



# MG CORPORATION NEWS



MG Corporation members came together for the AGM at the Ord River Sports Club.



## MG CORPORATION HOLDS AGM

**MG Corporation and the MG PBCs held their annual general meetings last month at the Ord River Sports Club.**

Lawford Benning, MG Corporation’s Executive Chair, ensured that the business of the meeting was attended to, all meeting agenda items were considered and resolutions were passed.

Paula Cooney from Kununurra Accounting Services presented financial reports and advised attendees that the MG Group has received another clear audit.

The meeting concluded with a lively discussion between MG Corporation staff and members.



# 100+ JOBS HITS THE HALF-CENTURY MARK



100+ Jobs Initiative team members Miranda Gore, Simone Trust and Callan Hatchman, front, and George Hamilton and Gary Gerrard, back.

**MG Corporation's 100+ Jobs Initiative has hit an important milestone, having assisted 50 long-term unemployed Aboriginal people in the East Kimberley secure employment.**

This significant result has been achieved through adaptive programming and building strong relationships with local businesses, stakeholders and clients.

The manager of the 100+ Jobs Initiative, Callan Hatchman, said the program has targeted the people in Kununurra, Wyndham and Halls Creek who have fallen through the cracks.

"We have been able to engage with those people who are in a situation where not only they, but many of their family members, have never worked, largely due to systemic disadvantage and intergenerational trauma," he said.

"Through the work of a strong team of

local Employment Coordinators, the opportunities employment provides financially and in giving people a sense of purpose and to feel valued in the community has been achieved by 50 of our participants."

The initiative is funded for two years as a joint project between the state and federal governments, supported by the backbone organisation for Empowered Communities in the East Kimberly – Binarri-binja yarrawoo Aboriginal Corporation.

Eight months of funding remain for the program and MG Corporation will continue its successful placement of participants and building on the fantastic work already achieved.

A comprehensive review of the program has begun to determine the future of the 100+ Jobs Initiative and make a case for future funding streams.

## MOCK INTERVIEWS FOR CLONTARF STUDENTS

**MG Corporation's 100+ Jobs Initiative manager Callan Hatchman recently assisted students from the Clontarf Foundation as part of their job readiness program.**

Year 9 and 10 students in the Clontarf Options class undertook mock interviews to give them more experience in applying for jobs and conducting themselves during an interview.

Callan said it was important that the exercise was as realistic as possible to make sure each student appreciated the processes involved and improved their confidence to apply for employment.



"It was great to work with Clontarf and be able to assist in providing a realistic job scenario to some fine young men who performed extremely well throughout the process," he said.

Most students were apprehensive and nervous, but through positive reinforcement and constructive comments, they gained valuable insight and knowledge.

Callan said the 100+ Jobs Initiative would continue to work with Clontarf to assist the students on their path to job readiness and employment.



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