

Building Fitzroy's Future

With the Department of Housing project in the Fitzroy Valley ready to commence, KGT Mentor Marty Stevens has been working intensively with the prospective apprentices.

Marty remarked that it's "fundamentally important not to sugar-coat the challenge of an apprenticeship to these men. You have to be straightforward and let them know that no apprenticeship is easy – particularly working in the construction industry in the Fitzroy Valley", Marty goes on to say that, "there has been a history of lowering the expectations and thus the challenges for people in the Valley, this only sets them up for



Left to Right: Keith Cotterill, Dale Milner, Jimahl Till and Marty Stevens

failure when they eventually get into a job". Marty will continue to work with the prospective apprentices until they begin work in the near future.

Special points of interest:

- Tool box meeting
- KGT encourages young indigenous youth
- Kimberley Careers Club's Charlene Kamal
- Completions of the month

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From the CEO... Kimberley Career's Club



Kimberley Group Training has been successful in obtaining a Royalty for Regions Grant to commence the "Kimberley

Careers Club". The program will be delivered in partnership with local Government and Indigenous Youth Officers. It will be rolled out across the Kimberley.

The aim of the program is to encourage young people to aspire to a career through the use of "champions, mentors and the building of relationships".

Schools, Businesses, service provider, Industry and Community Groups will be contacted and encouraged to participate in

the program. This will be a great opportunity to attract people to your business or industry!!!!

Charlene Kamal the recently appointed co-ordinator of the "Kimberley Careers Club" commenced on August 16, 2010. "This will be an exciting program and one that I am looking forward to".

A royalty for region project.

John Gummery

ODD SPOT

The total length of all eyelashes shed by a human in their lifetime is over 30 meters



Broome Apprentice of the month

Apprentice of the Month: Kenneth Callaghan
Host Employer KLC: Nyul Nyul Ranger from Beagle Bay
Qualification: Certificate III Conservation and Land Management

Kenneth has been nominated this month because he has been performing well in his training and work activities, participating enthusiastically and has taken on a number of new responsibilities while contributing to his Ranger Team in the Nyul Nyul Rangers.
Congratulations Kenneth, keep up the great work.

Pablo Lane – Field Officer



Tool Box Meeting

On Friday 13th August, KGT Psychologist Brooke Feltis and Field Officer Lina Bleazby participated in a toolbox meeting at the Ord Stage 2 Moonamang Joint Venture. At the toolbox meeting Brooke Feltis (KGT Psychologist) delivered a talk about stress and the impact that stress can have on people in the workplace. Workers were encouraged to understand the effects of stress on their body and to implement stress management techniques such as healthy eating and exercise, relaxation and problem solving strategies to reduce stress levels before they become problematic.



Trainee Of The Year Nomination

KGT has nominated Neil Waina from Kalumburu for the Trainee of the Year for the 2010 WA Group Training Awards held in Perth in September.

Neil Waina has completed his Certificate II in Conservation and Land Management with the Unguu Land and Management Ranger team.

Since starting his Ranger Traineeship, Neil has developed beyond expectations. Neil was also promoted to Head Ranger in the 2nd year of the traineeship where he acted as a supervisor and took on the responsibility for overseeing, guiding and mentoring the other 4 rangers in conjunction with co-ordinator Robert Warren. To date, since his promotion, Neil has demonstrated that he has the potential to be a good leader. Neil has more than satisfied his off-the job training with Kimberley TAFE and has been dedicated to self development throughout the 2 year traineeship, this is shown by the commitment he has to his community as he takes the role of cultural and healthy country mentor. Neil is a great ambassador for this program and for the community and we all wish him well as he undertakes further studies and training in the future.



Above: Neil is pictured 2nd from the left

By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.

Benjamin Franklin

KGT's Pablo Lane encourages young Indigenous Boys

The Clontarf Foundation held an Employment and Training Forum on the 3rd of August 2010 at St Mary's College.

A part of this Forum involved presentations from Employers and past Graduates. An invitation was extended to valued

KGT Staff member Pablo Lane (pictured right). Pablo addressed the year 11 and 12 students speaking about his own experiences growing up in Broome and The Kimberley while undertaking his qualifications in Automotive Diesel Mechanic. Pablo was able to build an

excellent rapport with the students talking about the opportunities and possibilities available to the young men while also making them aware of the challenges and barriers that they may face.

Afterwards students sat in groups with individual employers and agencies and asked lots of relevant questions about all that is involved in apprenticeships. It was great to see the students participate in the Forum, they left with a clear understanding of what they wanted to know, asking lots of questions on what was involved.

Mim Smith – Field Officer

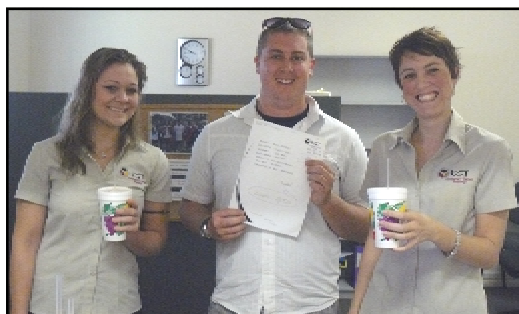


ODD WORD

ZARF
The holder of a handle less coffee cup



Broome gets juiced!



When local Broome radio station, Spirit FM, launched a workplace request competition, the KGT Broome staff thought it would be a great idea to enter. It was an opportunity to not only win some yummy juices, but also a chance to get the KGT name on a station that a large percentage of our apprentices listen to at work! So we put together a list of our favourite tunes & won! Justin from Spirit FM came into the KGT Broome office with our prizes & gave his radio segment from our office reception area.

Thanks to Pablo for entering us into the competition!

Diary Dates



SEPTEMBER
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Queen's Birthday
Monday 27th
September

Kununurra Apprentice of the Month

Apprentice of the Month: Neil Waina

Host Employer: Kimberley Land Council

Qualification: Certificate III Conservation and Land Management

Neil Waina is an outstanding young ranger and makes an invaluable contribution to the Unguu Ranger team. The Unguu Rangers work in remote areas and often in isolation for extended periods. They must rely on one another not only to achieve the cultural and land management ambitions of their communities, but also as support under the arduous conditions borne of remote working life. Neil is consistently reliable as a team player in these circumstances, and his commitment enable the whole team to achieve great outcomes in the face of personal and logistical challenges.

Chad Sloan—Field Officer



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Kimberley Careers Club's Charlene Kamal

What is your role here at KGT? I'm the Kimberley Careers Club coordinator, I'm here to encourage young people in their career pathways

What do you want to get out of working with KGT? The satisfaction of working in disadvantaged communities and I really enjoy working with youth.

How long have you been living in the Kimberley? Since May this year.

What made you move to Kununurra? I like living in a small town.

What do you like about living in the Kimberley? I love the people, love the community and sometimes the weather, when it's not too hot.

Do you have any pets? No pets here, but I left my talking Rainbow Lorikeet in Melbourne, who I love.

Hobbies? I love camping and the outdoors

Favorite food? Mangoes, can't wait to pick them off the trees!



KGT Apprentices & Trainees Compete in Derby Rodeo



Congratulations to all the KGT Apprentices that competed in the Derby Rodeo on 7th, 8th & 9th of August. Some KGT Broome staff drove to Derby to support the apprentices that competed and it was a great weekend. A huge thank you to Roebuck Plains Station Training Supervisor Wayne Swann for driving Trainees to Derby so they could compete. Wayne came 3rd in the Men's division after not competing for two years!! Well done to electrical apprentice, Tyrone Wade, and station hand trainee, Jonny Graham, who also competed.

Mim Smith – Field Officer



Congratulations Shane

Shane Gordon has been awarded his Moxy Truck Licence after being assessed by a VOC trainer.

This is a major step forward for his future employment as the licence can be used on mine sites as well as civil projects. Shane is leading by example and hopefully encouraging local indigenous people to gain the same experience. Shane completed a pre-employment program with KGT and is Hosted to Charles Hull Contracting.

Well done Shane .



CONGRATULATIONS!

Well done to our Apprentices who have successfully completed

Steven Rush

Certificate III Engineering Mechanical
Host Employer: Argyle Diamond Mine

