



MG CORPORATION NEWS

KIMBERLEY COTTON GIN MOVING FORWARD



Cotton growing on MG land in partnership with Cubbie.

MG Corporation has welcomed the approval of a \$32 million loan to establish a cotton processing facility in Kununurra.

The Commonwealth's Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF) approved the loan to the Kimberley Cotton Company (KCC), which MG Corporation is a partner in.

MG Corporation Executive Chair Lawford Benning said the NAIF funding was an important step to achieving local processing of cotton from MG land.

"As a partner in the Kimberley Cotton Company, we would be very proud if cotton grown on MG country could be processed on MG country," Mr Benning said.

"We believe this cotton gin would create a significant opportunity for training and employment for MG people, and the wider Kununurra community."

MG Corporation has been conducting cotton growing trials on MG land at Goomig in partnership with Cubbie.

The State Government previously granted KCC \$4 million in funding to upgrade electricity supply infrastructure to support a cotton gin.



MG representatives, business and government leaders at the Kununurra Regional Skills Summit.

SKILLS SUMMIT COMES TO KUNUNURRA

MG Corporation was proud to participate in the Kununurra Regional Skills Summit.

The summit was an opportunity for MG Corporation to participate in discussions about opportunities to grow the skills workforce in the Kimberley.

The event was attended by more than 25 government and regional business leaders from a range of sectors, including the Member for Kimberley, Divina D'Anna.

A local plan to provide local solutions to issues will be developed following the second Kimberley Regional Skills Summit scheduled to be held in Broome in November.

RECOGNITION FOR MGC BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

MG Corporation congratulates MGC Building and Maintenance (MGCBM) for its success at the 2021 East Kimberley Aboriginal Achievement Awards in August.

MGCBM was named Aboriginal Organisation of the Year (Not for Profit) and won the award for Outstanding Contribution to Aboriginal Employment and Training.

MGCBM tradesman Alex Ripps also earned the title of Aboriginal Employee of the Year.

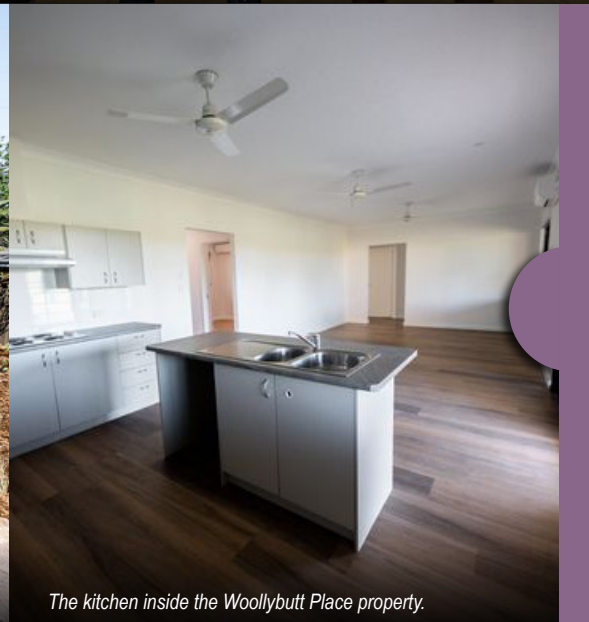
Alex has been with MGCBM since 2016 and plays an important role mentoring and supervising younger apprentices, while also carrying out building and maintenance tasks.



Aboriginal Employee of the Year Alex Ripps, centre, with fellow MGCBM employees.



The MGCBM team outside the completed Woollybutt Place property.



The kitchen inside the Woollybutt Place property.

MGCBM PROGRESS UPDATE

MGC Building and Maintenance had a busy quarter which saw it hand over two major projects.

The first was completing and handing over a house on Woollybutt Place as part of the North West Aboriginal Housing Fund.

The property was number 25 of the 26 homes completed so far as part of the project.

The Fund is a \$200 million dollar initiative that aims to help create social and economic independence for Aboriginal people through delivering affordable housing.

More recently, MGCBM celebrated the completion of a full home renovation for a local MG woman.

Completed over a span of two months, 70 per cent of the hours on this project were worked by local Indigenous employees.

The job required the replacement of doors and windows, internal carpentry and repairs, and a new front fence.

The successful completion of the project was acknowledged with a celebratory lunch.



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