



Access
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Tenant Newsletter

March/April 2019

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Better Homes, Better Futures



From the CEO's Desk

I would encourage you all to come and have a look at our new wall in the reception area (photo in this newsletter). This amazing outcome is due to the creativity of Susan Reys (the artist) and the generosity of a new company, Design Cloud. You can also go to their website and look at the incredible wallpaper options, designs that have been the work of local Indigenous artists. Mookai Rosie and IJC are also displaying wallpaper from these talented artists.

Much has been said about the massacre in Christchurch last month and for many of us it is unfathomable to believe that such violence against humanity could happen to our close neighbours. It is

important that we turn this tragic event into conversations and learnings about diversity, difference and ways to unify, rather than divide. I am inspired by the way Jacinta Arden has demonstrated such genuine empathy and authentic leadership to the world and I think this shows that this tragedy can make the world more understanding and free.

We received some wonderful news a few weeks ago, that we had been successful in winning a Commonwealth government grant under the Building Better Regions program. This grant will assist us to build a 10 unit complex in Moorroobool. The accommodation will be for women escaping domestic and family violence

and is planned to be completed by early 2020. We have also just completed a renovation of the kitchen and dining area at our McLeod Street complex. This is a huge improvement for the 8 tenants who share this kitchen area and will provide a space for tenant meetings and conversations with support services.

Wishing you all a happy, safe Easter.

Donna-Maree



Bamboo Connect by Co-Lab - Workshops for Children

Tue 16 Apr - Wed 17 Apr

These two-day school holiday workshops are about exploring tension and compression whilst playing and building with bamboo - in preparation for the Cairns Children's Festival where children will be constructing a giant installation out of bamboo.

Bamboo is an ancient construction material and is still used today for all sorts of structures. The bamboo used in Bamboo Connect comes from stands that were originally planted by Chinese market gardeners on the slopes of Mt Whitfield for use as garden trellises.

They are a popular feature of the Red Arrow walking track but need regular maintenance to keep from spreading too far into native bushland.

If you enjoy construction toys, these workshops are for you!

Workshops for 7-9 year olds & 10-12 year

9am – 10.30am (10-12 year olds)

11am – 12.30pm (7-9 year olds)

BOOKINGS: info@tanksartscentre.com (07) 4032 6600

Limited places available. Bookings essential

Interfaith, Multicultural Celebration for Peace and Harmony

Monday 29 April at 7pm

St Monica's Cathedral, 81 Abbott st Cairns



Khacho Yulo Ling Buddhist Centre will be hosting this event in the beautiful and spiritual space of St Monica's Cathedral. The evening will allow different faiths and traditions to offer a prayer, chant or recitation for peace and harmony in our community. Come and join together for an evening celebrating our spiritual and cultural diversity, while deepening our connection to each other in a spirit of loving kindness and harmony.

FREE EVENT - all welcome



Harmony Day Festival – Free Event

Sunday 28th April 2019

Harmony Day Festival is a free community event to Celebrate Harmony Day 2019.

Harmony Day celebrates Australia's cultural diversity, and is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common.

On the day, there will be information stalls, community entertainment and performances, running in tandem with the Tanks Monthly Market day program – a great family fun day for all.

Venue: Tanks 3 as part of Tanks Market Day Show Starts: 9.00am – 1.00pm



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, APRIL 2019

MONDAY 15TH APRIL	TUESDAY 16TH APRIL	WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL	THURSDAY 18TH APRIL	FRIDAY 19TH APRIL
4.00-5.30 AFL SESSION SHANG PARK, MOOROBOOL	3.00-4.30 BEAUTIFUL FAMILIES MANOORA CENTRE, MURRAY ST	3.00-6.00 <i>Deadly Choices</i>	3.00-4.30 BEAUTIFUL FAMILIES MANOORA CENTRE, MURRAY ST	PUBLIC HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY
	4.00-5.00 STREET SOCCER SHANG PARK, MOOROBOOL	4.00-5.00 - KARATE 5.00-6.00 - WOMEN'S FITNESS @ WUCHOPPEREN	4.00-5.00 STREET SOCCER HAROLD FALGE PARK, LENNON ST	
FREE & FUN ACTIVITIES!	4.00-5.30 ACTIVE SPORTS HENLEY'S HILL, DE JARLIS ST EARLVILLE	5.00-6.00 BASKETBALL 118 MURRAY STREET, MANOORA		Happy Easter

Phone: 07 4040 4935 / Email: Cairns.SaferStreets@police.qld.gov.au



ESPN footy tips

Don't forget to join the ACHC Footy Tipping Competition

This year we have NRL & AFL
Go to www.footytips.com.au - Register and join our competition.

ACHC Tipping - Password: access
There are prizes awarded throughout the year.

Make sure your email is visible to the Administrator (tick the box in "your preferences" within the comp) so you can be contacted if you are a winner!



Cairns Dawn Service will commence at the Cenotaph on the Cairns Esplanade at 5.30am.

Service March will step off from Fogarty Park at 7.00am.

LEST WE FORGET THE FRONTIER WARS

The Yidinji people and Peace Pilgrims welcome you to this

**Ceremony
Performance
Procession**

Wed 24th April
6:00- 8:00pm
Wharf 1 Cafe Lawns

Family friendly event.
All welcome.
Please bring some fruit to share.

The Frontier Wars refer to conflicts between Europeans and Aboriginal people including battles, acts of resistance and open massacres from 1788 to the 1930s. This event acknowledges and laments the battles in Gimuy (Cairns) and celebrates the enduring resilience of its people.

Invitation to remember those who have died and the loved ones left behind because of Domestic and Family Violence with a Candle Lighting Ceremony



WEDNESDAY 1st of MAY 2019 - 5.30PM
WHARF ONE CAFE,
1 WHARF ST, CAIRNS

Vanish the Violence Stand Up & Speak Out!

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE PLEASE CALL
CAIRNS REGIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICE ON 07 4033 6100



Cancer Council

**AUSTRALIA'S
BIGGEST
MORNING TEA
IS ON ITS WAY**

WE NEED YOUR HELP



ACHC is again going to host another Australia's Biggest Morning Tea out the front of the office on Thursday 23rd May 2019 – From 9.00am to 11.00am.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you are keen to volunteer or provide goodies for the stall please call the office on 4031 6702 and ask for Jess or Litsa.

ARTIST ALERT

"Our Journeys - Homelessness to Housing" Art Exhibition 26.07.2019 to 18.08.2019 - Tanks Art Centre, Cairns.

Cairns Housing & Homelessness Network (CHHN) and Cairns Regional Council Tanks Art Centre will be hosting an art exhibition at Tanks Art Centre to create awareness of homelessness, peoples' life experiences of homelessness and the journey from homelessness to long-term housing.

If you or anyone that you know may be interested in participating and using art to tell their story please contact us for more information on 4031 6702 and ask for Gavin or Jessica.

The Ergon Customer Assist program

The Ergon Customer Assist program is designed to help customers pay their electricity bills with long term payment plans, manage their energy use and set budgets.

For more information please visit the Ergon website <https://www.ergon.com.au/retail/residential/support-programs/financial-inclusion-action-plan>



centrelink

Your CRN has recently changed.

ACHC sent you a letter to advise of the change and there is no need for you to do anything further

All Tenants are invited to attend the

FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND REGIONAL TENANTS ADVISORY GROUP INC.

Meetings are every second month on the first Friday of the month. The meetings provide an opportunity to discuss tenancy issues and hear updates on social housing matters.

Next Meeting: Friday 7th June 2019
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm
Venue: Building & Asset Services Training Room
Where: 31-33 Grove Street Cairns

Dates to remember

Date	Information
Easter Holidays	Good Friday 19th & Easter Monday 22nd April 2019
School Term 2	Tuesday 23 April – Friday 28 June 2019
Anzac Day	Thursday 25th April 2019
Aged Care Fees & Charges – Free Seminar	Tuesday 16th April – Bookings Essential – 136 357
Mother's Day	Sunday 12th May 2019
National Sorry Day	Sunday 26th May 2019



Office Closure



We have been notified by Ergon that there will be an interruption to our power supply on Thursday 18th April from 12.00noon to 4.00pm.

Due to this we will be shutting the office early for the Easter Break from Thursday 18th April 12.00noon and will re-open on Tuesday 23rd April at 9.00am.
The office will be open on Wednesday 17th April all day.

The office will also be closed on Thursday 25th April 2019 for Anzac Day and Monday 6th May for Labour Day 2019.

Remember if you have any emergency plumbing or electrical issues to please phone the Out of Hours Emergency Number. If it is not an emergency please leave a message on the office phone and we will attend to it on Tuesday 23rd April when the office reopens.



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CONTACT NUMBERS

Out of Hours Emergencies

For plumbing and electrical emergencies where there is a health risk, a risk of injury or a risk of serious damage to the property

1300 782 586

This service is for emergencies only
You may be charged if you call out a tradesman for a non-emergency repair

Other Numbers

Access Community . . . 4031 6702
Housing
5 Anderson St, Manunda QLD 4870
Police Link 131 444
SES 132 500
LifeLine 131 114
DV Connect 1800 811 811

Fire, Police and Ambulance
Emergency
Dial 000