Officer for SA!!! Lloyd has been part of the Youth Team family for a long time. After being a casual KP Project Officer last year, he stepped up into the full time WA role in January and has also been a much loved Anangu Youth worker in Finke! Anne also moved into the KP team in January after spending 2 very special years as a YDO in Imanpa!

So far this year Anne has been out to Imanpa and Finke. She worked with Margaret Pearce and Regina McKay, Imanpa Anangu Youth workers and the Imanpa clinic on a kungka night. We ate some yummy food, played some games and talked about young women's health. In Finke Anne took the senior ladies on a bush picnic. The senior ladies talked up strong about their worries for young people and are excited to take the kungkas on a camp in May to talk about how to keep the brain healthy.

> Felix has been very busy this year in Amata, talking up strong way about sniffing. He made these really cool model brains to show what sniffing can do the brain. Felix ran these workshops with young people, service providers and senior community members.





PULKARA ATUNYMARA KANYII PAI WALYTTA WIRUNGKU



WHAT'S NFXT?

Look out for Lloyd in Imanpa in the next few months as he prepares for a young men's camp, Felix will back in the APY lands very soon and Anne is preparing for camps in Mutijulu and Docker River!

IF YOU HAVE ANY WORRTES ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE PLEASE SEE YOUR LOCAL YOUTH WORKER OR CALL NPY WOMEN'S COUNCIL MAIN OFFICE ON 8958 2345 AND ASK TO SPEAK TO SOMEONE IN THE YOUTH TEAM.

Lloyd and Felix worked with Martin, Uti Kulintjaku Project Officer in April on the 3 day Watiku Men's camp. The men talked about what they had learnt about trauma and how to talk to young people about this so young men can become ninti pulka. They also talked about peaceful and happy relationships, and the importance of talking and reaching out to services and families if young people experience troubles. The tjilpis also did a spear making workshop on the camp with the young men.





Kiwirrkurra has been busy holding 'Salon Days' where the youth make their own face masks and listen to Balinese spa music. Everyone enoyed relaxing and got really excited that their face become so smooth and moist. After the face mask session, they cut and dyed each other's hair. The girls also did some make up while waiting their hair get dyed. By the end of the day, everyone had new hair style!

RIKINA!



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Cooking Activity Kiwirrkurra

Some kungka cooked malu wipu stew, while some young fellas baked chocolate cakes. When kungka prepared the malu, the young fellas and some kids played table tennis outside while listening to their favorite music.

While waiting for the malu wipu to be cooked, the young fellas had the chance to make the chocolate cakes. We divided them into three teams. Each team had a mission to make two chocolate cakes. So, we have six chocolate cakes in total. When the cakes were ready, they prepared the icing sugars with their favorite colors. They also decorated the cakes. Everybody, especially the kids, had a lot of fun doing that. Then they enjoyed the chocolate cakes together.

Finally, the malu wipu stew was ready. Everybody sat together and enjoyed the meal. After they finished, they washed their own dishes and helped each other to clean up the kitchen and dining area.













In Finke recently the nutrition team Sara Bamford, Waltjapiti Vanessa Wutherich, Finke Primary School and JP in Youth Team worked together to improve the quality of school lunches for the kids attending primary school. The standard had dropped quite significantly and the kids were receiving inadequate nutrition through the lunches. After some advocacy from Sara and Vanessa with the service provider, we were able to improve lunch quality dramatically. A good cooperative result from NPY Women's Council teams and Finke Primary School. Take a look at the 'before' and 'afters' below!

Docker River, Mutijulu, Imanpa and Finke recently received some funding from the Department of Health to hold a round-robin softball competition! The competition will be held before the NT championships and then the best representatives from the southern communities will come together to play against all the other NT Teams. Dates still to be decided but watch this space!

BEFORE... AFTER!







MAI WIRU!



THE YOUNG FELLAS FROM FINKE HAVE BEEN ENJOYING GOING ON BUSH TRIPS AND HUNTING FOR BUSH TUCKER LIKE THIS BIG NINTAKA THEY CAUGHT

SA_UPDATE



Indigenous Hip Hop projects came out over the Easter holidays with a crew of four and ran hip hop dance workshops all week, finishing with a concert and BBQ on Easter Saturday. The kids loved learning new dance moves and showing off their skills!

Alpie who does the young women's teaching camp came out with Rosie and the first weekend of Easter school holidays took 11 young women from Pukatja out camping with women from the community for sexual and women's health education.



Kungka nights have been popular with girls doing hair dye and beauty in lots of cool styles







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