

KIMBERLEY JUVENILE JUSTICE STRATEGY

The Kimberley Juvenile Justice Strategy (KJJS) is excited to share your progress and updates on your ongoing efforts to support the region's youth. Our dedicated team is working across both West and East Kimberley and reinforcing our

commitment to ensure that vital services reach those in greatest need.

We extend our heartfelt thanks for your continuous support and dedication. Together, we are making a significant difference in the lives of the Kimberley's young people.

YIRIMAN CAMP



The Yiriman Jimpi Rimpi camp run by the Kimberley aboriginal law and cultural centre (KALacc), held from 27-29 MAy 2024, showcased the value of blending cultural knowledge with education. Led by the Former Yiriman coordinator Ismahl Croft, the camp featured discussions on culture, lifestyle choices, and the justice system. following this camp, two young men returned to school with improved attendance.

The impact of these camps extends further, with more youth now engaging with KALACC staff and local service providers. This growing connection highlights the trust and cultural security built, creating supportive spaces where young people are making healthier, and more informed decisions.

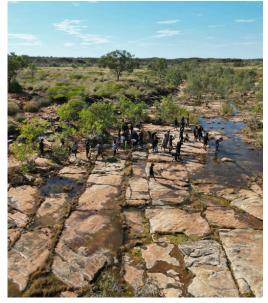
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Wyndham Youth Aboriginal Corporation

The Wyndham Youth Aboriginal Corporation (WYAC) has achieved remarkable success with its "New Way, Right Way" diversionary program, designed to support and engage local youth. Alongside youth programs and activities, this initiative includes a night patrol service, which ensures young people can safely travel to and from various activities. This encourages active participation within the community. The WYAC Night Patrol operates five nights a week in conjunction with other programs at the Ted Birch Memorial Recreation Centre. Serving young people aged 8 to 17, the patrol runs from 4.00 pm to 10.00 pm, providing essential oversight and support in the absence of a dedicated safe space in Wyndham. Through these efforts, WYAC is committed to fostering a safer and more supportive environment for the community's youth.

Beyond these services, WYAC recently took three basketball teams to Derby for a three-day competition. The daily training sessions prepared the young people for this event, allowing them to showcase their talents and compete outside of Wyndham and Kununurra. The arrival of the WYAC teams in Derby was met with enthusiasm from family members and other organisations, highlighting the community's desire for participation in sporting competitions. Feedback from parents and community members emphasised the success of this initiative, and WYAC took great pride in the teams' impressive performances.

A former Youth Advisory Council (YAC) member, and now a dedicated young staff member at WYAC, has exemplified the power of positive influence and responsibility. His commitment to his role has not only enhanced his reliability but also significantly improved his school attendance, aligning with his employment agreement. This young leader takes his work seriously, serving as a role model for other teenage boys in the community. He consistently identifies and proposes beneficial programs for young people in Wyndham, demonstrating his keen insight and dedication to youth empowerment. His proactive approach and dependable nature make him a valuable asset, inspiring others to strive for excellence and community improvement.

For further information about the KJJS or to be featured in the next newsletter contact kjjs@justice.wa.gov.au.

At 13 years of age a young person has worked hard to showcase his basketball skills in Wyndham. He is the youngest in his family and faces a number of challenges, but his passion for basketball shines through. Despite his age, he has proven to be a natural leader and a positive influence on his peers. His dedication to the sport, combined with his excellent behaviour, school and training attendance, earned him a spot on the team that travelled to Derby to compete. His hard work paid off when he was awarded MVP in his category. Now, he eagerly looks forward to competing with his team in the Broome Basketball Competition in October, ready to showcase his skills and leadership once again.

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