



**BLUE MOUNTAINS ABORIGINAL CULTURE AND RESOURCE CENTRE
BLACKMAIL NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2020**



We Proudly Acknowledge and Respect the
Dharug and Gundungurra People
as Traditional Owners of this Land

Manager's Message



Planning for AGM:

As Covid precautions and restrictions continue to impact the ability for community gatherings and events to take place, the Board would like to inform everyone that the AGM has been further postponed. At this stage Discussions will be taking place with ORIC and a new date will be set for the new year. We will keep everyone updated and inform you all once the new date is confirmed. We appreciate your patience and will continue to communicate information as decisions are made and as we work toward the new date.

BLACKMAIL:

Covid restrictions have impacted how programs operate at ACRC for many months now. As a result, there is a decrease in the amount of information needing to be shared in each issue of Blackmail. With this reduction in content, ACRC will now be sending out issues every 2nd month. Once restrictions ease and it is safe for community gatherings and events to resume, we will reassess the required time frame between each issue of Blackmail.

Advertised vacant positions: CEO and Manager, Cultural and Community Programs:

In the last month two crucial ACRC positions have been advertised.

The position for a new **CEO** and position for a **Manager, cultural and community programs** have been advertised in both printed and online job seeker forums. The closing date for applicants was the 20th of November and the process of reviewing applications has begun. The board has put together an interview panel and interviews will commence once all applications have been processed. We look forward to updating members of the outcomes of these interviews and with news of the newly appointed staff members.

Transport updates:

Until further notice Paul Glass is acting in the position of transport. We appreciate Paul stepping into this role and his commitment to understanding the program. Paul is spending time on zoom to develop his knowledge and undertake training to fulfil the position requirements. As we all know it can take some time to implement new practices and we appreciate everyone supporting Paul and ACRC during this time.

Survey reminders:



“Fostering respect and unity in the Blue Mountains Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community, by strengthening culture through community support, empowerment and embracing diversity to achieve self-determination.”





ACRC Mondays Playgroup is closed until further notice

Firstly, ACRC Staff would like to thank you for your patience as we continue to navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic. Whilst in the lock down period, we've been working extremely hard to keep the work flow up with our clients and community.

ACRC has been informed that Playgroup is still in lockdown until they lift further restrictions. Please be patient, because before you know it, playgroup will be back.

Raylee will contact you by phone, message or Facebook once she has been informed playgroup can return back to Greenwood Early Education Centre

Once again THANK You for being patient through this hard time



Elders notice



Support with Dignity Program

HOW CAN WE HELP WHEN TIMES ARE TOUGH

- > Financial assistance (electricity/gas bills, Telstra bills, Sydney Water bills)
- > NILS No Interest Loans Scheme - no interest, no fees, no charge for Greenslips, rego's, medical, vet etc.
- > Fresh Food Program 5 days a week
- > Coles, Fuel and Pharmacy vouchers
- > Advocacy
- > Phone counselling
- > Manage finances with budgeting consultant
- > Community Food Cupboard
- > Information/referral
- > Food packs/frozen meals
- > Work Development Orders-overdue fines

**Ring for more information or appointment.
There is paperwork required depending on
the program.**

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8:30am-1:30pm Fridays



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HEALTH ALERT



Stay deadly wash your hands avoid physical contact

avoid large gatherings

cover your cough or sneeze

stay home if unwell

stay up to date on new information

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talk with someone who understands
access grants
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