

BLUE MOUNTAINS ABORIGINAL CULTURE & RESOURCE CENTRE



BLACK-MAIL

June

2017



Operating hours: Mon to Thurs: 9am-5pm & Friday: 9am-12noon

ACRC PH: 4782 6569, Email: admin@acrc.org.au

Managers Message.

Well I hope everyone has been sorting out their winter PJ'S as it is getting colder than a chicken house in SWEEDEN. Yes, you can tell that winter is here with us once more, so rug up and look after yourself and keep warm during these cold winter nights. Well it's that time of year again when we are asking for your NAIDOC person of year award, so if you know of any local Aboriginal people who work or live in Blue Mountains and you feel may deserve recognition for all their efforts in community or perhaps even for their own personal achievements we would

like for you to nominate these wonderful people for a NAIDOC award, for if you don't nominate them, who will. For all nominations please contact myself manager@acrc.org.au or Brad Moore (Brad Moore BMoore@bmcc.nsw.gov.au). This is also a time of when we are calling out for budding artists, if you are interested in putting some of your work in this year's NAIDOC art festival please send request in to once again Brad Moore or Myself for application forms, contacts details above. Following on from our call for NAIDOC awards nominations, I would personally like to invite each and every one of you to our upcoming NAIDOC celebrations starting from July 3rd with the NAIDOC awards at the Blue Mountains culture centre followed on by a morning tea and flag raising at the Carrington. You will find full details of all upcoming NAIDOC events on the NAIDOC calendar provided on the next page. I wish each and every one a very good month and until next time keep warm and stay healthy and happy.

Yours sincerely *Wayne Cornish*

Fresh food program

Winmalee Neighbourhood Centre
With the support of SecondBite can provide
Fresh Vegetables, Bread and Fruit.
PH: 4754 4050

Also ACRC has some food available on
Monday between 10 and 11. Let us know if
you need a notification for when the food
arrives.



**Our Languages
Matter**

2-9 JULY 2017

This year's NAIDOC theme is 'Our Languages Matter' aims to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages play in cultural identity, linking people to their land and water and in the transmission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, spirituality and rites, through story and song.

<http://www.naidoc.org.au/2017-national-naidoc-theme>

NAIDOC IN THE MOUNTAINS

3 July - NAIDOC Awards and Flag Raising

The NAIDOC Awards will be presented at 10am on the 3rd of July at the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre. Followed by the Flag Raising on the Carrington Lawn.

To Nominate for the NAIDOC Awards please contact:

Brad: 02 4780 5560 bmoore@bmcc.nsw.gov.au

Wayne: 02 4782 6569 manager@acrc.org.au

8 July - NAIDOC Gully Day

The NAIDOC Gully Day will run from 11am to 2pm on the 8th of July in the Katoomba Gully. Come celebrate with Entertainment, Face painting, Free lunch and loads of activities for the Jarjums (Kids). Transport will be provided from Katoomba train station.

14-23 July - NAIDOC Art Expo

The NAIDOC Art Exhibition opening night will be held on the 14th of July at the Katoomba Leura Community Centre (Old Library). The exhibition will stay on display until the 23rd of July.

To enter your art work please contact:

Brad: 02 4780 5560 bmoore@bmcc.nsw.gov.au

Wayne: 02 4782 6569 manager@acrc.org.au

28 July - NAIDOC Ball

The NAIDOC Ball will be held on the 28th of July at Scenic World, it is a fabulous night with dinner, entertainment and great company. Child Care and Transport will be available. Bookings are essential, spaces limited. Tickets go on sale on the 24th of June and will also be available at the ACRC stall at Winter Magic Festival.

For enquiries please contact:

Hannah: 02 4782 6569 assist@acrc.org.au

Ngarra Wingarru

Blue Mountains Aboriginal education consultative group (AECG)

Invites Parents and carers of aboriginal school children to attend meetings to be part of the decision making about your child's education

WHEN	4 pm for a 4:30 start 6 pm finish Afternoon tea provided
WHERE	Thursday 18 May 2017 Springwood Highschool
	Thursday 27 July 2017 Lawson Public School
	Thursday 7 September 2017 Warrimoo Public School
	Thursday 19 October 2017 (AGM) Katoomba North Public School

For more information, contact Charmaine Tully
Charmainetully2@det.nsw.edu.au

We are strong
Sarina Holman

*We walk through our lives
We are strong Aboriginal people
We need to walk away from pain
And begin to love again
We need our elders to guide our way
We just need a home at the end of
the day
It takes strength to be loved.*

Welcome our new Assistant Manager

Hannah Lange is a proud Wiradjuri Woman from the Blue Mountains. After being away for seven years she has recently returned to her roots and commenced work as the Assistant Manager with ACRC. Hannah has a Bachelor Degree in Entertainment Business Management along with other certified education. She has an array of experience working in various roles including producing for Sky News, Event Management/Assistant work with AbSec and most recently working as the Operations and Events Coordinator for the Indigenous Digital Excellence (IDX) Initiative and inaugural IDX awards.

Hannah enjoys working with community based organisations and is looking forward to contributing to ACRC's sustainable future...

ACRC Improvements

They say change is as good as a holiday... ACRC has had a facelift! We are happy to show off our new front entrance with easier access for everyone. Including a fresh new set of stairs leading down from Oak street, a new access ramp at the main entrance and a new native garden... Thank you to everyone involved in making this happen!





Blue Mountains Computers offers all our customers the best possible solution to almost all your computer needs. We have very competitive prices and we can also come to you.

Mention this ad and receive 10% off your labour fees.

Ph: 4781 7111

ACRC Women's Group

16th June at ACRC

Time: 9:30am to 11:30am

Transport and childcare available

Free Complementary Therapies treatment sessions at Blue Mountains Women's Health and Resource Centre.

Massage (up to 4 per year) and Acupuncture (up to 8 per year) are provided to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women without charge. Services are delivered by qualified and experienced practitioners. Blue Mountains Womens Health and Resource Centre adheres to a trauma-sensitive service delivery model. Please phone to make an appointment on: 4782 5133 also let them know you found out through ACRC.

Yarning Circle

For Aboriginal workers to get together to network and talk over problems.

Last Monday of every month.
12:30 Blaxland Neighbourhood Centre.

Call Auntie Bev Eaton,
Ph: 04 1478 4290

Yellomundee Firesticks Needs You!

Yellomundee firesticks are calling out for participants to take part in the next firesticks cultural burning program at Shaw's Creek Yarramundi.

Come and learn about culture and participate in a tradition that has taken place for thousands of years, or perhaps share what you already know.

Take part in what is called firesticks (a cool burn), the traditional way of burning and promoting growth. All are welcome.

Please get in contact if you would like to be a part of this process and for catering purposes.

Paul Glass: 4720 6202, 0400 938 545.
paul.glass@environment.nsw.gov.au





English Ivy
Hedera helix

English ivy is an ever-green climbing vine with dark green leaves arranged alternately along the stem. Leaves are three lobed and change to an oval when mature.

English Ivy is an aggressive invader growing densely along the ground and into tree canopies. English Ivy will eventually smother trees causing their death.

For treatment do not pull at the vines from trees as this can cause disruption to habitat of small animals. Cut each stem above the ground then scrape and paint with herbicide. Ground cover can be pulled by hand. All foliage should be mulched or rafted to prevent regrowth.

Photos and information: Blue Mountains City Council

A Message from our Elders Support Service

Hi all, I hope you are keeping warm coming into winter. We have a lot of exciting happenings coming up with Winter Magic & NAIDOC. I would like to say how lovely our adventure to La Perouse was with the Elders who attended and am looking forward to more outings with you all. Please give us a call if you would like to join us on the outings.

Elders Olympics Team 2018

We are now accepting expressions of interest for the 2018 Elders Olympic Team. Limited places. Please call Jade on 47826569 and book in before places are gone.



Come see us at the
ACRC Winter Magic
Stall located on
Katoomba Street on the
24th of June.

Transport unavailable.

PPP.
Positive Parenting Program
Tuesday 6th and 13th June.
At ACRC 10-12:30
Contact Raylee 4782 6569.