

Kalwun Grapevine



Jellurgal
Aboriginal Cultural Centre

Winter 2019



Message from the CEO

Jingeri (hello). During the past season Kalwun and Jellurgal Aboriginal Cultural Centre have hosted some significant and momentous events for our community and partners.

On 21 March our offices displayed Close the Gap campaign information for our visitors to signify the annual event which aims to reduce disadvantage among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with respect to life expectancy, child mortality, access to early childhood education, educational achievement, and employment outcomes. More than 300 people attended the annual Kalwun Easter Eggcellent Day Out which was held at our Community Care Service in Bonogin (see page 11). On ANZAC Day Kalwun hosted our inaugural ANZAC Commemoration Service. It was a truly amazing event which included guest speakers and an amazing display on some of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicewomen and men. Another important date was 26 May which signified the annual National Sorry Day, an important moment to remember the past policies of forced child removal, which we were able to reflect on the following day with an event at our Miami Clinic. Thank you to our special speakers Aunty Brenda, Aunty Jennifer and Aunty Isabelle for sharing their stories.

Finally, the last week of May was National Reconciliation Week (see page 5). Kalwun hosted an event, in partnership with Jellurgal, for our community partners and stakeholders to reflect, remember, acknowledge and celebrate our culture and shared history.

Our team are not only focussed on our core business but also on finding ways to celebrate our culture, raise awareness of significant events and go above and beyond to ensure that community are able to participate in key events. I thank and acknowledge my amazing team who go above and beyond their roles to make these events happen!

Inside this edition is a pull-out centrefold of the **2019 Gold Coast NAIDOC Week Calendar and National NAIDOC Week poster**. The Gold Coast NAIDOC Committee have planned a whole week of events for our community. Get involved and enjoy what is on offer. Make sure you keep an eye out for the next edition of Kalwun Grapevine to hear all about the Mullet Festival, hosted by Krurungal and the Karulbo Partnership, on 1 June and the complete wrap-up on NAIDOC 2019!

Ngaurai ngulungmai (speak soon),
Kieran Chilcott, Chief Executive Officer

The National Reconciliation Week breakfast was held on 3 June at Jellurgal Aboriginal Cultural Centre with community partners and key stakeholders.

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Clients head out west for Close the Gap Day

Kalwun Community Care clients hit the road to Beaudesert to visit Mununjali Housing and Development Company's Jymbilung House for Close the Gap Day in March.

The day began with a Welcome to Country by Jymbilung Elders, followed by a performance by the Jymbilung Dancers. The group was also treated to a singing performance from one of the local Elders. With morning tea and lunch also provided, the group had a fantastic day out.

Outings such as this are a regular fixture in Kalwun Community Care's calendar of activities. To find out more, contact Community Care on **07 5522 9197**.



Kalwun client, Barbara, with the Jymbilung Dancers.



Kalwun client, John, learns how to shake a leg with the Jymbilung Dancers.

Meet the team

Jenny



I am the Administration Officer at Kalwun Community Care. My role includes doing invoices, banking, reviews, surveys, ordering... and invoices.

ABOUT ME

I love organising and problem solving. I also love counting and spending other people's money.

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT MY JOB

I have been with Kalwun for 10 years and have had a range of different positions across the company, giving me a range of experiences and memories.



An invitation from Community Care to you

Have you ever wondered what is offered by Kalwun's Community Care Service? Or have you wanted to have a look at the facilities in Bonogin?

Now is your chance! Community Care invites you to come out to our Bonogin

facility, have a chat to our staff, learn about what we offer and find out more about eligibility and how to apply.

Our program is designed to support eligible persons to remain living in their own homes in a way that promotes

independence and reduces their risk of premature and/or inappropriate admission to residential aged care. Our dedicated team can offer a range of services that may suit you.

To book your visit, phone **07 5522 9197**.



The jarjums in Kalwun's Early Learning Program at Burleigh enjoyed their visit from Borobi

Borobi has a new job!

Borobi has a new job after being the mascot of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games. He is now a champion for Aboriginal languages and wants Gold Coasters to speak Yugambeh language as much as they can.

Earlier this year Mayor Tom Tate announced that 31 May will be Borobi Day on the Gold Coast.

Our team were all prepared for the inaugural Borobi Day — from the Oxenford Clinic to the Burleigh Early Learning Program — even at the Kalwun Head Office! Even more exciting was that on Borobi Day the blue koala himself made a surprise visit to our jarjums (children) in the Early Learning Program.

Super excited and over-enthusiastically they sang to Borobi in language and were able to share with him all of the amazing work they have been doing with the Yugambeh language.

Check out the short clip, from the Yugambeh Museum, showing Borobi's visit on Borobi Day 2019 at youtu.be/7uK5HPst5n0 or find out more about Borobi's new role at www.yugambeh.com

Kalwun Early Learning are champions for reconciliation

The Kalwun Early Learning Program was a worthy nominee and finalist at the Queensland Reconciliation Awards night held on 29 May.

The awards recognise initiatives undertaken by businesses, community organisations, educational institutions and government departments going above and beyond their core business to foster reconciliation and pave the way for a better future for our state.

We didn't win the category however we are still winners within our community.

The team are continuing to break down barriers, are closing the education gap with our mob and are making a huge difference in the lives of many children and families.

The Kalwun Board and CEO acknowledge and thank the amazing children, staff and families who make our program the absolute success that it is!

For more information on the awards, winners and finalists visit www.qld.gov.au/about/events-awards-honours/awards/reconciliation-awards



The Kalwun team with Chairperson William Oui at the 2019 Queensland Reconciliation Awards



Garden space provides food and therapy to Kalwun clients

Thanks to the hard work from both Kalwun staff and Bunnings representatives, the Miami Health Service now boasts an impressive vegetable garden that benefits clients in more ways than one.

Transforming what was an empty pathway into a fully functioning vegetable garden, the team at Miami have created a space that produces fresh vegetables and herbs that are distributed to clients and staff each fortnight.

The space is also used by our allied health specialist as part of children's practical therapy sessions.

Further to the creation and maintenance of the garden, Kalwun staff have also been reducing their environmental impact by composting food scraps and recycling waste.

For more information on the community garden, contact the Miami Health Service on 5526 1112.

Kalwun's Chantal and Danielle join Brooke from Bunnings in the Miami Clinic community garden.



Flu vaccination now available at Kalwun clinics

All Kalwun clinics now have the flu vaccine available free for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients.

The vaccination is recommended for all clients and an appointment must be made with the clinic.

Immunisation helps protect everyone in the community and saves lives.

For more information on immunisation, go to immunisationfacts.gov.au

Removable NAIDOC Week Event Calendar and poster

This edition of the Kalwun Grapevine includes a special 'pull-out' section that includes both the Gold Coast NAIDOC Week Calendar of Events along with the 2019 poster for you to keep.

You will find this pull-out on pages 6 and 7.

Put them on your fridge or display them in your office!

For more information on events, visit Kalwun's Facebook page.



National Reconciliation Week, Sorry Day and Mabo Day

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK – 27 MAY - 3 JUNE

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

NRW runs from 27 May to 3 June each year. These dates mark two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey — the successful 1967 referendum, which gave the Australian Government the power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and to include them in the Census; and the High Court *Mabo* decision, which saw the concept of terra nullius overturned.

Reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples, for the benefit of all Australians. While reconciliation can mean different things to different people, the *State of Reconciliation in Australia report (2016)* identified five integral and interrelated dimensions to measure reconciliation by: historical acceptance; race relations; equality and equity; institutional integrity; and unity.

This year's NRW theme *Grounded in Truth: Walk Together with Courage* focuses on the race relations dimension of reconciliation. Building upon the 2018 theme, which focused on historical acceptance, all Australians are encouraged to build relationships that are based on that foundation.

More information can be found at www.reconciliation.org.au/national-reconciliation-week/

NATIONAL SORRY DAY – 26 MAY

National Sorry Day marks the anniversary of the tabling in Federal Parliament of the *Bringing Them Home Report of the National*

Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from Their Families, on 26 May 1997.

The report, known as *Bringing Them Home*, acknowledged that Indigenous children were forcibly separated from their families and communities since the early days of European occupation in Australia. These children are known as the 'Stolen Generations' and were brought up in institutions or fostered to non-Indigenous families.

On National Sorry Day we recognise the grief, suffering and loss suffered by the Stolen Generations and raise awareness among all people of the significance of these forcible removal policies and their impact on the children that were taken, as well as their families and communities.

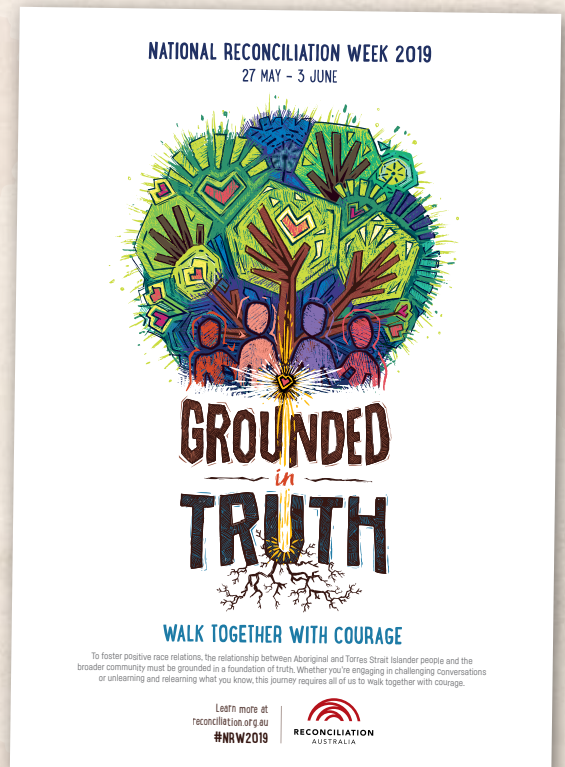
MABO DAY – 3 JUNE

Mabo Day marks the anniversary of the High Court of Australia's judgement in 1992 in the *Mabo* case. This is a day of particular significance for Torres Strait Islander Australians.

Eddie 'Koiki' Mabo was a Torres Strait Islander who believed Australian laws on land ownership were wrong and fought to change them. He was born in 1936 on Mer, which is also known as Murray Island, in the Torres Strait.

When he was growing up, life in the Torres Strait Islands was strictly regulated with laws made by the Queensland Government. In his heart, Eddie believed the land he lived on belonged to the Torres Strait Islander people who had lived there for thousands of years. But the Australian Government also believed that it owned the land.

When the British arrived, they declared that Australia was terra nullius (empty land – or land that belongs to nobody). As a result, Aboriginal and Torres Strait



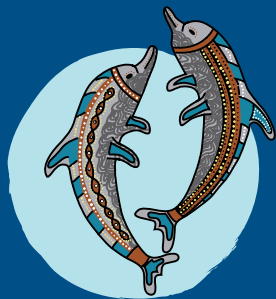
National Reconciliation Week 2019 poster

Islander peoples' occupation of and unique connection with the land were not recognised, and the British took the land without agreement or payment.

The *Mabo* case ran for 10 years. On 3 June 1992, the High Court of Australia decided that terra nullius should not have been applied to Australia. This decision recognised that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have rights to the land – rights that existed before the British arrived and can still exist today.

The *Mabo* decision was a turning point for the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' rights, because it acknowledged their unique connection with the land. It also led to the Australian Parliament passing the *Native Title Act* in 1993.

Sadly, Eddie Mabo never found out the result of his legal case. He died in January 1992, just five months before the High Court made its decision.



GOLD COAST
NAIDOC
COMMITTEE

NAIDOC Week 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday 8 July

Gold Coast NAIDOC Week Community Launch | 9.30am – 11am

Kalwun Community Care Service, 118 Bonogin Rd, Bonogin

Event contact headoffice@kalwun.com.au

Jellurgal Art Exhibition Opening | 5.30pm-6.30pm

Viewing daily between 8.30am and 2.30pm until 19 July 2019

Jellurgal Cultural Centre, 1711 Gold Coast Hwy, Burleigh Heads

If you are interested in displaying art, contact

07 5525 5955 or info@jellurgal.com.au

Tuesday 9 July

Bond University Flag Raising Ceremony | 9.30am

Bond University Amphitheatre, 14 University Dr, Robina

Event contact nurquhar@bond.edu.au

Griffith University NAIDOC Event | 10am – 2pm

Griffith University Gold Coast (near the Library), Parklands Dr, Southport

Event contact c.levinge@griffith.edu.au

Under 8's Play-Based Fun | 11.30am – 1pm

Presented by Kalwun and the Benevolent Society

255 Old Coach Rd, Upper Coomera

RSVP to 07 5520 8600 or

SEQadmin@kalwun.com.au

Wednesday 10 July

Gold Coast Titans NAIDOC Event | 10am – 2pm

Firth Park, Somerset Dr, Mudgeeraba

Event contact community@titans.com.au

Bond University Academic Panel | 5.45pm – 7.45pm

Bond University, 14 University Dr, Robina

Email nurquhar@bond.edu.au to register your attendance.

Thursday 11 July

Yugambeh Wumginy Garalbu (Coming Together) | 9.15am for 9.45am – 10.45am

Corner 6th Avenue and Gold Coast Hwy, Burleigh Heads

RSVP to the Yugambeh Museum on 07 3807 6155 or admin@yugambeh.com

Gold Coast Hospital and Health Service (GCHHS) NAIDOC Day | 10am – 2pm

Led by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service

Gold Coast University Hospital, 1 Hospital Blvd, Southport

Enquiries to Indigenous_health_service@health.qld.gov.au

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Elders Luncheon | 11am for 11.15am – 2pm

Currumbin RSL, Duringan St, Currumbin

Elders RSVP to Aunty Joyce Summers on 07 5593 4634 by 28 June.

Friday 12 July

Gold Coast Community

NAIDOC Recognition

and Celebration Street

March | from 10am

Meet at Coolangatta Reserve

(left of the surf club)

Event contact

Leilani.Summers@kalwun.com.au

For more information on each of these events, go to the Kalwun Facebook page, www.facebook.com/Kalwun



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TREATY
TRUTH 07-14
JULY 2019
Let's work together for a shared future.

The Gold Coast NAIDOC Committee acknowledges the collaboration between Kalwun, Krurungal, GCHHS Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Service, Jellurgal Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Karulbo Partnership, Yugambeh Museum, Gold Coast Titans, DATSIP, Bond University, Griffith University and the Tweed NAIDOC Committee.



VOICE TREATY TRUTH



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naidoc.org.au

NAIDOC Week 2019

NAIDOC Week 2019 invites you to walk in a movement for a better future. For generations, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have sought recognition of our unique place in Australian history and society today as the oldest continuing culture on the planet.

Early dawn light rises over Uluru, symbolising our continued spiritual and unbroken connection to the land. Our message, developed through generations, is echoed throughout the land: hear our voice and recognise our truth.

Artwork: Awaken by Charmaine Mumbulla

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 facebook.com/NAIDOC  [@inaidocweek](https://twitter.com/inaidocweek)  [@inaidocweek](https://instagram.com/inaidocweek)

Papua New Guinea health students find inspiration from Kalwun and Jellurgal

Twenty-two students from Papua New Guinea, completing a Graduate Certificate in Health Economics at Griffith University as part of the Australia Awards Scholarships, were treated to a day of education and exploration as they toured some of Kalwun's facilities.

Starting at Jellurgal Aboriginal Cultural Centre for a Walkabout tour, the students experienced an ochre ceremony and learned about the history of the area. The group then travelled to the Kalwun Health Service at Miami where they took a site tour.

Many students commented on how impressed they were with Kalwun's

success in providing a wide range of services and hope to do the same in Papua New Guinea after being inspired by the visit.

Australia Awards Scholarships are prestigious international awards offered by the Australian Government to the next generation of global leaders for development. Through study and research, recipients develop the skills and knowledge to drive change and help build enduring people-to-people links with Australia. Applicants are assessed on their professional and personal qualities, academic competence and, most importantly, their potential to impact on development challenges in Papua New Guinea.



For more information on the Australia Awards Scholarships, visit www.australiaawardspng.org



Representatives from QPS along with local Indigenous elders, volunteers and Indigenous community representatives from across the city came together for the launch of the Look to the Stars artwork in May.

Looking to the Stars

Assistant Commissioner Brian Wilkins officially launched the Queensland Police Service (QPS) artwork *Look to the Stars* at Broadbeach Police Station on 15 May.

Members of the QPS Gold Coast District Management attended the ceremony, joined by local Indigenous elders, sworn officers, police liaison officers, volunteers in police and Indigenous community representatives from across the city.

The large full-colour *Look to the Stars* artwork is located at the front entry of Broadbeach police station and the QPS 'Acknowledgement to Country' plaque can be found in the station foyer.

Look to the Stars was launched by the QPS in May 2018 and serves as a visual reminder of our past, present and future engagements with all Indigenous communities throughout Queensland.

Calling all artists!

Kalwun are calling for artists to submit artwork for display and/or sale in Jellurgal Aboriginal Cultural Centre's Art Gallery during NAIDOC Week 2019 (8 - 15 July).

The theme of NAIDOC Week 2019 is **VOICE. TREATY. TRUTH.** Let's work together for a shared future. Artwork created to reflect the theme is preferred but not compulsory.

To express your interest in participating, phone 07 5525 5955 or email info@jellurgal.com.au

Lauren launches her journey into studying with three-year scholarship

Kalwun client, Lauren Navarette, has been accepted into Southern Cross University to study the Bachelor of Midwifery degree.

To assist in her studies, Lauren was also successful in being awarded the Peter Gordon Jurd Memorial Scholarship, which supports students for a minimum of three years in their journey towards a

full bachelor degree at Southern Cross University.

Southern Cross University offers a number of scholarships available to Indigenous Australian students.

More information can be found at www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/indigenous-australian-student-scholarships

Congratulations Lauren on this exciting step forward in your studies and future career and we wish you all the best on this journey.



Autumn arrivals for Kalwun families

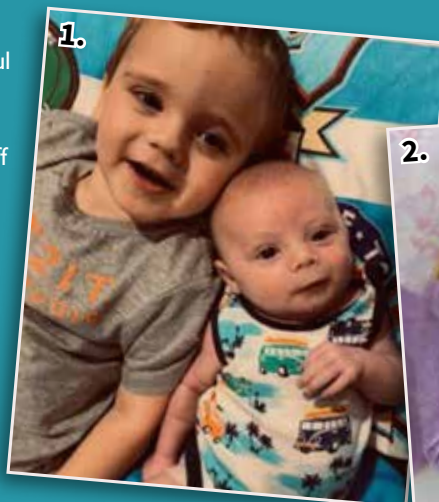
The last few months have brought another three beautiful babies to our Kalwun clients.

Photo 1: Aimee-Lee and Geoff King welcomed baby boy Brayden (pictured with older brother, Kelvin)

Photo 2: Sharee Brennan welcomed baby girl Hope.

Photo 3: Tammie Newey welcomed baby boy Oliver.

Congratulations to all the families!





The Yugambeh Youth Choir perform at the United Through Sport Opening Ceremony

Global sporting conference embraces local culture

From 5–10 May 2019, the Gold Coast hosted SportAccord, the world's premier sport and business summit, focused on driving positive change internationally and engaging and connecting international sports federations and organising committees of major sports events, businesses and other organisations involved in the development of sport.

The summit, which encompassed the United Through Youth Festival, provided a great opportunity to embrace and showcase local Yugambeh culture and reconciliation activities.

Among a host of initiatives throughout the week, the event featured the following:

- Future leaders, Jade Budden (Biripi) and William Bond (Yuin/Kamilroi), who were identified through the Deadly Choices educational program, taking centre stage as Masters of Ceremonies at the United Through Sport Youth events supported by Kalwun/IUIH Deadly Choices Ambassador, Patrick Johnson.
- 14 year old Ethan Nihot from the Gamilaraay nation delivering an outstanding Didgeridoo demonstration to global sporting leaders.
- Welcome to Country speeches delivered by Elder Ted Williams, Uncle John Graham and Clinton Brewer.
- Performances from the Yugambeh Dancers and the Malu Kiai Mura Baii Traditional Dance Company at the SportAccord Opening Ceremony.
- A memorable performance from the Yugambeh Youth Choir at the United Through Sport Opening Ceremony.
- A keynote speech delivered by Akayla McGuire, Indigenous Women's ALL STARS Rugby League Team representative, at the United Through Youth Festival Closing Forum.
- Boomerang throwing demonstrations from Paul Craft of Burragun Aboriginal Cultural Services.
- Senior delegates were gifted with beautiful Boomerangs, hand painted by local Mununjali artist Stacie Fogarty.

It was a fantastic week, thanks to all who were involved!

Commonwealth Games reconciliation journey continues

The success of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018) Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), an initiative championed by local Yugambeh community members in partnership with GC2018 organisers, has seen the recent formation of the Yugambeh Region Aboriginal Corporation Alliance (YRACA).

YRACA aims to:

- promote and strengthen Yugambeh culture
- champion the ambitions of its Traditional Custodian membership base
- provide cultural services across the region and partner with established, neighbouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community organisations to support and/or realise cultural opportunities that arise across the broader Yugambeh region
- advocate Yugambeh Lore/Law governance
- support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses that operate across the Yugambeh region
- develop strong relations with neighbouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
- establish strong partnerships with key stakeholders across the community, business and government sectors.

YRACA's Directorship is comprised of members of the former GC2018 Yugambeh Elders Advisory Group (YEAG) and Indigenous Working Group (IWG).

YRACA DIRECTORS

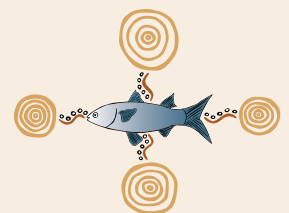
Ted Williams	Brad Currie
Aunty Mary Graham	Linda Biunaiwai
Aunty Geraldine Page	Rory O'Connor
Uncle John Graham	Craig Williams

The Corporation continues to be supported by former YEAG and IWG members and community members who have played an active role in YRACA's establishment and collectively bring an extensive, diverse knowledge of Yugambeh traditions and culture.

The GC2018 RAP was a first for a Commonwealth Games, a first for a major Australian sporting event and winner of the 2018 Queensland Premier's Reconciliation Award.

YRACA looks forward to continuing to support and work with the community.

Visit yraca.org.au to find out more.



YRACA

YUGAMBEH REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION ALLIANCE

Kalwun Easter Eggcellent Day Out

Saturday 13 April

The Kalwun Community Care Service at Bonogin hosted the Easter Eggcellent Day Out on Saturday 13 April.

The family-friendly event featured an Easter egg hunt, jumping castle, face painting, kids activities and food.

More than 300 people enjoyed the day out on the beautiful grounds at Bonogin.





PROTECT YOUR MOB

- **Immunisation helps protect everyone in the community.**
- **Make sure you vaccinate your bub on time.**
- **Ask your GP, Aboriginal Health Worker or Practitioner, or nurse for more information.**

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