

PKKPAC QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Jan - Mar 2024



THE PKKP ABORIGINAL
CORPORATION RNTBC
ICN 7630

We acknowledge our PKKP Community,
especially our Elders, both past and present.



PUUTU KUNTI KURRAMA & PINIKURA PEOPLE

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Dear Members,

As we close into the halfway point of the year. I reflect on both how quickly the year has gone and what we have been able to achieve.

Your PKKPAC team continue to work extremely hard for you and it is a pleasure to work with people who are so committed. In my mind a good CEO is like someone doing the high jump. The bar is always being lifted and greater expectation placed on the team to perform. I know the team is up for the challenge and when I reflect on how far we have progressed over the last two years I am thrilled.

In the last quarter alone, we have acquired Nanutarra Homestead, undertaken our first internal cultural mapping survey, held our first Cultural Advisory Committee meeting, led a delegation of PKKP members to the United States to present at the American Archaeologist Conference, cemented further material funding agreements with mining proponents and significantly broadened our community outreach service.

We continue to work hard with our mining proponents on how they may operate on PKKP country and to enforce the community's right to say no to the destruction of your heritage.

After considering all feedback from the membership and Board, we are looking to hold a General Meeting in July, to further discuss and recommend minor amendments to the Rule Book. We look to have the meeting notice and proposed amendments out very shortly.

Thank you for your continued support and please enjoy the newsletter. I look forward to catching up with as many of you as I can in the near future.

Grant Wilson
Chief Executive Officer.

Member
Services Unit

Native Title

Upcoming
Events



PKKP AC are the proud new owners of historic Nanutarra Homestead

PKKP Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC have acquired the historic Nanutarra Homestead, situated on the North West Coastal Highway and joining the Ashburton River.

Situated on some 62 hectares of freehold land, Elders have confirmed to us the heritage listed homestead is extremely important to the Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura people and your cultural connection to the homestead cannot be underestimated.

We know many of your descendants were born, lived and worked on the homestead for many generations and we are thrilled to be able to return the property to the PKKP community.

We will take our time and get community feedback on the property development, but some ideas already raised, include a language and heritage keeping place, a community hub, the establishment of a base to support on country programs and even the establishment of a cultural tourism facility.



Welcome to the team

Land & Heritage Management

Ella Harris

The Land and Heritage Team are excited to introduce Ella Harris, Ella has a Bachelors in Archaeological Practice and a Master of Research in Geoscience, focusing on predictive modelling using archaeological data across the Sydney Basin and CBD region.

Ella has experience working in GIS for heritage and environmental consultancies. Ella is focused at the moment building up our archival heritage place dataset, with the aim to move towards proactive spatial analysis and modelling in the future.



Member Services Unit

Prince Kuthial

Kaya! My Name is Prince, and I arrived in Australia in 2013 to complete my higher education in health sciences, which took a turn when I got exposed to gaps in the Australian welfare system. This made me switch my career to Community Services so I can help community members navigate the system and assist them in linking up with services and get the support they need.

I was born in north India to a family with strong connections and many extended family members. I deeply respect my elders and come from a farming heritage background. I greatly respect and connect with land, nature, and its resources. We adapted to an urban lifestyle, but I am grateful for the many

opportunities I had on our ancestral lands, reliving the life my ancestors cherished. I love getting out and about in nature to enjoy the diverse landscapes, animals and people.

Although, to date, I have spent most of my time in WA working on Noongar lands. I look forward to discovering and learning more about the Pilbara region and having a deeper understanding of the PKKP people, its communities, country, and culture.



Governance Officer

Catherine Fletcher

Hi, my name is Catherine, and I have recently joined the PKKPAC team as a Governance Officer. In my previous role, I worked for around 5 years for a private family law firm, and I am excited to be moving into the not-for-profit space and working with the PKKP community. I am currently completing my law degree and am

looking forward to assisting the PKKP community and our Boards, Committees and Sub-Committees in the governance space.

It is a privilege to be working with the PKKP community and I am eager to see what we can accomplish together.

People & Culture Manager

Kirstie Toovey

Assistant Accountant

Jessie Gao



Meet Kirstie Toovey and Jessie Gao from PKKP Aboriginal Corporation - pictured in Karratha last week whilst working out of our Karratha office with the team

Hi everyone!

I am Kirstie Toovey, and it is a privilege to introduce myself to the Puutu Kuntj Kurrama and Pinikura Traditional Owners of the PKKP Aboriginal Corporation. I have recently joined this great team as the People and Culture Manager, and I hope to meet and work with all of you soon. Born and raised in the Pilbara, I bring a deep respect for the PKKP traditional owners and a commitment to integrating the PKKP way with modern HR practices.

I spent my childhood around Jigalong, Nullagine and Newman, where a trip to the Tropic of Capricorn Roadhouse for a Coke Spider was a rare birthday treat! These days, however, when I am not working, you can find me on, in, or under the ocean with my amazing family and friends or at the Shack at Grey fishing.. After school I went to UWA, studying Japanese/Economics and began my career in HR with Rio Tinto before venturing into Senior HR Management in Offshore Oil and Gas, earning International HR Certification as an HRMP® My journey in HR began with projects with Robe River, HiSmelt, Mt Newman Mining, Hammersley Iron, and Dampier Port – old names

that may be familiar. For the last 15 years, I have run my own HR consultancy while focusing on my most important role in life – being an awesome mum! My HR Consultancy has led me to work across many Aboriginal Corporations in WA and on various Recruitment Projects in the Northwest for Regional Airports or Construction. My true passion is working with senior traditional owners to help them grow, realise their potential and assist with designing new CVs and LinkedIn Profiles to better position themselves for maximum impact in their endeavours. I firmly believe that Everyone Has A Story and I would love to hear about yours.

My primary goal in my new role is to assist Grant, Nisha, and Jordan in making PKKP the best PBC in Australia, adding the most value to our Traditional Owners possible. I am positive that together we will achieve this for our members and team.

Please feel free to contact me anytime: kirstie.toovey@pkkp.org.au

Jessie:

I would also like to introduce Jessie Gao, our Assistant Accountant, whom we all love dearly - the team knows Jessie well however she has not yet been formally introduced to the members.

Jessie has completed a Bachelor of Commerce (Major in Information System) and Master of Accounting in Curtin University and is currently studying for her CPA due to finish in the next year. She has worked in similar roles with manufacturing, high-tech, IT, Retail and Telecoms all across Regional and Metro WA since 2010 and brings a wealth of knowledge to our team in particular in ensuring all of our accounts receivable and payable are best practice and that everyone is paid - so probably the most important role in the company! She is originally from China He Nan Province and has been living in Perth for 20 years. Jessie lives in Perth by herself and is very proud and quite brave to be living overseas for this amount of time. She loves learning new skills and new things, and is very proactive and keen on solving problems. To quote: "My character is a bit introvertive, but I am very happy to be part of PKKP team and give a helping hand for all of us."

Land and Heritage Management Update

In 2024, the Land and Heritage team has successfully mobilised five heritage surveys, seven excavation swings, and four monitoring surveys. We were also lucky enough to have Rosie head out on the ethno survey. We have also held six Land Committee meetings and two Heritage Committee meetings! Enormous effort from the team, especially the committee members who give up their time to do this important work.

On-Country Program

Jordan Ralph, Gary Dean and Ben Breheny took time through January and February to write an application to the National Indigenous Australians Agency to receive funding to establish the PKKP ranger program. The application is currently being assessed and we will know the outcome by mid-June.

If successful, the Corporation will receive funding to establish the program in the way the PKKP community wishes, following the guidance of the Cultural Advisory Committee.

If unsuccessful, the program will still be developed but in a reduced capacity. We hope to open recruitment for ranger roles in the second half of this year!

Watch this space!

Ben Breheny was lucky enough to attend a Fire Summit ran by the Pilbara Ranger Network and hosted by the Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation.

The Corporation recently signed an MOU with the Pilbara Ranger Network, which (once the On-Country Program is established) will allow members to get involved in workshops, training and activities.

Ben described the summit as a platform for two-way learning amongst the ranger groups, all of whom are at different stages of program development.

Below is a photo of the attendees at Searipple Passage – at the very top of the Burrup Peninsula.



“ There are **no limits** to reaching your potential, and **together**, we unlock the doors to many possibilities

Community Outreach



Thank you to all the members who welcomed us into their homes and took the time to meet with us. Coming to your communities is a pleasure and gives us amazing opportunities to get to know you and your family better and also to learn a lot more about your living environment and surroundings.

Thank you again and we can not wait to come back!



Bonny Mayo
Member Services Officer



Claudia Acevedo
Member Services Officer

In Geraldton:

A big thank you to all the Members for your time!



Travon Kelly:

We were so proud to be there when you picked up the keys to your house and to see the smile on your face when you opened the door of your own home. We are very proud!



Nicola Hearman:

Thank you for your time, it was lovely to watch you and Rosie talking about language.



Dwanna Papertalk:

Meeting your baby Lennox was a heartwarming experience. Congrats!



In Onslow:

We enjoyed an afternoon in the swimming pool and look forward to having more fun and exciting moments during the year.



Asha Ryan & Khysha Ryan

meeting with you and yarning about your plans was awesome! We love to learn about our young people's aspirations and our spending time with your beautiful children, too!



Delores Drage

What a lovely garden you have! Thank you for warmly welcoming us.



Natasha Drage:

we missed you in Karratha, but meeting you and seeing your beautiful new home was wonderful. Congratulations!

The Member Services team has lots to offer our members!

Between helping you navigate the trust policies; finding support services in your local area that you can access; supporting you to feel healthy and strong in your minds and bodies; assisting you and your family members to take advantage of training and employment opportunities; supporting your journey towards home ownership; helping your children practice their favorite sports; learning about language and culture and MUCH MORE!

Our team is dedicated to getting to know you and your family and understanding how they can help you reach your goals and support your current and future aspirations – whatever they may be!



If you have any questions or need any assistance, don't hesitate to contact the Member Services Team
 Email: claudia.acevedo@pkkp.org.au
 Phone: 9185 5000



Remember: The karratha office is open Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you in the office or out on Outreach in your communities.

Sporting Policy

The sporting policy aims to increase participation of PKKP members and their children in community Sporting events.

If you wish to receive more information, we are here to help, please contact Member Services Unit for further guidance and support.

Adults and children who are eligible can access \$5,000 each per year.

A good news story from members who utilised the sporting policy to enter WA's biggest Sport Fishing Competition:



GAMEX 2024

On The 8th of March, an amazing group of PKKP Members and their families travelled to Exmouth for Western Australia's biggest sport fishing competition. There entered four family filled boats into the competition: The Inn Keeper with Jack Moloney, Nadia Moloney, Kristy Stewart and Bonny Mayo, The Keeper Inn with Steve Moloney, Zeke Stewart and Calogero Eaton, The Patriot with Tony Stewart, Kwame Eaton and Caydon Drummond and lastly, The Ron Grey with Claudia Eaton, Jermaine Umbagai, Jermaine Umbagai JNR and Suli Akuila.

Out of 50 boats that entered the competition, Innkeeper placed 4th overall with 17 billfish tagged and released, Patriot and Keeper Inn placed 11th and 12th with 11 Billfish tagged and released, followed by Ron Grey placing 14th with 11 billfish tagged and released. Most people who entered the competition had never seen or caught a billfish before, but over the 6 days of early mornings and late finishes, they fought some big fish and learned a great deal, and everyone gave their best.

Name	Boat	Fish tagged and released
Steve Moloney	Keeper Inn	7
Tony Stewart	Patriot	5
Jermaine Umbagai SNR	Ron Grey	5
Kwame Eaton	Patriot	4
Suli Akuila	Ron Grey	4
Jack Moloney	Inn Keeper	3
Caydon Drummond	Patriot	2
Zeke Stewart	Keeper Inn	2
Calogero Eaton	Keeper Inn	1
Bonny Mayo	Inn Kepper	14
Claudia Eaton	Ron Grey	1
Jermaine Umbagai JNR	Ron Grey	1
Total		49

Employment Officer Update

As we conclude the third quarter of FY24, we take pride in reflecting on the achievements of our members and their families who have embarked on new employment opportunities this year.

Since the beginning of 2024, each month, we have celebrated the success of a member or a PKKP family member securing employment within the mining sector.

Additionally, we have observed a growing interest among members in accessing their education funds—an encouraging trend that we aim to keep encouraging everyone to do.



Jarrod Gentili
Employment Officer



Raymond Smith:

Congratulations to Raymond Smith for beginning his journey as a FMG Eliwana Mine Site serviceperson. It has been a fantastic journey supporting you in achieving your career aspirations; I look forward to seeing you thrive and become a strong advocate from FMG.

Establishing New Relationships

This quarter, our focus has been on introducing fresh stakeholders and exploring new opportunities for our members. We aim to develop sustainable initiatives that benefit not only Karratha but all community members.

To support members entering the workforce, we've partnered with Real Futures to provide holistic wrap-around support.

Expanding our horizons, we've initiated collaborations with Mineral Resources, Chevron, and Eastern Gurruma to broaden the scope of opportunities for members within the facility management and mine site operations area.

Working with the Jobs & Skills Centre in Karratha, we hope to commence employment workshops as part of a collaborative effort to empower members who need additional support before entering the workforce.

Our ongoing partnership with Rio Tinto aims to propel more of our members into leadership positions within their organisation. While our Career Readiness days have progressed, we're committed to maximising our impact. Moving forward, we're excited to bring Rio Tinto on board for community outreach initiatives, providing clear pathways to employment and immediate connections for those ready to enter the workforce.

Outreach to Carnarvon

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We spent the day meeting with members, and I want to highlight our catch up with **Asha Kelly** and **Khyesha Ryan**. Lovely to meet with you and your family, sharing experiences and talking about the best approach moving forward.



While in Carnarvon we met with **Real Futures Australia**, learning how they can assist members and their families when moving into employment. They have some exciting opportunities to offer, and I look forward to sharing this with you all.



On day two, we had the pleasure of meeting up with **Natasha Drage** who kindly welcomed us into her new home.



It was great to meet with **Jamilah Sibosado**, Indigenous Engagement Advisor for Mineral Resources. Establishing connections with various stakeholders is essential for fostering collaboration, addressing concerns, and achieving mutually beneficial outcomes. It's not just about ticking boxes—it's about genuinely engaging with diverse perspectives to create opportunities for PKKP members and the wider community.

We wrapped up the second day by catching up with **Burchell Hayes**, who knows the place very well and gave us ideas for future outreach in Carnarvon.



Help me connect with you



Please complete the survey via this QR code to better help me contact you so we can begin your employment and training journey. Feel free to share this with immediate family members who may benefit from a bit of support.

We also want to remind all our members about the programs currently being run by Rio Tinto, Fortescue Metals Group, Vocational Training, and Employment Centre.

Rio Tinto ATAL Program:

Rio Tinto's Aboriginal Training and Liaison program has recently been introduced to us as a capacity-building program for traditional owners seeking help obtaining employment in any industry. The expressions of interest commenced on May 1st, 2024.

FMG VTEC Program:

The FMG VTEC program also accepts expressions of interest from Traditional Owners looking to begin employment within the mining sector. With proven success, I can highly recommend FMG's VTEC program for anybody looking to build themselves up to working with FMG.

To apply or participate in the upcoming information sessions, please contact MSU Employment Officer: Jarrod Gentili via email at jarrod.gentili@pkkp.org.au MSU Office (08) 9185 5000.

Looking to the Future

As we enter the final quarter of FY24, our primary focus will be on prioritizing the enrollment of any member interested in participating in the Rio Tinto ATAL program and FMG VTEC programs.

Feedback from our members is essential to our success. We recognise the importance of working closely with members to assess the effectiveness of our employment and training initiatives. To achieve this, we will dedicate time to conducting surveys and engaging in open discussions during Outreach sessions. This proactive approach will allow the Member Services Unit to deliver services that meet the needs of our members.

If you need assistance accessing your education fund or want to have a chat with us about potential career opportunities, please call Jarrod Gentili on 0417 813 942 or email jarrod.gentili@pkkp.org.au

DEVELOPMENT OF MEMBER'S HOME MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION PROGRAM

Over the coming six to twelve months, the Corporation will work with the Trust to develop a member's home maintenance and renovation program.



We initially are looking to employ a member as a project coordinator. Someone who can work with builders and subcontractors and project manage work on behalf of members, to ensure their valuable assets are preserved.

Initially we will be looking for someone qualified or near qualified in the building trade.

This is important as member's housing is widespread throughout WA and the person required must have a detailed understanding of the building trade.

If this interests you, and you have the necessary skillset, please contact the CEO, Grant Wilson on 0438 315 877.

Are you looking to learn new skills to use in your business?

The SBDC's small business workshops are packed with practical information and useful hints and tips to help you start and grow your business. Each session is presented by a subject matter expert and most sessions are offered at a reduced cost of \$20 thanks to substantial funding from the Government of Western Australia.

Writing a winning tender

6 June 2024,
9:00am - 11:00am
Online Workshop

Using LinkedIn to boost your business

6 June 2024,
4:00pm - 5.30pm
Online Workshop

Tax planning

7 June 2024,
10:00am - 11:00am
Online Workshop

Applying for grants

10 June 2024,
12:00pm - 1:00pm
Online Workshop

Managing contracts

12 June 2024,
3:00pm - 5:00pm
Online Workshop

Creating an online shop

13 June 2024,
9:30pm - 12:00pm
Online Workshop

For more information ph **133 140** smallbusiness.wa.gov.au

We would like to thank Precious Saurombe for her time with the Corporation.

Precious finished in February. She is taking some time for herself and to prioritise her family. We were sad to see her go, but we are also very happy for her, and we wish her all the very best in her future endeavors and hope that more time and focus on her family brings her much joy, fulfilment, and cherished moments with her loved ones.



Prince Kuthial
Health & Wellbeing Officer

Healthy Chicken & Egg Fried Rice Recipe

Ingredients:

500gm chicken thighs
 Appx 2-3 cups of boiled rice
 5 whole eggs
 Mixed frozen veggies (WA grown Mix of peas, corn and carrots)
 Capsicum (Bell Pepper - for good presentation get all three types of bell peppers)
 Soy Sauce
 Fresh Ginger and Garlic
 Salt and red Chilli powder
 Oil (Any cold pressed oil can be used - my personal preference is mustard or olive oil)



Process:

Dice Chicken thighs (as per your preference), Capsicum, garlic, and ginger in small pieces.
 Mix diced chicken pieces in a tablespoon of oil, and add spices like chilli powder, pepper and salt as per your taste. I also prefer adding garlic powder for flavour, but it is optional.
 Heat oil to medium heat in a frying pan and add Fresh chopped garlic and Ginger (avoid using paste as I have found the fresh garlic introduces lush flavour while frying chicken pieces)
 Once garlic and ginger turn brown, add spice to the mixed chicken and fry until cooked.
 In a separate pan, fry a pack of frozen veggies and chopped capsicum until 60% cooked; add spices here for flavour. I usually keep it bland with salt, garlic, and chilli powder. As you can tell, I like my food spicy :)
 Refrain from adding too much salt; we will add soy sauce at the end.
 Make room in the pan by spreading veggies to the side to fry eggs in the middle. Once eggs are fried, mix and add boiled rice.
 Add approximately 50-60ml of Soy sauce; you can always add more depending on the size of the mix. Stir thoroughly and fry for 3-4 minutes before adding chicken from another pan.
 Stir well to make sure all ingredients are spread out evenly. Turn off the gas.

Allow to sit covered for 5 minutes before serving.

We would love to see your pictures!!!!

Please send them by email to prince.kuthial@pkkp.org.au or text the picture on 0448 987 050.



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FIRST AID CERTIFICATE



REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

This course teaches the skills and knowledge to recognise emergencies and provide immediate and effective first aid treatment to any person suffering a sudden illness or injury.

Assessment activities:

Perform CPR on an adult

Manage a casualty with:

- Anaphylaxis
- Asthma
- Chocking
- Nosebleed
- Fracture and dislocation
- Envenomation

Please register by sending email to claudia.acevedo@pkkp.org.au or call to 0419 536 809

Cost:

Free for Members and families
Lunch will be provided

Date:

14th June 2024 or 24th June 2024

Location:

PKKP AC Office Karratha



MONEY YARNS

- How to make your money last until payday
- Plan for your future
- Create a savings plan to help you reach your goals



Coming Up May/June for PKKP members register your interest
memberservices@pkkp.org.au
or call 0891855000

ROBE RIVER KURUMA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION RNTBC



Or call Amanda 91855005
a.drummond@rrkac.org.au

Community Assistance Program

**This is a FREE SERVICE
that you and your family
members can access.**

Available 24/7

The primary aim of this program is to provide you with the help and support necessary to manage life's challenges and complexities effectively.

We understand that life can be demanding, and we would like to provide PKKP Members other options to find support, wherever they are.

**Services that you can
access through Telus Health:**

- Strengthening relationships
- Improving communication
- Depression, anxiety, and stress
- Children or family member concerns
- Maximising performance
- Addiction support
- Work life balance
- Conflict and communication
- Grief and bereavement
- Retirement
- Organisational changes
- Elder care and more



PKKP AC Community Assistance Program.

Feel supported, connected and rewarded every single day with expert advice, recommendations and referrals from a confidential PKKP AC Community Assistance Program (CAP), and convenient access to online resources and tools.

Getting started with TELUS Health is easy.

1. Download the TELUS Health One app or visit www.telushealth.com
2. Open the app, click on 'Log in' and enter your shared log-in credentials.

Username: PKKPAC Password: cap

Contact TELUS Health any time, 24/7, for support:
1300 361 008
Connect online: one.telushealth.com or by mobile.



How Do PKKP Members Register?

Option 1

1. Download the TELUS Health One app or visit one.telushealth.com.
2. Open the app, click on 'Log in' and enter your shared log-in credentials.

Username: PKKPAC Password: cap

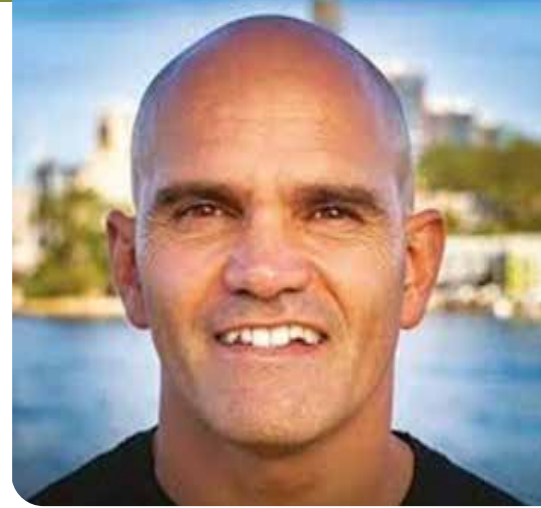
Please also see the flyer pictured with QR and instruction in signing up.

Option 2

Please contact MSU directly on 91 855 000 or send an email to info@pkkp.org.au and we will be in touch with you to discuss the program, how it works and walk you through the signup process.

PKKP AC's Mindset, Health, and Wellbeing Lifestyle Program

with *Jeffrey Morgan*



The Mindset, Health, and Wellbeing Lifestyle Program offers everyone an opportunity to work with Jeffrey Morgan and his team long-term, one-on-one, as a family or a group to optimise their health and mindset.

Jeffrey visited Karratha, Onslow, and Roebourne in October of 2023 and again at the PKKP Annual General Meeting, an opportunity to introduce himself to members and talk about the work he provides Aboriginal people, their families and communities.

Jeffrey Morgan returned for 2 weeks in May (6th - 17th of May 2024). He had many face-to-face yarns with PKKP members during this time.

Our very first **Emerging Leaders Forums** were held in Karratha and Perth, and it was great to see some of our talented youth members in attendance.

If you'd like to make a private and entirely confidential booking with Jeffrey Morgan or need more information, please contact our Member Services Unit at PKKP AC on 9185 5000 or email prince.kuthial@pkkp.org.au.

DON'T WAIT TO REACH OUT TO MSU TODAY.

THIS PROGRAM IS COMPLETELY FREE FOR ALL PKKP MEMBERS.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES FOR JEFFREY'S VISIT:

3rd June Hedland

5th and 6th Carnarvon

Please call the team on 9185 5000 to book some time with Jeffrey while he is in your area!

It has been a whirlwind for the past couple of months processing multiple Home Ownership Grant Applications. Each application reflects a personal dream, and supporting members on this important journey has been an absolute pleasure! This is a significant milestone and the start of many happy memories working with the PKKP community. Thank you for allowing us to support and share in your homeownership journey.



Tairi Adams
Housing Officer

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

**NEVILLE STEWART
TELEAH HAYES
JADE COOYOU**

"Thank you to Members that provided photos"



PEGGY SMIRKE



SHANTAY NOBLE



STANLEY CHUBBY



TRAVON KELLY



LARISSA MORRISON

**Wishing you countless memories filled with laughter, love,
and endless joy in your beautiful new space.**



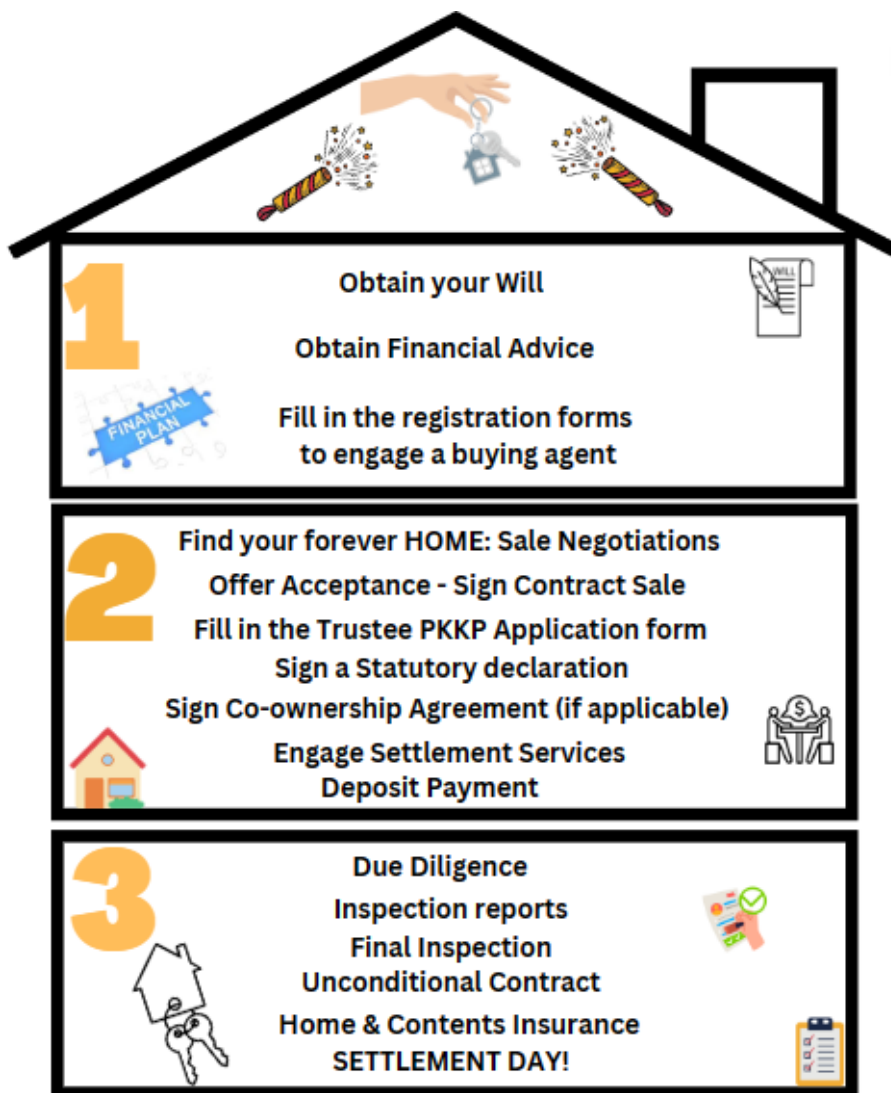
**Looking forward to helping
many more Members buy a
place to call home!**

Bianca Hubert and Selina Daulbin

The importance of having a will



A will is a legal document that outlines how you want your assets and belongings to be distributed after you pass away. Ensuring your wishes are followed is essential and can help prevent family disputes. By creating a will, you can appoint a guardian for your children, specify funeral arrangements, and name an executor to carry out your instructions. Having a will gives you peace of mind and helps provide for your loved ones in the future.



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 Elizabeth Brice - Lawyer 0414 380 767
 Scott McAlees RSM - Financial Planner (08) 9261 9514
 Ryan Clarke - Settlement Agent (08) 9240 6217



The past few months have been busy for the language program, with lots of 'behind the scenes' work happening to prepare us to start language recording and sharing language. With the weather cooling down, we're looking forward to getting out on-Country, where language belongs!

Rosie has a new hairstyle!



Rosie Sitorus
Language Specialist



Nicola Hearman and Rosie Sitorus in Geraldton

Language from the archives

Following our visit to AIATSIS in December, the language team have been working to request and secure access to the archival materials held there and at the University of Sydney. While some of the materials have been received, we still await access to others. This is to be expected – archives have strict access protocols and often very few staff, so wait times can be extended. The important thing is that the materials have been identified and requested – the language program is not going anywhere but forward!

The materials that have been received are kept in their original digital 'storage' - that is, using the folders and file names they came with. This is to ensure we can always trace the provenance (origin) of the materials and what we are permitted to do with them (e.g., whether we can use them for research or reprint them in their entirety). As we continue to develop a data management system and protocols, we are ensuring that the materials are held securely by PKKP AC.

We are continuing to investigate the retrieval of both Kurrama and Pinikura language materials held at Wangka Maya Pilbara Aboriginal Language Centre. We have been advised that our access request is with management, and we hope to be able to provide you with a further update shortly.

Outreach

Recording language is not just about sitting a recorder down in front of someone and telling them to talk – much planning about topics of interest, areas of knowledge that have not been explored and developing a fieldwork plan that suits every speaker must happen to ensure the process is enjoyable for everyone. Many years of fieldwork experience certainly helps – but every person and every language is different, and the language program is taking the time to do it right. If you or someone in your family wants to yarn about language, get in touch – or you'll hear from us soon, don't fear!

The bigger picture

One of the goals of the language programs is to connect with and learn from other people and groups to make sure that PKKP AC's language program is best practice.

In March, Rosie was invited to present at the Bunuru Summit in Perth, convened by Danjoo Koorliny, an initiative of Noongar Elders which is hosted by the Centre for Social Impact at UWA, alongside her longtime collaborator, Thiinma Elder Peter Salmon. The session focused on the topic 'Keeping Languages Alive' and was an 'in-conversation' panel with two women from Noongar Boodjar Language Centre who facilitate their Prison Language Program. Rosie talked about her role at PKKP AC, and how PKKP AC members have driven the establishment of the language programs as a priority for their social and cultural wellbeing.



Rosie at the Bunuru Summit with long-time collaborator Peter Salmon (in black) and the Noongar Language team.

Upcoming Culturally Important Dates

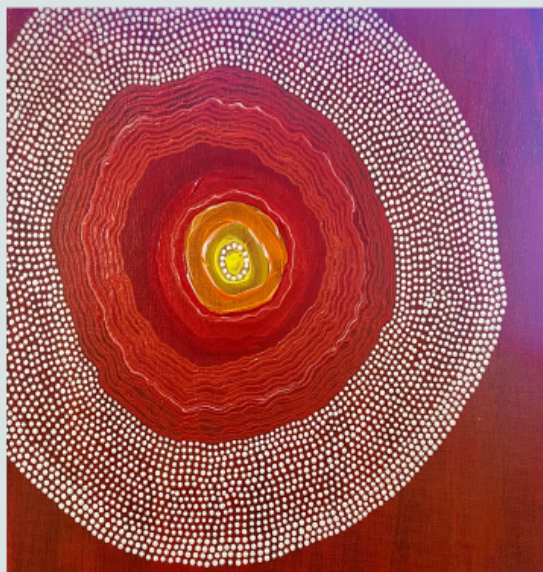
26th May – National Sorry Day

27th May to 3rd June - National Reconciliation Week

<https://www.reconciliation.org.au/>

7th July – 14th July NAIDOC WEEK

<https://www.naidoc.org.au/about/naidoc-week>



Western Australia Stolen Wages Class Action



This class action is on behalf of the thousands of Indigenous Australians in Western Australia whose wages were unjustly withheld or not paid as a result of wage control legislation in effect until 1972.

[Register for settlement >](#)

You are a group member if:

- A) you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person;
- B) between 11 December 1936 and 9 June 1972 you lived in Western Australia and worked at some time or had your property controlled in that period; **OR**
- C) you are representing a family member who qualifies and has since passed away.

If you wish to participate in the settlement of the class action, you must complete a [registration form by 30 June 2024 to be considered for compensation money.](#)

If you want to find out more about the case and the settlement or ask for a registration form, you can:

- Call Shine Lawyers on 1800 976 150
- Email Shine Lawyers at wastolenwages@shine.com.au

If you need further support, please email memberservices@pkkp.org.au or refer to the email that was sent to you last month with all relevant information.

The Western Australia Stolen Wages Class Action
For more information see the 'Native Title' section of this newsletter

The Western Australia Stolen Wages Class Action

Making a Claim

Hello to all Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura members. As 30 June is just over a month away, we think it important to remind you of the settlement of the WA stolen wages claim and how eligible members can make an application for a share in the settlement fund.

Gary Dean, PKKP Director – Native Title & Agreements, General Legal Counsel

What is the Western Australia Stolen Wages Class Action about?

Shine Lawyers has launched legal action on behalf of thousands of Indigenous Australians in Western Australia whose wages were unjustly withheld or not paid due to wage control legislation in effect until 1972.

This class action was brought by Mr Melvyn Street in the Federal Court against the WA Government on behalf of all Indigenous Australians who worked in Western Australia and whose wages were unjustly withheld or not paid because of wage control legislation that was in effect from the late 1800s until the 1970s. It is estimated that tens of thousands of indigenous workers across Australia never received their wages.

Affected workers were employed in many different industries and held roles such as stockmen, farm hands, laundry assistants, kitchen hands, labourers, and domestic workers.

The effect of this legislation was to create the conditions of slavery for many First Nations people. See the SBS video below concerning the stolen wages claim in Queensland:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iELQR74RI54>

It is estimated that millions of dollars in stolen or unpaid wages are owed. This case aims to ensure anyone affected can recover their stolen wages.

Settlement of the Class Action

The Stolen Wages claim has been settled. The WA Government has agreed to pay up to \$180.4 million to claimants (depending on how many register a claim). The Government will pay into a settlement fund \$16,500 for each eligible claimant up to \$165 million (if there are 10,000 or more eligible claimants).

This does not mean that each eligible person will be paid \$16,500.

The Court must approve the settlement and will work out what is fair and reasonable in each case. For example, the Court might award more money to an older person who worked for a long time for little or no money.

The court hearing to decide whether the settlement should be approved is listed to take place on 8 August 2024, in Perth.

A link to an ABC report of the settlement is below:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nbeU_f8V6SY

Who can claim?

A living claimant:	a First Nations person born before 9 June 1962 who worked in WA between 11 December 1936 to 9 June 1972 for little or no wages.
A descendant claimant:	a spouse (husband/wife/partner – married or de facto) or child of a First Nations person born before 9 June 1962 who worked in WA between 11 December 1936 to 9 June 1972 for little or no wages, who is now deceased. Any payment will be divided between descendant claimants.

How to claim?

You must complete and submit a Registration Form with Shine Lawyers if you think you are eligible to be paid compensation money. As part of the Registration Form, some information and ID need to be provided so that claims can be checked by the Independent Administrator (who will be in charge of paying people).

The form can be completed:

- (a) Online at: <https://wastolenwages.shine.co.au/Registration>
- (b) A paper form can be completed and sent by email to Shine Lawyers at: wastolenwages@shine.com.au
- (c) A paper form can be completed and posted to the following address:
Shine Lawyers
Class Actions – WA Stolen Wages Class Action
PO Box 12011
George Street QLD 4000

You must complete the registration form and ensure that the form and any supporting documents are sent to Shine Lawyers so that they receive it by 30 June 2024.

I am told that the online method is not easy. So, completing a paper form and scanning it to send by email, or posting by mail may be the better methods. If you need help to complete the Registration Form or need further information, then either:

1. Contact Shine Lawyers at wastolenwages@shine.com.au or by telephone on 1800 976 150. OR
2. Contact Julie Almeras or Gary Dean at the PKKP AC office on (08) 9185 5000.
3. Registration Forms are available at the PKKP AC office.

Remember: the deadline is 30 June 2024.

May

May 27th - June 3rd - National Reconciliation Week

June

Jeffrey Morgan - The Mindset, Health, and Wellbeing Lifestyle Program

3rd June - Hedland

5th and 6th - Carnarvon

First Aid certificate - 14th June + 24th June

Community BBQ in Bindi Bindi community with Central Health Care team -
17th June

July

7th July - 14th July NAIDOC WEEK

9th July - Community BBQ in Karratha for NAIDOC

**July 14th - Community BBQ in Roebourne community with Central Health
Care team and Chevron Pilbara**

