

# Namatjira News

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We are over half way through 2022 already and it's been a busy and event filled time so far. Thankfully we have seen the threats of Covid reduced in recent months and some of our major community events have been back on. It was wonderful to have the Alice Springs Show back and it was a great weekend for all who attended.

Josh Burgoyne and I were also very proud to assist in getting the Teddy Bears Picnic back up on our community social calendar with all proceeds going to the "Drovers" at the Hospital. The Beanie Festival was back bigger and better than ever and from all these events we are seeing our community getting together and returning to some normalcy post the Covid surge at the beginning of the year. In recent weeks we've had the seniors lunch which was a great afternoon and lots of fun had by everyone. The Harts Range Bush Races was a huge success with huge crowds and perfect weather for the family fun filled weekend. I'm very pleased to see work continuing on the Lyndavale Park out Larapinta way, thanks to the Town Council for the work so far, I'm looking forward to seeing how the park looks when completed. We still have many challenges ahead for the rest of 2022

The mid part of 2022 has provided some opportunities to get out and see people throughout the electorate and I look forward to catching up with as many people as possible leading into Christmas and the holiday season.

We are planning some more community activities leading into the last part of the year and we will keep everyone posted on when and where they will take place.

Stay safe and keep well everyone and please remember if you need any assistance or advice please don't hesitate to contact the Electorate Office.

Yours Truly

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## Sunbuild Top End Gran Fondo

Thoroughly enjoyed the 69.5 km "Pollie" ride. I managed to raise \$700 for the Alice Springs Animal Shelter thanks to Darwin Family Law and Coleman's Printing.



Thank you to both those organisations



## Alice Springs Animal Shelter

I was very proud to present the \$700 raised from my ride in the Sunbuild Top End Gran Fondo, to Tammy from the Alice Springs Animal Shelter.

Darwin Family Law sponsored the "Pollie Pedal" and put up \$500 for each Pollie that took part with Coleman's Printing in Darwin also putting up \$1000 for the CLP Team with each of us 5 riders getting \$200 towards each of our nominated charities.

The Alice Springs Animal Shelter do great work for our entire community, particularly for our furry and feathered friends. They can always use some help so please check out their FB page and give them a hand in any way you can.



## Teddy Bears Picnic

The teddy bears picnic was a great success thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors who chipped in to make the day a great success.

It was a wonderful and joy-filled morning for the many children and families who participated and all proceeds raised were donated to the drover service of the Alice Springs Hospital.

A big teddy bear was made and presented to the teddy bears' picnic by Lauren and Mal from the Men's Shed in Alice Springs and a naming competition was open to all of the kids who attended, the big teddy bear was aptly named 'Theodore Brown-felt' by a very creative youngster.

The Teddy Bears Picnic will be back next year bigger and better than ever so start getting your Teddy Bears ready.



## Seniors Luncheon

Joshua Burgoyne MLA and I hosted a Seniors Lunch at the Gillen Club as part of Seniors Month.

Such a wonderful turnout with over 100 Alice Springs Seniors coming along for the "Not the Masters Games" themed luncheon. Plenty of people made the effort to dress up and we had a quiz based on the Alice Springs Masters Games history, loads of fun had by all.

Thanks to the Gillen Club for hosting, Meema's Kitchen, Lolly & Craft Shop, as well as Kym-Marie, Rowie, Ashley and Kochy for all your help.

This was a wonderful event and I can't wait till next year to host this wonderful luncheon with Joshua Burgoyne MLA.



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**Harts Range Races long weekend**



Congratulations to Kylie Jones who took out the 2022 Northern Territory AgriFutures Rural Women's Award. Kylie is based out of Mt Riddock Station and helping other remote home tutors or governesses who sometimes feel a little left in the dark when it comes to teaching kids through the business she has started, RAISEducation. Kylie is doing great work for kids and families all over the bush.



## NEW FLAGS FOR SCHOOL

So nice to be able to help out our local schools. As you can see in the background the Living Waters Lutheran School flags were getting a little old and faded and I am pleased to be able to help them out with a new set.

Keep the great work Living Waters.



## Danny's Community Visits

Danny our liaison office has been busy visiting our communities, attending Local Authority meetings in the Electorate of Namatjira,

Whilst visiting communities Danny was able to capture a few photos of the great people who perform such wonderful work in the remote regions.

Here are some photos from the following communities he has been to as of recent:

Amoonguna, Atitjere, Engawala, Titjikala and Yuendumu.



## Katherine Show



## Alice Springs Beanie Festival



Great fun down at the Alice Springs Beanie Festival. I was running low on outrageous beanies for the cold months so had to go "Beanie" shopping, always such a great vibrant event.



## Atitjere Swans



## McArthur River Mine



## Art Fair



## ASTHMA FOUNDATION TURNS 40

Happy birthday to the Asthma Foundation of the NT who just turned 40. AFNT started from very humble beginnings in 1982 when a young girl raised some funds for asthma sufferers in the NT, but there was no organisation at the time. This prompted the beginnings of ASNT and it is still going strong 40 years on.

Congratulations to Asthma Foundation NT and keep up the wonderful work you do to make Territorians breath easier.

Australian Festival of Transport Gala Dinner at the National Road Transport Museum, Alice Springs.



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