

# TIWI TIMES

Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board

## Apprentices receive tools for their trade



Enjoyment was on the faces of the carpentry apprentices working with the Territory Alliance at Wurrumiyanga recently. The reason for this enjoyment was that each apprentice was given a fairly comprehensive tool kit to use in their trade area. The tool grant is a combination of incentives from both the NT Government and Federal Governments and are given to apprentices who meet the eligibility criteria.

The toolboxes should provide independence, increased productivity and pride for them, they now have to take care of them, and as they progress add extra tools to their kits.

Phil Clarke from the Alliance and Venard Pilakui, TITEB Apprentice Liaison Officer made the presentation to the apprentices.

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Quote of the Month

If you like walking down the right path and you're willing to keep walking, eventually you'll make progress.

BARRACK OBAMA



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Group of VET Certificate in Spoken and Written English students discussing their studies between classes at the Institute's Batchelor campus.

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### Preparing your community for an emergency



Desmond Bruppacher, Lauren Stockbridge, John Anthony Wilson, Colin Kerinauia, Kim Brooks, Shanna Provost, Vivian Kerinauia, Pius Tipungwuti, Willy Roberts

As part of the Red Cross Tiwi Team, Emergency Services is extremely interested in gaining a better understanding of how emergencies such as cyclones and floods could affect Tiwi communities. In talking with Tiwi communities we hope to help raise awareness around how to better prepare for an emergency and begin that yarn with community about what Red Cross's role is before, during and after a disaster.

Our team this week spent 2 days in Milikapiti having a yarn and swapping ideas with a great bunch of people and we would like to send out a huge thankyou to those who participated. We at Red Cross learnt so much and it was a privilege to listen to your stories. A big thankyou also to TITEB and Doni for allowing us to use their room.

We have more dates planned for visits to Tiwi communities and we encourage all members of the community to attend our informal information sessions

and workshops. We will be in Wurrumiyanga on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> August, in Pirlangimpi on the 13<sup>th</sup> Sept and Milikapiti again on the 14<sup>th</sup> September. Everyone welcome.



Willy Roberts, Lauren Stockbridge, Colin Kerinauia, Pius Tipungwuti, Vivian Kerinauia, Kim Brooks



Hi Tiwi Times,

Just thought you may like this photo for the next edition of the Tiwi Times. We contacted the Tiwi Times earlier this year to see if you could help us get in touch with a friend of ours, Wesley Black and we'd like to thankyou very much as we were able to meet up with him on our recent trip to Darwin.

Wesley played football in Casterton in 2008 whilst my brother was coaching Casterton and he lived with my brother and sister in law while he was here. He spent lots of time at my mum and dads house and also their farm. He enjoyed hunting with dad and playing with all our children. When my brother took him to Melbourne to the airport when it was time to go home we were all very sad and I took mum and dad on the four hour drive to the airport to surprise him for a final goodbye. We thought we may not get to see him again but when we planned a trip to Darwin earlier this year we contacted the Tiwi Times to help us get in touch with Wesley and we organised to meet him. We live about four and a half hours from

Adelaide and mum and dad went on The Ghan from Adelaide to Darwin and my sister and I and our kids flew from Adelaide after we had to spend 2 nights there in a hotel because all flights were cancelled due to the volcanic ash cloud. Mum and dad thoroughly enjoyed their trip on the Ghan and we were very excited when we finally flew into Darwin at 2am on a Friday morning to the beautiful warm Darwin weather. We picked Wes up off the ferry a few days later and he stayed with us for two nights. We hired a big motor home and dad brought his tent up in his dual cab ute so Wes stayed in the tent with dad and the rest of the family stayed in the motor home. We had a most enjoyable two days with Wes acting as our tour guide around Darwin and Litchfield National Park and the kids just loved having Wes stay with us. We went out for a lovely meal together and the next night we had a barbecue in the caravan park beside the motor home. It was very sad to say goodbye again when we dropped him off early in the morning to catch the ferry back home but hopefully we will see him again one day. We would have all liked to come on the ferry to meet all his family and friends but it was just going to be too hard as we had all the kids and the youngest is 2 so we weren't sure how they would handle it and thought it would be easier if Wes came to us. We hope to come again on another trip in the next few years so hopefully we may get to come and visit then to see this wonderful place that Wes has told us all about.

We hope you like the photo of us all with Wes near the termite mounds at Litchfield National Park. Back- Wesley Black, Syd O'Brien (2), Lowanne O'Brien, Roberta Tucker, Brian Meyer (Old father as Wes calls him!)

Front- Cruz Tucker (7), Abe Tucker (8), Jett Tucker (10), Axl O'Brien (4), Betty Meyer (Old mother as Wes calls her!)

Thanks again for helping us get in touch and hopefully we will hear from Wes again if this ends up in the next edition of The Tiwi Times!

Cheers,

Lowanne O'Brien



## housing<sub>the</sub> Territory

**A Territory Government initiative** 

# **Housing Reference Groups**

There is a Housing Reference Group (HRG) in your community.

HRG members are drawn from the community and represent different cultural and family groups.

The HRG talk to the community and provide advice to government on housing, cultural and family matters. You can talk to your HRG about:



housing and infrastructure



long term planning and housing needs



job opportunities for local people

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TITEB graduation at Wurrumiyanga 21st September 2011 All Welcome

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# **Articles For The Tiwi Times**

If you have any articles which you would like to go into the September Tiwi Times please email them to us at <a href="mailto:tiwitimes@titeb.com">tiwitimes@titeb.com</a>

We try our hardest to get your Tiwi Times out by the end of each month and it would be appreciated if you could have your articles for the next Times to us by:

**Tuesday 20th of September**