

Bungull News



Speak Your Mind

Katherine Arts community came to together on the evening of Saturday 5th October at the Didj Shop Internet Cafe. It was the second such "Open Mike" evening to be held by the community, and once more presented the opportunity for many talented people to perform poetry, song and prose (short stories).

The event was well attended and generally considered by all to be a success. There is hope that these evenings will become a regular feature of the Katherine Arts community calendar.

After the performances the Katherine Arts Council showed film shorts by local film makers in the Town Square. These were followed by a feature film.

Special mention must go to Nicole Rowan (Chief Organiser) and presenter Lorraine Harris. Each contributed, alongside Norman Rosas Sr., Megan Holt, with songs from Tommy Lewis and visiting Mr Michael Jakamara amongst others.

Japanese Connections

Tom and Fleur, regular customers to the cafe and local Wugalar people, visited Japan. Tom, well known for his acting career in films such as *The Chant Of Jimmy Blacksmith*, promoted Katherine tourism by attending a food fair at Kamoto, Japan.



Japanese company, the Onizaki Corporation, which is importing sesame from Katherine, requested the Katherine Region to recruit a suitable person to promote them at their annual food fair.

ATSIC Elections

Opportunity for change in the Katherine region is now!

Aboriginal people of the Greater Katherine Region have the chance to vote for an improvement to their social and economic development. The ATSIC Garruk-Jarru Regional Council could be best served with elected councillors who have the desire to tackle the hard issues.

I'm sure we're looking for members who are strong and fair. So everyone, please vote for representatives who will be working hard for all people in the Katherine.

Anti-War Protest

Katherine people gathered in numbers in the town square on Friday 18th October to protest against the possibility of a US and British led war against Iraq.

The peaceful protest featured live music performances as well as public speaking.



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Returning Visitors

A welcome return for Mr Ben Vander Bruggen, his son Justin and his friend Duco Choufour. They were equally delighted to see me still here. Well, I am too. There's nothing better for any business than repeat customers, especially for the Vanger Bruggens. Mr Vander Bruggen reminded me he was here 2 years ago with his wife and daughter. They travelled to Alice Springs two years ago, but this time said "we're going to the west".



The Didj Shop Internet Cafe

