

# THE WANGARRA GAZETTE

2021 Annual Report

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A NEW group given the task of responding to the needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community has been formed in Inala.

More than 50 members of the Inala Indigenous community have voted to form a six-member stooring committee to oversee the new group.

The members are Michael Turbane, Robyn Currie, Robbie Canning, Carol Lewis, Carl Simpson and Chelsea Bond.

So far, the committee has worked with a Brisbane City Council project officer to ensure all community members and key stakeholders have their voices heard and get actively involved.

The committee also will co-ordinate community consultations and develop a strategic plan for the group.

Once this is done, the indigenous community will meet again to elect the group's new board.

They are currently approaching local workers, services and organisations for input and will host a free community forum and BBQ on May 3 to gather more ideas.

Hosted by Inala Elders, the BBQ will begin at 10am and will take place at The Yarning Place, L Block, Bremer TAFE.

Transport can be provided for those requiring assistance.

To book transport or for any other information, contact Chelsea 3279 9319 or Carl 3879 1619.

Space crisis hits indigenous organisation

# Office dilemma



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Researcher Tony Klessler (left), with Inala indigenous Steering Committee members Cheisea Bond, Carol Lewis and Carl Simpson, maps out a strategy.

# Inala survey on

THE Itala Indigenous Steering Committee plans to target Aboriginal and Forces Strait Islander residents aged over 15 years in a new "community needs survey" this week.

The initiative aims to list community concerns and issues, determine whether a new organisation should be established, and work out the make-up of any such organisation.

The committee has teamed up with young indigenous researcher Tony Kiessler from the University of Queensland's indigenous health division to conduct the survey.

A final report will be produced in November.

Enquiries to Chelsea Bond on 3279

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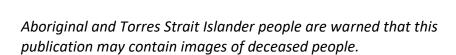
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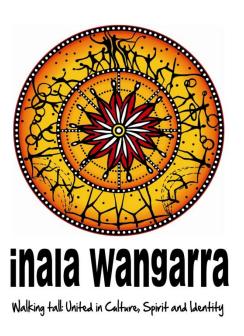
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Inala Wangarra would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners, the Jagera people on whose land we work and live on in Inala. We pay our respects to the Elders of the Jagera people both past, present and future.

# **Acknowledgement**

The development and delivery of our services could not happen without the funding from and partnerships with the following agencies:

National Indigenous Australians Agency The Institute for Urban Indigenous Health

Inala Elders Association Home Instead East Brisbane

Brisbane South Primary Health Network Brisbane City Council

IYS McCullough Robertson Lawyers

Arts Queensland Jason O'Connor Pty Ltd

University of Queensland Queensland Rugby League

Adderton House Digi Youth Arts

Department of Communities, Child Safety and

**Disability Services** 

Arts Council of Australia Queensland Performing Arts Centre

Department of Justice and Attorney General Southern QLD Centre of Excellence

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# **Organisational Structure**





Steven Coghill CHAIRPERSON



Aunty Sue Knight DIRECTOR



Karla Brady CEO



Roxanne Wraight
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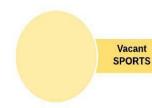
Tamara Egert PLAYGROUP & ELDERS

Vacant





Kyle Bekue DIRECTOR



Jesse Futcher NAREE WANDIMA

## **Our Board**

The Board of Inala Wangarra meets at Our Meeting Place monthly to manage the strategic direction of the organisation and to guide and improve the services provided to the community. Additionally, a Finance sub–committee meets bi-monthly to review all financial matters of Inala Wangarra and reports to the Board. The Finance sub-committee includes Dr Chelsea Bond (Treasurer), Karla Brady (CEO) and Judy Robson (Office Manager).

From the 2020 Annual General Meeting, we were pleased to welcome the following Directors to Inala Wangarra's Board:

- Aunty Mary Stacy (Director).
- Aunty Sue Knight (Director).

Both of our new Directors are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who have a strong connection to the community and bring a wealth of knowledge, experience and stewardship to Inala Wangarra.

Other movements on the Board include:

- Steven Coghill Junior to Chairperson.
- Shane Cox to Vice Chairperson.
- Terri Hill renominated to Director for another term.

There has been no other movement on the Board.



Little Jarjums Playgroup

## **Our Staff**

Inala Wangarra is committed to supporting the growth and strength of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workforce. Inala Wangarra is pleased to welcome the following staff to our family:

- Kiara (and "Boss Baby" Etana) returning as the Administration Officer.
- Joshua Gow as the Justice Connect Officer.
- Jesse Futcher as the Naree Wandima Male Wellbeing Officer.

Sadly, we have had to farewell the following staff members during this year:

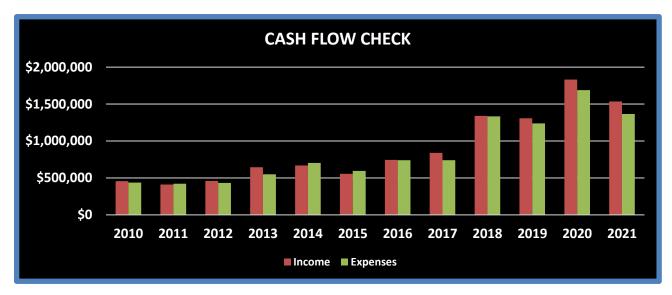
- Belinda Duroux.
- Geri Chapman.
- Ashley Monkland.

We will always be truly grateful for all that they have done during their time at Inala Wangarra, and we wish them all the best with their future endeavours.



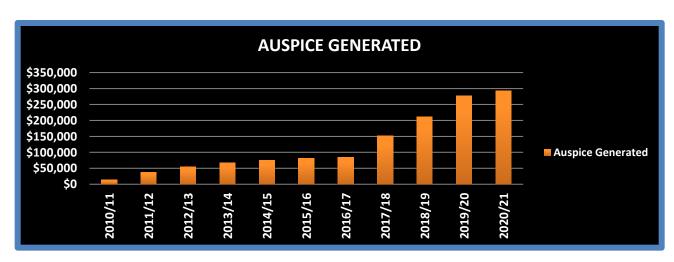
**Deadly Funny Grand Final Winner** 

# **Fast Facts**









## **CEO**

This year marks my 10 years of service at Inala Wangarra! How time flies when you're having fun and what fun I've had.

During my time, we've moved offices, built a female-friendly facilities, co-produced a documentary, spoken at national conferences, had numerous grants declined....had numerous grants approved, sat shoulder to shoulder to leaders, helped write pieces of history, watched people learn and grow, held the hand of mothers hurting, cheered on our children from the sidelines and listened in awe of Elders stories. I am truly blessed.

When I started at Inala Wangarra, I only had a few goals:

- To move us out of the tin shed at CJ Greenfield Sports Complex.
- Increase community led services that focused on strengths.
- Find a solution to sustain our operational infrastructure.
- To not do anything that could harm my family's name, the community and those who worked hard to establish Inala Wangarra.

I still have a few goals to achieve but I am so proud of how far we've come. We are still here, still serving our community and in 2021, we achieved the following:

- Received our very first operational grant and very first 4-year contract through Arts Queensland.
- Redeveloped the front yard of Our Meeting Place to include a Yarning Circle.
- Co-produced our first short film "Losing It", with our friends at Digi Youth Arts.
- Won the Seniors Games trophy for the first time in 4 years.
- Established a healthy ageing hub "Balgah binay A coming together to learn and be uplifted".
- Held our very first Elders dance "Turn Back Time".
- Received our very first big donation cheque from our friends at Home Instead East Brisbane.
- Celebrated with our very first Deadly Funny Grand Final winner.
- Produced a one-of-a-kind book of poetry from our Knowledge Keepers.
- Worked with acclaimed Aboriginal artists and young people to produce a mural at the front of Our Meeting Place.
- Delivered our 10<sup>th</sup> rugby league team in the Queensland Murri Carnival.
- Held our 8<sup>th</sup> Welcome Babies to Country ceremony.

- Delivered over 175 cultural arts women's group activity.
- Completed Inala NAIDOC celebrations that have been held in this community for 22 years.

As is the Inala Wangarra way, from little things big things grow. And I have definitely grown! Inala Wangarra has taught me:

- To never doubt the process because the community's Black excellence will always prevail.
- It's ok to say no.
- Let our Ancestors worry about those who seek to distract us.
- Remember, it's a marathon not a sprint.
- Afford everyone, in every moment, their right to dignity.

Everyday I bear witness to our community's glorious power, to the way in which they insist and persist. Everyday I get to hang out with my mob, to spend my days listening, laughing and celebrating them living on their own terms. Everyday I am blessed.

My journey at Inala Wangarra has been shaped by many people, too many for me to mention here but I hope you all know how truly grateful I am. From the Elders and community members who have guided me, to the Board who have strengthened me, to the staff who have trusted me, thank you from the bottom of me heart.

I especially want to thank my husband, John and my children, Mitchell, Scarlett, Taneeka, Tahanna, Taleii and my grandchildren, Roman and Hunter. You are the reason I can celebrate these 10 years and I thank you for supporting me to live out my dreams.

I can't wait to see what another 10 years at Inala Wangarra brings. As always, I look forward to walking tall, united in culture, spirit and identity in 2022.



Youth Mural at Our Meeting Place

Karla Brady, CEO

# **Sports**

The Indigenous Community Sports and Recreation (ICSR) program aims to engage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members aged 0 to 99 in active, healthy and positive sporting and recreational activities.

The program is funded directly from the Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sports. Inala Wangarra is the only organisation in Brisbane to hold this type of funding. This program is funded until 31 December 2021.



Youth Boxing Training

In January 2021, Ashley Monkland relinquished her position as the Indigenous Community Sport and Recreation officer. Ashley was accepted into training and her dream career. At the time, the ICSR program was only funded until 30 June 2021 and as such was left vacant due to the uncertainty and short timeframes. Instead, Inala Wangarra redirected some of the activities to be delivered through other projects.

#### **Activities**

With the COVID19 restrictions and social distancing measures required, the bulk of Inala Wangarra's usual ICSR program delivery was hindered. In 2021, the following activities were delivered:

- Seniors Games training and competition.
- West Inala Rugby League Steering Committee.
- Traditional Indigenous Games workshops in the schools.

- West Inala Rugby League football club training and competition.
- Hip Hop workshops.
- First Aid, League Safe and coaching training.
- Deadly Choices Personal Training program.
- Volunteer Blue Card applications.
- Queensland Murri Carnival training and competition.
- Youth Boxing training.
- Martial Arts training in the schools.

#### **Seniors Games**

The highlight this year was Senior Games, which engaged with 20 local Elders aged 50 years and older. The Elders have made a positive and active life choice by committing themselves to fortnight training at Our Meeting Place. The Elders practiced several games like darts, ten pin bowling, hole-in-the-wall and numbers mat.

Following the training, the Elders then competed at the Deadly Choices Indigenous Senior Games Gold Cup at the Broncos Leagues Club. Inala took several teams to compete against other communities from all around Southeast Queensland. The BTS (birds, tree, stars) team accomplished winning 2 individual trophies in hole in the wall champion, overall female champion and winning overall championship trophy.

The Seniors Games gave the Elders an opportunity to socialize, exercise, meet new people and reconnect with people they had not seen in years.



**Senior Games Winners** 

Vacant, Indigenous Community Sport and Recreation Officer

# Women's

The Indigenous Women's program aims to engage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women within the community to increase their access to services, support leadership skills, self — confidence, enhancing personal growth and well-being. The program has been funded through National Indigenous Australians Agency.

#### **Activities**

The Indigenous Women's Officer has been responsible for leading the delivery, management and coordination of the following activities:

- Little Jarjums Playgroup.
- Yarning Circle.
- Cultural Arts.
- Sewing Circle
- Bandarr-Gan-Gu (To Strengthen Women).
- Welcome Babies to Country.

#### **Welcome Babies to Country**

This year's Welcome Babies to Country included workshops in immunization, nutrition, First 5 Forever, Healthy Ears and Little Jarjums Playgroup. The parents of 20 babies engaged in these workshops to develop their skills, awareness, education and connection to local services. It was really great to see far more dad's attend the workshops this year.



Bandarr Gan Gu – To Strengthen Women (women's group)

The workshops culminated in a community event where parents and babies participated in a Smoking Ceremony and a blessing from Elders. The babies all received a baby sized clapstick and message sticks from the community that pledged to walk beside them. The event was attended by over 140 community members who all celebrated the newest members of our community.

This year marked the 8<sup>th</sup> Welcome Babies to Country being delivered in Inala and could not be possible without the support from local services. These services include:

- Mission Australia Communities for Children who funded this activity
- Brisbane City Council local library who delivered Forever 5.
- Southern Queensland Centre of Excellence who delivered immunization, Healthy Ears and nutrition.
- IYS who donated baby clothes
- Inala Elders Association who blessed the babies.
- Ngutana-Lui Cultural Centre who graciously offer their beautiful venue for the ceremony



Welcome Babies to Country ceremony

Franny Lomas, Indigenous Women's Officer

## **Justice**

The Community Justice Group (CJG) program is funded by the Department of Justice and Attorney General and provides support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people interacting with the criminal justice system.

The program also delivers the Murri Court, which is made up of Elders and Respected Persons. The Murri Court works with participants and the Magistrate to keep Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people out of correctional facilities. This program has been funded until 2023.



Murri Court

#### **Activities**

The CJG has been responsible for the following activities:

- Providing support whilst navigating the criminal justice system.
- Referrals to community service providers.
- Preparing culturally appropriate court submissions.
- Coordination of Murri Court.
- Supporting members and Murri Court Elders and Respected Persons.
- Coordination of monthly CJG Meetings and quarterly Murri Court Stakeholder meetings.
- Delivering fortnightly Yakka Malar The Hard Work of Men (men's group) activities.
- Completing a cultural camp for men.
- Coordinating training for community members and community workers including:

- Managing Secondary Trauma.
- Trauma Informed Practice.
- Maintaining a presence at Richlands Magistrate's Court.

### **ABC News Story**

A highlight for 2021, was the Murri Court being featured in ABC News. The story focused on the social environment for young people growing up in Inala and the impact that has on their health development and future achievements. In a time when youth justice is under scrutiny, the Murri Court was able to show how its culturally safe process was embraced by the community and how collaborative relationships were more successful.

In the past 4 years, the Murri Court in Inala has a 100% success rate of participant's not being ordered into custody.



Yakka Malar at Mt Tambourine

Kellie Stacy and Joshua Gow, Community Justice Group Team

## **Creative Arts**

The Creative Arts program (CAP) delivers a robust plan that encompasses both a developmental workshop arm, as well as, a program that focuses on the development of new works in collaboration with our community.

Building on our 18-year history of placemaking through arts and cultural work we are committed to creating work that moves beyond the workshop approach and, with a whole of community focus, explores and creatively represents the urban Indigenous experience.

We make beautiful art with non-artists, to create work that is a melding of the contemporary and the traditional, the lived experience and the imagined one to tell stories of the past, present and future.

CAP works with professional artists in a community engaged way to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are co-creators and makers of work that is cutting edge, relevant and exploratory.



Adderton House Exhibition

#### **Activities**

Activities delivered by CAP in 2021 include:

- NAIDOC Singing our Songlines performance.
- Deadly Funny Heats Brisbane in partnership with Melbourne International Comedy Festival.
- Youth Mural at the front of Our Meeting Place.
- Our Home in partnership with Digi Youth Arts, Circa and Hymba Yumba Independent School.
- #knowledgekeepers had three deliverables
  - Adderton House photo portraits and soundscape exhibition.

- Poetry anthology featured at Brisbane Writers Festival Program 2021.
- Possum skin map of significant sites in Inala.
- Losing It short film in partnership with Digi Youth Arts.

#### **Our Home**

Capturing urban stories from young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, Our Home, explored identity, culture and growing up in the burbs', murri styles. Exploding the myth that real blackfellas only exist in the Central Desert this process will intertwine circus, traditional dance and contemporary storytelling techniques like screen life, to explore life in the suburbs.

Partnering with arts organisations Digi Youth Arts (DYA), Circa and Hymba Yumba we worked with 9 young people to create a show that combined stories, circus and music to tell their stories about home. Two shows were delivered with a combined audience of around 120 people. Feedback from performers, artists, schoolteachers and staff and the audience was overwhelmingly positive. This work will continue to be developed as we move into 2022.



**Our Home Training** 

Jane Jennison, Belinda Duroux and Lenesha Duncan Creative Arts Team

# **Community Resource**

The aim of the Community Resource Officer program is to support and work within community alongside young people and their families who are at risk and/or impacted by suicide.

The Community Resource Officer also co-ordinates and leads the delivery of the Gift of Gallang program - healing of the mind, body and spirit. This program aims to engage young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth to increase their ability to maintain resilience in difficult situations and promote strategies to allow ones-self to heal within.

The program is funded by the Brisbane South Primary Health Network until 2022

#### **Activities**

The Community Resource program delivers the following activities:

- The coordination and delivery of Gift of Gallang.
- Supporting families with funeral and wake arrangements (food, venues, COVID safety plan, printing of handbooks, setting and packing up, ongoing communication with families).
- Supporting families impacted by Domestic Violence by linking to appropriate services.
- Maintaining and building positive relationships with local High and Primary School Principal and staff.
- Coordinating external services and providers to come into schools to deliver activities. Such as, cultural services like Welcome to Country, Smoking Ceremonies, Traditional dance, cultural awareness workshops.
- Coordination of professional development for Gift of Gallang facilitators and Indigenous community workers.
- Networking and maintaining positive relations in community.
- Recruitment of new Gift of Gallang facilitators.
- Providing updates and seeking advice from the 'Committee of Hope'.
- Supporting students to access Naree Wandima's Psychologist by attending sessions in the school.
- Linking community members to appropriate support services such as DV Connect, IYS, Mission Australia Communities for Children,

Child and Youth Mental Health and Southern QLD Centre of Excellence.

#### Gift of Gallang

The last 12 months has seen the delivery of Gift of Gallang in 6 schools, 4 local and 2 in the Logan region. As the delivery period is anywhere from 11-14 weeks, this saw the program being delivered to 3 schools a week. This was extremely busy but incredibly productive and rewarding. It has allowed the Gift of Gallang program to build strong relationships within the Logan region, with the hope of continuing in 2022 in Logan and Beaudesert.

Another highlight is the reward felt when seeing community members seeking help and being pro-active in their own well-being and future path. There have been many occasions when community members have sought out support for their mental health needs. It has been a privilege to hear their story's, to walk alongside them and to connect them to support they want. These interactions are humbling and enables great learnings about not bringing one's own bias to the table but rather, to have a heart of gratitude daily.



Gift of Gallang at Richlands East State School



Gift of Gallang at Serviceton South State School

Roxanne Wraight, Community Resource Officer

# **Naree Wandima**

Naree Wandima, which means "I Rise Up" from the Goenpul and Yuggera language group and gifted to Inala Wangarra by Steven Coghill Junior.

The program is delivered in partnership with the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health. This service provides support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of Inala and surroundings from the ages of 14 years old and upwards. The service aims to provide a holistic approach to address social and emotion wellbeing factors such as alcohol and others drugs, mental health, social supports (Centrelink, housing etc), re-integration into the community and supporting participants in their life journey. Funded through the Brisbane South Primary Health Network, Naree Wandima is funded until 2022

In 2021, the Naree Wandima male and female caseworkers official title was changed to Wellbeing Officer, inline with the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health's social and emotional teams.



Laser Tag with Naree Wandima participants

#### **Activities**

Naree Wandima has completed the following activities:

- Active membership of the Community Justice Group.
- Attended training for:
  - St Johns First Aid and CPR.
  - Queensland Corrective Services Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mental Health First Aid.
  - Belong Training Creating an affirming space and professional practice when working with LGBTQIAP+ people.
  - Becoming a Practice Informed Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) worker.
- One on one support with Naree Wandima participants
- Connecting Naree Wandima participants to support services including hospital and doctor appointments, NDIS, Centrelink, Department of Housing, National Redress Scheme, emergency food hampers, enrolling

- younger participants back into school, obtaining new identification, court appearances and weekly catch ups.
- Updating all Naree Wandima formal documents and promotional material.
- Manage and monitor Inala Wangarra's Instagram account.
- Support IYS at The Hut afternoon activities.
- Bandarr Gan Gu to Strengthen Women (women's group).
- Yakka Malar The Hard Work of Men (men's group).
- Attending local community wellbeing Expo's and presenting at local High Schools.

#### **Naree Wandima Case Study**

A Naree Wandima participant was recently diagnosed with diabetes, which heightened their mental health and was causing them to have suicidal ideation. Due to the relationship this participant already had with Naree Wandima, they were able to disclose what they were feeling and what help they were seeking. The Naree Wandima Wellbeing Officer was able to refer them to Gallang Place to start seeing a counsellor, organised weekly walks around the local park, arranged weekly boxing sessions, gifted the participant with a journal, mental health journal prompts and some positive affirmations that were hung them around their home so they could read them each day. The participant's goal is to gain employment, so they were supported into a TAFE course focused on numeracy and literacy. Naree Wandima's Wellbeing Officer has also met with all the participant's support services to ensure that everyone is working together to support the participant. The participant is an active member of Bandarr Gan Gu - To Strengthen Women (women's group) and is always polite, punctual, and grateful for the support they receive from Naree Wandima.



Naree Wandima – Glenala High State School Expo

Lauren Ware and Jesse Futcher, Naree Wandima Team

# **SWAP Bail Support**

Delivered in partnership with IYS, inCommunity – Ipswich and Youth Advocacy Centre, this program works intensively with young people attached or at risk of entering into the youth justice system. Inala Wangarra's role within this partnership is to ensure practices and engagement is culturally safe.

This partnership employs an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific youth worker and is funded by the Department of Youth Justice until 2022.



**SWAP Boxing program** 

#### **Activities**

As this program is participant/young person focused intensive support, COVID19 restrictions required significant adaptation of the service delivery model. Activities in 2021 included:

- Supporting participants to achieve their goals.
- Advocating for participants interacting with the justice system.
- Ensuring participants achieve their bail conditions.
- Providing experiential learning workshops to increase participants knowledge and skills.
- Facilitating any training to schools with relation to youth mental health.
- Completing regular front yard yarns
- Delivering care packages to participants and food hampers to families.

- Ensuring all participants and their families were well informed in relation to COVID19 restrictions and requirements
- Transporting participants to their legal appointments.

#### **West Moreton Youth Detention Centre Visits**

One of the key outcomes during 2021 has been the outreach work SWAP is doing in the West Moreton Youth Detention Centre. This new Centre is based near Brisbane Youth Detention Centre and is much smaller which enables a more holistic approach and provides strengthened opportunities for both static and dynamic security measures.

Combining many government services such as health, education and justice, the Centre offers an individualized support for young people.

The inclusion of the SWAP Bail Support team enables relationships to begin while the young person is in custody, so that they are supported when they enter the community.

Inala Wangarra's Bail Support Youth Worker meets a service gap in the Centre's operational model, with their cultural and community knowledge. This has included cultural workshops with the young people, Traditional Indigenous Games and communication with their families in the community.



Anthony Milford visits to West Moreton Youth Detention

Chris Roe, Bail Support Youth Worker

# **Balgah Binay**

Balgah Binay is a Yuggera word gifted to Inala Wangarra by Aunty Kerry Charlton and means "A coming together to learn and be uplifted". Balgah Binay is a pilot program funded by Brisbane South Primary Health Network until 2022.

Aimed at creating healthy aging hubs in the community, Balgah binay provides quality information sessions to the Elders of community in helping to inform around sensitive issues to ageing and navigate support services.

#### **Activities**

The activities delivered for Balgah Binay include:

- An Elders dance
- Advanced Care Planning workshop
- Budgeting and funeral fund session
- Line Dancing workshops
- Damper making lesson
- Palliative Care session
- Online scamming session
- Carer information session
- Dementia session
- Elder's meals each fortnight



Turn Back Time Elders Dance

#### **Turn Back Time Dance**

To launch Balgah Binay, Elders were invited to an old school dance. Balgah Binay was officially opened by Aunty Kerry Charlton. The dance was attended by nearly 60 Elders and included a lesson in ballroom dancing, karaoke, 5-star treatment, delicious food

and performances from Rochelle Pitt and Uncle Roger Knox.

The dance also included a donation of \$10,000 from Myles and Virginia Beaufort of Home Instead East Brisbane. Home Instead is a national aged care services that work with people to keep them in their homes for longer.

It was a wonderful night, enjoyed by all the Elders and a great way to kick off this new pilot.



Turn Back Time Elders Dance



Balgah Binay – Healthy Ageing Hub

Tamara Egert, Balgah Binay Coordinator

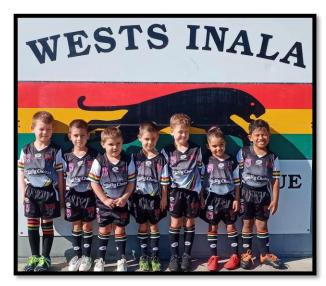
# West Inala Rugby League Football Club

West Inala Rugby League Football Club is delivered by Inala Wangarra and governed by a Steering Committee. The Steering Committee is made up of over 16 community members who meet once a month to discuss any operational and strategic business for the Club. The Committee also volunteer their time at all Club meetings, fundraising activity and plan and deliver key activities like Trophy Presentation Day. Inala Wangarra does not receive any direct funding for this program. The Club is proudly sponsored by the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health.

#### **Activities**

While there were some restrictions due to COVID19, the season did play with minor interruptions. The club's activities for 2021 included:

- 144 registered players
- 6 teams
- The very first Men's Open team in 5 years
- 45 registered volunteers
- Raised \$38,433.50 in fundraising
- Held Billy's Buddies clinics for 2 6 year olds
- Held 8 weeks of Deadly Choices Fit classes for females.



West Inala Under 6 team

# **Community Cultural Events**

As the leading Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation in this area, Inala Wangarra has a responsibility to our community to support the delivery and management of several annual community cultural events. As these events do not fall under the banner Inala Wangarra's current programs, the tasks were managed by the whole team.

Achieving the deliverables of these community cultural events without any additional resourcing can be challenging and Inala Wangarra would like to acknowledge the Inala Elders and other community members for their continued support.

#### **Activities**

Due to COVID19 restrictions and snap lockdowns, some activities were postponed. The activities delivered in 2021 included:

- Inala Elders Urban Dreaming Art Exhibition was moved to an online forum.
- Inala NAIDOC celebrations were postponed from July to September and restricted to a mini-Fun Day with Elders and early childhood services.
- Too Solid Awards was redesigned to individual school events where awards and gifts were given to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.
- Southside Mabo Promotion Day was changed to a more manageable location at Ngutana-Lui and by invitation only.



Southside Mabo Promotion Day