

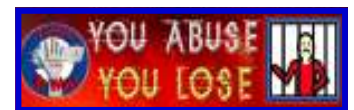



Violence—No Way! Campaign

The Violence No Way Campaign has taken off in the Far North of the state of Queensland. This newsletter will provide some of the highlights of the campaign to date.



Hey, have you seen the Violence No Way Bumper Stickers on the back of the Black & White Taxi's?? Thanks to Black & White Taxis for taking the time to put the Bumper Stickers on and for promoting our campaign.



Millaa Millaa Poster Competition

As part of the campaign launch at Millaa Millaa a poster competition was held at the local state primary school. There was a great response by the students with the winning posters from 3 age groups being displayed at the Millaa Millaa police station. This was followed with a role play at the school involving a bullying theme 'bullying no way' adapted from the violence no way message. Overall the campaign was a huge success within the school environment with students participating with enthusiasm and taking onboard the campaign message.



Upper Group Winner



Winning posters displayed at Millaa Millaa Police Station



Middler Group Winner





New Partnerships

Three new partnerships have been formed with the Mareeba 'Gladiators' rugby league club, the Mareeba 'Bulls' soccer club and the Atherton 'Roosters' rugby league club. These clubs are supporting the violence no way campaign by wearing the campaign cloth badges on their club uniforms and participating in an orientation session.



Bumper Stickers at BP Service Stations

Sean Gordon from BP Petroleum authorised for the display and distribution of Violence No Way Bumper Stickers at BP service Stations within the Region.

The Bumper Stickers will be displayed on the counter with a "Please Take One" sign. If any external agencies or businesses would like bumper stickers, please contact

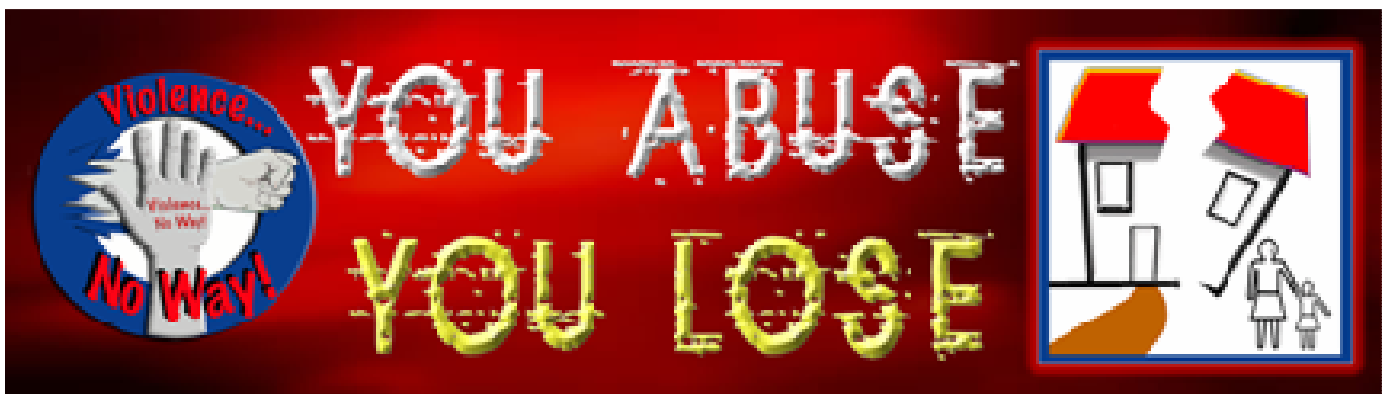
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Gladiators captain/coach– Chris Sheppard (left) & Bulls skipper -Victor Madrid (right). Photographs are courtesy of Kylie Reghenzani of Tablelands



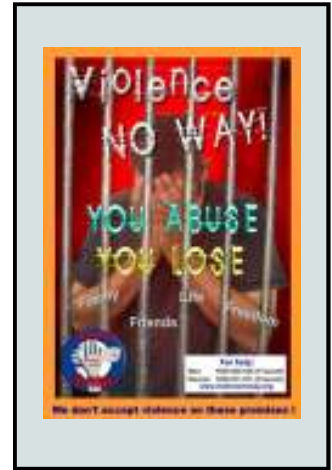
Future Priorities for Innisfail District

1. Staff from investigations, training and domestic violence co-ordination are developing training for uniform police to increase their investigative skills in the area of domestic violence and child protection matters. The project is in its early stages with a meeting taking place to develop a structured training environment based on scenario face to face learning and ongoing development and support.
2. District staff will develop preventative programs focusing on children and young people. Each of the secondary schools in the Innisfail District have been invited to send students to a 'Protective Behaviours for Secondary School Students' course which will take place at the Innisfail police Station in July. Nominations will be received from schools early in July and training will be developed jointly by the acting District Officer and the newly appointed District Crime Prevention Officer. The program aims to empower senior students to develop innovative strategies to address violence in their school communities supported by police and school staff.
3. A meeting has been scheduled with Officers in charge and media representatives in the Innisfail District to develop and enhance the current police media relationship. This meeting will also look at ways the media can work with the Violence No way program to raise community awareness and create a safer community.



Laura Dance Festival

The Laura Dance Festival has a growing reputation for being one of the premier cultural events in Australia. It is also a great advertisement for indigenous achievement in Australia. Held on 22nd to 24th June this year about eight kilometres outside the small town of Laura, this alcohol free event continued to uphold a tradition of being well run, and being held in a great community spirit.



This year the Cairns Police District proudly promoted the Violence No Way campaign. Free t-shirts, caps, bumper stickers and posters were given away at the stall. The stall was operated by the Cairns District DV Coordinator and Police Liaison Officers. The police worked closely with outreach workers from the Crime Prevention Unit, from the Cairns office of the Department of Communities, who had the display adjoining the police display.



Over the last few years police have presented crime prevention material at the festival, which is attended by a wide cross section of society including indigenous dance groups particularly from the Cape York area. Many government agencies represented their departments and displayed promotional material in a large marquee in the festival grounds, and most of the three to five thousand people who attend the festival strolled through this marquee and inspected the displays.

