

THE GIST

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Hello 2023! We've welcomed back all MGNM staff and it has been full steam ahead since we've all returned to work.

We are happy to have new staff join the team across the region and a change in position and roles for other staff which is great for personal and professional development. We look forward to the rollout of the CDP Trial Projects and hope we can create a lot of interest around that to provide opportunities for our communities.



Marcella Ketchell
Executive Officer, MGNM

We look forward improving our engagement and strengthening our partnerships this year with community and relevant stakeholders.

The management team had a strat planning couple of days on TI from 10-11 January with help from Uncle Noel Gertz, Bala James Fa'aoso, Shaun Fowler, Joseph Bakk (Civil Safety Australia) and Dean Deighton from AiG. We have some big things planned for this year and look forward to bringing the team across the region on the journey.

Enjoy reading the latest MGNM newsletter and keep up the good work.

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Marcella Ketchell
Executive Officer, MGNM

WELCOME OUR NEW TEAM MEMBERS



LINDA DANIEL
Inner Cluster Coordinator

Linda has proven to be an exceptional staff member fulfilling her role and responsibility, providing quality customer service to job seekers and staff.

Farina brings with her the desire to make a difference in the community. Shs is excited to overcome new challenges and is ready for a fresh start.



FARINA KIRK
Executive Support Officer



TILONA AHMAT
Engagement Officer

Tilona is passionate about helping, caring and growing with the locals. Through MGNM, she hopes to gain new knowledge, skills, and training that can help better deliver in her role.

Urimah is eager to help people in his new role as well as bring changes to MGNM. He is ready to take on new challenges and hopeful that we can provide him with the opportunity to help the community.



URIMAH LOWATTA
Employment Officer



TRAVINA NONA
Badhulaig

Travina loves working with people and has a desire to be a part of changes that will lead to the betterment of the community.

MGNM ACTIVITIES AND HIGHLIGHTS



WESTERN CLUSTER BADU

Badu MGNM team together with Mabuiag, Kubin, St Pauls MGNM team engaged with Debra Nona from QLD health. Debra attended MGNM office on Badu and linked the other three communities. Debra presented information about wellbeing, mental health. Staff shared questions and suggestions. As a job provider service, we provide service to job seekers, disengaged youth and carers.

It is part of our job as job provider service to identify barriers and challenges our people encounter that contribute a negative impact to the wellbeing of our people. Understanding the barriers to what causes disengagement and delays into securing employment, contributing to our family, the household etc.

The Western Cluster looks forward to engaging more with these programs.



KUKI CARNIVAL STALL BADU

The Maluilgal Meriba Ged Ngalpun Mab (MGNM) team on Badu set up an information stall at the Kuki Carnival on Badu Island, 14th and 15th of January 2023. Hosted by the Kulpiyam Sports Committee, Kuki Carnival is a sporting event that brings teams from across the region and on the mainland to contend in the touch football, basketball, and darts competition.



The MGNM provided information on how we deliver the Community Development Programme (CDP) in the Torres Strait region to support jobseekers and employers and what to expect in 2023 in relation to training and employment opportunities

Training & Programs Manager Jillian Bowie and Activities Coordinator Carly Sabatino Ahmat promoted the new face of MGNM, 100% Indigenous owned and operated by our people, for our people. The stall provided an opportunity to receive feedback from community members on what activities they would like to see in their communities.



WESTERN CLUSTER BADU

Our Badu MGNM Vehicles have been inspected and a full report provided to our Fleet & Asset Manager, Michael Peters. By keeping up with site vehicle inspections, we stay on top of all our servicing and repair needs.



#Throwback to when the Mer Team collected this bottle and local sand on their first MGNM Team Building expedition which was a walk around the island last year.

MER TEAM BUILDING EXPEDITION



Our Warraber team helped their community prepare for High Tides. They were joined by the local council and Rangers team to help manage and secure the beach front.



MGNM Staff, Jobseekers, and volunteers assisted with BBQ & Kup Mari for our Youths on Poruma. Enjoying the Day, Island dancing practice for the night with MGNM Supervisor Bethalia Asai.





MER ISLAND NEW YEAR CELEBRATION PATA AMU

Meriam people of Mer Island have their New Year's day uniquely celebrated annually from 1st of January. The celebration runs for one week and the first day of celebration is called by a traditional name "Pata Amu". The second and third day events are traditionally called Lugasib/ Lugaraimer. The new year's day and week-long celebration events signify Community Reconciliation to the Meriam people of Mer Island. It has been a traditional event practiced only by the Mer Meriam people for so many years.



Meriba Ged Ngalpun Mab are grateful for the opportunity to bring Hoops4Health to the Torres Strait to work with the younger people in our region to learn about leadership, mindset and resilience, and become facilitators themselves to deliver the program in their own communities.

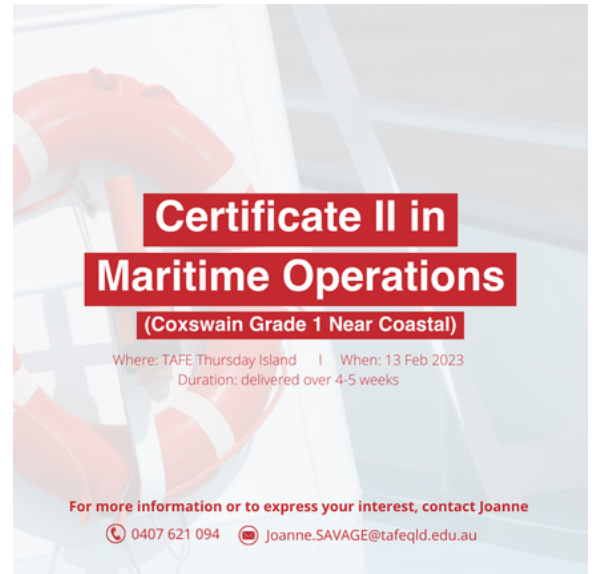
We'd like to thank Timmy Duggan, Deba George, and Nate Jawai for making themselves available to visit Badu, Warraber and TI. It's a privilege for Meriba Ged Ngalpun Mab to host basketball players of such a high calibre in the region to deliver needed programs that contribute to personal development and health promotion and using basketball as a tool to do that.

Hoops4Health will also be delivering sessions for the school kids as there will be more information to come out from that.



Certificate II in Maritime Operations - Torres Strait Islander TIB Licence Holders and/or eligible Torres Strait Islander commercial fishermen

The course is fully funded, including:
TAFE QLD Enrolment Fees, Travel (to and from Thursday Island), Accommodation (on Thursday for the duration of the course), Meals (for the duration of stay on Thursday Island), Medical Assessments and Radio and Coxswain Licence fees. To register contact Joanne Savage via 0407 621 094.



Certificate III in Business - Business Administration - For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

This course will give you a sound basis in sustainable and inclusive work practices and help you to develop strong workplace communication skills. You will also learn how to maintain workplace health and safety. In this specialisation you will also develop practical skills including finance processing and recording, goods and services handling, and payroll processing.

Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

This course covers a number of core skills including how to plan, implement and evaluate educational early childhood programs, support healthy meal times for children, and foster individual development. You will also learn how to comply with legal and industry requirements. Our highly-experienced team of industry professionals will provide you with one-on-one guidance in simulated working environments to give you the foundations you need to enter the sector.



JOB VACANCIES

Cluster PBC Admin Support Officers

Gur a Baradharaw Kod Land
& Sea council

**INNER, WESTERN,
TOP WESTERN,
CENTRAL, EASTERN**

25 hours per week

Applications Close: 31 Jan 2023

PBC Support Officers

Gur a Baradharaw Kod Land &
Sea council with PBC

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STRAIT**

**Expression of Interest
NOW OPEN**

Multi Skilled Administration Officer

Torres Strait Islanders Regional Council

**MABUIAG
Full Time Position**

Applications Close: 27 Jan 2023

Senior Medical Officer- Obstetrics

Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Services

**THURSDAY ISLAND
Full Time Position**

Applications Close: 31 Jan 2023



Aged Care Support Worker

Torres Strait Islanders Regional Council

TSIRC DIVISION 6 - KUBIN

Full Time Position

Applications Close: 27 Jan 2023



Environmental Health Worker

Torres Strait Islanders Regional Council

KUBIN

Full Time Position

Applications Close: 27 Jan 2023



Secretariat Officer

Torres Strait Islanders Regional Council

ANY TSIRC DIVISION OR CAIRNS/THURSDAY ISLAND OFFICE

Full Time Position

Applications Close: 27 Jan 2023



Coordinator for the Thursday Island Neighbourhood Community Centre

Mura Kosker Sorority Inc.

THURSDAY ISLAND Full Time Position

Applications Close: 31 Jan 2023

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Employment Team via: tsiemplteam@mgnm.com.au