

PKKP AC QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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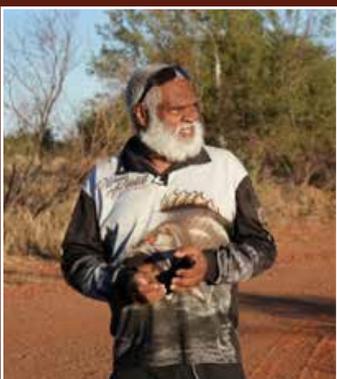
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We acknowledge our
PKKP Community, especially our
Elders, both past and present.

People & Culture



Hello everybody and welcome to our quarterly PKKP AC newsletter.

As always, there are lots of exciting things happening in the community and within the Corporation itself. Working with my team, I am trying to continuously improve upon in all areas. We don't always succeed, but when I reflect on where the Corporation and community has come we can continue to be proud of our achievements.

As you know, after 18 months of negotiation PKKPAC finally acquired Nanutarra Homestead, as the first step in its vision of returning country to PKKP people.

The MSU team continue to expand their outreach program and are now travelling as far as Geraldton and Carnarvon. They continue to work with our programs team to implement and deliver the programs we have been requested to deliver.

In May we again attended AIATSIS and our team presented on our heritage and language program. Not being biased, I thought their presentation was the best one at the conference.

The heritage team continue to work hard with mining proponents to ensure your heritage is being protected and the work they do is at the cutting edge of heritage delivery.

Recently I have stepped into the role of interim CEO of PKKP Enterprises with the retirement of Shaun Burgess. It is an opportune time to work with the PKKPE Board and community to reflect on where we have come, but more importantly to understand where the community wants us to go. Anyway I am sure you will enjoy the newsletter and as always, I look forward to catching up and having a chat.

Grant Wilson
Chief Executive Officer.

ON THE COVER:

Fabian Hayes holds a bush banana. *Photograph by Chris Lewis*

Member Services Unit

- Engagement & Services
- Housing Support
- Health & Partnerships
- Member Programs

Welcome to the team

MSU Community Programs Officer Erin Burmaz

Hi everyone!

Erin here, and I'm beyond excited to join the PKKP team as your new Community Programs Officer. My passion for helping others absolutely drew me to this role, and I'm eager to dive in and make a positive impact.

As a Pilbara born and raised girl, I'm stoked to keep learning more about the beautiful culture of this land we share and call home, and to be part of the incredible things you're all achieving here.

I enjoy being creative, I love art and beauty!!

Looking forward to meeting you, so please don't be a stranger – if you see me around the office, come say hi!



Jawun Secondment Neil Jury

Hi I am Neil. I am on secondment with Jawun and am with a Government Agency in NSW, having experience at a State and Federal level. I am currently assisting PKKP AC with some Compliance and Governance projects. I am really excited about visiting and working in The Pilbara.

Jawun Secondment Teresa Drewett

I'm Teresa, I live in Brisbane and am here in Karratha for 6 weeks on Secondment with the Jawun program.

I am looking forward to my time at PKKP and excited to get to know everyone in the team and working on standardising some HR/Recruitment processes during my time here.

“ Embrace challenges as opportunities for growth!

Community Outreach



Bonny Mayo
Member Services Officer



Claudia Acevedo
Member Services Officer

Onslow

4
visits

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our Members for opening doors in our outreach to communities.

Your kindness has made a significant impact, allowing us to meet more family members and enjoy our days together.

Roebourne / Wickham

2
visits

Perth

1
visit

Hedland

1
visit

Geraldton

1
visit

*We believe that working together can create a stronger, more connected community.
Thank you for contacting and visiting us.*





Brenda, thank you for always welcoming us with a big smile!



Erica, it was fantastic to spend time with you! Thanks for sharing your aspirations with us



Angie, it is exciting to see you in your new car. It was a pleasure to support you in that journey.



Kingsley, thanks for joining us at the community event in Roebourne. It was amazing to see you and your family there.

We love to highlight the achievements and milestones in our member's lives.

If you have a story to share, please reach out to us!

Your experiences can inspire and empower other Members



A massive welcome to **Dauriam!** **Zaharnna**, becoming a new mum is a life-changing experience. We want to congratulate you and provide you with support during this exciting time. Enjoy every moment with your little one!

Basic Housing & Accommodation Fund

Apply Now!

Up to **\$10,000**
per annum

*Purchase Order / Voucher or
Direct Payment to Supplier*

What can be funded?

- ✓ Rent / Rental Bond
- ✓ Electricity / Gas / Water Bills
- ✓ Installation of ramps, rails or other modifications
- ✓ Home Insurance Premiums
- ✓ Essential Maintenance



For more information please contact
claudia.acevedo@pkkp.org.au

How to apply:

- 3 months of Bank Statements
- Centrelink Child Support
- Low-Income Health care

or

**Experiencing
Financial Hardship**



Pilbara Community Legal Service Inc (PCLS) is a not-for-profit Community Legal Centre that provides holistic community services that complement the legal service to help people in their time of need.

SERVICES OFFERED BY PCLS ARE AS FOLLOWS:



In case you need any support, they have 4 offices across the Pilbara:

- Karratha • Roebourne • South Hedland • Newman

Open from: 8.00 am to 4.00 pm Monday to Friday.
or you can call them on **(08) 9185 5899**

Remember



**If you're
having trouble
- we are here
to help!**



**The PKKP Karratha office is open
Mon - Fri 8:30am to 4:30pm.**

We look forward to seeing you in the office or when we next visit your local area. If you have any questions or need any assistance, don't hesitate to contact us
claudia.acevedo@pkkp.org.au
panashe.murape@pkkp.org.au
or 9185 5000

Shout Out to Our Amazing Members!



We want to give a huge shout-out to all of you for your incredible patience during these crazy housing market times! The extreme price hikes and shortage of homes for sale have made purchasing more challenging.

Your patience, understanding and positive vibes continue to mean the world to us.

We appreciate you being so amazing!!



Tairi Adams
Housing Officer



We're thrilled to see many members diving enthusiastically and creatively into home renovation projects! Your innovative ideas and dedication to transforming your homes are genuinely inspiring.

Keep up the fantastic work, and don't forget to share your progress and tips with us and your community!



Happy renovating!

Feel free to reach out to us if you have maintenance concerns; we are here to help you!

Home Maintenance Tips

Top tips to save water inside the home

- 
Make sure your home is leak free
 Take a reading at your water meter before and after a two hour period when no water is being used. If the reading changes, there may be a leak.
- 
Shower as long as a four minute song
 Reducing your shower time is one of the easiest ways to save water.
- 
Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth
 A running tap can use up to 10 litres per minute.
- 
Use the half flush button on the toilet
 Save a few litres every flush.
- 
Only wash with a full load
 Reducing your washing by just one load a week will save up to 50 litres of water.

Think before you flush

Only soap and water down the sink.
 Paper, pee and poo down the loo.

Flushing items like wet wipes and cotton buds down the toilet, and pouring kitchen fats down the sink, can lead to blockages in your pipes and the broader wastewater system.

Don't flush or pour:



Where to look for a water leak

- Dripping taps and leaking toilets
- Hot water systems
- The connections on your shower or washing machine
- Garden hose or sprinklers

MSU are thrilled to announce a new addition to our network of trusted partners -

Logie Legal



Merinda Logie

Hello everyone, my name is Merinda.

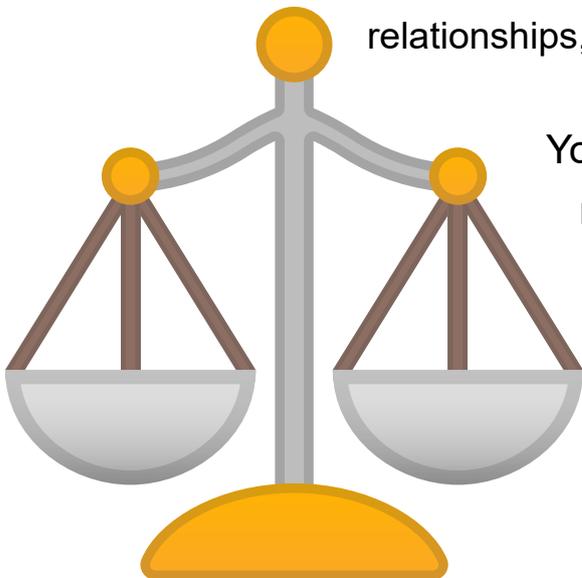
I am a lawyer and the principal of Logie Legal. I have over two decades of experience working in estate planning, probate administration, Native Title, land negotiations and disputes, Aboriginal cultural heritage, environment, resources and renewable energy matters.



Jim Bartlett

Together with my colleague, Jim Bartlett, we look forward to working with the PKKP People to assist you in a number of areas, particularly in estate planning and in helping members of the community to access housing grants. This will include helping you to create Wills, co-ownership agreements and other legal documents, and most importantly to make sure you are happy with the contents of these documents and fully understand their legal implications.

We believe that strong relationships and respect are at the foundation of achieving successful and meaningful outcomes and are excited to meet you and begin creating these enduring relationships, with both the PKKP AC and its members.



You can contact us at

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or **jimbartlett@logielegal.com**

Phone 0403 496 956.



1

Obtain your Will



Obtain Financial Advice



**Fill in the registration forms
to engage a buying agent**

2

Find your forever HOME: Sale Negotiations

Offer Acceptance - Sign Contract Sale

Fill in the Trustee PKKP Application form

Sign a Statutory declaration

Sign Co-ownership Agreement (if applicable)



Engage Settlement Services



Deposit Payment

3

Due Diligence

Inspection reports

Final Inspection

Unconditional Contract

Home & Contents Insurance

SETTLEMENT DAY!



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Elizabeth Brice - Lawyer 0414 380 767
Merinda Logie or Jim Bartlett - Lawyers 0403 496 956
Scott McAlees RSM - Financial Planner (08) 9261 9514

Dear PKKP Members,

It has been an incredible journey over the past few months as we've had the privilege of meeting with many of you in the communities in which you reside

Outreach Vists

The health and well-being team joined the Member Service Team in completing seven successful outreach visits to Onslow, Roebourne, Geraldton, Carnarvon and Perth.



Prince Kuthial
Health & Wellbeing Officer

Here are some of the moments we captured.



We spent some time with **Linda Smirke** at Onslow Hospital while at the Dialysis Clinic



Sharing smiles and time with **Brenda Smirke** at her home in Bindi Bindi



With **Helen Chubby** in front of her new home in Carnarvon

On behalf of the Health and Wellbeing team, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone for warmly welcoming us into your lives and homes and trusting us to openly discuss your experiences, aspirations, culture, values, and health concerns.

Our Health Partnerships



Breakfast BBQ in Bindi Bindi Community



Health BBQ in Roebourne

Community BBQ

The PKKP Health team, in collaboration with other community health service providers Karratha Central Healthcare, Hope Community Services, Headspace, Chevron Telehealth and Marwankarra, hosted 2 successful Health BBQs between April and June.

A BIG SHOUT OUT to all the community Stakeholders and PKKP Members for taking the time to come and join us and allowing us to connect and share information with you. We aim to continue hosting similar events to share vital health information that may help address some of our community health needs.



Upcoming Events

Strengthening Aboriginal Health

Karratha Central Healthcare

Onslow + Bindi Community Outreach Clinic Dates 2024

JUNE
11TH + 12TH

AUGUST
20TH + 21ST

OCTOBER
15TH + 16TH

DECEMBER
10TH + 11TH

HEALTH SERVICES
Jina Doctor / Podiatry
Physio
Diabetes Education
Ngarlu Doctor / Dietetics

Phone Hayley on 0438 333 141 for more information.

We acknowledge the traditional owners of country throughout Australia, and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to elders past, present and future.

Upcoming Physiotherapist Visits to Onslow



FREE Physiotherapy

with a qualified physiotherapist

Available for Onslow community members

Providing support for a range of assessments and treatments, including:

Treatment of back and neck pain
Peripheral joint injuries

Post-surgical rehabilitation
Preventative exercise programs
Spinal manipulation

Dry needling
Soft tissue massage
Exercise prescription

When

10-12 Jul; 24-26 July then weekly until 20 Sep; 2-4 Oct; 16-18 Oct then weekly until 20 Dec 2024

Where

Onslow Clinic, Cnr 3rd Avenue & McRae Ave, Onslow

Bookings

Call 0499 623 846 between 8am – 5pm

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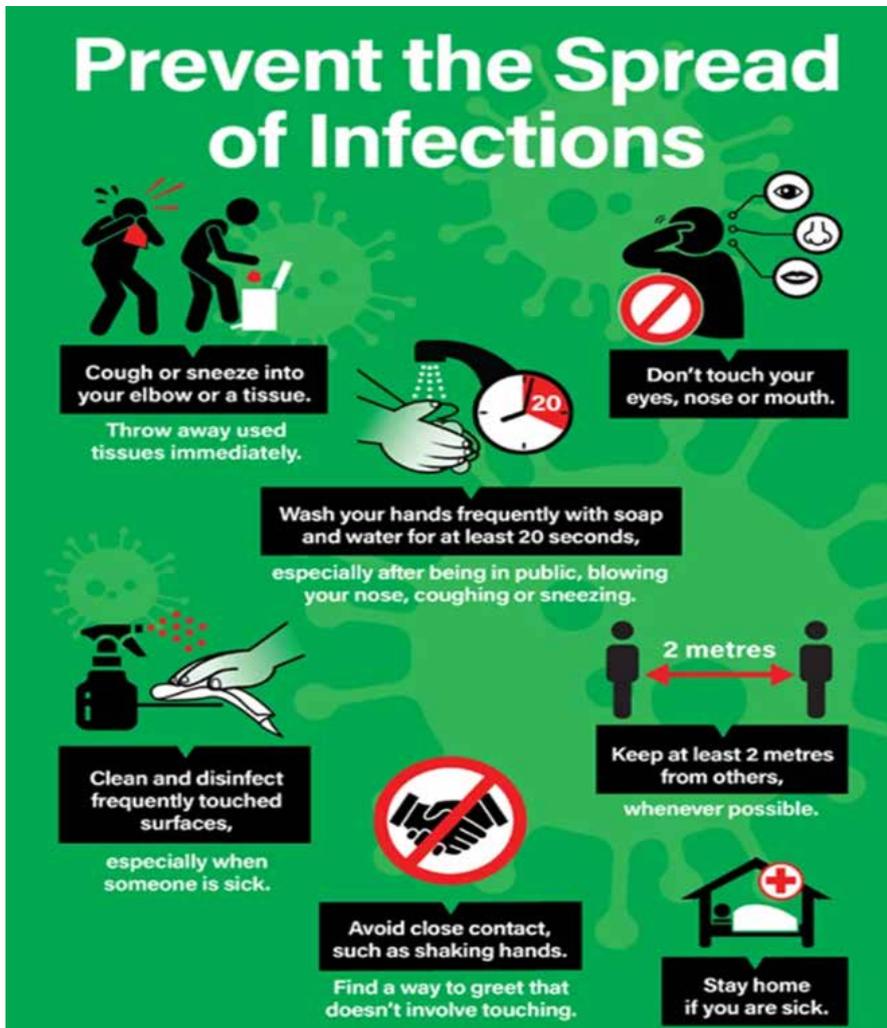


Wheatstone Project

Please contact the PKKP Health Officer, Prince, on 0448 987 050 or email prince.kuthial@pkkp.org.au if you would like some support booking your free session or require more information.

Infection Control

As the holiday season brings more people to the Pilbara Region, it is essential to reflect on infection control strategies to prevent the spread of germs.



Flu Vaccination

Getting a seasonal flu vaccination is an effortless way to break a chain of infection and safeguard the community against its spread.

Book your seasonal flu vaccination by contacting your GP or nearest Chemist. Please feel free to contact Prince Kuthial via email at prince.kuthial@pkkp.org.au or by calling on 0447 987 050 if you need more information or assistance with making a booking.

Recipe: Greek Yogurt Parfait



Ingredients:

- 1 cup Greek yoghurt (plain or flavored, such as vanilla)
- 1/2 cup granola (choose a low-sugar option)
- 1 cup mixed berries (such as strawberries, blueberries, raspberries)
- 1 tablespoon honey or maple syrup (optional)

Instructions:

1. If using plain Greek yoghurt, you can sweeten it slightly by stirring in honey or maple syrup to taste.
2. In a glass or bowl, start by adding a layer of Greek yoghurt at the bottom. Sprinkle a layer of granola over the yoghurt.
3. Add a layer of mixed berries on top of the granola.
4. Repeat the layers until you've used up all the ingredients, ending with a layer of berries on top.
5. Serve immediately and enjoy your nutritious and delicious Greek yoghurt parfait!

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

Your Programs Team Update

In 2023/24 we saw a significant shift for MSP. Our community programs have been motivational, impactful, and targeted for our members, their families, and the community. Enabling many wonderful benefits. We have unlocked better health and wellbeing access, boosted learning opportunities and job prospects, held 2 youth forums to understand the needs of our PKKP youth and our language program initiatives flourished. By embracing Aboriginal knowledge, culture and respect, we've created environments that honor diversity and champion inclusivity. We look forward to building on these positive building blocks with our PKKP members over the next financial year.



Angela Webb

Community Programs Manager

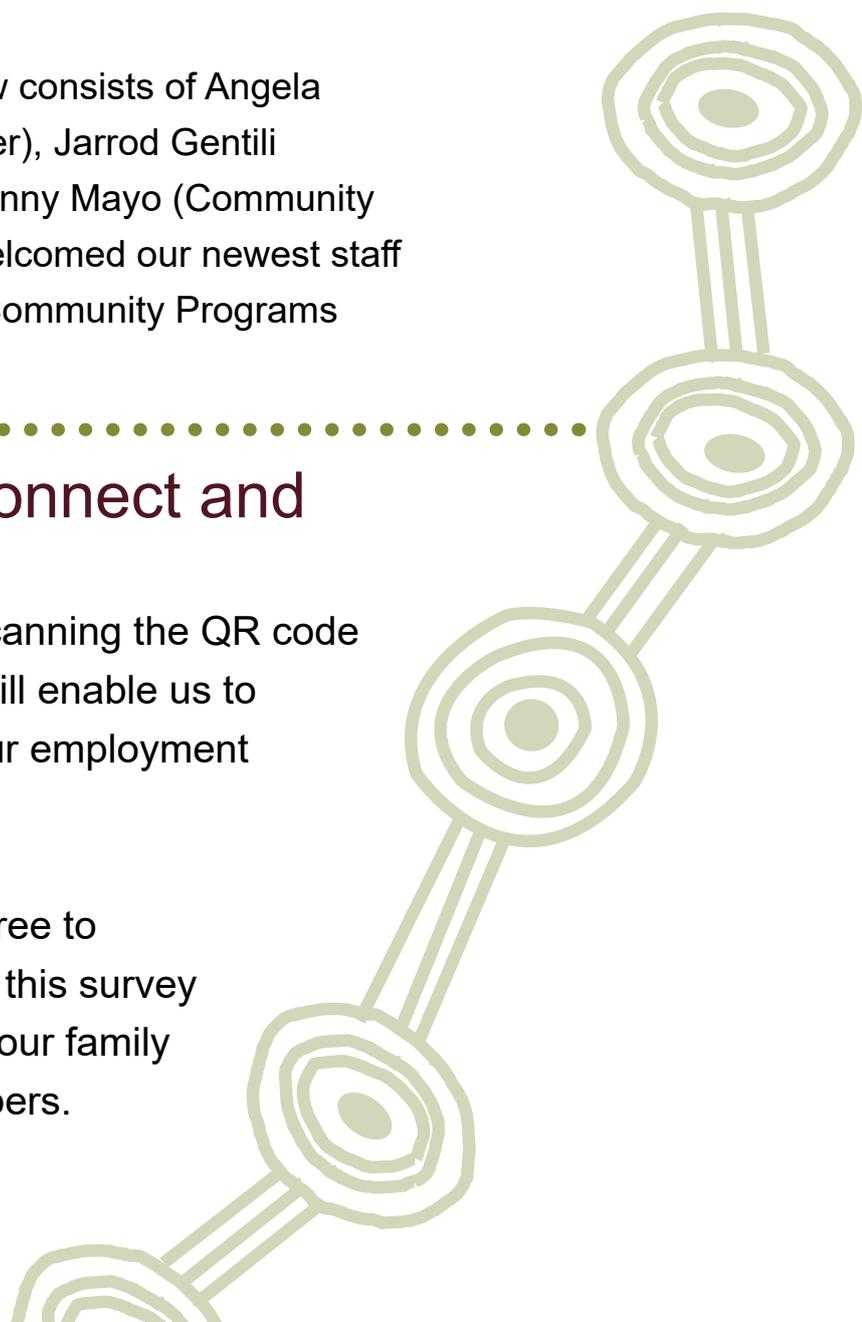
Your Community Programs Team now consists of Angela Webb (Community Programs Manager), Jarrod Gentili (Community Employment Officer), Bonny Mayo (Community Programs Support Officer) and we welcomed our newest staff member to the team. Erin Burmaz - Community Programs Officer.

We always want to connect and hear from you.

Please complete the survey by scanning the QR code below. Providing your feedback will enable us to assist you more effectively on your employment and training journeys.



Feel free to share this survey with your family members.



Employment Officer Update

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



Jarrod Gentili
Employment Officer

Since the beginning of April 2024, we have celebrated the success of a member gaining employment with Fortescue Metals Group via the VTEC Program in Karratha. Additionally, we have observed a growing interest among members in accessing their education funds—an encouraging trend that we aim to further promote and support as we move forward into the future.

Moving into the new financial year, we endeavour to bring mining proponents to you through outreach opportunities where they will present roles and structured plans for gaining employment. This proactive approach will help ensure our members are well-informed and prepared for future opportunities.

Success stories



Savannah Papertalk has been on a journey to better herself and her family, overcoming significant challenges. She took it upon herself to move to Karratha with her children and sought the support of PKKP AC. With the help of the entire PKKP AC team, she managed to improve her confidence, gain employment, undertake training, and better her health and well-being. Savannah has demonstrated resilience and adaptability, balancing the cultural norms of being an indigenous woman with the demands of working in the corporate world.

She has overcome every barrier she faced and is now an inspiration to others, encouraging them to reach out and seek assistance and support from our team.



Showcasing accomplishments in training, we aim to illustrate the potential outcomes achievable with accessing your education funding.

Summah-Rayne Papertalk and **Kwame Eaton** have emerged as success stories in their journey towards realising their ambitions. Guided and motivated by Jack Moloney and the PKKP AC Team, their achievements demonstrate the collaborative efforts that can overcome obstacles and instil confidence through training and job-ready initiatives.

It is essential to leverage your education funds to fulfil your professional goals. For further information, do not hesitate to contact the Member Services and Programs team, we are always willing to support your journey.

Reflections of the Last Quarter

Over the last quarter, there has been a notable shift in the employment program towards training and job readiness, with increased interest in employment at Fortescue Metals Group (FMG). More members have successfully found employment with FMG, prompting a rise in requests for workforce entry assistance from members and their families.

Additionally, the PKKP Aboriginal Corporation has welcomed its first member in a Trainee role, aimed at educating individuals on various facets of the organisation. This Trainee Program is a promising initiative with plans for long-term sustainability, facilitating meaningful employment for PKKP Members before progression to other job opportunities.

In response to feedback on enhancing communication with mining companies, outreach opportunities will be conducted quarterly, enabling FMG and Rio Tinto to engage directly with members, offering employment options and career pathways.

The Corporation anticipates positive outcomes from this collaborative effort and is committed to improving

communication channels within the community.

Looking to the Future

We are committed to adapting strategies to meet evolving member and industry needs, focusing on enhancing outreach efforts in collaboration with Rio Tinto and Fortescue Metals Group.

A focus on training and education are key program components. Increased awareness and utilisation of the Education Fund with plans to further promote it through the plans to establish a PKKP AC Employment and Training Hub.

The Employment Program has advanced in supporting PKKP members towards sustainable employment. With ongoing dedication, partnerships, and focus on improvement, poised to achieve more significant outcomes in the upcoming year.

Thank you to all members, families, stakeholders, and team members who have contributed to the success of the Employment Program. Together we will continue to empower our community and create lasting, positive change.




We also want to provide a friendly reminder to 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 has launched the Aboriginal Training and Liaison (ATAL) program, tailored to support Traditional Owners in securing employment across various industries. The program sought expressions of interest as of May 1st, 2024. If you are interested in participating in this program, kindly reach out to us for further details and assistance.

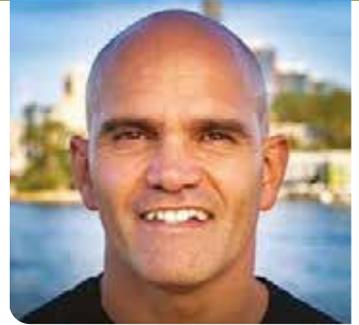
FMG VTEC Program

The Vocational Training and Employment Centre (VTEC) program by Fortescue is a job-ready initiative aimed at assisting Aboriginal individuals in training with assured employment at FMG upon finishing the program successfully. FMG's VTEC teams provide support in addressing employment barriers and guide individuals towards securing appropriate jobs. Several PKKP members have thrived in this program, showcasing its effectiveness in helping individuals achieve their employment objectives. PKKP Traditional Owners have also had success with this program, demonstrating its potential for those interested in working in the mining industry. If you aspire to work in the mining sector, I recommend reaching out to explore the opportunities provided by the VTEC program.

For more information, please contact the Community Employment Officer, Jarrod Gentili via email Jarrod.gentili@pkkp.org.au or call our office on (08) 9185 5000 and ask to speak to Jarrod.

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

Jeffrey Morgan



Guess who's back?

Jeffrey Morgan and his team made a return to PKKP members in early May 2024 for 2 weeks, bringing with them insights into health, wellbeing and a better mindset. Later in May and early June 2024, Jeffrey embarked on a whirlwind tour of Karratha, Perth, Carnarvon, and Geraldton, diving into meaningful conversations with PKKP members. Sparks flew, bonds formed, and knowledge flowed freely - making it a visit to remember!

The Leadership & Wellbeing Program unfolds an array of essential topics, encompassing leadership development, goal setting, effective communication, stress management, mental well-being, nutrition insights, and community collaboration. These investments serve as guiding lights, illuminating pathways for comprehensive personal growth and wellbeing enhancements within the close-knit fabric of the PKKP community.

Our inaugural **Emerging Leaders Forums** in Karratha and Perth was a game-changer! Our amazing youth members stole the spotlight, showcasing their exceptional talents. Through carefully crafted workshops and forums led by the Members Services and Programs team, our emerging leaders aged 18 to 35 explored crucial topics like Building Identity, Respect, Mindset Cultivation, and Life Planning.

What makes this program truly special?

Our youth council members co-created it with us! Their voices and dreams took centre stage, shaping an initiative that's as unique as they are. Beyond discussions, our youth dived into health activities, nurturing not just their minds but their bodies too. Cultural excursions to Murujuga Rock Art on Ngarluma Country and Kings Park on Noongar Country ensured authentic experiences of Aboriginal cultural history and heritage.

Karratha Youth Leadership Forum participants with Jeffrey Morgan.



Stay tuned for more updates as we continue working with our PKKP emerging leaders over the coming year!



Dekota Stewart and Jeffrey Morgan



Perth Emerging Leaders Forum - pictured with Jeffrey: Kwame Stewart, Raziah Stewart and Cimmaron Smirke.



**Jeffrey Morgan & Team upcoming dates:
21st August to 2nd September 2024 – visits to
Perth, Carnarvon, Port Hedland and Karratha.**

Feedback from our youth members from Karratha and Perth Forums:

“I would like to see more families come together, not just for sad reasons but for good ones too”.

“I want to see the community better – where our men and boys are encouraged to be open on how they are mentally and for families to be more open and talking.”

“I would like to speak more about trauma and intergenerational effects that our families face and breaking this down”.

“Respect yourself, or the wrong people will come into your life”.

“I feel really good coming to the forum today, and I got to learn new things today”.

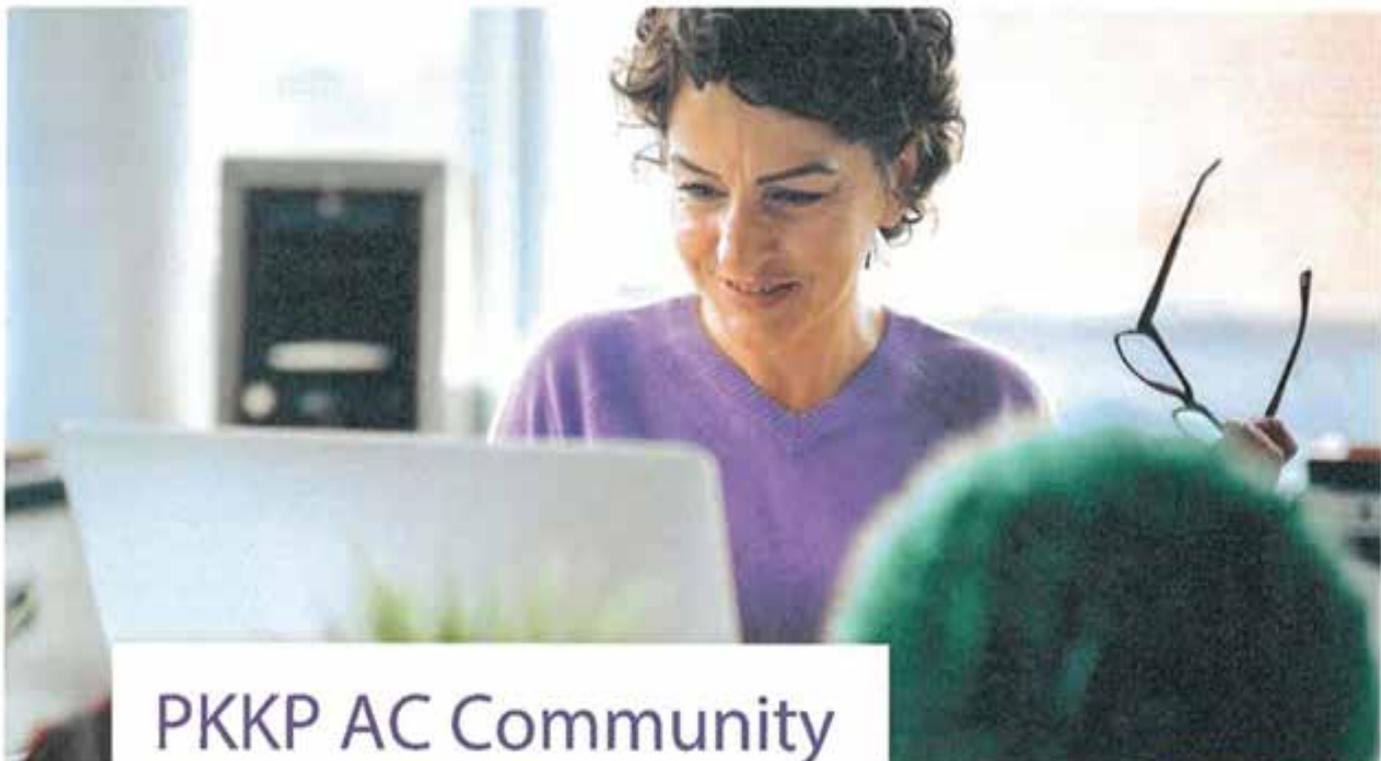
“Today’s forum inspired me to be self-motivated and strive for my goals”.

“My light-bulb moment was the T Symbolism, it really resonated with me. Understanding and reaffirming that every moment and/or experience in life is beneficial and we learn from this”.

We appreciate the young members who attended our youth forums and shared their thoughts.

Looking forward to seeing you all again soon!





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 one.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.



Welcome to our new languages program team!



We have the great pleasure of welcoming 4 new staff to the languages program to support all the work planned for the new financial year: Breanna Kelly, Linguist, Joan Ashburton, Community Language Officer (Puutu Kunti Kurrama) Kristy Stewart, Community Language Officer (Pinikura) Chanice Fleming and Community Language Officer (Pinikura)



Rosie Sitorus
Language Specialist



The languages program has now grown from 3 to 6, including our new Director, Denis Coutant, and July marks the start of our move from the Member Services Unit back to the Land Heritage Management Unit – now known as the Country, Culture and Partnerships Division.

We're excited for a big year of great work, and we know that the new additions to the team will be huge contributors to the successful work we do this year! We've had another busy final quarter in the languages

program as things start to take shape for next financial year. This (2023-2024) financial year has been about laying the foundations for the program and building our knowledge, skills and capacity so we can start doing language work with all the right pieces in place. So, with much of that hard work done, now is an excellent time to look ahead and ask: what will we be doing?

What is the Languages Program?

The Languages Program is an umbrella term for all the

people, activities, equipment, knowledge and skills involved in revitalising Kurrama and Pinikura languages.

What is language revitalisation?

Revitalising a language is many things, but simply: it's about creating more language speakers.

How do we create more speakers?

This is the million-dollar question – and there are a million possible answers. To make more speakers of a language, we need to know

what that language is. In communities with only a few language speakers, it's essential to do language documentation. This means recording language, for example, in audio or video recordings, so the knowledge is safe while people work to learn. This is the job of linguists and language workers, with specialist training in recording and understanding how language works. The difference between a linguist and a language speaker is similar to that between a race car builder and a race car driver. Drivers can use the car like no one else and can show you all the ways you can drive it. The builder learns about how

the car is put together and how it works, but they don't know how to drive unless they are taught.

As you document the language, you get a better idea of the language and can start making things to help people teach and learn the language. You can start training people to teach essential language words and concepts, supporting them to work with the language speakers who document language.

These activities are collectively known as language work, and this is the heart of the Languages Program at PKKP.

Ben and Rosie in Murujuga NP as part of the Pilbara Ranger Network workshop



A big focus of the past three months has been identifying ways to get language happening on-Country.

In April, Rosie attended the Pilbara Ranger Network's Fire Workshop sessions, held at Dampier. The workshop gathered rangers from across the Pilbara to share their experiences working with firing country, and to develop skills for the upcoming cool season.

Embedding language and culture in on-country programs is vital for everyone. Language belongs On-Country, where rangers work; rangers have as much of a cultural role as an environmental or land management role. As PKKP's languages and on-country programs grow, we will keep working to bring Country, Culture and Language together.

As we know, surveys are a big part of people spending time on Country, and so Rosie joined a Puutu Kunti Kurrama ethnographic survey at Brockman 4 in late April, to see how surveys work and plan ways to incorporate language and culture into them. The week

spent with Angie Cox and Sandra Hayes (as well as Fabian Hayes and Lennie Ashburton, who did a bit more walking than us ladies!) helped us consider how language can add to a survey, rather than taking away time or focus from the work everyone is there to do. Providing opportunities for Elders and knowledge holders to share stories and memories, developing field guides for survey staff with language information in them and visiting sites that may have language names were just a few of the things we discussed.

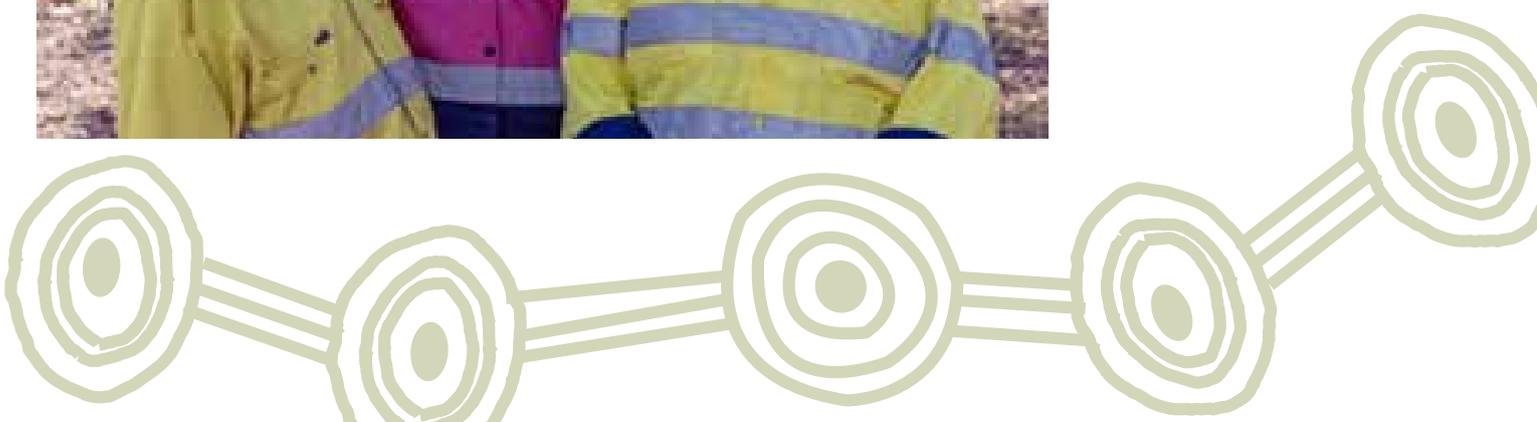
In early May, Angela and Rosie travelled to Port Hedland for a consultation with the federal government's Office for the Arts (OfA) on the proposed Indigenous Cultural Intellectual Property (ICIP) legislation, which is currently being drafted.

The consultation, the only one being held in the Pilbara, was designed to seek input into the legislation that will protect Indigenous artists against the 'fake art' industry, where traditional designs are copied and sold by non-

Indigenous artists, however the legislation will also cover other types of ICIP, including language.

Protecting ICIP is a priority for the PKKP languages program, and we are working with Terri Janke Company to design agreements and protocols that make sure the knowledge we work with will always belong to (and be in the control of) PKKP AC and PKKP people.

While in Hedland, we also visited the Wangka Maya Pilbara Aboriginal Language Centre to purchase some language resources from Pilbara languages, including





Peter Jeffries



Terry Drage

Mitchell Drage, Rosie Sitorus and Cat Morgan presenting at AIATSIS summit



Kurrama. We now have quite a library going in the office – come check it out next time you visit!

A 'reccy' visit to Nanutarra with Ben from the on-Country program took place at the end of May. Led by Peter Jeffries and Terry Drage, the group visited the newly-purchased Nanutarra Homestead and recorded some of the stories and memories of the place. The group discussed options for a return to Country trip, including possible locations to visit and activities to share stories and language while out on Country. Keep an eye out for trips coming soon to an on-Country program near you!

In June, a delegation of PKKP members attend the AIATSIS summit in Naarm (Melbourne) and delivered a presentation on cultural heritage management. The presentation highlighted the complexity of managing cultural heritage in all its forms – not just tangible heritage like places and things, but 'intangible' heritage like language and cultural practices. This reframing of 'intangible' heritage is important to show that knowledge and stories have been cared for just as much as Country and artefacts, and that they are just as important to PKKP people. By linking heritage (in the typical sense) with language and knowledge, we are working to create a consistent approach to protecting and promoting PKKP culture.

We were thrilled to be invited to attend the West Kimberley Language Gathering, held at Nyamba Buru

Yawuru in Broome. The Gathering – the first of its kind for West Kimberley mob – brought together language groups of the Dampier Peninsula to share their knowledge and experience, and to coordinate their efforts to revitalise their languages. We were treated to a trip to Djarindjin/Lombadina to experience the Bardi language programs being delivered at the schools both in that community and at Ardyaloon/One Arm Point, and learned more about the history of language in the West Kimberley, including the incredible effort made by Elders and knowledge holders to keep their languages strong. We also met with a number of national language leaders, including representatives from AIATSIS, First Languages Australia, the ABC, the Indigenous Literacy Foundation and the WA Language Centre Network, and heard about the many ways they and others support communities working to care for their languages. Rosie and Chanice had a great time and hope we can have a Pilbara meeting like this one day too!



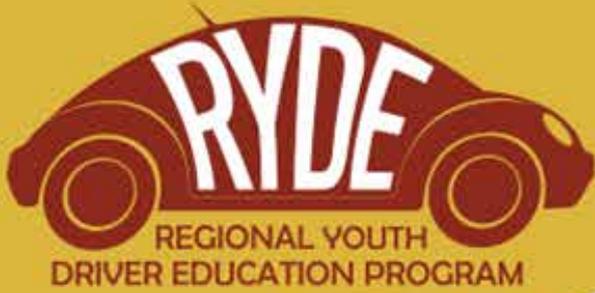
Opening ceremony of the West Kimberley Language Gathering



The dedicated Bardi language classroom at Christ the King Catholic School, Djarindjin



Chanice Flemin, Rosie Sitorus, Rudi Bremer (ABC Indigenous) and Kaitlyn Lodewikus (AIATSIS)



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