

# Around Palmerston

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## Next Meeting

**Date:** 13 February 2007  
**Venue:** Angels Room@ The Hub  
**Time:** 7pm  
**RSVP:** Kathryn Gooding  
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## Welcome To

- Hassell Ltd
- The Exhibitionist
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## From the President

Can you believe its February already. Where did the last 8 weeks go.

In over 30 years I cant remember a busier start to the year, and that's coming from all the Members I speak to.

I was pleased to get a call just prior to Christmas from Charlie Phillips from the Chief Ministers Office. The CM has asked that Charlie meet with myself and any members who have questions or concerns



that the Govt can help with. So if you have issues you want brought up or if you have bricks or bouquets, lets have them and they will go direct to the relevant minister. If you want to sit down with Charlie

over a brew, give me a call. I'm very grateful to the Chief Minister for this opportunity so lets use it up.

Congratulations to Shaun Coutts from LNT who turns 60 this week. Just goes to show on the good die young.

And who is Larry and why is he so Happy.

Wayne Zerbe  
President

## Community Events

- Catalyst Consulting International Pty Ltd will present a FREE Customer Management workshop on Tuesday, 30 January between 6pm-9pm. at The Quest Darwin, Cavenagh Street. For further information call 8999 6888 or email business.dberd@nt.gov.au , alternatively log onto [www.nt.gov.au/upskills](http://www.nt.gov.au/upskills)
- FREE health and safety seminar for employers with up to 20 fulltime or equivalent staff, Tuesday 30th January, 8.30am-2pm, Free Spirit Resort Stuart Highway, Berrimah. To find out more visit [www.smallbusinessohs.com.au](http://www.smallbusinessohs.com.au) or call local adviser Sheryl Main on 0428 947 315.
- The Centre for Youth Music welcomes new enrolments for its ensemble program. Auditions will be held on Saturday 3 February from 12 noon. Phone 8946 6013.
- Chick Flick Night, Music & Lyrics Starring Drew Barrymore and Hugh Grant, Monday 19 February @ 6.45pm CMAX Cinema . Champagne and nibbles on arrival. RSVP on 8931 2555 or email [cmax@cmmaxcinema.com.au](mailto:cmax@cmmaxcinema.com.au)
- The Newcastle Knights and Penrith Panthers teams will be special guests at an NRL Charity Dinner at the Holiday Inn Esplanade on Friday 23 February. Tickets \$1,200 per table of ten, single @\$120 per head, fully inclusive dinner and beverages. Contact Maria on 8941 1440.

# \$4,714,033 Million Drought Relief



An overwhelming \$4,714,033 was raised for the Woolworths National Drought Action Day on Tuesday, 23 January.

All Woolworths supermarkets around the country reported a significant increase in customers keen to make a contribution to Australian farmers and their families.

Launching the initiative on ABC's Country Hour program, the Woolworths National Drought Action Day was expected to raise in excess of \$3 million.

However, this amount was far exceeded and clearly indicates that the issue has struck a chord with Australian everywhere.

With the decline in rainfall gradually spreading over Eastern and Southern Australia in 2006, the impact of the drought has placed great financial hardships on Australian farming families and threatens Australia's relatively self sufficient fresh food supply.

Two thirds of the donation will be directed to the Country Women's Association to help families with household necessities such as utility bills, groceries and back to school expenses.

The remaining third will be allocated to sustainable agricultural research projects.

This initiative has raised the spirits of people in the country beyond belief.

Australian people rally together in times of adversity and the amazing contribution is evident that there is a strong and enduring link between the country and the cities.

Congratulation and thankyou to those people who supported the Woolworths National Drought Action Day.



## AFL Meet & Greet

Following the success of the 2006's AFL Meet & Greet Sports & Fitness Night, Life Balance Family Health & Wellness Centre Roseberry will once again host the meet and greet program on Wednesday 7 February.

Kick off at 4.30pm with a Welcome Speech by PRBA President Wayne Zerbe, the event promises patrons two and a half hours of action

fun and excitement which include AUSKICK, handball sessions, Essendon and Indigenous AFL club players.

Other events planned are traditional Sikaran Martial Arts, boxing and kickboxing demonstrations as well as a BBQ and raffle draws.

Funded by Indigenous Business Australia, the Meet & Greet



Program is not for profit and rely on sponsorship. The program is aimed to promote awareness in sports, health and fitness and inspiring young Indigenous and Territorians to a healthier life-style or career in Sport.

For more information contact Craig Oldroyd or Byron Davies on 8932 9476 or email [admin@balancelife.com.au](mailto:admin@balancelife.com.au)

## TCA Expression Of Interest

The peak body for the building and construction industries in the Northern Territory, the Territory Construction Association (TCA) is seeking representation from Registered Training Organisations to provide six (6) preemployment programs for ninety (90) Indigenous participants.

Normally twelve (12) weeks in duration, the preemployment program has been developed from the Certificate II in General Construction. Applicants should include but not limited to demonstrate experience and understanding of Indigenous training delivery, flexibility to meet client's needs, provide appropriate reports on request and ability to engage industry.

Applications to be directed to Craig O'Halloran, General Manager, TCA, PO Box 37121 Winnellie NT 0821.

# My Restaurant Rules

An online restaurant guide has voted four territorian restaurants as top of the list for health.

With a listing of 10,000 nationwide, Menulog, rated Darwin's Char Restaurant, Magic Wok, Karen's Gourmet Kitchen and Alice Spring's Bluegrass Restaurant as the NT's best healthy restaurants.

Char Restaurant, Magic Wok, Karen's Gourmet Kitchen and Bluegrass restaurant were judged on ambience, cuisine, region, budget, specials, freshness and dietary requirements.

One of Darwin's newest dining establishments, Char Restaurant



@ Admiralty is well known for its lighter and leaner steaks and seafood dishes.

A popular inner-city restaurant, the Magic Wok provides a unique eating experience of selecting from a range of fresh vegetables, meat, chicken and seafood and

watching the ingredients being cooked on a hot turbo wok.

Karen's Gourmet Kitchen and Alice Springs Bluegrass Restaurant both offer menus catering for a range of taste and healthy calorie conscious meals including vegetarian.

Confronted with a tantalising menu, most people have the best intentions when eating out, however, reality is always different and we all have the tendency to over indulge.

Fortunately, now there is at least four solutions with menus based on fresh and healthy options.



## \$30 Million Renovations

Granted by the NT Government, a long term exclusive license to continue operating its Darwin casino until 2026, Skycity will expand the main gaming floor and upgrade it's gaming facilities by mid 2008.

It will build a new 180 seat restaurant, a first floor bar and balcony and extend the Sunset Deck overlooking the beach.

The renovations will focus on making the most of Mindil Beach and the surrounding view and is expected to cost around \$30 million.

The expansion and upgrade of SkyCity is also expected to create 100 construction jobs followed by a further 100 internal positions once the facilities become fully operational.

There will also be 50-100 additional gaming machines and two-up could return .

A model of the expansion is on display between the lifts on the ground floor of the main Skycity casino building.



## Race Season Fundraising Opportunity

The North Australian Motor Sports Club expressions of interest from all clubs providing Officials for the 2007 Race Season at Hidden Valley Raceway.

All training will be provided and up to \$10,000 is being offered to the successful club based on the 2007 race season comprising 10 race meetings.

Service clubs and similar organisations are invited to apply for the opportunity to secure fundraising for their club.

Inquiries phone David Ling on 0412 336 153.



**Wayne Zerbe**  
President



Everything but a success and a mother!

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**Leon Loganathan**  
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From exchanging property contracts to company restructuring, Leon Loganathan has practised law for over 10 yrs and with a partnership added to his name with Ward Kellers Lawyer, as Vice President of PRBA, his role is to provide and ensure all organisational conduct are within legal limitations.  
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Paul Chin has 12 yrs local experience in sole trader and corporate banking, specialising in electronic banking and cash management solutions. With a varied role in the PRBA, Paul not only ensures all financial dealings are dealt with appropriately but is also the provider of technical and team support.  
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The ZIC at CMAX, Kathryn Gooding has been a loyal employee of the cinema since it's first opening in 1999. Her duties encompass everything from corporate events, school and holiday bookings, marketing and staff management. Her role with PRBA is to plan all monthly meetings.

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**Clarina Smith** News  
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A local resident of 5 yrs, Clarina Smith has over 10 yrs of sales and marketing management experience. Presently employed by NT News as Sales Advertising Executive, Clarina fills the role of news editor within the PRBA.

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A recent addition to PRBA, Robyn ensures all administrative duties are actioned and maintained. Outside of PRBA, Robyn fills the most challenging role of all, she is a fulltime mother of three.

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