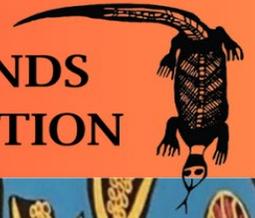


In September, **Maningrida Arts & Culture** supported a two-week daluk artist camp at Bolkdjam outstation. Facilitated by Sorrell Ashby of Guumali, in collaboration with Sandra Richards, the camp focused on the collection of traditional artistic materials, including kunngobarn (Pandanus leaves used for weaving), mandjurndum (a yellow root crushed to dye Pandanus leaves), and lorrkkons (hollow stringy bark tree logs). Artists also had the opportunity to experiment with natural pigments on djurra (paper), as dolobbo (stringy bark removed from trees for bark paintings) was out of season.



BAWINANGA HOMELANDS ABORIGINAL CORPORATION



BHAC NEWS LETTER

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Meet KIRA BOURKE, the new CEO of Bawinanga Homelands Aboriginal Corporation who has started work with us this Wednesday 2 October!

Raised in a remote community of Peppimenarti and with a strong legal background, Kira brings with her the wealth of knowledge and experience from her work with such organisations as the Northern Land Council, Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation Jabiru Town and the City of Palmerston Council. She is a senior executive and legal advisor and we expect that her knowledge of corporate strategy, project management, problem-solving and operations as well as her expertise in cross cultural awareness, law, policy and stakeholder engagement will move Bawinanga forward and help the organisation prosper.

Kira is joined in Maningrida by her husband Peter and their four kids – let's bid them all a warm welcome!

Senior Cultural Leader **Jack Nawilil** led a bunggul at the Bolkdjam camp, inviting family from Maningrida and Buluhkaduru for a two-hour sunset performance by the billabong, with younger generations actively participating. A big thanks to Homelands School Company, Bawinanga Djelk Rangers, and Civil for their assistance and support with the camp and performance.



Bawinanga Employment Service Team (BEST) CDP commenced this month its 3rd paid '13-week Pathways to Employment' program. We provide six weeks of job ready training that will focus on ensuring that our staff get identification, access to computer and reading and writing workshops, practical skills on getting ready, tours of the diverse works places in Maningrida, role play and most of all 7 weeks of paid work experience with an employer. Welcome to our new staff **Randy, Lenny, Mark, Julius, Asmond, Ross, Analise and Adam**. Also meet our Bawinanga Employment Service Team **Kendy, Kendy, Jacqui, Gorgia and Helen**. If you can read & write, have good computer skills, and are ready to use it all,

we invite you to put your name forward to work with us. If you are not ready, we can help you build your skills.



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FEATURING

Wild Foods Café

Karlabarrabarra

The Wild Foods café is rocking! Meet the brand new team: full time super chef **Sabrina Cifra**, store managers **Chrissy Wilmot** and her hubby **Matt Andrea**, breathing new life into the food scene of Maningrida community. Think coffee, milkshakes, takeaways, groceries and catering – and they are open from **12pm to 9pm on weekdays** which means you can satisfy those late-night food cravings!

On **Saturdays** the café is open from **9am to 3pm**, offering branch-type food, healthy breakfasts, and amazing coffee. Stay tuned – there may be other exciting things coming!



SAFE PROUD PEOPLE CONNECTED TO COUNTRY THROUGH SONG LINE

You can see **Sabrina** here preparing the local food of choice – roast chicken – and some healthier foods like salads too. After work she's doing a Certificate II in Retail training, to make sure her upgraded skills allow her to run her own café in the future!



Mark the **99c** water bottles – the best price in Maningrida!



Milkshakes are a new absolute fave, with plenty of flavour options and milk types to choose from.



Please **come and talk to Chrissy and Matt** about things you would like to see on the menu or in stock: they are totally open to suggestions. Pre-orders can be arranged for large lunches or any other big meals.

Important: if you'd like to learn new skills such as food service, customer service, stock and money handling, **please come to BHAC** and see our HR Hannah about the **opportunities at the Wild Foods**. They'll bundle you up with someone really experienced right away!

