

## 2011 NAIDOC Week Celebrations – 3 to 10 July

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### Commissioner's Message

National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week Celebrations begin next Sunday 3 July through to Sunday 10 July. This event is an opportunity for Indigenous Australians to celebrate their culture, history and achievements, and for all Australians to recognise the contributions of Indigenous Australians within our society. The 2011 National NAIDOC theme is about taking responsibility for our future.

To coincide with NAIDOC Week the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment (OCPE) is launching the Indigenous Employment Marketing Campaign, a key action from the *Indigenous Employment and Career Development Strategy 2010-2012 (IECDS)*. This campaign encourages Indigenous Australians to help make a difference and think about a job in the Northern Territory Government.

The Northern Territory Public Sector (NTPS) already employs many Indigenous Australians who make great contributions within their workplaces, families and communities, and I encourage you all to take part in an event during NAIDOC Week to celebrate their achievements.

Below are NAIDOC Week events OCPE and the Minister for Public Employment are hosting, as well as information on how to access the Top End NAIDOC Committee's flyer of events. Please observe normal leave practices within your agency and the need to continue to deliver a service to the public.

- **FREE Mentoring Events – Tuesday 5 & Wednesday 6 July**  
OCPE is offering FREE Mentoring Events in Alice Springs and Darwin for all NTPS employees. There are many places available. For further information go to: [www.ocpe.nt.gov.au/home/naidoc\\_week](http://www.ocpe.nt.gov.au/home/naidoc_week) or contact 8999 4177.
- **Launch of the Kigaruk & Lookrukin Alumni – Tuesday 5 July**  
The Minister for Public Employment, Dr Chris Burns MLA, is hosting the launch of the Kigaruk Indigenous Men's Leadership Development Program and Lookrukin Indigenous Women's Leadership Development Program Alumni. All Graduates and current participants have been invited to attend this special celebration. Please note this event is by invitation only.
- **Top End NAIDOC Committee Events – Sunday 3 to Sunday 10 July**  
The Top End NAIDOC Committee has several events scheduled throughout the week. To receive a flyer of events, please email: [topendnaidoc@hotmail.com](mailto:topendnaidoc@hotmail.com).



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