

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY TO
ALL THE
DADS!**

HAVE YOUR SAY IN THE HDAA NDIS AUDIT



R U OK Day



Weekly snapshots

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NDIS Commission Audit conducted by HDAA

Having your say

I am writing to let you know that there is to be an NDIS Certification assessment of our service on 7-9 September 2020 and you are able to be involved in it.

The assessment will let us know how well we meet the NDIS Practice Standards. The purpose of the assessment is to help to continue to improve the service we offer you.

Participation in this assessment is 'opt-out'. This means you are automatically enrolled in the process and need to let us know if you do not want to participate. If you would prefer not to be involved, please contact a member of the Currajong Team on 02 6863 4713 or jeffrey.evans@currajong.org.au so we can communicate this to the assessors. If you are contacted by the assessors during the audit and decide at that time to opt-out, you are welcome to do so.

If you do not choose to opt-out, you may be contacted for interview by the assessors on the day or they may select your files, records and plans to review. By being involved you will be helping improve our services by providing the interviewer with information on how we are doing.

The assessor may contact you by phone for a short discussion. The time involved will be about 10 - 15 minutes and everything is confidential. If you have any questions then please contact me on 02 6863 4713 or jeffrey.evans@currajong.org.au

Kind regards,

Jeffrey Evans

Take part in our

NDIS audit

with HDAA

and have your say.





As part of the National Disability Insurance Scheme or the NDIS, we must undergo an external Audit so that we can provide supports and services.



This means assessors from a company called HDAA come to talk to our staff, and look at the work we do and the services we provide to support people.



The assessors would also like to talk to you to see if you're happy with the support and services we provide you.



If you prefer, you can also talk to the assessors with a person you choose to be there to support you.



The assessors would like to look at files that we keep which include information about you. This is so the assessors can see the type of supports we provide you.



The assessors write a report about our services which goes to the NDIS Commission, but no personal information about you is included in the report.



No thanks

If you don't want to talk to the assessors or have them look at your files that's OK, you don't have to.



If you would like to talk with an assessor and let them look at your files, we will seek your permission first. You can also talk to us if you need more information.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

CURRAJONG residents were hard at it this week designing cards and all sorts of crafty creations for their dads to commemorate Father's Day.

At the Lutheran Church, Heather, Joey, Jarrad, Bon, Sebastian and Kyal made cards for their dads as did the gang in Cecile Street and at Westview.

"They had a blast," said Sanu Maliyil Sunny, one of the Currajong support staff.

"Everyone made something specialm for their dads."

It was also a chance for many to get creative.

"Arts and crafts are always fun and Father's Day seems to bring out the real creative streak!" said Deitre Jackson.

"With COVID forcing many to rethink how they were going to spend Father's Day this year, the enthusiasm didn't wane a bit," Deitre added.

Happy Father's Day to all the dads!



TOP: Sebastian Sadgrove working on his Father's Day card last week while Kyal Sauer **(ABOVE)** holds up his finished product. **LEFT:** Heather Coates with her creation for Father's Day.



Message to Stolen Generations members

Have you made an application for the Stolen Generations Reparations Scheme?
Legal Aid NSW can help you.



Who can get reparations?

You may be able to get reparations if you were:

- removed from your family or apprenticed,
- by some NSW government agencies, and
- this happened before 2 June 1969.

Not all people who were removed by a NSW government agency can get reparations. If you are not sure, talk to a lawyer.

When does the scheme end?

1 July 2022. Apply now.

What could I get?

You could get:

- a payment of up to \$75,000, and
- \$7,000 to help pay for your funeral costs.

How can I apply?

To get the application form:

- call Aboriginal Affairs on 1800 019 998.
They can send it to you and help you fill it out, or
- download it at www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au/healing-and-reparations/stolen-generations



Future Choices Virtual Transition Expo

for Students with Disability

9th September 2020 9-5pm

Presented by



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futurechoices.vfairs.com



Get free support and stay safe online

Leep can connect you to a highly skilled, patient volunteer Tech Mate who can support you to access services and keep you connected to family and friends.

This support is free, and all you need to do is call us on 1300 163 106 to make an appointment.

Our Tech Mates can provide assistance on:

- Basic digital skills, like texting, emailing and video chatting
- Setting up devices and accounts
- Downloading apps
- Accessing medical appointments through telehealth
- Online shopping, banking and Government services

This program is normally delivered face-to-face, but due to COVID-19 our Tech Mates are providing the service via phone and video chat.

**Everything
is waiting
for you
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"What's so good about the whole program is that it is one-on-one and getting support over the phone does work."

- JAN, BATHURST

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There's always something going on at



TOP (L-R): Brett Thompson and Timbo; John Carey reasing the papers; Dave Ryan has a spell; Cecile girls getting active; Tim Wheeler again with Shane Spicer cleaning; Mark and Kym gardening; Jay and the cat from Cecile; Patty washes up at HQ.



Submit your event or story to us for our weekly newsletter by emailing us at - dane.millerd@currajong.org.au or via our Facebook page or our website - <https://currajong.org.au/contact/>



FAREWELL DANE!

AFTER over three years at Currajong, Communications, Marketing & New Business Manager, Dane Millerd, is leaving Currajong. "I have had a great time at Currajong and will miss you all," Dane said.

"When I started it was from scratch and I am glad I have been able to play a part in making Currajong number one!"

Dane's finishes Oct 5.



R U OK Day will be held right across the country on Thursday September 10. One of our participants Rhyse Forrestal is a big supporter of the event and his efforts over the years have raised vital funds. To get involved go to - <https://www.ruok.org.au/join-r-u-ok-day>

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ADF iConnect

Join the thousands of Aboriginal Australians and Torres Strait Islanders who enjoy financial security, rewarding work and personal development in jobs that include representing and mentoring their communities.

Learn skills that transfer across a range of areas focused on entry into the defense forces.

Code	CSO5555
Duration	50 Hours
Cost	Nil Cost
Location	TBA
Note	Program commencing Term 4, 2020

WHAT YOU CAN BE

iConnect provides participants with a taste of targeted vocation areas and assistance in establishing pathway options for further learning.

Vocational focus area:

- ADF Entry

Cultural focus:

- Aboriginal Culture(customised)

The fifty hour program is structured as follows:

- Field Study (25 hours)
- Aboriginal Culture (15 hours)
- Employment Skills (10 hours)

This program is a pathway to:

- Vocational Accredited Qualifications in order to build key skills for ADF entry, Army, Navy, Air Force
- Certificate I in Fundamental Aboriginal Languages for Personal Use
- Certificate II of Basic Aboriginal Languages for Social Use
- Career Preparation Study Pathways

HOW DOES IT WORK

Training and entry details

The iConnect Program is an entry level course designed to connect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with education and culture.

Participants will experience a range of vocational educational areas whilst personal growth and career aspirations are supported.

Upon completing the 50 hour program participants will receive a TAFE Statement in Education and Employment Pathways.

ELIGIBILITY

Participants will need to meet the below criteria to be eligible for this training:

- 15 years or older.
- Live or work in NSW.
- No longer be at school.

READY TO BE DEADLY?

If you are interested in participating in this program, please register your interest by scanning the QR code or contact your local AEC.

Dubbo-Cedelia Duke 68833497
Orange - Kurt Beahan 63915676
Tamworth-Simon Taylor 67682525

Scan the QR code now to register your interest!



September

Blood Cancer Awareness Month

Childhood Cancer Awareness Month

National Cholesterol Education Month

Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

World Alzheimer's Month

National Suicide Prevention Week (Sept. 6–12)

World Suicide Prevention Day (Sept. 10)

R U Ok Day (Sept. 10)

World Sepsis Day (Sept. 13)

National Celiac Disease Awareness Day
(Sept. 13)

World Heart Day (Sept. 29)



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