

NEWSLETTER



Family Violence Legal Service Aboriginal Corporation (SA)



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2014 | SERVING COUNTRY –
CENTENARY & BEYOND

Award Winners Port Augusta NAIDOC

Congratulations to FVLSAC Board member Faith Thomas on winning the Port Augusta NAIDOC Elder of the Year award for 2014. Faith is a current Board member from Port Augusta and an integral part of the Port Augusta community.



Faith Thomas with Shane Bond and Gavin Wanganeen at the Port Augusta NAIDOC ball 2014 Photo by the Transcontinental Newspaper

The Port Augusta NAIDOC awards were held on the 4 July 2014, so that all winners could be celebrated through out NAIDOC week events and celebrations.

Congratulations also to FVLSAC Port Augusta office Community engagement and client support worker June Lennon. She was awarded the Port Augusta NAIDOC Life time Achievement award for 2014. June throughout her life has worked hard for the community and continues to do so outside of work.



June Lennon with Dan Van Holst Pellekaan and his wife Rebecca Van Holst Pellekaan at the Port Augusta NAIDOC Ball 2014. Photo by the Transcontinental Newspaper

Family Violence Legal Service Aboriginal Corporation (SA) congratulates all award winners across all our regions.

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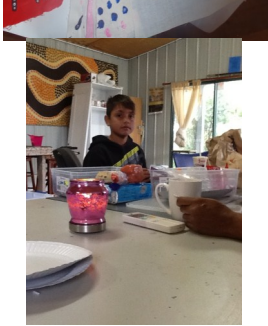
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HEALING ARTS SESSIONS—KUJU SHED PORT LINCOLN

COME AND GET YOUR
ARTIST GROOVE ON
EACH WEDNESDAY AT
KUJU!



FVLSAC have been hosting Healing Arts at the Kuju Art Shed, 30 Ravendale Road, Port Lincoln every Wednesday from 9.30am until around 2.00pm.

This project is in conjunction with Wiyana Corporation and recognized artist Susie Betts.

The motto of Wiyana Corp is “The enlightened beauty of love can bloom from within one’s heart, extending and growing, touching and healing everything it comes into contact with.”

Morning tea is provided and all interested community members are invited to come along and share a laugh or two, yarn and explore their arty/crafty side.

A solicitor from the Service is available for general questions or private appointments.

The project will run for another month and depending on demand, maybe longer.

So far, each session has been well attended and some beautiful works of art have been produced in a loving and healing

environment.



Contact our Port Lincoln office for any more details or to assist with transport requirements.

Meet our Staff! *Tiffany Collins - Port Augusta Office*



**Pamela Badcock and Tiffany Collins with
Tony Modra**

What do you do? - I am Legal Administration. I do basic receptionist duties, data entry and help the lawyers with legal files and maintaining records.

When did you start here? - I started in February 2011.

Hobbies? - I like Drawing (she is a great artist) hanging out with my friends, reading, playing games (computer, video, etc)

Favourite football team?—Adelaide Crows

Favourite Football player? (past or present)—Tony Modra!

Thanks Tiffany! Next issue we will meet Sharlene Pickett from our Port Lincoln office!!



NAIDOC WEEK 2014

2014 **SERVING COUNTRY – CENTENARY & BEYOND**

Family Violence Legal Service Aboriginal Corporation (SA) took part in and celebrated NAIDOC week this year across all three centers.

In Ceduna, we attended events including the Masquerade Ball and

helped with the mini disco.

In Port Lincoln we helped co-host the mini ball and took part in damper cooking.

In Port Augusta we co-hosted the Remembrance Ceremony with the Red Cross,

attended events, came second in the Quiz night (with help from the Red Cross!) and finished off the week hosting the 2014 Port Augusta NAIDOC Ball with special thanks to sponsors Olympic Dam Aboriginal Community Trust



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Clockwise: Photo 1—Pamela Badcock, Tiffany Collins, June Lennon and Iris Furtado. .
Photo2.— Belle of the Ball, Sarah Cardassis & Beau of the Ball, Raymond Pugh
Photo3.— Quiz night Tracy Laughton and June Lennon with Gavin Wanganeen
Photo4.—Robert Vandenbergh, Iris Furtado, Pamela Badcock, and June Lennon .
Photo 4 is from the Transcontinental newspaper



NAIDOC WEEK 2014 continued....



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Clockwise: Photo 1. Amanda Spalding and Jack Johncock. Photo 2. Sharon Betts, Veda Betts, Susie Betts. Photo 3 & 4. Kimberly Bilney receives her crown as Belle from Sharon and Nellie, Chris Prestage was name Beau of the Ball....



Nonnel Gray, Montanna Scott, Tyreisha Newchurch, Kyia Miller, Angel Betts, ..., Kayshala Duckford and Nyqueelah Coleman

Nyqueelah Coleman, Arzanie Coleman & Audrey Woods



Standing: Lahn Mickan, Kristy Richards, Andrea Richards, Shanelle Scott, Robert Miller, Renee Smith, Amanda Richards, Leeann Scott, Cecilia Cox
Seated: Janomie Saunders, Tracey Cox, Carrie-lee Miller, Nicole Coleman, Mariah Miller & Tamika Saunders



Gareth Dudley, Ashlin Miller & Daryall Coleman

FVLSAC and KNOWMORE hold workshops in Ceduna, Kooniba and Scotdesco.....

FVLSAC applied to the National Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Forum for funding to hold a series of workshops in Ceduna and the far west. Between 3 and 5 June we held three workshops in Ceduna, Kooniba and Scotdesco.

Nicky and Geeta from the Ceduna office facilitated the workshops with informal presentations from Caitlin Le Feuvre (Solicitor) and Dean Bell (Aboriginal Cultural Liaison Officer) from Knowmore legal service and Dianne Newton from the Victim Support Service. A Pitjantjatjara interpreter was also present throughout the workshops to assist community members who required his services.

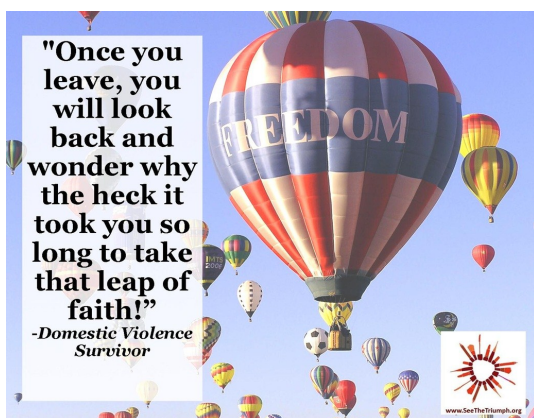


The workshops were informal discussions explaining how the Royal Commission into institutional responses to child sexual abuse works, what the aims of the Royal Commission are and how people can tell their stories. There was also information about the legal and counselling services that support people through the Royal Commission process.

Each workshop was followed by a community barbeque and more opportunity for informal discussion and information sharing.

The workshops were very well received by community members and this was a great opportunity for staff to build relationships with the other service providers. We are planning to hold more workshops in Yalata and Oak Valley in the next couple of months.

For more information contact Nicky on 8625 3800 or Bethany on 8683 1896.



Intervention Orders—Important Facts You Need to Know!

Intervention orders came into being in 2009, replacing the law on Restraining orders. Years later people are still confused about what Intervention orders are.

Intervention orders, once confirmed, are ongoing. They don't have an end date.

An Intervention order can be made on the spot by Police when they are called out to an incident. This is called an Interim Intervention order. Which can be later confirmed by a Court—the aim is to prevent an act of abuse.

The Intervention order can be made if the Court or the police think it is likely that, without the order, a person will commit an act of abuse against the other person or people.

The Intervention order can include lots of different types of conditions that are aimed at stopping the abusive behaviour from happening and keeping the protected person or people safe.

An example of conditions might be :

- the Defendant is not allowed to be at a particular place where the protected person lives, works or goes regularly.



- The Defendant can't contact the Protected person by phone, email or via Facebook.
- The Defendant can spend time with the Protected person but not commit any acts of abuse—hurt or threaten them.

- The Defendant is not allowed to have things with them like knives, guns or even lighters.

Intervention orders can protect people from another person regardless if they are family or not.

A wide range of orders can be made. **The aim is to keep people safe and STOP ABUSE!**

If you are a protected person in an Intervention order or have questions about how to get or change an intervention order, come and visit our offices and have a talk to us.



WHAT IS ABUSE?

The law says that abuse can take many forms—it can include physical, sexual, emotional, psychological, cultural, spiritual or economic abuse.

Some examples of abuse are:

- Punching, pushing,

kicking, biting, scratching or slapping a person, hitting them with weapons or rocks.

- Forcing or pressuring someone in having sex when they don't want to.
- Breaking into someone's home, smashing their phone, smashing their car up, burning their clothes.

- Calling them foul names
- Following and stalking the other person
- Taking their money.
- Keeping them isolated

If you want to know more about abuse please visit one of our offices.

Up coming community events:

19 September 2014—FVLSAC Internet site will be running. Visit www.fvlsac.org.au for the latest on our organisation information and up coming events.

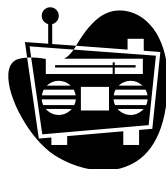
Friday 26 September 2014 at 2pm —Port Augusta, Port Lincoln, Ceduna—**Special General Meeting for FVLSAC Members.** New members welcome. Purpose of meeting to ratify changes to the Rule Book. Afternoon tea provided. Contact Tiffany on 8641 2195 or at tiffany.collins@fvlsac.org.au by 19/9/2014 for rsvp and more details.

Save the date.....

Friday 28 November 2014—Adelaide—8:30am-4:30pm Uniting Communities, 10 Pitt Street Adelaide. Responding to Aboriginal Women experiencing Family & Domestic Violence— Improving the Cultural Capacity of South Australia's Workforce. June Lennon from our Port Augusta office will be one of the speakers and panellists. Tickets on sale soon. Contact David Kerr on 8231 5625 or Chelsea Lewis on 8203 9400.

FVLSAC Annual General Meeting. To be held on **21 November 2014.** Look out for Advertisements closer to date or contact our Port Augusta office on 8641 2195 for more details.

Hear us Talk on Umeewarra Radio 89.1 FM— Port Augusta



Hear June and Pamela talk every Tuesday at 11am on Umeewarra Radio. This Community legal education spot helps to educate listeners on current issues related to service our organisation provides. Occasionally our shows are pre—recorded and played throughout the day.

Family Violence Legal Service Aboriginal Corporation is a sponsor of Umeewarra Radio and its role as an Aboriginal Radio station promoting the importance and relevance of Aboriginal cultures in today's society..

Healing Arts



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**Family
Violence
can take
many
different
forms...
.....**

- Physical abuse** – hitting, slapping, punching, kicking and choking
- Sexual abuse** – unwanted sexual acts, exposure to offensive material
- Financial abuse** – damaging your property, taking your money
- Verbal abuse** – calling you names, degrading you or threatening you
- Spiritual or Cultural** – denying your religion, stopping your cultural practices
- Social Abuse or isolation** – keeping you away from friends and family
- Emotional or Psychological abuse** – making you feel no good, talking bad
- Hurting others** in the family or family pets
- Harassing, intimidating or stalking you**

Family Violence Legal Service Aboriginal Corporation (SA)
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Our Vision: An equitable and safe society for ATSI communities

Our purpose: To provide eliminate family and sexual violence through quality holistic legal services and education and community partnerships.

We believe that client safety and trust is created when we keep confidentially at the center of everything we do.

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What sort of things can we do?

Some of the things we do for clients include:

- We apply to the Court for an Intervention Order or a change to an existing Order,
- We help to deal with government departments or explain, fill in and witness forms,
- We refer to other services that could offer help in certain circumstances,
- We help people to get Family Court Orders
- about their children or property when they split with their partner, including Recovery Orders of children,
- We provided advice on Family Court matters and referrals to mediation services,
- We provide advice and represent clients in Care and Protection matters and negotiations with Families SA (when welfare want to talk to you about the kids),
- We provide representation and
- obtain compensation when people have been Victims of Crime,
- We maintain our community links to ensure we are aware of issues in the community,
- We assist other community programs to provide Community Legal Education,
- We will assist you to approach SAPOL if you want to report a crime or talk to them about a situation....

FVLSAC acknowledges the traditional owners of the lands across Australia and particularly the traditional owners in Port Augusta, Port Lincoln and Ceduna, the lands on which the FVLSAC offices are situated. We pay our deep respects to Elders past, present and future.

