

MINUTES OF MANNING VALLEY INTERAGENCY MEETING

Date: 1 April 2015

At: Manning Uniting Church, Taree

Present: Caron Watkins (MVNS), Jane O'Dwyer (MVNS), Leonie Nilson (DHS Centrelink), Linda Lee (HNE Health), Jenny Brown (HML), Kaycee Wisemantel (Hunter Medicare Local), Melissa O'Donnell (Legal Aid NSW – Port Macquarie), Lauren McDermott (Biripi Family Health), Kirsten Olsen (RichmondPRA), Chris Moore (RichmondPRA), Michaela Nagel (MVNS), Lynne English (BACS), Jennifer Rumbel (Driving Change), Karen Bradley, Ellen Carter (St Vincent de Paul Taree), Robyn Morrison, Jodie Abbott (CPADFV), Sarah Wilkinson (GTCC), Lou Stratton (ALS), Eugene Renard (MNCCLS), Pauline Smith (MNCFCS), Jeanine Sines (MNCFCS), Nicole Cini (TAFE Taree Student), Annette Gleeson (Family Referral Service), Ruth Brunner (Counsellor – National Carer Counseling Program), Dale Wilcox (Dundaloo support Service), Robert Cook (MSS), Cathy Braiding (DHS Centrelink), Bernadette Sexton (MVNS)

Apologies: Anthony Paulson (Biripi Aboriginal Health Programs), Melanie Kallmier (Mid North Coast Community Legal Centre), Jenny Millen (Housing NSW), Alina Ljumanovic (Catholic Care Brighter Futures),

Time Commenced: 1.07pm

Time Finished: 2.10 pm

Chairperson: Caron Watkins

Minute Taker: Bernadette Sexton

<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>DISCUSSION</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>ACTION BY</u>
<u>BUSINESS ARISING</u>			
Standard Agenda Items	Interagency Service Reports		
Family Referral Service Taree Annette Gleeson	Mid North Coast Family Referral Service - Information and Referral service Ph: 1800758589 Susan: 0409 858 149 Annette: 0409138965 109 Victoria St Taree Referrals can come from an agency or made by the individuals.		
MVNS Caron Watkins	Unclear regarding ER services in Manning Valley Waiting to see what other ER providers have available. TBA NEW CONTACT FOR SALVATION ARMY Call 1300 317288 Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9am-5pm		
MVNS Settlement Project Officer Jane O'Dwyer	Memory Loss and Wellness Roadshow Information session about Memory loss including people from Culturally and Linguistically Diverse backgrounds Date: 20 April 2015 Time: 10am-1pm Venue Family Relationship Centre, 146 Victoria St Taree RSVP : Jane ph: 65535121		
CLSD	CLSD Planning Day 2nd June 2015 at Manning Uniting Church 9.30 am-3pm RSVP for Catering purposes to clsd@mvns.org.au or phone 655 35121		

	<p>Law Webinars for community workers, topics include: Care & Protection Reforms; Domestic Violence Reforms; Best for Kids website Webinar descriptions and registration see www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au/education</p>		
<p>Jeanine Sines Aboriginal Financial Counsellor Mid North Coast Financial Counselling Service</p>	<p>Financial counseling outreach service from Coffs Harbour to Taree Financial counseling service runs from Taree Community Health Centre Wednesdays To make a booking call: 1300 662540</p>		
<p>Pauline Smith Financial Counsellor Mid North Coast Financial Counselling Service</p>	<p>Booked out until second week May To make a booking call: 1300 662540</p>		
<p>Mid North Coast Legal Centre Eugene Renard Solicitor</p>	<p>MNCLC provides legal clinics in Taree and Wingham.</p> <p>Rolling out Skype advice early 2015 in Wingham. Will still provide face to face appointments upon request</p> <p>Traffic Offenders Intervention Program (TOIP) at PCYC Taree Education program for drivers 6 week program. Next course starts 9 May 2015. Cost: \$150 To book phone: 6551 0292</p> <p>Port Macquarie Legal Aid Office 107 William Street Port Macquarie 2444 Ph: 02 55251600 Open from 9 to 5, Monday to Friday</p> <p>Criminal law advice clinics Port Macquarie - Wednesdays, 9:30am to 12pm Legal Aid NSW, Port Macquarie, 107 William Street, Port Macquarie. Taree- Tuesdays at 2pm Legal Aid Room, Taree Courthouse Kempsey - Mondays at 2pm Legal Aid Room, Kempsey Courthouse</p> <p>Civil law advice clinic, 107 William Street, Port Macquarie. Tuesdays - 9:30am – 12pm - no booking required.</p> <p>Family law advice clinic, 107 William Street, Port Macquarie. Thursdays by appointment ONLY.</p>		
<p>Aboriginal Legal Service Lou Stanton Field Officer</p>	<p>Developing culturally appropriate network partnerships Contact: 65929823</p>		
<p>Driving Change (The George Institute) Jennifer Rumbel</p>	<p>Driver licence program young indigenous between 17-25 (flexible). Assist with birth certificate, State Debt Recovery (WDO), assist with practice Learner Driver Knowledge Test. Contact: 0410 589 223 or email: jrumbel@georgeinstitute.org.au</p>		

Dundaloo Support Service Dale Willcox	Dundaloo Support Services is a disability service based in Taree, in the Manning Valley, Mid North Coast. Support workers provide accommodation and whole of life support to individuals in 24-hour support settings and drop-in support in community homes across the region. Contact: Dale Willcox Outreach Co-ordinator Address: 316 Wingham Road, Taree NSW, 2430 Australia Phone: (02) 6551 4214 Fax: (02) 6552 3742 Email: admin@dundaloo.org.au		
Manning Support Services Bob Cook	New General Manger appointed – Tracy Lawson, commencing work May 2015 Position Vacant: Counsellor.		
GTCC Sarah Wilkinson Community Engagement Officer	GTCC Donations Program open now – closes 5pm 4 May 2015 GTCC looking for applications for projects that benefit or demonstrate a need within the Community For more information contact website www.gtcc.nsw.gov.au or call Council 6592399 GTCC now has a facebook page – please check it out.		
Community Partnerships Against Domestic & Family Violence Jodie Abbott	DV support Workers Hours of operation: 9am – 3pm, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Ph: 65920297		
Manning Valley Neighbourhood Service Emergency Relief Service Bernadette Sexton	Limited Emergency Relief assistance available. Service operates Monday & Tuesday Booking appointments phone 65535121 MVNS registered WDO service. To make enquiries/appointments call 65535121.		
Counsellor Ruth Brunner	Wingham Carer Support – offers carers social and emotional support, opportunity to share information, ideas and time out for carers. Next Carers Group meeting 15 April 1pm-2.30pm Where: 22 Isabella St, Wingham Contact: Ruth Brunner ph: 0403931520 email: puja_brunner@bigpnd.com		
DHS/Centrelink Social Worker Cathy Braiding	Staffing changes two workers Cathy and Sarah over Taree & Forster LGAs		
Human Services Community Engagement Officer (CEO) Leonie Nielson	Client service for people who are homelessness or at risk of homelessness Contact details: Ph: 02 65866622/ Fax: 02 65883050 Mobile: 0467 728 911 Email: leonie.nilson@humanservices.gov.au		
Karen Bradley	Connect to community at Taree Public/Taree High Email: Karen.L.Bradley@bet.nsw.edu.au		
Biripi Family Health Lauren McDermott	Family worker/Sexual Health Assault worker Ph: 65912437 Email: lauren.mcdermott@biripi.org.au		
Medicare Local Jenny Brown Casey Wisemantel	Medicare local is a not-for-profit health care organisation that aims to improve the health of the community by: Identifying and assessing health care needs, addressing Service Gaps, improving the co-ordination of services. Making it easier for individuals, carers and service providers to navigate their local health system and supporting providers to improve their quality of care.		

	<p>Medicare Local ceases to exist at the end of June 2015. In their place a primary health network to be established.</p> <p>Taree Office contact Casey 0409 148 062</p>		
Manning Pregnancy Support Anna Graham	<p>Pregnancy Support Service (7 days) Ph 1300792798</p> <p>Face book page available</p>		
St Vincent de Paul Taree Ellen Carter	<p>Assistance by appointment only. Written referrals include phone contact & address to if client has no phone</p> <p>Days of Operation: Mon, Wed, Fri Taree Office: 9 Albert Lane Opening hrs: 10 – 12pm</p>		
Biripi Aboriginal Children Service Lynne English	<p>Newly acquired position. To update about service at next Interagency meeting June 2015.</p> <p>Contact details: Ph: 65512088</p> <p>Email: lynne.english@biripi.org.au</p>		
MVNS Bushland Enterprise Project Michaela Nagel	<p>Bush Tukka Cafe located at Mudford St Shopping Centre Taree</p> <p>Cafe Open: Tuesday – Friday 8.45am – 3pm</p> <p>Also provides catering service</p> <p>New Winter Menu/Coffee menu available For further information call 65535121</p> <p>Partnership being developed with Biripi Aboriginal Children’s Service to develop a Multipurpose Centre - Opening date May 28 2015</p> <p>Bushland Enterprise also working in partnership with Masters, YMCA, fitness classes other outreach/welfare services - see Bushland newsletter for updates.</p>		
RichmondPRA Kirsten Olsen	<p>Currently running 3 programs, covers Taree ,Great Lakes and Gloucester LGA’s Partners in Recovery; - R&R; HASI; Contact: 1300 779 270</p> <p>The Mental Health Forum Recovery-Embracing Collaborative Pathways Date: Monday 22nd June Venue: Club Taree</p> <p>Recovery in Action and RichmondPRA are seeking volunteers who would like to join our Working Party to assist in planning/organizing The Mental Health Forum to be held in Taree.</p> <p>Open to persons with lived experience, carers, workers any other interested parties</p> <p>Meetings held at RichmondPRA Office 4/80 Wynter Street Taree every Friday 1pm – 2.30pm.</p> <p>Enquiries to: Jayne Cumberland Email: jayne.cumberland@richmondpra.org.au</p> <p>Phone: 1300 779 270</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brushes with Life – Art Workshop, Uniting Church Hall Cundletown first Thursday - Forster Recovery Group Monday – 11-1pm, Main Beach Forster - Taree Recovery Group Monday 11am-1pm, 80 Wynter St Taree - Tuesday’s with Tanya, Women’s group held at Manning Uniting Church - WDO registered service 		
Manning YMCA Robyn Morris	<p>Manning YMCA</p> <p>C/- Manning Aquatic Leisure Centre</p>		

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YMCA NSW offers sports, recreation, health and leisure programs are designed to be inclusive for all. Aim to motivate people with disabilities to participate and exercise their independence and choices in a supportive, social environment that builds self-esteem.

YMCA Health Club membership with the YMCA currently offering 7 Day Free Pass. Pass must be validated in centre before 30 April. See more at:
<http://www.ymcansw.org.au/centres/malc/promotions/7-day-pass12#sthash.qarq4OLD.dpuf>

YMCA Fitability program tailors fitness programs to individuals or groups with a physical or intellectual disability.

YMCA SwimAbility program helps to develop aquatic fitness and water safety skills for people of all ages with physical and intellectual disabilities

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be 3 June 2015, 1pm-2.30pm

Venue: Uniting Church, Albert St Taree

Enquiries: Manning Valley Neighbourhood Services Inc. PH: 6553 5121, Email mvns@mvns.org.au

Interagency minutes can also be downloaded from MVNS Website: www.mvns.org.au