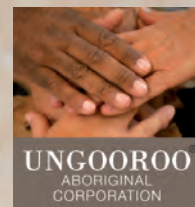


Ungooroo would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land now known as the Hunter Valley, the Wanaruah and Awabakal people and all Aboriginal people who now call this region their home, as well as paying our respects to elders past and present.



# UngoorooNEWS

JULY 2013

GLENCORE

## Ungooroo & Glencore Xstrata Coal Training and Employment Program for 2013

*Ungooroo and Glencore Xstrata held an information session on Friday 10th May regarding 10 potential traineeships in Cert 111 Conservation /Land Management.*

The program being facilitated by Ungooroo consisted of:

- ▶ Pre-employment training
- ▶ Potential Cert 111 traineeship with a variety of host employers
- ▶ 12 month mentoring program and support

The participants have to date successfully completed their pre-employment training and are in process of job placement for these successful jobseekers.

Ungooroo would like to thank Glencore Xstrata for their support of this wholistic program that has produced tangible results.







WUPA@Wanaruah®

## Aboriginal Art Trail & Exhibition

**21st Sept –  
31st Oct 2013**



Proudly supported by  
**Destination NSW**

Our art trail through the Hunter Valley continues to expand every year and 2013 is no different. The 2013 WUPA at Wanaruah art trail will run from 21st September to the 31st of October, supported by Destination NSW.

For more information regarding WUPA@WANARUAH for 2013, and SPONSORSHIP please contact us at **Ungooroo Aboriginal Corporation** on 02 6571 5111 or email Taasha Layer on [taasha@ungooroo.com.au](mailto:taasha@ungooroo.com.au)



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# Ungooroo's Learning Centre

*Following the successful launch of our technology learning centre in early May 2013, Ungooroo have been facilitating free community computer literacy workshops. Community members are able to bring their own laptops or devices if they have any questions about them, or are able to use the learning centres.*

These workshops are run between 10 am and 2pm, and so far have been targeted to areas including but not limited to:

- ▶ On line applications for job seekers
- ▶ Social media – What does this mean and how do I use it?
- ▶ What is the difference between the internet and the world wide web?
- ▶ How to get better results from your internet searches



- ▶ What are the differences between MAC's & PC's?

We will be facilitating electronic scrapbooking workshops in August to be held at our office, 26 George Street, Singleton. The workshop dates are:

Wednesday 24th July 2013 (10am - 2pm)  
for WUPA online art competition

Wednesday 7th August 2013  
(10am - 2pm) - Electronic Scrapbooking

Wednesday 14th August 2013  
(10am - 2pm) - Electronic Scrapbooking

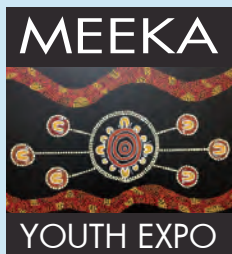
Wednesday 21st August 2013  
(10am - 2pm) - Electronic Scrapbooking

If you would like further information or to RSVP as spaces are limited, please contact the Ungooroo office on P: 6571 5111.

This program has been supported by PaCE (Parent and Community Engagement)



**The  
PaCE  
Program**



The MEEKA Youth Expo was launched by Ungooroo in 2012 and we are hosting it again in 2013!

This year MEEKA will be held on 30th October at the Civic Centre, Queen Street Singleton, from 10am – 2pm. MEEKA is a free event that aims to promote awareness and understanding to reduce the risk of homelessness for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth within the Upper Hunter Valley.

In 2012 we had approximately 60 youth in attendance from Singleton, Muswellbrook and Scone High schools and 9 service providers:

- ▶ Upper Hunter Community Services
- ▶ Cancer Council
- ▶ Newcastle TAFE
- ▶ Awabakal – Sexual Health
- ▶ Awabakal – Drug & Alcohol
- ▶ Indigenous Canvas Painting
- ▶ Indigenous Boomerang Painting
- ▶ Fair Trading
- ▶ Tree of Life – Mental Health

In 2013 we are aiming at 15 service providers and to have 150 youth in attendance.

If you provide a service which may be beneficial for this event and would like to be a part of it, please contact Jill Perkins on the detail below, on or before the 31st August 2013.

**P: 6571 5111 | M: 0434 292 598 | E: [community@ungooroo.com.au](mailto:community@ungooroo.com.au)**



## Rent it Keep it Program

Ungooroo and Compass Housing are providing a Rent It Keep It training day on the 15th August, 2013, in Ungooroo's training room located at 26 George Street, Singleton.

Rent It Keep It is a training package produced and distributed by the Department of Human Services – Housing. It designed to equip participants to obtain and sustain a private rental property. It is particularly designed for participants who have had little experience in the private rental market.

The training package will cover the following topics:

- ▶ Realistic Expectations
- ▶ Money Matters
- ▶ Practicalities
- ▶ Rights & Responsibilities
- ▶ Finding Places to Inspect
- ▶ Deciding to apply

A financial counsellor will also be in attendance on the day.

All participants will receive a certificate upon completion of the training. This certificate can be useful when applying for private rental properties.

Rent It Keep It allows up to a maximum of 10 participants so bookings are essential.

To reserve your seat please contact Ungooroo's reception on **(02) 6571 5111**



## Specialist Homelessness Service (SHS) Update

Jill Perkins role is to focus on prevention and early intervention of homelessness under the Going Home, Staying Home Reform. Jill primarily supports Aboriginal youth aged 12-25 years who reside within the Upper Hunter Shire.

Jill implements a flexible client-centred delivery approach to help meet the immediate, short-term and long term needs of her clients in regards to accessing and providing links with employment/education

opportunities, life skills, AOD services (Alcohol & Other Drugs), legal & mental health services, financial counselling and/or other financial assistance as well as housing access and affordability.

If you require any assistance or information please feel free to contact Jill at our office in George Street, Singleton 2330 (drop-ins or appointments) or on (02) 6571 5111 or 0434 292 508.

Alternatively, send an email to Jill at [community@ungooroo.com.au](mailto:community@ungooroo.com.au).



## health services:

### Awabakal Health Services

GP access is available  
Thursday 25th July  
Thursday 8th August

Appointments fill quickly so please contact the office on 6571 5111 to make a booking.

### Hearing Clinic at Ungooroo

Friday 26th July  
Thursday 3rd October

Referrals are not necessary but appointments fill fast. Book yours today by calling Cheyanne at Ungooroo office on 6571 5111.

### Mental Health First Aid Workshop

Ungooroo will be facilitating a Mental Health Training course in late July. This course will be run over two days, 30th & 31st July 2013. Seats are still available but are limited. Cost is \$240.00 per person. Please contact our office today on 6571 5111 for further information, including cost and to book your seat.

We wish to advise that on these dates Ungooroo office will be closed due to off-site training.



### DOOKAL Labour Hire Update.

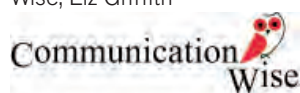
We will be holding employment registration days in July Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th. If you are unemployed or seeking other opportunities, please come down to ensure we have your contact details on our database so we can contact you immediately if opportunities arise.

### The PACE Program

#### The PACE program Dates

- 1st July – Cyber Bullying – Privacy on the Internet
- 8th July – Social Media
- 24th July – 'Calling All WUPA Artists' – Final assistance with online Parliamentary Art Prize
- 7th August – Electronic Scrapbooking
- 14th August – Electronic Scrapbooking

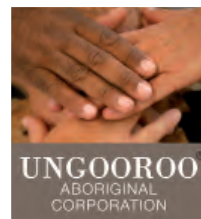
All workshops will be conducted by an accredited trainer from Communication Wise, Liz Griffith



**NAIDOC Youth Arts Day**  
Tuesday 9th July 2013 at 10.30am at Ungooroo AC

## services schedule and Information:

Contact: TAASHA LAYER  
General Manager  
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taasha@ungooroo.com.au  
www.ungooroo.com.au



The Ungooroo Team, Left to Right: Jessi Garland – Admin Coordinator; Jill Perkins – Youth Support Worker; Cheyanne Dunstan – Receptionist; Taasha Layer – General Manager

### Completion of Training

Taasha Layer and the Board of UAC would like to congratulate both Cheyanne Dunstan in successfully completing her Diploma in Business Management and Jessi Garland for successfully completing her Advanced Diploma in Business Management. Taasha Layer quoted: 'I know the efforts these girls have put into to completing this training.. Everything we have asked of them they have delivered and it hasn't always been an easy road for them. They are a credit to our organisation and a credit to their families and role models for all Aboriginal youth in NSW of what can be achieved.'



▲ Cheyanne



▲ Jessi

### Pre-Employment Training

Welcome on-board  
Steve Schmidt  
Ungooroo would like to welcome Mr Stephen Schmidt to the team in his role as mentor/coordinator for the 2013 training and employment program.



▲ Steve

If you would like to contact Steve his email address is: steve@ungooroo.com.au.