



BLACKMAIL SEPTEMBER 2018

Manager's Message

Well hasn't it been a very busy time for all of us, I can confirm that the cultural areas out the back and front of ACRC are coming to together quite well. We will have grass for all the front new area covered in grass and a part of the new back area covered in grass early September. We are able to get these areas covered in grass due to a generous donation of \$2000 from 'Suzie Mc Quade & Fiona Mac Disability from Act on ability. If all plans go well, we will hopefully have the cultural areas complete by the end of October early November.

The cultural areas will be designed so that the community have a culturally safe place to come and visit any time. Community will be able to come and just sit quietly by themselves or as groups and yarn. I would like to make ACRC a culturally safe place once again just like I have been told it was many years ago when ACRC was first established.

While establishing a cultural safe place I don't want to do this all by myself, I need help and input from the community, which is why I am asking for community committee members for a few projects here at ACRC. The first of the two committees that I would like to put together is a committee to help put together the history of ACRC in a booklet to recognise everyone who has played a role in helping ACRC be what it is today. The second committee would help, in putting in place plaques in different areas around ACRC in recognition of past community members who have meant a lot to the Blue Mountains Aboriginal community. These committees will be formed hopefully by the end of September so that we can start as early as possible in respect to all past and present community members.

If you would like to join one of these committees or perhaps both of these committees, please contact me directly to express interest and once we have expressions of interest we will try and work in with those expressing their interest when formulating times and dates for the committee to meet.

I look forward to working with and building a strong culturally safe place once again.

Wayne 4782 6569 email manager@acrc.org.au

You're sincerely

Wayne Cornish

Manager ACRC

NAIDOC

Now for the NAIDOC month, I would firstly like to thank everyone who helped in all the events and thank all those who attend and supported these events.

NAIDOC AWARDS

It was with great pleasure to present Uncle Ed Walker and Aunty Karen Maber NAIDOC awards for their achievements and demonstrated commitment to the Blue Mountains community. It was also my pleasure to present Coral Cooper the Youth NAIDOC award for her Achaemenes throughout the past year. To Uncle Ed, Aunty Karen Maber and Coral cooper I would like to congratulate and wish that you achieve all that you deserve in coming years.

NAIDOC ART EXHIBITION

This year's NAIDOC art exhibition went very well again this year with around 70 people attending the opening night. All the people in attendance enjoyed watching the Wagana dancers.

Leanne Tobin won people's choice award on the night. All in all, it was a great turnout from community members coming to support all our artist that displayed their art works throughout the entire exhibition. Below I have included a great photo of this year's NAIDOC male and female award winners Uncle Ed and Aunty Karen Maber, as you can see winners are gridders.

I once again than each and every one of you who played a part in putting the exhibition together and to all those community members who attended and supported the event.



NAIDOC BALL



First of all there are so many that we would like to thank and if I have missed you, please forgive me, I would like to thank Dawn from Escarpment Estate for holding the ACRC NAIDOC Ball there, the support and the chance to hold our Ball there was beautiful. It was a cold night with the stars shining bright and the room looking fantastic and everyone arriving to enjoy the night.



I would like to thank everyone that attend the NAIDOC Ball on Friday 28th of July 2018

The Ball would have not been a success without you all attending.



A BIG thank you to Aunty Leoni Trindall for the beautiful welcome speech like always it was beautiful, Khuna dancers for doing an amazing dance for us all to enjoy and I'm sure that you were all moved just like I was. Walanmara art group for the scarfs that was giving, Childcare workers that donating their time to support our NAIDOC Ball family that have children that was unable to get babysitters for the night. The band Beatworx the music was fantastic and everyone love the music that they played, Photo booth as of last year they did an amazing job as usual everyone enjoyed them self in posing for the camera.

Peter Williams did a fantastic job in making the coolamons for our ball "Thank you Peter". The lucky door prizes had its hiccups but we seemed to get through it ok hopefully there was no one upset with the mix up. The action for ACRC Family Camp went well with a big bidding war between Steve, Renee and Emily Wall. The Wall girls bid between them self's and took home the painting that was donated to ACRC from Uncle Colin Lock "Because Of Her We can" it is now hanging in the girls house. The bidding didnt stop there it went on with Steve, Renee and Emily Wall bidding for the didgeridoo that was donated from Dreamtime Native Arts n crafts and Steve won the bidding for the didgeridoo. A big thank you to Uncle Ed Walker Renee Wall work mate and Aunty Serina's daughter for donating their drawing/painting for our raffles that was also amazing, without the support from our community and work mates these would not have happened without your support



Let all congratulate the Staff of ACRC (Blue Mountains Aboriginal Culture and Resource Centre) for the great work they put into the night and the table decorations was fantastic. All the staff looked amazing and the support from each and every one was fantastic the Ball would have not been that best if it was not for everyone pulling their weight the ball would not have been the ready for everyone.

Once again thank you every one that took the time out to attending the 2018 NAIDOC Ball

Elders Support Service

I go on leave after the NAIDOC Ball and will return Monday 6th of August. Next lunch will be Tuesday 7th of August. Good news, Commonwealth Home Support has been funded till July 2020 and new conditions they have brought down the age of cover to 45, so if you are Aboriginal & 45 or over & you want some support going to the doctors or some help around the home or if there is anything else, we can help you with let us know. We have lots of outings coming up in 2018. Look out for the August Elders Calender of Events. Happy Birthday to all those who celebrate their birthdays this month.

Jade Pyle

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FAMILY SUPPORT COORDINATOR

Raylee is available Mondays to Thursdays between 9am – 5pm & Friday 9-12:30. Raylee support families with children between the ages of 0 -5yrs and Raylee is able to liaises with government departments and works with families to ensure they have a strong connection to community and support services. Please call Raylee if you would like to join the playgroup, need information about family support or just want to have a yarn.

Raylee

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BLUE MOUNTAINS



OUR COMPASSIONATE CITY

Community meeting about better care for all at end of life. The best community is one we build together - the way we want it.

- Have you cared for someone at end of life?
- Would you like to be a part of a world-wide social movement to increase well-being for people at end of life?
- Want to be a part of building a community road map to an integrated compassionate community in the Blue Mountains?

ALL WELCOME

RSVP via the link below

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/blue-mountains-comcom-tickets-48081625436>

niki@thegroundswellproject.com
www.facebook.com/blmtscmcom

A city is not merely a place to work and access services but equally a place to enjoy support in the safety and protection of each other's company, in schools, workplaces, places of worship and recreation in cultural forums and social networks anywhere within the city's influence, even to the end of our days.

Allan Kellehear
Compassionate City Charter

8th September

3-5.30 pm

at 'Junction 142'

Home of Earth Recovery Ltd and
the Uniting Church

142 Katoomba St,

Katoomba

THE
GROUND
SWELL
PROJECT

phn Wentworth
Healthcare

Blue Mountains Conservation Society is a not-for-profit organisation.
This service has been made possible through funding provided
by the Australian Government under the RPLN Program.

Threatened Species Day

Saturday, 8 September

9.30am – 3pm*

Wentworth Falls School of Arts



The first Threatened Species Day in Australia was declared in 1996 to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the death of the last Tasmanian Tiger.

The Blue Mountains Conservation Society is marking Threatened Species Day 2018 by presenting talks by several well-known conservationists.

Speakers for the day will tell us what threatened species mean to them and include:

Margaret Baker
Doug Benson
Jim Low
Akos Lumnitzer

Carol Proberts
Kate Smith
Vera Wong
Wyn Jones

Kalang Morrison-Jones
Haydn Washington
Michaela Jones

- * 9.30 am is registration time (tea/coffee provided).
- * 10am talks start.
- * Lunch will be provided.

For more information visit our website –

bluemountains.org.au/tsd



Greater Glider (Kate Smith)

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ABORIGINAL CULTURE
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APOLOGISES FOR ANY
INCONVENIENCE AS
THE SERVICE WILL BE
OPERATING ON
LIMITED STAFF
DURING 3Rd OF
SEPTEMBER TILL THE
7TH OF SEPTEMBER
WITH WAYNE, MICK,
MATT & RAY AWAY AT
THE WE-ALI HEALING
CAMP. ALL SERVICES
WILL RETURN TO
NORMAL THE WEEK
AFTER. THANK YOU
FOR YOUR PATIENCE
AND
UNDERSTANDING

Waxlip Orchids

Other names: Wax Lip Orchids

Family: *Orchidaceae*

Found in woodland on sandstone

These are ground or terrestrial orchids (as opposed to tree or epiphytic orchids which grow on other plants). All ground orchids produce tubers, which were roasted or eaten raw. Epiphytic tree orchids lack tubers but have thickened stems which can be sucked for their starch.



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https://www-survival.org.au/bf_glossodia.php



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Mon - Thurs 9am-5pm, Friday 9am - 12pm