



June 2023

Piriwa, Balgo

Piriwa Hub Launch



Monica, Mary & Kathryn Njamme in front of the newly installed mural.



Monica & Kathryn Njamme cooking roo tail & damper



Kathryn Njamme opens the launch event

The Piriwa leadership team cooked up lunch for the Piriwa Enterprise Hub and Mural launch celebration. Everyone enjoyed delicious roo tail, damper and beef stew. Many community members attended the event. Kathryn Njamme officially opened the event, thanking people for supporting Piriwa and the funding partners who helped renovated the sea containers and supported leadership and creative workshops.

Tammy Kalion and Nadine Njamme, from the youth centre program also helped prepare lunch. It was a great day and everyone is really excited that Piriwa is now open and the art mural installed. After lots of delays to the renovation due to Covid-19 and the floods in the region, earlier this year, it was great to acknowledge and celebrate all the women have achieved.

Piriwa has been strongly supported by the Warlayirti Art Centre since the beginning; Elders; Gracie and Dulcie named the place Piriwa and have been great customers of the op shop!

Thanks to the Warlayirti Art Centre staff and Wirrimanu Aboriginal Corporation for their help with the overwhelming amount of clothing donations received on the mail plane. The Piriwa Op Shop is closed for donations at the moment as there is not enough room to store items. We are seeking funds for another sea container. It is a big job sorting donations for sale and Piriwa would like to thank all the community volunteers who have helped.

Piriwa Hub Launch cont. & Postcards



The Piriwa leadership team serving lunch

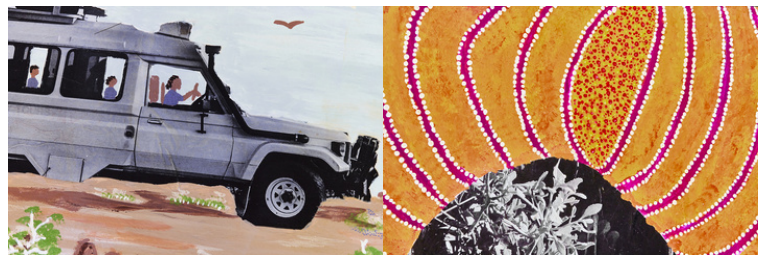
After the launch party, the ladies decided to open the op shop and pull out all the new donations. Everyone was very happy to explore the new stock.

EPWA and Camera Story are supporting the Piriwa leadership team to manage the Piriwa hub via creating partnerships to access the resources and run skills based workshops. The women are seeking funding to secure a car for Piriwa so they can collect the mail, host more bush trips with young women. The profits from the Piriwa op shop are used for fuel and food for bush trips.



Community members at the event

As a way to raise funds for Piriwa, we have designed a selection of postcards sets using the artworks from the mural. The postcard sets are \$30 each for 5 unique postcards made up of photographs and painting by women of Balgo. Limited editions. Purchased via the EPWA store.



Dulcie Nanala shopping at Piriwa



A selection of the postcard designs

Bush Trip, Videos & Frog Hunting



We had a great day out bush frog hunting the day following the launch. Everyone was really happy with the delicious lunch which was cooked up.

Sadie and Dulcie joined us and we made videos reflecting on the journey of Piriwa and the impact of the women's work and leadership.

Everyone returned to Balgo feeling really proud of what they had achieved at Piriwa and hosting a successful launch. Lots of planning and effort had gone into this.



Piriwa is learning about evaluation, grant funding and how videos can be a way to share stories, access support in business and share what has been done. Kathryn Njamme was interviewed and shared her journey at Piriwa from the beginning until now - from little things, big things grow.

Bianca Long will be in Balgo next week running a creative enterprise workshop at Piriwa. Bianca is keen to share her skills in leadership, the fashion industry and making up cycled items from donated clothes.





(l-r) Clare Wood (EPWA), Chiara Njamme, Kathryn Njamme, Rachel Sims, Monica Njamme, Sarah Landro (Camera Story) Baby Napanungka & Mary Njamme.

Piriwa would like to thank IGA in Halls Creek for their food donations for the launch and also the sponsorship received from KAMS which made the Piriwa celebration possible.



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Art Mural Installation



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Piriwa Hub Supporters for enterprise workshops

