

With respect and pride we build a future for our children based on unity, equitable self-governance, education and culture.

Keep up to date with what's happening and what will be happening within the Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council (NPARC) and Northern Peninsula Area (NPA), via our NPARC Monthly Newsletter.

Welcome!

A lot has happened since the last edition of the NPARC Newsletter. NPARC has hosted annual events including the Mud Rally and Pig Hunt competitions with good attendance and participation from community members competing in both events and or attending to cheer on the competitors.

A big Esso (thank you) to the sponsors, Qld Fire and Emergency Services (QFES) - State Emergency Services (SES) volunteers & especially the dedicated NPARC Staff and Events Team for coordinating both events.



As we look forward to the month ahead, I hope that these newsletters are providing you with updated information across the NPA and surrounding regions. If you would like to share a story or are interested in advertising within the newsletter please contact myself either by

email: media@nparc.qld.gov.au or call (07) 4048 6604.



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Kind regards Bemarie Bond

Zemarie Bond—NPARC Media and Communications Officer



#### NPARC Trustees & Ordinary Council Meeting Dates, Times and Venues – 2019

#### **Trustees Board Meetings**

- Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019 Injinoo
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Umagico
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March Postponed held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Bamaga
  - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019– New Mapoon
    - Monday 27th May 2019 Injinoo
    - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 Umagico
    - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019 Bamaga
  - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2019 New Mapoon
  - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 Injinoo
  - Monday 28th October 2019– Umagico
  - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019 Cairns
  - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019 Bamaga

#### Ordinary Council Meetings - 9am - 5pm

- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 Injinoo
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019 Umagico
  - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Bamaga
- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2019– New Mapoon
  - Tuesday 28th May 2019 Injinoo
  - Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019 Umagico
  - Tuesday 30<sup>st</sup> July 2019 Bamaga
- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2019 New Mapoon
- Tuesday 24th September 2019 Injinoo
- Tuesday 29th October 2019– Umagico
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019 Cairns NPARC Office
  - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019 Bamaga

Please Note: These meetings are open for the public to attend.





On the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> March the Dog Vets from Cooktown visited us again, providing their animal clinical services to our communities.

On this occasion the clinic was held at the Vet Pound Facility near the Bamaga sediment ponds. A total of 41 people brought their animals to the clinic, ranging from male and female dogs some being surgically de-sexed along with two female cats.

Sea Dog Vets had a supply of dog food on-hand, which had been donated by the Animal Welfare group and was then given to the pet owners for their pets as a good incentive to keep visiting the clinics to ensure a healthy pet is a happy pet.

The team from Sea Dog Vets will be back in the NPA from the 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> April, offering their services to owners.

Remember that Council Animal Management staff have access to flea and tick treatments, worm treatments and access to medications to treat common illness and injuries in domestic animals. We can also do telephone and even video consultations with the vets for complex matters.

Staff have access to medication which prevents dogs having puppies for three months. This lets you as the owner decide on your pet having puppies or not.

Council Animal Management staff are also able to provide unnecessary suffering methods when there is no treatment available e.g. for animals with incurable health conditions.

Any matters that do not require surgery there is no need to wait for the vets to visit.

All services are free to all residents of the NPA thanks to the partnerships between Queensland Health, Sea Dogs Vets and NPARC.

Remember, a healthy pet means a happy family friend :-)















### **Community Notice**

Sea Dog Veterinary (SDV) are visiting the Northern Peninsula Area from Tuesday 9th through to Wednesday 10th April 2019.

They will this time be working from the Health and Environment Office at Umagico.

SDV will be providing permeant surgical de-sexing for dogs and cats.

SDV together with councils animal health will be proving assistance with general health and welfare for animals of NPA.

Contact Umagico Council Office to register and make an appointment .

All service provided are free of charge.

For any further information/assistance contact Umagico Council Office P: 4048 6900







Dear NPARC,

Thanks so much for working with the Flying Doctor over the years in your local community. This year we'd really love for you to get involved with our <u>RFDS Local Hero awards</u>. The Queensland winner of the RFDS Local Hero awards receives a \$7,500 grant towards a community health project in their area.

The Flying Doctor's link to local communities is intrinsic. We developed the RFDS Local Hero award in order to thank and highlight the work local community members do in assisting us maintain great health outcomes, no matter where in Queensland. Through this award we celebrate volunteers, health professionals, fundraisers, first responders and many more. We couldn't do what we do without them!

### We would love your council to get involved in the process of finding a Local Hero in your community and then supporting them during the voting phase of the campaign.

During the run up to the awards we produce videos and photograph elements to encourage people to nominate and then vote for a Local Hero in their community. It would be great if you can share these via your communication channels, social media, website, e-newsletters or print newsletters. We can provide you with whatever assets you need in order to facilitate this.

We have found in the past that communities have benefited greatly from the exposure and the political spotlight and last year's winner, from Yowah, met the Premier and gained a lot of interest for their local community. They have found this has helped them on many fronts. They were also able to put their Community Health Grant towards purchasing an evacuation vehicle for emergency situations.

I would love to have a chat with you about the awards and pass on your details to Tahnee McGuire at Blacklab Digital who will be managing the digital elements and collateral.

Thanks, so much and we really look forward to working with you.





The RFDS respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners and the Elders past and present of the land from where this email was sent and the land on which it is received.





### Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council First Aid Course

Members of Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council attended the First Aid and CPR courses held within the Umagico NPARC Community Hall.

Staff members, including executive managers, had the opportunity to gain valuable experience and knowledge first hand with staff receiving a nationally accredited Certificate in First Aid and CPR upon competently completing the course/s.









### "Mock" Airport Emergency- Exercise Drill.

On Monday the 4th of March, an Annual Emergency Drill was conducted at the airport. Participants including a make-up artist and safety instructor that had flown up from Cairns to ensure the right procedures were followed. The scenario drill activity was made as real as possible.

- Clive Laverick– Airport Manager
- Eric Sebasio– Airport Reporting Officer
- Adam Davis– Rex Representative

Students from the Northern Peninsula Area College also participate as passengers that were injured in the (staged) Airport crash that occurred.

The make-up artist applied make-up on individual student illustrating bodily injuries.

#### Mock Air crash scenario:

At 1:00pm Eric (Airport reporting Officer) had witnessed an emergency landing in Northern Peninsula airport field. Eric quickly responded by notifying emergency services of the crash and site.

The emergency services attendees were follows:

- State Emergency Service (SES)
- Rural Fire Service (RFS)
- Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS)
- Queensland Police Service (QPS)
- Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)

All emergency services arrived at the crash site at approx. 1:15pm to locate passengers (make-up lined high school students) at the crash site, with urgency.

The emergency service workers attended and put out the fire, assisted in transporting patients from danger, securing the scene and ensure all passengers were safe and attended to.

At 2:00pm the emergency drill was completed and a debrief session was held with students too, reflecting on the overall drill exercise and what can be improved.

This drill was conducted to compliment the creation and design of a NPARC Airport/Aerodrome Emergency Plan.









# NPA Arts Centre News For the month of <u>March</u>

Art Quote of the Month

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression

and knowledge

**Albert Einstein** 

### **Community Collaborations**

NPAFACS and NPA Arts Centre hosted a morning tea on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March to celebrate **UN Women's International Women's Day** which coincided with Queensland Women's Week. This year's theme was *#BalanceForBetter*.



Senior Women Elders sharing their stories in Women's Yarning Circle. Celebrating 2019 UN International Women's Day at the NPA Arts Centre. Hosted by NPAFCS and Women's

Development Officer Jessica Namai. Over fifty women were in attendance. (photo by Yanti Ropeyarn).



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

International Women's Day was first born out of the labour movements at the turn of the twentieth century (around the 1900's) in North America and across Europe. In 1913, the First International Women's Day was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March, a demonstration attracted 30,000 women across Europe. In 1928, Australia held its first International Women's Day in Sydney. It was organised by the Militant Women's Movement. The central point for the IWD movement is action, to build support for women's rights and their full participation in the economy, politics, community and in everyday life. (Source: www.unwomen.org.au)



### Announcements

#### NPARC Website: Arts and Culture Page updated

The Arts and Culture section of NPARC website which includes information on the NPA Arts Centre has been updated. What you'll find:

A small overview New opening hours for the arts centre Contact information Image of the arts centre

Check out: https://www.nparc.qld.gov.au/our-community/arts-culture





#### New Equipment

The arts centre will soon have its very own printing press machine. The Enjoy Press Model RP24G is on-route to the Arts Centre. The printing press will enable our artists to produce high quality art. WATCH THIS SPACE!!



\*Display image only. Photos to come\*\*

#### First Aid Training Attendee :-)

Arts Development Coordinator Yanti, attended a one day First Aid Training and CPR course by AXXIS RTO.



### ARTWORKS FOR SALE

Transforming nature into works of art

New Mapoon Elder Johnny Mark handcrafted these beautiful Womeras from wood sourced locally.



#### Artist Sammy Laifoo

Title: Arrangement of Marriage

Medium: Acrylic on paper

Dimension: 75cm x 56cm



Artist Sammy Laifoo

Title: Untitled

Medium: Water colour and acrylic on paper

Dimension: 75cm x 56cm





### ARTWORKS FOR SALE

.Artist

Sammy Laifoo

Title: Untitled

Medium: water colour and acrylic on paper

Dimension: 56cm x 47cm

#### Artist

Agnes Mark

Title: Two Cultures: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Year: 2010

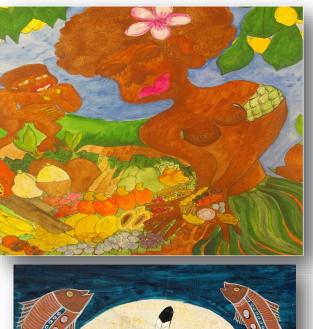
Medium: acrylic on canvas

Dimension: 45cm x 45cm

Artist Agnes Mark

Title: Untitled Medium: acrylic on canvas

Dimension: 98.5cm x 74.5cm









### ARTWORKS FOR SALE

Artist

# **Agnes Mark**

Title: Tear Drop

Year: 2010

Medium: acrylic on canvas

**Dimension:** 96cm x 116cm



### **FUN STATS**

71 is the total number of visitors to the NPA Arts Centre this month.

\*Due to several severe storms throughout our region, the Arts Centre's regular fur-visitors which includes two dogs, three horses, one hummingbird, two butterflies and one very fast bush turkey have sort shelter elsewhere. We expect them to visit again soon now that the sun has come out.\*

For more information about anything featured in this month's newsletter, contact Arts Development Coordinator Yanti Ropeyarn at the NPA Arts Centre on (07) 4083 0271 or email <u>arts@nparc.qld.gov.au</u>



# **NPARC ART CENTRE**

## **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

# Calling on all **Emerging and** Established Artists from

Injinoo, Umagico, Bamaga, New Mapoon and Seisia

INTERESTED? PLEASE CONTACT

Yanti Ropeyarn - Art Development Coordinator

Phone: (07) 4083 0271 Email: <u>arts@nparc.qld.gov.au</u> Location: New Mapoon Aboriginal Community (little green shed off the highway)





# NPA ARTS CENTRE

### **OPENING HOURS**

Monday to Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday / Public Holidays 10AM to 5PM 11AM to 7PM 10AM to 3PM 9AM to 1PM CLOSED

\*Visitors are advised that the Art Centre will be closed during 1-hour lunch break\*



Contact Information Yanti Ropeyarn – Arts Development Coordinator P: (07) 4083 0271 E: arts@nparc.qld.gov.au A: 80 Brown Street New Mapoon (next to New Mapoon Memorial Centre and NPARC New Mapoon Office)

### Croc Attack Witnessed and Filmed—18.03.19

The Injinoo Primary School teachers were filming a very large crocodile floating in the river close to the back of the Injinoo Primary School, with students present, when the croc noticed two (2) dogs on the rocks of the foreshore and came in closer. The croc snuck up and grabbed one of the dogs in it's jaws and took the dog out to sea.

Unsure if it's the same croc, but, other croc sightings have been reported up PK creek. The Croc is showing aggressive behaviour.

### **CROCWATCH ADVICE**

### YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY, SO PLEASE FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES AND BE CROCWISE IN CROC COUNTRY.

- Obey crocodile warning signs, as they are there for your own protection.
- Never swim in water where crocodiles may live, even if there is no warning sign present.
- When fishing, always stand a few metres back from the waters edge and never stand on logs or branches overhanging in the water.
- Never clean seafood or discard seafood scraps near the waters edge or at boat ramps.
- Stay well back from any crocodile slide -mud-marks as crocodiles may still be close by. Crocs are known to upturn boats too.
- Keep your arms or legs inside of the boat when fishing.
- Never provoke, harass or interfere with crocodiles even small ones.
- Never feed crocodiles it is illegal and dangerous.
- Never leave food scraps at your campsite. Always check that previous campers haven't left any food scraps.
- Never prepare food, was dishes or pursue any other activities near the waters edge or adjacent sloping banks.
- Be more aware of crocodiles during the breeding seasons September to April each year.

Please notify the NPARC-Apudthama Ranger Base (Injinoo) ASAP of any crocodile sightings on <u>07 4048 6815.</u>



Recent happenings at HaCC- Art and craft, baking sessions, ocean bingo and walks at the beach!













#### What's Happening at Hunters Fitness Centre?

Another busy month for us here at Hunters Fitness Centre.

We have been working with a group of young ladies through NPA-Women's Services (NPAWs) twice a week. These ladies have been coming in on Tuesdays and Thursdays and doing a variety of activities including boxing, HITT circuits and self-defence. This is a pilot program we have been running with them and they are loving it. Throughout the program we are teaching them various exercise skills, how to try and keep the mind healthy through exercise and we have also been talking about healthy eating as well. They have taken away a few recipes to try for themselves too.

We have also started our Hunters Pikanini (children/kids) Class on Friday mornings at 9am. This class is all about getting young children physically active from an early age and teaching them co-ordination and balance skills. We have so far had children from as young as 14mths to 3 years of age joining us within this group.

Our next lot of participants in the Kickstart Program are doing well and at only 3 weeks in are seeing

results. Don't forget you can join this program at any stage as it is personalised for you and what you want to achieve.

Both senior and junior Judo classes have been back in action this term. Wednesday evenings the Senior class is being run at the same time as the Yoga class. We are looking forward to seeing more people on the mat this year. For more information please don't hesitate to contact Dale Mears email <u>dalemears@hotmail.com</u>, through Facebook or phone 07 4069 3210.







Picture on the Left: Self defence Group.

Picture to the right and below; Self Defence in action one and two.

> Joanne Krumin with the self Defence group.



#### STEPHEN KELVIN NAWIA

Seisia Hire Car

#### Entrepreneurial

Stephen Nawia is an entrepreneurial Torres Strait Islander. At the age of 35years he started his own small business – Seisia Hire Car. Today Seisia Hire Car is 29 years old and will turn 30 years on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019. It is believed that Seisia Hire Car is not the only Indigenous Small Business ever started in the NPA and Torres Strait Region however it may be the longest running indigenous small business in the NPA and Torres Strait Region.

#### Interest and Skills

Stephen's love of motor vehicles and interest and skills with fixing cars saw him always helping family and friends with their cars. Because of this his first business idea together with his bala's was a garage/mechanics workshop.

From the age of 18years he owned his own vehicle and was always being asked by aunties, uncles and family and friends to take them here and there and they would give him fuel money to do this. Not all families had vehicles back then.

#### Innovative

Stephen saw a need for motor vehicles to be available for local community people who did not have cars, as well as visiting government, private and contracted workers and family visitors to the NPA region.





#### Seisia Hire Car — Continued

#### Dedication and commitment

One day on the ferry to Thursday Island Mr Ted Wymarra told Stephen that TSRA was making loans available for Torres Strait Islander people so start their own small business. He was encouraged by both his wife, Elsie and Mr Ted Wymarra to start his own business and apply for funding from TSRA.

He was only going to TI for the weekend and ended up calling his boss in Bamaga and telling him he was going to be away for 2 weeks to do a Course to start a business!!

Even though English is Stephens' 3<sup>rd</sup> language and he only went to school to Grade 7, Stephen together with his wife Elsie, enrolled in a Certificate III in Business Course through TAFE on Thursday Island which was organised and funded by TSRA. This was to secure funding to start the business. So on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 1990 almost 26 years ago SEISIA HIRE CAR was registered as a Business.

Stephen started Seisia Hire Car with only 1 x Car and a Beige 70 Series Toyota Land cruiser Troop Carrier, which was bought in Cairns. Then 2 years later he purchased a Red 60 Series Land cruiser Wagon from Brisbane and they drove it all the way back to Seisia. The business has grown considerably since then.

#### Providing a Service to the Community

Stephen is living proof of what anyone can do if they are committed and passionate about providing a service for their community and making a living from it.

#### Supporting his Community

He has always supported the five (5) communities of the NPA through the following:-

- In kind donations and financial support of Community Events
- Sponsorships and donations for Sports, Education Encouragement Awards as well as Individual support for Sports and Education
- Financial support for families including Fuel. Food, Airfares & Loans
- In kind and financial donations for Sorry Business



#### Stephen Nawia trading as SEISIA HIRE CAR

ABN 44912359604 PO Box 15 Bamaga Qld 4076 Ph.: 07 40693 368 Mobile: 0459 621783 Fax: (07) 40693 067 Email: stephennawia55@hotmail.com

- Servicing the NPA Area via
- Vehicle hire and NPA to Cairns Bus Service
- Bus Charters available too.



Community Elder Member– Biography Name: Josephine Lifu Clan: Taepithiggi



Government

Josephine Lifu is a descendent form Old Mapoon (Taepithiggi) who moved & relocated to New Mapoon, which is now home to Joyce and family.

Josephine have work for the New Mapoon Day Care Centre for 25+ years along side Margaret Mark.

Josephine Lifu has retired and is now an avid 'green thumb,' the wonders of her beautiful garden are filled with pumpkin, potatoes, custard apple, lemon, mandarin, lemon grass, banana & many more.

### **Operating Hours for Umagico IKC**

North State	SL State Libra	ry Queensland
	Friday	8:00 am– 3:00 pm
	Thursday	8:00 am– 5:00 pm
	Wednesday	8:00 am– 5:00 pm
	Tuesday	8:00 am– 5:00 pm
	Monday	8:00 am- 5:00 pm

of Queensland



### Seisia Indigenous Knowledge Centre



	AM	РМ
Monday	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM	3:00 pm

#### Contact:

Mabalene Whap—NPARC Indigenous Knowledge Centre (IKC) Centre— Seisia—Administration Officer

P: (07) 4069 3690

E: seisiaikc@gmail.com







### **Sports and Recreation**

**Basketball**: NPA Basketball have utilised the Bamaga Hall 5 days per week, 6:30pm to have their scrimmage games, to have scrimmage games, preseason and regular season. Basketball preseason will start on the 26<sup>th</sup> of March to May 2<sup>nd</sup> and regular season will start May 7<sup>th</sup> to September 26<sup>th</sup>, all games will still played on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

NPA Basketball committee members – Aaron Tamwoy, Jean Williams, Stanley Elu, Val Williams, Richard Passi, Kym Yorkston, Louisa Panuel

### **Rugby League:**

Dates from the flyer to the draws, Actual kick off is on the 30<sup>th</sup> of March.

Queensland Rugby League (QRL) manager of Cape/Torres Terry Abednego visited Bamaga to utlise the Bamaga oval to have the Northern Queensland Country Junior and Ladies selection clinic. Ages were from 13, 14, 16 boys and 14, 16 girls. The NPA Senior campus has also been approaching the Bamaga oval to have their games played against.

#### Volleyball/Touch:

Volleyball – scrimmage games Monday and Wednesday nights at the Umagico hall.





### The Northern Peninsula Area Regional Rugby League







Proudly announces the long awaited season kick-off for the

### 2019 Senior men's Rugby League Competition



Kick-Off: Saturday 13th of April, 2019. Venue: Yusia Ginau Oval, Bamaga.

A meeting will be held with participating team/club members to discuss matters of interest that include the 'Competition Rule Book', 'Code of Conduct', 'Registration fees', 'Competition Draw' & other matters of general interest.





Due to popular demand the NPA Markets is starting again in 2019!

The NPA Community Markets Committee invites you to the



All enquiries to NPA Community Markets Committee Secretary, Ms Lynese Jacobs:



NPARC Injinoo Office 40486802 or

Email: <u>lynese.jacob@nparc.qld.gov.au</u> or housingadmin@nparc.qld.gov.au







# **Community Notice**

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council are seeking volunteers 18 years and over, to form a committee.

To be volunteers at this year up coming Events 2019.

- Pig Hunt commencing 8th 16th of March.
- Mud Rally commencing 16th March.
- Mabo day commencing 3rd June.
- Northern Peninsula Area show commencing Thursday the 22nd– Saturday the 24th of August..



Sign up at New Mapoon Council Office.

NPA Rodeo show committee meeting will be held Wednesday 20th of February 2019.

Further inquires please contact Events- Ruby Neliman

T: 07 4048 6608

E: ruby.neliman@nparc.qld.gov.au

E: communityadmin@nparc.qld.gov.au





# Council Property Please return Council chairs or anything that is Council Property to the New Mapoon Office.



For assistance, please contact New Mapoon Office on (07) 4048 6600



# Thursday Island Sports Trainer Courses

# THURSDAY ISLAND

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 6/7TH APRIL

### CLICK ON COURSE LINKS FOR DETAILS

League First Aid :

https://learn.playnrl.com/ilp/pages/coursedescription.jsf?courseId=3299347& catalogId=111254&templateId=3288650

Level 1 Sports Trainer (For all Sports): https://learn.playnrl.com/ilp/pages/coursedescription.jsf?courseld=3295768& catalogId=111254&templateId=3288266 Level 1 Re-Accreditation: https://learn.playnrl.com/ilp/pages/coursedescription.jsf?courseld=3299399& catalogId=111254&templateId=3293989 Level 2 Re-accreditation: https://learn.playnrl.com/ilp/pages/coursedescription.jsf?courseId=3299435& catalogId=111254&templateId=3255427 CPR

Update: <a href="https://learn.playnrl.com/itg/pages/coursedes.niption.jsf?courseld=3">https://learn.playnrl.com/itg/pages/coursedes.niption.jsf?courseld=3</a> 299380&catalogId=111254&template=1=329730

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### LOCAL FARE SCHEME RULES

Intending Passengers must make their booking in person and present the Booking Agent with a Letter of Eligibility for each passenger and provide identification

Please be well aware of the general enquires for bookings BEFORE Cancellation of their Local Fare Schemes.

- ALL relevant bookings must be of 'Personal Use' (Full Fare charged for work commitments)
- Bookings can only be made no more than 12 per Financial year
- 3 x NO SHOW per passenger or you may be cancelled out of the LOCAL FARE SCHEME (LFS).

**Chris Bradley** 

Senior Advisor (Local Fare Scheme) | Passenger Transport Services Branch TRANSLink Division | Department of Transport and Main Roads



The Dengue Out Program has seen fantastic early signs of success after three weeks working across NPA. The average *Wolbachia* level in local mosquitoes to 10/3/19 is 64%!

One in three households (350) across NPA have signed up to host a mozzie box release container, and 79 households are assisting with monitoring progress.

The mozzie box, containing a capsule with *Wolbachia* and mozzie food and water, is placed in a shady tree where the *Wolbachia* mosquitoes grow up and breed with the local *Aedes Aegypti* (dengue) mosquitoes.

Their young then carry *Wolbachia* which research has shown stops the dengue virus growing inside the dengue mosquito, so reduces the risk of mosquito-borne diseases like dengue, chikungunya and Zika.

*Wolbachia* is found in 60 per cent of all insect species like moths, fruit flies, and butterflies so the method is safe and self-sustaining and has been working across north Queensland since 2011.

The Program is a collaboration between NPARC, the Tropical Public Health Service Cairns and the World Mosquito Program.

Community Reference Group Member Nic Thompson helped out at Injinoo during our first releases. James Wailu, DOP's community engagement and field team officer has been kept busy distributing mozzie boxes.

A big thanks to residents for helping to keep dengue out of NPA.

NPA #1!

#Wolbachia

- **#NPARC**
- #WMP

#DengueOutProgram

# Certificate II in Maritime Operations (Coxswain Grade 1 Near Coastal)

MAR20318

#### > Course Overview

Advance your maritime career and learn skills that will help you become a Coxswain of commercial vessels up to 12m long.

This course will teach students how to operate and maintain auxiliary marine engine systems, how to plan and navigate a passage and how to operate inboard and outboard motors.

#### > Career Outcome

Deckhand/Master of vessels up to 12m.

On successful completion of the Certificate II in Maritime Operations (Coxswain Grade 1 Near Coastal) MAR20318 qualification, the student will have completed the AMSA Final Assessment. They then may request an Interim Certificate of Competency once they have completed the Certificate of Competency Application Form ensuring that the declaration section is signed.

#### About the GBRIMC

If you're looking to upskill, revalidate or refresh your certificate, or embark on a rewarding career in the maritime industry – The Great Barrier Reef International Marine College (GBRIMC), in partnership with TAFE Queensland, offers maritime training in accordance with regulatory requirements and the Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA).

#### Certificates and Qualifications

Located in Cairns – North Queensland, our state-of-the-art training facility offers a comprehensive range of training qualifications and certificates. Training complies with the requirements of the International Maritime Organisation Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers (IMO STCW).

#### Flexible delivery

Depending on the course you choose, you have the flexibility to study full-time, part-time or a combination of options to suit you. Training can be tailored to suit individual or client needs.

#### Training expertise

Staff at GBRIMC hold relevant and current qualifications and are experts in their field. They have extensive maritime experience and know the specific training and skills you need to start or develop your maritime career.

#### Facilities

While studying at GBRIMC, you'll have access to a comprehensive range of fully-equipped on-site training resources including: full mission bridge simulator, fire fighting and emergency response training facility, tug optimised bridge, desktop simulators, engineering workshops and sea survival training immersion pool.

In addition, our commercially registered 20 metre training vessel '*MV Gwendoline May*' serves as an ideal platform to perform practical elements of seamanship.



### World-class maritime training on the doorstep of the Great Barrier Reef

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Great Barrier Reef International Marine College



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#### Welcome to the NPARC staff

Nil to date

#### NPARC Employment Vacancies

Nil to date

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For information contact Dalassa Sailor, Human Resource Advisor Phone: (07) 4048 6612 or Email: dalassa.sailor@nparc.qld.gov.au

\*\*\*FREE BOOK GIVE AWAY AT THE UMAGICO & NEW MAPOON IKC\*\*\*

PLEASE CONTACT LORRAINE on (07) 4048 6914 OR PAULINE on (07) 4048 6619









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