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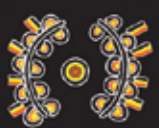
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**Aboriginal people driving
their own development
in Central Australia**

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Ngoi Ngoi Donald talking with ABC journalist and CLC staff Patrick Hookey.

ANANGU CELEBRATE ULURU CLIMB CLOSURE AND COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Anangu have used the Uluru climb closure to show off what they have achieved with their share of the national park's gate money.

On the afternoon before the celebration, traditional owners gave politicians, senior public servants and selected media a special tour of Mutitjulu's pool and surrounding recreation area.

The chief executive of the National Indigenous Australians Agency, Ray Griggs and some of his colleagues, then NT opposition leader Gary Higgins and journalists from the ABC and the Guardian learned that the project has so far invested 14 million dollars in more than 100 projects in communities across the region.

Elder Ngoi Ngoi Donald, a member of the Uluru rent money working group, welcomed the visitors to the busy pool.

Along the inside of the pool fence the guests saw a display of large posters of projects traditional owners had planned and funded in their communities since 2005.

"THAT MONEY, WE USE IT EVERYWHERE FOR GOOD ONES: SWIMMING POOL, BUSH TRIPS, DIALYSIS, LOTS OF GOOD THINGS FOR COMMUNITY," MS DONALD SAID.

CLC chief executive Joe Martin-Jard and community development manager Ian Sweeney talked about the history, governance and future plans of the Uluru rent money project.

They explained how co-contributions from governments could make the traditional owners' investments stretch further.

"Now I have a much better understanding of what the community development program does. It will help me make decisions," Mr Griggs said.

The more than 60 children enjoying the pool during the visit would have left Mr Griggs in no

doubt about the pool's popularity.

The families visiting Mutitjulu for the climb closure celebration and the midday heat helped boost the number of swimmers.

Elder Reggie Uluru swapped his wheel chair for a special lift to cool off in the pool with his grandson Andre.

He was back refreshed as night descended on Talinguru Nyakuntjaku (the sunrise viewing area), beating out the rhythm with two ceremonial boomerangs as Anangu communities performed inma in front of hundreds of guests.

The Central Australian Aboriginal Women's Choir sang and Shellie Morris accompanied a choir of Mutitjulu students, before Trevor Adamson, Shane Howard, Peter Garrett and three community bands got everyone dancing.

Not a bad end to a successful afternoon of advocacy.

Uluru Kata Tjuta National Park Rent Money (URM) project facts

The URM Project started in 2005. Each year traditional owners spend a big part of their share of the park rent on projects that help their communities in the Northern Territory and South Australia.

They meet three times a year to plan and monitor projects, and make decisions. They have completed many local and regional projects, including upgrading sports grounds, repairing and maintaining outstations, constructing and operating the Mutitjulu Pool, supporting renal dialysis, supporting education in local communities and at boarding schools, funeral support,

and cultural support through cultural maintenance and inter-generational transfer of knowledge.

As well as the regional URM projects the Mutitjulu community also receives income from the park rent and gate money. The Mutitjulu community have funded the ongoing operations of their swimming pool, upgrades to their recreation hall and sporting facilities, supporting men's ceremony, and cultural support; including cultural trips, upgrades to their inma/ceremony ground to support cultural activities, and the renovation of an old building as a community cultural centre.

Since 2005, traditional owners have planned and allocated \$15.54 million to 115 projects.

The Community Development News gives Aboriginal people a chance to find out about the many outcomes they are achieving as part of the CLC's community development program.

This newsletter keeps CLC constituents up to date on some of the social, cultural and economic projects Aboriginal groups are planning and funding with

their own money across Central Australia. If you would like more information on this work please contact the CLC on 8951 6367 or visit www.clc.org.au

Cover image: Traditional owner Reggie Uluru with grandson Andre Tucker.



CULTURE ON COUNTRY JUST THE TICKET FOR ANANGU WOMEN

Senior Anangu women have set out on a series of bush trips to pass on their knowledge to younger women and girls.

The project, run by the Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yangkuntjatjara (NPY) Women's Council, also aims to strengthen the elders' skills as leaders and educators.

The NPY Women's Council is working with women elders and young women aged 12 years and older from the Imanpa, Mutitjulu, Kaltukatjara (Docke River), Amata and Pukatja (Ernabella) communities to deliver the project until mid 2020.

Traditional owners of the Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park invested almost \$681,000 because the NPY Women's Council has a good reputation for supporting knowledge sharing among women.

Last August, it took 21 kungkas (girls) and senior minyma (women) from Kaltukatjara on a week-long bush trip with Tracey Guest, the Central Land Council's co-ordinator of the Kaṯiṯi-Petermann Indigenous Protected Area.

The group travelled along parts of the minyma kutjara (two women) songline and performed inma (songs and dances).

The kungkas made wanas (digging sticks) and mangurjis (hair rings). At night, they learned from the elders how to dance with them and studied videos of inma.

They also practised some weaving with tjanpi (grasses), collected bush tucker and cleaned the sites they visited.

"THE INMA CAMP WAS WIRU (LOVELY). NPY DID A GOOD JOB AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO MORE. IT'S PALYA (GOOD) FOR THE YOUNG ONES AND THE OTHER LADIES TO LEARN AND PRACTICE INMA," SAID ELDER MARTHA PROTTY, FROM KALTUKATJARA.

After the trip, the audiences just kept growing.

The women danced in front of the international media and hundreds of people at the Uluru climb close celebration in October, followed by a performance at a national dance competition at the Sydney Opera House supported by Maruku Arts.



Janillee Watson, Lily Tjiweri, Winsome Newberry, Delicia Namatjira and Amina Adamson.



Barbara De Rose and Mary Gibson dancing with singers from Amata and Mutitjulu at Dance Rites, Sydney Opera House, photo credit Jaimi Joy.



Joanna Dixon with her mangurji, piti and wana.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHAMPIONS SHARE THEIR SUCCESS STORIES IN ADELAIDE

Central Land Council chair, Sammy Wilson, members of the Warlpiri Education and Training Trust's advisory committee and CLC staff told a national Aboriginal children's services conference how Central Australian communities are driving their own development with income from land use agreements.

Members of the Warlpiri Education and Training Trust (WETT) Advisory Committee Sharon Anderson, Fiona Gibson and Hamilton Morris travelled to Adelaide with Mr Wilson and the CLC's Katie Allen and Louise Stanley to present at the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) conference about the CLC's community development program.

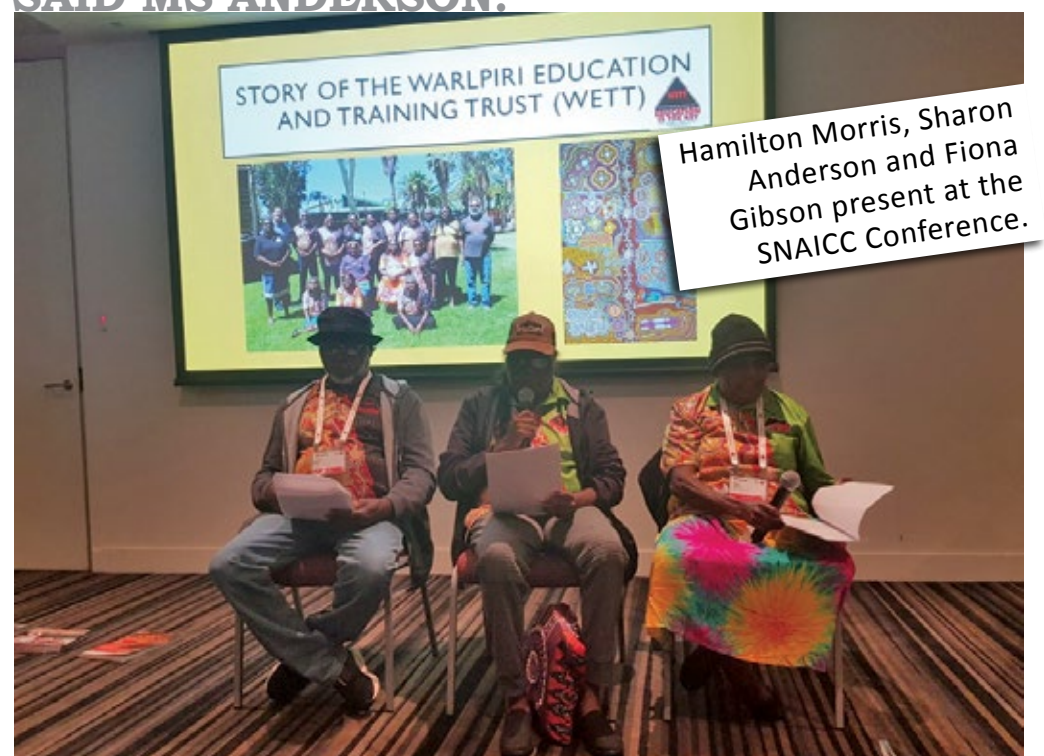
SNAICC, the Aboriginal peak body working for the rights of children, holds a conference every year.

For Mr Wilson, the conference was a chance to talk about the Uluru Rent Money work and hear about the other great work Aboriginal people are doing across Australia.

The group also gave a presentation to social work students and staff at the University of South Australia.

"We need to share our WETT story with other people to help them to think about if they can do this sort of thing in their own communities or organisations," said Ms Anderson.

"IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED, OUR GOOD STORY, WITH OTHER PEOPLE AT CONFERENCES AND UNIS. EVEN THOUGH I FELT NERVOUS, I WANTED TO TELL IT FROM THE HEART. IT WAS REALLY GOOD."
SAID MS ANDERSON.



Hamilton Morris, Sharon Anderson and Fiona Gibson present at the SNAICC Conference.

Students and staff at the University of South Australia were interested in WETT's innovative community development approach.

"Some people knew about some of the things we do with WETT, but they listened really carefully," Ms Anderson said.

ULURU RENT MONEY

Warlpiri Education and Training Trust facts

The Warlpiri Education and Training Trust (WETT) was set up in 2005 to support education and training in Nyirripi, Lajamanu, Willowra and Yuendumu. The trust receives more than \$3 million every year from the Granites gold mine. The Kurra Aboriginal Corporation meets twice a year to make all funding decisions and the WETT Advisory Committee meets three times a year to plan and monitor five programs: children and families, language and

culture in schools, youth development, learning community centres and secondary school support.

WETT and the CLC have built strong partnerships with community schools, the Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation and Batchelor Institute to deliver these programs. Since 2005, WETT have invested more than \$33 million across these programs.





Above (l-r) Helen Morton, Maisie Kitson, Tess Ross and Valerie Patterson.

Below (l-r) Minister Selena Uibo presents to Barbara Martin, Malkirdi Rose and Fiona Gibson.



GOVERNMENT RECOGNISES EXPERIENCED EDUCATORS AT LAST

A group of senior educators from four remote Tanami communities have finally received the public recognition they deserve.

At the Teaching in the Territory Excellence Awards evening, the Northern Territory's education minister, Selena Uibo, awarded nine teachers from Willowra, Nyirpi, Yuendumu and Lajamanu for their long and committed contributions to education.

"For thousands of generations, the Warlpiri people have maintained strong language, culture, traditions, customs and laws, and

thanks to the tireless work of these educators, they remain strong to this day," Ms Uibo said.

She thanked Maisie Kitson, Helen Morton, Barbara Martin, Yamurna Oldfield, Tess Ross, Fiona Gibson, Valerie Patterson, Sharon Anderson and Malkirdi Rose "for being such exceptional leaders in their communities, for inspiring Warlpiri children and for helping guide many generations of children on their paths to bright futures."

Some of the women came out of retirement to accept the awards on World Teachers Day last October.

"We were privileged to get this award for our teaching," Ms Martin said.

"WE HAVE BEEN WORKING A VERY LONG TIME. WE ALL STOOD UP THERE ON THE STAGE. WE WERE SO PROUD TO BE PUBLIC SERVANTS FOR EDUCATION FOR A VERY LONG TIME - PUKURL-PUKURLPA NYAYIRNI (VERY PROUD)." MS MARTIN SAID.

Valerie Patterson, from Lajamanu, said it was "a very proud moment for me. It was a good night to all get together like this".

WETT first asked the education department some years ago to formally acknowledge the valuable work of Yapa educators.

World Teachers Day is held every year to celebrate excellence in teaching around the world.



Warlpiri educators with Minister Uibo at World Teachers Day celebrations.

WILLIAMS FAMILY INVEST IN ULUPERTE



The Williams family at Uluperte.

The Williams family have a reason to feel proud of the new fences and shady decks at their outstation in the East MacDonnell Ranges.

The family invested time, effort and more than \$114,000 of their rent income from the national park in Uluperte, also known as Junction Bore.

They worked with the Centre for Appropriate Technology (CAT) on the project.

Traditional owners Jeremy Williams and Anton McMillan replaced the old decking around two of the houses with a low maintenance product.

"The old veranda was a bit dangerous, old timber from the ATSIC days, terrible splinters," explained Francesca Williams.

The workers used the same product to screen the verandas.

"WE DID THIS PROJECT SO WE CAN HAVE A GOOD CLEAN HOME FOR THE GRANDCHILDREN AND A GOOD LIFE," MS WILLIAMS SAID.

Ms Williams said they also fixed up fences with chain mesh, barbed wire and new gates because that "keeps camel and cattle out that might destroy our home".

Last October, the CLC's Ltyentye Apurte ranger group and community development workers joined the family at Uluperte for two nights.

They reviewed the finished project and visited sites around the outstation with the rangers.

The rangers slashed a fire break around buildings and fences and plan to return to repair some camel damage.

The camp was a special opportunity for the whole Williams clan to show the grandkids around their country.

"We feel at home, now we got our grandkids here for the first time," said Sharon Williams.



Jo Palmer, Paul Williams and Ian Young at Uluperte.



Sanchia Scott, Snowy Mills, Jerome Williams, Francesca Williams Josh Lechleitner making lunch.

Northern Territory Parks Rent Money project facts

Sixteen national parks and reserves across the CLC region have been handed back to traditional owners and are jointly managed with the NT government.

The groups use the rent they get for the parks for

community benefit projects. The CLC is working with the groups to support planning and decision making about projects they prioritise. Since 2010, NT Parks groups have planned and allocated more than \$7.71 million to 188 projects.

CEMETERY FENCE BRINGS PEACE OF MIND TO WEST WATERHOUSE

The traditional owners from the Finke Gorge National Park are known for looking after their cemeteries, and the Boggy Hole working group is no exception.

The group used almost \$19,000 of their rent money to protect the last resting place of their loved ones at the West Waterhouse outstation from horses, cattle and rabbits.

“WE BUILT THE FENCE TO PROTECT THE FLOWERS FROM THE RABBITS, TO KEEP THE STOCK FROM GOING OVER THE GRAVEYARD, TO KEEP THEM SAFE,” SAID GROUP MEMBER GRAHAM SILVERTON.

“We worked together with land council and Sydney Maloney to make it happen. I worked on the fence with my brother, my son and my nephew.”

Graham laboured for three days with David and Josh Silverton and William Palmer and the fencing contractor to bring peace to their loved ones.



Graham Silverton is proud of the new fence.



Digging deep holes for the new fence posts.



Work crew (l-r) Graham Silverton, Josh Silverton, David Silverton and William Palmer.

James Johnny, Clinton Weston and Aiden Johnny installing the roof over the new veranda.

LIKKAPARTA IS COOKING WITH GAS

Compensation for the Northern Gas Pipeline has paid for some big improvements at an outstation near Tennant Creek.

Kurtinja traditional owners from the Warumungu Aboriginal Land Trust decided to invest some of the income in mobile phone reception to make Likkaparta homeland safer.

They also built a new shower and toilet block and a large workshop for mechanical repairs and storing machinery, and upgraded their communal kitchen.

“WE PUT THAT MONEY ASIDE BECAUSE WE NEEDED TO FIX UP LIKKAPARTA,” SAID KURTINJA WORKING GROUP MEMBER JEFFREY FOSTER.

The upgrades will support the community to host artist and youth education camps at the outstation and also provide a place to store machinery and equipment.

The group chose Tangentyere Constructions for the project on the condition that they employ local workers.

David, Aiden and James Johnny, Clinton Weston and Tony Foster helped to build the ablution block with disabled access and a workshop with three bays, pour a concrete floor in the kitchen and add a veranda.

The projects cost just over \$430,000.

The group also asked the Central Land Council to hire Outback Internet to install two mobile repeater towers for just under \$10,000.

Money well spent, according to the residents, because worries about how to call an ambulance in an emergency is now a thing of the past.

WESTERN BULLDOGS KICK A BIG GOAL

Ntaria's historic Hermannsburg Football Club has opened its first clubrooms, funded and built by the community itself and decorated with photos of generations of players.

"The photo exhibition is just lovely, all those famous goal kickers from our club," said Mildred Inkamala, a member of the Ntaria community lease money working group.

"Now we've got photos of them for the young ones, to see if they want to follow in their footsteps. I feel happy and proud of what I've done for this community and I'm going to keep going because I think about our kids' future."

Club president Mark Inkamala, also a member of the working group, came up with the idea of the clubroom and did his homework.

"THE HERMANSBURG FOOTBALL CLUB STARTED IN 1930. I HAD TO DO A LOT OF RESEARCH TO FIND OUT WHEN IT STARTED, DIGGING THROUGH THE OLD LUTHERAN ARCHIVES. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE HAD CLUBROOMS".

Three years ago, he encouraged his fellow working group members to invest \$650,000 in the project.

Following detailed planning with the Central Land Council, the group chose Tangentyere Design to work with it on the concept for the clubrooms.

Tangentyere Constructions was hired for the build and employed four locals for 10 weeks late last year.

"I wanted a couple of youngfellas to work on it for good wages," Mr Inkamala said. "We need local people to be involved."

The working group made sure locals would also get the job of operating the clubrooms.



The photos in the clubroom are a big drawcard.

Mr Inkamala is proud that another local Aboriginal organisation, the Tjuwanpa Outstation Resource Centre has agreed to operate the clubrooms for the next five years.

"TJUWANPA'S GOING TO LOOK AFTER THE PLACE, MAINTAIN IT IF ANYTHING IS BROKEN, AND PAY THE WATER AND ELECTRICITY. WE PUT MONEY AWAY FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS." MR INKAMALA SAID.

He said the football club won't have to pay rent because "it's on our land, Western Aranda land, and it's for the community itself".

The opening of the building was one of the year's highlights for Mildred Inkamala.

"The community feels happy and proud of this wonderful football club we've got here for the Western Bulldogs," she said.



Ntaria Football Club construction crew.

Community Lease Money project facts

The project started in 2012, after two new income streams started to flow:

Five year lease money (the one off compensation payment the CLC negotiated with the Commonwealth for the compulsory leases it took out over communities during the five years of the Intervention) and other lease money (governments, organisations and service providers now pay annual rent for the blocks they lease in communities).

Thirty-one communities take part in the project and most have set up

working groups to plan community benefit projects. So far, the working groups have allocated funds to a total of 336 projects.

The 336 projects delivering social, cultural and economic outcomes have so far invested almost \$13 million of the five year lease money and almost \$5 million of the other lease money have been funded by \$12.84 million from 5 Year lease money and \$4.96 million from s.19 lease money.

Since 2012, communities have allocated a total of \$17.8 million to community benefit projects.

COMMUNITY LEASE MONEY



SITTING PRETTY ON HANDCRAFTED CHURCH PEWS

Alpurrurulam locals are pretty proud of the new furniture they knocked up for their church.

Twelve Alpurrurulam locals handcrafted wooden pews, benches and a stage for the community's church.

"We worked on this for two months," said local worker Leo Petrick.

"Now we have ten benches and ten chairs. We are filled with pride when our families use the church furniture."

Just like with the construction of the church itself, the community got locals to do the work and used its lease money to pay for tools and materials.

The community partnered with local CDP provider Rainbow Gateway.

Aged between 18 and their late 40s, many of the men had never turned their hands to carpentry before.

"I FEEL PROUD ABOUT IT BECAUSE I'M RUNNING THE SHOW. WE'RE DOING IT OURSELVES. WE DON'T NEED ANY WHITEFELLAS INVOLVED. MY FAVOURITE PART WAS BEING A LEADER, BEING HERE WITH THE BOYS," MR WEBB SAID.



(l-r) Andrew Teece, Leo Petrick and Jameson Webb, Troyden Age and Rohan Webb.

"It was the first time for me using the grinder, drills and sander. I enjoyed building the furniture. It was all good for the community," said Jameson Webb.

Even though most of the workers were youngfellas, Troyden Age would like to see even more "young guys on the crew".

"It's better than them staying home, doing nothing. It's good for our community," he said.

Rohan Webb, from Rainbow Gateway, supervised the \$27,000 project with fellow local Eenie Kelly.

They showed the crew "how to use the tools safely and put them away properly".

He said his men were ready to put in more than the standard hours of the CDP program.

"When you work flat out, the time just goes. CDP only works for four hours. The fellas were keen and fired-up and wanted to work all day."

Mr Webb said their new skills are now in demand around the region.

"Other communities want to learn how to make this furniture and carpentry. We're keen to show them".

LARAMBA WOMEN'S CEREMONY SHELTER

Amy Stafford reckons Laramba's new, purpose built ceremony shelter is one of a kind.

"When I went to other communities I didn't see any building like this," said the elder.

Ms Stafford told Laramba's community lease money working group almost two years ago that local women needed a better place for their ceremonies and to keep important items safe and secure.

"I LOOK AFTER ALL THE WOMAN'S STUFF, OLD PEOPLE USING THAT A LONG TIME AGO [AND IT'S] STILL HERE," MS STAFFORD SAID.

The group listened to her and Laramba Community Incorporated, the landholding body, agreed to use Laramba's community lease income to fund a safe and secure ceremony space a short walk from the community's centre.

The \$37,000 shelter Tangentyere Constructions built with local worker Luke Wallace is made from a shipping container with a shady veranda where the women can paint up.

"Really good for when we starting ceremony," Ms Stafford said.

"We can shelter from the rain, really big one. We put a sign on there – no men."



Ms Stafford in the middle, with Veronica Tilmouth and Daisy Peltarr.

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Luke Wallace helped build the women's ceremony shelter.

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YAPA FUND DIGITAL GUIDE FOR LOOKING AFTER THEIR COUNTRY

Yapa have brought their written management plan for the Northern Tanami Indigenous Protected Area to life as a bilingual digital storybook.

Tanami Yatijarra Walya Ngurra uses video, audio, maps and animation in Warlpiri and English to guide the elders and rangers who look after the IPA.

“This is for all Warlpiri. It is important to us,” elder Jerry Jangala Patrick said at the *Ngurra* storybook launch in Lajamanu.

12 “Our IPA is still happening after 13 years. Everyone is very interested and they want to learn from the digital storybook with a straight approach.”

Lajamanu’s Granites Mine Affected Area Aboriginal Corporation (GMAAAC) Committee invested \$250,000 of the community’s mining compensation income in the storybook which can be found at www.ngurra.org.

Local employment was high on everyone’s wish list and the project delivered in spades.

More than 100 Yapa helped to design, translate and produce videos for the storybook, with many organising bush trips to the shooting locations and taking part in the video shoots.

“It was a huge team effort and everyone who contributed feels such joy to see it on the screen,” said the project’s creative director, Julia Burke.

Ms Burke also managed the successful 2016 Southern Tanami IPA digital storybook (www.walyaku.org.au) which inspired the *Ngurra* storybook.

She worked with the IPA’s management committee and the Northern Tanami ranger group to make the written Northern Tanami IPA management plan accessible to all.

The GMAAAC committee hopes the storybook will help younger Yapa in particular to get involved in seasonal burning, feral animal management and looking after threatened native plants and animals.

At the storybook launch in November 2019, lead ranger Dione Jangala Kelly paid tribute to his predecessors.

“We’d like to thank the first rangers and those old traditional owners who made the original IPA plan of management on how to look after our country,” Mr Kelly said.

“The IPA came from their idea. We are carrying it on.”

Ranger Helen Nungarrayi Wilson said the digital format will make it easier for the community and the rangers to learn about the IPA.

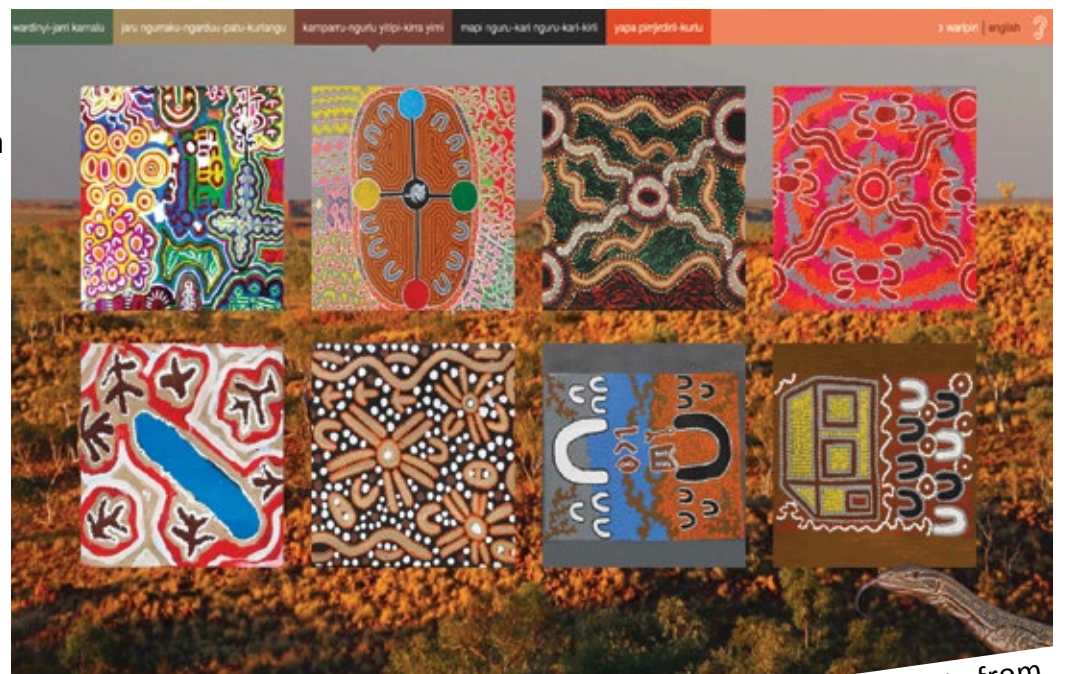
“THE COMMUNITY CAN UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT THE IPA BECAUSE THE STORYBOOK IS OUT NOW. WE CAN SHOW IT TO THE KIDS TO TEACH THEM ABOUT CULTURE AND COUNTRY SO THEY CAN TEACH THEIR KIDS IN THE FUTURE,” MS WILSON SAID.

GMAAAC project facts

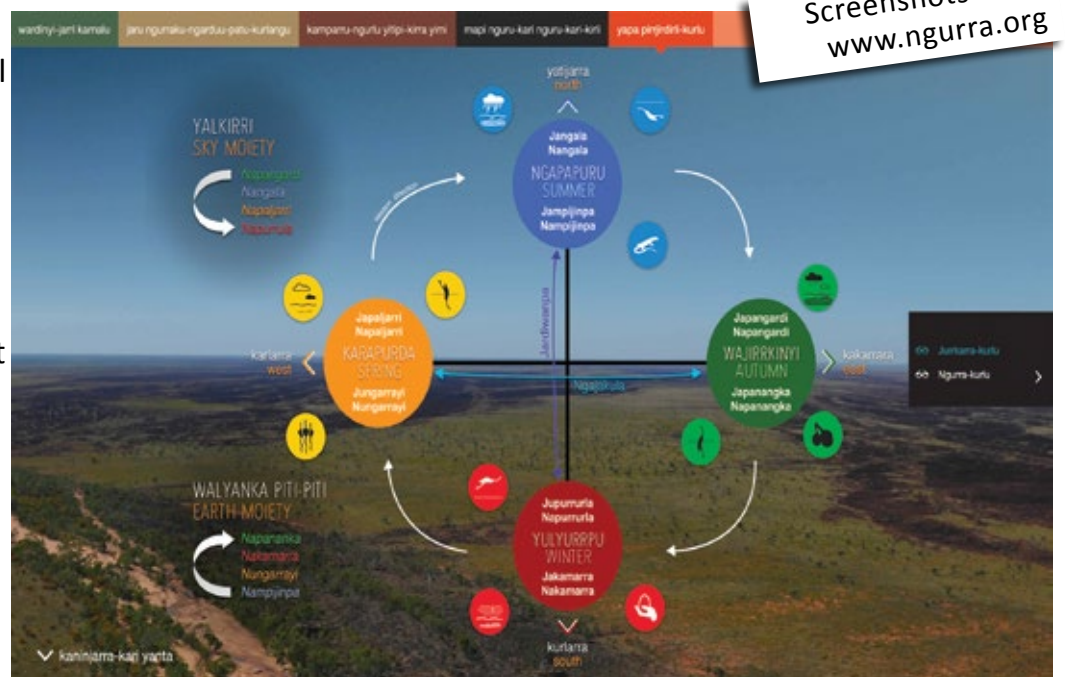
The Granites Mine Affected Area Aboriginal Corporation (GMAAAC) was set up to benefit nine Tanami communities affected by the Granites gold mine.

The projects support programs that promote Aboriginal self-management. They aim to improve housing, health, education, essential services, employment and training.

Community committees plan and allocate GMAAAC funds to projects annually. These committees are elected every three years, with elections due to be held in 2020 across the nine communities. The committees choose directors



Screenshots from www.ngurra.org



Elder Molly Napurrurla Tasman said the storybook teaches the community about the time before settlements.

“The storybook is good because young people can see places where their great grandfathers and grandmothers used to travel from place to place,” Ms Tasman said.

The storybook is everywhere in Lajamanu. It has been installed on computers at the learning centre and school, and every household has received a USB stick with the videos.

The videos are also on high rotation on Indigenous Community TV and their web channel ICTV PLAY.

who meet at least annually to oversee the corporation.

The CLC’s community development unit works with the community committees in Yuendumu, Lajamanu, Willowra, Nyirripi, Yuelamu, Tanami Downs, Balgo, Ringer Soak and Billiluna to plan projects and select partner organisations to implement them.

Since 2008, GMAAAC has allocated more than \$43 million to 726 projects. The projects create local jobs and opportunities for local businesses and support community priorities such as arts, culture and infrastructure.

The work of CLC’s community development unit in the Tanami is supported by GMAAAC, WETT and Newmont Tanami Operations.

MINING MONEY FUELS COMMUNITY VIDEO REVIVAL

Compensation from the Granites gold mine in the Tanami has detonated an explosion of creativity in Yuendumu.

PAW Media have used \$110,000 from the community's mining compensation income to produce more than 30 videos documenting cultural and sporting events and local history.

The funds allocated by the local GMAAAC committee have allowed the organisation to film interviews for the upcoming feature length documentary about anthropologist, activist and gardener Olive Pink, and to start filming One Pound Jimmy, the story of the man on the two dollar coin - Gwoya Jungarayi.

Among the productions are a wildlife survey of waterbirds of the Newhaven Wildlife Sanctuary and documentaries about the histories of the Yuendumu Mining Company and the Yuendumu Doors art movement.



Shane White, Maxwell Tasman and Jason Woods filmed at Milwayi Spring.

Video editor Adam Young is one of 12 Yapa who have worked on the project for more than 2,000 hours.

"The Yuendumu doors are art pieces by the elders," Mr Young said.

"I was making an abbreviated story of the paintings and the history behind it. It helps get Warlpiri people's history out there."

"THERE WERE A LOT OF THINGS I DIDN'T KNOW UNTIL I STARTED WORKING HERE. THE HISTORY AND CULTURE, THE HISTORY OF DIFFERENT FAMILIES," HE SAID.



PAW Media's Elizabeth Napaljarri Katakarinja, Jonathan Daw, Simon Japangardi Fisher and Valerie Napaljarri Martin.

"I like the creativity with my videos, the freedom to create."

PAW Media also added 17 movies to its media archive and ran an animation workshop in Willowra which produced Water Dreaming, a short animation about storms in the desert.

Residents of Yuendumu and Lajamanu are proud of the video revival the GMAAAC funds have made possible.

Encouraged by the collective creativity they have unleashed, Yuendumu's GMAAAC committee have decided to keep funding the video production project and a viewing room at PAW Media where sensitive cultural material can be viewed in private.

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YUENDUMU TURNS TO SPORT TO BOOST SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Yuendumu's school academy program is here to stay, delivering many exciting activities that make kids want to come to school.

The community's GMAAAC committee is using Yuendumu's mining compensation income to keep the popular program going for three more years.

The Wanta Aboriginal Corporation has run the program with the local school and elders since 2017.

Last year it organised 18 excursions to communities and outstations, Alice Springs and Darwin to reward students for good attendance and behaviour.

The trip to the Territory's capital was for 12 senior students who came to school for more than 60 per cent of the time.

"SOMETIMES WE TAKE THE KIDS ON SCHOOL EXCURSIONS. IF KIDS COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY WE HELP THEM ENROL IN BOARDING SCHOOL," SAID SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICER JULIE-ANN RICE.

The GMAAAC committee funds Wanta to employ six Yapa for around 4,000 hours per year to deliver the project to students and their families and to undertake training such as first aid certificates.

Donisha Granites reckons the work is good.

"The girls are fun to work with. The best bit about the job is to spend time with the senior girls," Ms Granites said.

Julie-Ann Rice has worked with Wanta for four years and organises the breakfast program to get students to school before the bell goes.

"The kid's favourite is pancakes. They come here early every morning. Some kids come at

seven and wait for the teachers to open the gates!" she said.

During recess and lunch breaks, students can use the sports academy room to play pool and video games, watch movies and draw. After school, there are football, basketball and softball games.

Bush trips, cooking classes and pool competitions are also popular and continue during the school holidays.

The students have been learning to cook meals with ingredients from the local shops and can now prepare fried rice, spaghetti bolognese, nachos, pancakes and banana bread for their families.

In 2019, the committee allocated more than \$500,000 to support Wanta's program until 2022.



HAND WATER PUMPS READY TO SAVE LIVES

Summers have been much hotter for much longer lately and that spells danger for people travelling along our lonely bush roads.



Silas James at Number 8 Bore.

Remote communities have mourned too many loved ones who ran out of water after their cars broke down, and one community has taken action.

Three community-funded hand water pumps along the Lajamanu Road in the remote Tanami region stand ready to save the lives of travellers and they are being used.

“The emergency water point near Jirlpiri was used recently,” North Tanami ranger co-ordinator Craig Reid said.

Mr Reid said the pump proved a lifesaver after the car of a hunting party was destroyed by fire “taking with it all their food and water”.

The North Tanami Rangers checked the pumps a couple of times last year and say that they are all in good working order.

Lead ranger Dione Kelly said the pumps “are important. They always get used, when people are out hunting, even when they break down”.

The Centre for Appropriate Technology designed and installed the pumps in 2011 as part of a GMAAAC project.

The pumps are clearly signposted and easy to see from the road.

The signs bear the GMAAAC logo so everyone knows that the Lajamanu community funded the lifesaving pumps with its mining compensation income.

The rangers recommend that you put this map on your wall or tear it out and leave it in your car. —————→

- **STAY SAFE ON THE ROAD**
- **TAKE PLENTY OF WATER AND FUEL**
- **TELL SOMEONE WHERE YOU’RE GOING AND WHEN YOU’LL ARRIVE**
- **STAY WITH YOUR CAR IF YOU BREAKDOWN**

BALGO SCHOOL SLAM DUNKS WITH NEW BASKETBALL COURT

Students at Balgo’s Kutjungka Trade Training Centre reckon their new half basketball court keeps them bouncing off to school all day, every day.

“Really cool and deadly” were just some of the comments greeting the concrete court, which replaces a single basket on a post in the red sand.

“We were playing on the dirt, now it’s a good basketball court,” secondary student Ali Nagomarra said. “Since they put it in, I learnt to dunk on it”.

“THANK YOU. WE LOVE IT,” SAID HIS CLASSMATE BENJI BROWN.

The court doubles as a giant blackboard where students can use chalk to write, do maths and draw during art classes.

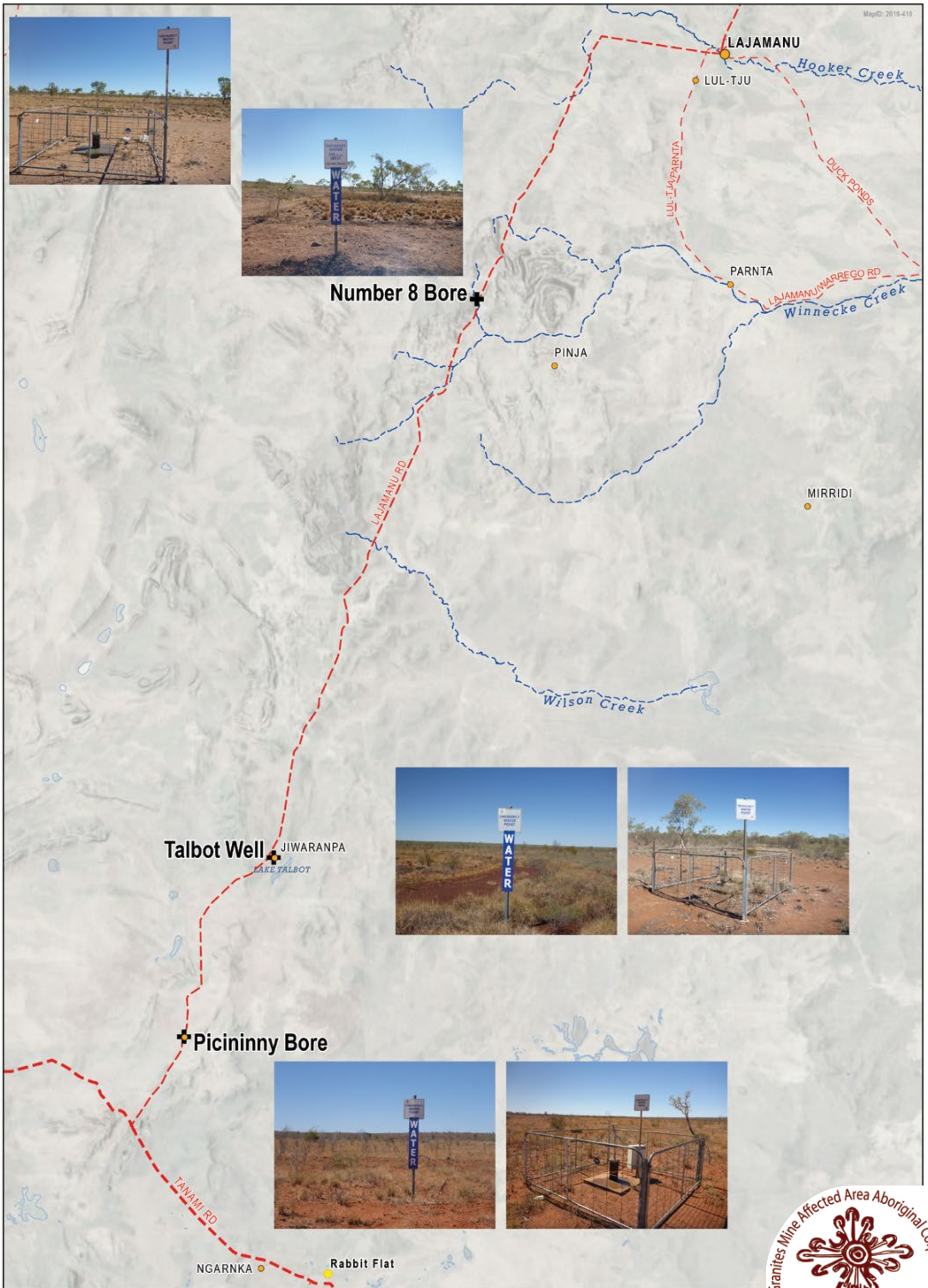
The community decided to fund the court to encourage senior students to stay on the school grounds during recess and lunch, ready to keep learning after the break.

Balgo’s GMAAAC committee combined \$30,800 of the community’s mining compensation income with funding from the Luurnpa Catholic School and East Kimberley Job Pathways to pay for the court.



(l-r) Raylene McLarty, Lloyd Gibson, Benjamin Brown, Alister Nagomarra, Scott Boxer, Anton Whisput, Eli Gill, Albert Boxer, Marjorie Guguman and Sherry Boxer.

Lajamanu Track



MEET THE DECISION MAKERS

All of the great community development projects that happen across the CLC region are due to the hard work of traditional owners and community members who plan and develop projects that will benefit their communities. These are just some of the groups that are making all the decisions, big and small.



Ntaria community lease money working group: Mark Inkamala, Baydon Kanjira, Bronwyn Lankin, Alicia Entata, Regina Ebatarinja and Mervyn Raggett.



Finke Gorge NT Park Inarlanga Latna working group (with CLC's Rebecca Humphries): [redacted] Elfrieda Ungwanaka, Steven Enalanga, Kevin Ungwanaka, Sherlene Brogus, Jessie Ngalaia, Roger Ebatarinja and Lesley Ungwanaka.



Tjoritja West NT Park working group: Lofty Katarinja, Carl Inkamala, Rhonda Inkamala, Darren Inkamala, Tony Sena and Clara Inkamala (seated).



Native Gap NT Park working group. Standing: Troydon Briscoe, Colleen Hayes Roland Hayes, Natasha Gorey, Riley Gorey and Mathew Ferber Jr. Sitting: Priscilla Ferber, Marcus Ross Jr, Alison Ferber, Sharon Hayes, Magdalene Lynch, Michael Gorey and Jeanie Ferber.



Ringer Soak GMAAAC committee: Angela Gordon, Kylie McDonald, Pauline Jack, Ricky Tchooga and Darryl McCale.



Uluru-Kata Tjuta traditional owners and CLC staff.



Kaltukatjara community lease money working group: Kennedy Edimintja, Raelene Larry, Barbara DeRose, Conrad Abbott, Marlene Abbott, Selina Kulitja and Lilly Tjiwiri.



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