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Welcome Message

Welcome to the latest edition of my newsletter.

Engaging with the community, both on Christmas and Cocos Islands, is one of the best parts of my role as Administrator, and I was pleased to have a number of opportunities throughout late July and early August to get out and about in an official capacity at a number of great events.

While I will talk more about these events later in the newsletter, I would like to once again thank everyone who made the Christmas Island Seniors Week possible – from the Shire, the businesses and individuals who helped make it such a special time for our over 65s, and of course to all of our seniors who showed once again that age is no barrier to having fun, and being a positive influence in our community.

Western Australian Director-General of Education Ms Lisa Rodgers recently visited Christmas Island, and it was a wonderful opportunity for her to see not only our school, but our exceptional students in person. When I spend time with the younger members of our community, I am always impressed by the intelligence, curiosity, passion and kindness on display.

Earlier this month I travelled to Cocos for some important face-to-face engagements, including with the Emergency Management Committee and local government agency representatives, as well as community stakeholders.

Parks Australia has finalised the draft management plans for the Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Island Marine Parks, and is opening them up for public comment.

We are island communities, with deep connections to the ocean that helps sustain us and respect for the hundreds of species endemic to our extraordinary part of the world. I hope each of you take the time to make your voices heard on how we can best protect and conserve them over the next decade.

If you would like to find out more about anything in the newsletter or you would like a hardcopy, please contact my office. Let us know if you want us to include your upcoming community event or activity in the newsletter. Stories (including photos) about recent IOT community events are very welcome and can be emailed to IOTAdministrator@infrastructure.gov.au.

Farzian Zainal

Administrator of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Latest News

Supporting the IOT's fishing future



Local voices are continuing to help shape fishing management for Christmas Island (CI) and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (CKI), with the renewal of membership of the CI and CKI Fisheries Advisory Committees (FAC) by Minister for Territories, Kristy McBain.

The FACs were first established two years ago following the introduction of amendments to fisheries legislation, with the aim of providing advice to the

Minister on the administration of fisheries legislation in the IOT.

How much, where and what to sustainably fish in the waters around Christmas Island and the Cocos Islands is a delicate balancing act between meeting the needs of the communities, and protecting the fragile Indian Ocean ecosystem of our region now and for the future.

Membership of the FACs mirrors membership of the Christmas Island Fisheries Management Committee (FMC) and Cocos Marine Care (CMC), ensuring we are bringing local knowledge and expertise to the committees at a time where changing climate and environmental conditions mean that the regulation and management of our marine ecologies have never been more vital.

Due to a successful two years at the helm, the Minister has offered reappointment to the existing chairs of both FACs - Azmi Yon at CI and Aindil Minkom at CKI, both of whose leadership and experience will continue to support the effective running of these committees.

The CI FAC sees reappointment of eight existing members and the appointment of one new member, while the CKI FAC sees reappointment of 11 existing members. This reduces the total membership across the two FACs by five people, in line with the current FMC and CMC memberships.

Thank you to all members for their service over the past two years, and welcome to our new committee member who, along with reappointed members, will continue the important role of providing advice on how to refine and form fisheries management practices over the next two years.

The Australian Government supports the FACs and provides funding to the Shire of Christmas Island and the Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Islands for the delivery of fisheries services to the IOT.

Fact sheets and FAQs on the current fishing management arrangements can be found on the Department's webpage [here](#) for CI and [here](#) for CKI.

For more information, please contact:
IOTfisheries@infrastructure.gov.au

Have your say on the future of our marine parks



Image left: Hawksbill turtle (Rohan Newton). Image right: Coral reef (Justin Gilligan).

Parks Australia is seeking comments on draft management plans for the Christmas Island and Cocos Keeling Islands Marine Parks, and I encourage all of you to read, review and offer your thoughts.

The draft management plans will be open for public comment until 19 September, giving locals a say on how to best protect and manage these unique and special marine areas over the next decade.

The focus of the draft management plans include:

- Protecting, researching and monitoring park habitats and climate change adaptation.
- Community stewardship, by supporting the traditional practices of the local communities and forming of local committees to guide implementation of the plans.
- Implementing the zoning that was co-designed with local communities during the process to create the parks, with large offshore green zones, where fishing isn't allowed, and inshore yellow zones, that enables small scale fishing.
- Management that helps protect park values while simplifying administrative processes for local communities and other park users.

The draft plans have been informed by public comments, science, research and monitoring projects, and were prepared in close consultation with on island community advisory committees, as local communities maintain strong connections to our marine environments and are their main users.

With our marine parks making up 744,070 square kilometres of vibrant coral reefs which sustain over 680 fish species and marine fauna found nowhere else on Earth, the finalisation of these plans will provide clear and effective protection and management for the Christmas Island and Cocos Island Marine Parks for the coming decade.

To have your say on the draft management plans for Christmas Island Marine Park and Cocos (Keeling) Islands Marine Parks, visit <https://consult.dcceew.gov.au/> by 11.30 pm (Eastern Standard Time) 19 September 2024.



Celebrating our community through the ages

This past month has provided opportunities to engage with our community, both young and old, at some great events.

From 22 to 28 July, we celebrated the wisdom and accomplishments of Christmas Island's seniors during the 26th annual Seniors Week, shining a light on the contributions of CI's vibrant over-65s to our lives and our community.

Whether in active retirement, volunteering, working and acting as carers and mentors for younger generations, the contributions of seniors enrich our lives, our homes and our islands.

I was pleased to be able to make some remarks at the opening breakfast on 22 July, kicking off the Shire's week of activities, and enjoyed spending time with people who have been lynchpins of our community for so many years.

Since taking on the role of Administrator, I have been focused on making sure the community is represented on the issues that make a difference in people's daily lives, so events such as these are important opportunities for me to learn and understand what is

most important to the people of the Indian Ocean Territories.

At the beginning of August, I participated in a Health and Wellbeing senior school breakfast and panel discussion at the Christmas Island District High School alongside the Western Australian Director General of Education Ms Lisa Rodgers, Shire Director of Governance, Mr Chris Su, as well as Ms Zoey McMillan, the Community and Stakeholder Engagement Lead for Christmas Island Phosphates.

The breakfast was a fantastic opportunity to discuss the impact of a life of public service, the importance of staying active, and having a voice in the local community with our emerging leaders.

Thank you to everyone who made the breakfast possible, and a particular thank you to Lisa, for making the journey over to Christmas Island, to see first-hand our community, our school and our wonderful students.



Health Speed Dating

The Indian Ocean Territories Health Service had the pleasure of hosting a health speed dating event on Christmas Island as part of the 2024 Seniors Week celebrations, resulting in a morning filled with knowledge, laughter, and connection.

36 seniors gathered at the Poon Saan Hall and the event kicked off with a lively game with Mr. Saw taking the prize. With the ice thoroughly broken, the seniors were divided into five groups, ready to rotate through a series of health stations. Presenters had just 10 minutes to share their expertise, making each session a whirlwind of valuable information.



Left: Health Worker Ratu shared practical advice on reducing fall risks. Middle: Dr. Tina and Megs highlighted the significant impact of poor oral health on the elderly. Right: Dr. Hafiz spoke about the importance of advanced health care planning.

Dr. Hafiz, a locum GP, spoke about the importance of advanced health care planning, emphasising the fact that the clinical staff at the hospital were always available to help develop these essential plans.

Dr. Tina, the new local dentist and her assistant Megs, highlighted the significant impact of poor oral health on the elderly, explaining how it could affect overall well-being. Dr. Tina also outlined the oral health services available on Christmas Island, with each senior receiving a voucher for a free dental check-up and clean.

As a dedicated social worker, Lea introduced herself and her role, highlighting how she can assist seniors and what support and resources she can offer. She also shared mindfulness techniques, providing valuable tips for mental well-being.

Health worker Ratu brought enthusiasm to her session on falls prevention. She shared practical advice on reducing fall risks, such as choosing the right footwear, having regular eye exams, using assistive devices like walking sticks or frames, and getting assessed for home modifications such as handrails.

Medical students Paige and Carlson brought a youthful vibrancy to their session on preventing chronic diseases. They covered a range of topics, from the importance of a healthy diet and regular exercise to staying hydrated, avoiding smoking, limiting alcohol, managing stress, staying socially engaged, getting enough sleep, and taking medications as prescribed.



Left: Social Worker Lea introduced herself and her role and shared mindfulness techniques.

Middle/right: Medical students Paige and Carlson educating seniors on preventing chronic diseases.

As the sessions concluded, the seniors gathered for a delicious morning tea. The room was filled with the sounds of lively conversation and laughter as they networked with each other and the presenters.

Thanks to the hard work of our health workers and presenters, the event was a resounding success. Special thanks also to the Shire of Christmas Island for allowing the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service to be part of Seniors Week. This event not only provided valuable health insights but also strengthened the bonds within our senior community.

Banking Support Review for Cocos

Banking support for remote communities can prove challenging due to the distance from branches, and this issue has been raised with me by residents of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (CKI).

I have been engaging with the Commonwealth Bank to seek options for how locals can better access banking services from Cocos and am pleased that they have agreed to review the support required by Cocos Island residents.

After advocating for the local community, the Commonwealth Bank has agreed to two on-island visits to CKI over the next 12 months, with one expected by the end of 2024.

While the details are still being finalised, this is a fantastic outcome for the residents of Cocos who have been disadvantaged with routine banking access due to their remote location.

I look forward to continuing to work with CBA on timing and logistics and will keep the community updated as we progress these visits over the coming weeks.

Try time in the Territories



National Rugby League (NRL) WA coach, Gethin Thomas was well received during his recent visit to the Indian Ocean Territories in July, with community come-and-try days for league touch and league tag to promote the sport. League touch has been so popular on Christmas Island (CI), it is now played weekly since Gethin's visit.

On CI, 144 students from year groups 2 to 12 participated in activities including the skills of passing, catching, kicking and evasion. On the Cocos (Keeling) Islands, 114 students from pre-primary to year 10 participated in similar sessions. Some students received an NRL-themed pencil case to help promote NRL and increase club registrations.

Gethin also conducted club training sessions which were well attended on both CI and CKI. Participants were taught fundamental skills of the game as well as engaging in modified formats including league touch and league tag.

Footballs were provided to the community clubs to ensure they could be used for training across all age groups. Two coaches on Christmas Island gained their Community Coaching Accreditation for ages 6 to 12 which will benefit local young players. Club volunteers were provided with LeagueSafe shirts to ensure recognition and responsibilities on game day.

The Australian Government funds the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to bring sporting activities to the IOT. These visits would not be successful without on-island support from the IOT Shires and schools and local sports organisations, like the CI Robbers Club.



Nailed it! – New Christmas Island hospital roof progressing

The replacement roof for the Christmas Island hospital is well on its way, with 2,300 square metres of reroofing already completed, and just 700 to go.

Acker has now progressed to the final stage with the aim of installing the hot water system and having the final section of the roof over the community health area of the hospital completed by the end of the year.

We are also progressing the air conditioning replacement.

We will keep the community updated as this essential work on the health service is finalised.

Christmas Island water and wastewater infrastructure upgrades

The Australian Government continues to invest in the water security of Christmas Island, with preparations under way to finalise the Summit tank to Drumsite tank water main replacement, which is critical infrastructure on the Island.

The department recently engaged Water Corporation to complete Stage 2 of the water main replacement project. This project allows for the remaining approximately 1.5km of water main to be replaced and

support the sustainability of the Island's water security. The initial 4 km of the pipeline was successfully commissioned in September 2023.

Another project is taking place where a wastewater main is being realigned away from the rock fall area in the Kampong, with a new alignment along Jalan Pantai. Project works are expected to be undertaken after the wet season in April/May 2025.

The community will be kept informed about these projects as they progress.

Community Bulletins



Number: D19/24. Date: 28 August 2024.

NAME THE NEW COCOS VESSELS

I invite the Cocos community to help name the two new vessels being built by the Australian Government for the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

A new barge, to replace the James Capstan, is currently under construction and due to be completed before the end of 2024. The new back-up ferry and rescue vessel (replacing the RJ Hawke) is also being built, for delivery by the end of 2025.

We are calling on Cocos residents to submit their suggested names for both vessels. We are looking for names which have cultural meaning or historical or environmental significance to the local community.

Please submit your suggested name, and the reason for selecting it, along with your own name and contacts to: IOTAdministrator@infrastructure.gov.au.

Alternatively, you can provide it by hand or mail to the IOT Administration CKI office, PO Box 1051, Lot 348 Morea Crescent West Island CKI WA 6799.

Submissions will close at 5pm, Cocos time on **5 September 2024**.

Please get involved in this opportunity to celebrate what makes Cocos great!

Farzian Zainal
Administrator of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands



Number: D21/24. Date: 2 September 2024.

2025 Public Holidays, Cocos (Keeling) Islands

The following public and bank holidays will be observed on the Cocos (Keeling) Islands during 2025:

- **New Year's Day** - Wednesday, 1 January 2025
- **Australia Day** - Monday, 27 January 2025 (in lieu of Sunday, 26 January 2025)
- **Hari Raya Puasa** - Monday, 31 March 2025*
- **Act of Self Determination Day** - Monday, 7 April 2025 (in lieu of Sunday, 6 April 2025)
- **Good Friday** - Friday, 18 April 2025
- **Easter Monday** - Monday, 21 April 2025
- **ANZAC Day** - Friday, 25 April 2025
- **Hari Raya Haji** - Friday, 6 June 2025* (in lieu of Saturday, 7 June 2025)
- **King's Birthday** - Monday, 9 June 2025
- **Hari Maulaud Nabi** - Friday, 5 September 2025*
- **Christmas Day** - Thursday, 25 December 2025
- **Boxing Day** - Friday, 26 December 2025

**Dates subject to change: The Islamic calendar is based on lunar observation. Although it is possible to estimate with a reasonable degree of accuracy the lunar calendar in advance, the dates will be*

subject to the sighting of the new moon. The above dates may vary by one or two days.

Farzian Zainal
Administrator
Territories of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling)
Islands



Number: D20/24. Date: 2 September 2024.

2025 Public Holidays, Christmas Island

The following public and bank holidays will be observed on Christmas Island during 2025:

- **New Year's Day** - Wednesday, 1 January 2025
- **Australia Day** - Monday, 27 January 2025 (in lieu of Sunday, 26 January 2025)
- **Chinese New Year (Day 1)** - Wednesday, 29 January 2025
- **Chinese New Year (Day 2)** - Thursday, 30 January 2025
- **Labour Day** - Monday, 24 March 2025
- **Hari Raya Puasa** - Monday, 31 March 2025*
- **Good Friday** - Friday, 18 April 2025
- **ANZAC Day** - Friday, 25 April 2025
- **Hari Raya Haji** - Friday, 6 June 2025* (in lieu of Saturday, 7 June 2025)
- **Territory Day** - Monday, 6 October 2025
- **Christmas Day** - Thursday, 25 December 2025
- **Boxing Day** - Friday, 26 December 2025

**Dates subject to change: The Islamic calendar is based on lunar observation. Although it is possible to estimate with a reasonable degree of accuracy the lunar calendar in advance, the dates will be subject to the sighting of the new moon. The above dates may vary by one or two days.*

Farzian Zainal
Administrator
Territories of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling)
Islands



Number: A22/24. Date: 3 September 2024.

WELCOMING OUR CHRISTMAS ISLAND ECONOMIC FUTURE WORKING GROUP

I am pleased to welcome the new members of the Christmas Island Economic Future Working Group, who have put up their hands to help advise on the strategic direction of our island, following the recent expression of interest process.

The Working Group is bringing together individuals from across industry, business and the community with government, to inform and identify practical solutions to the economic challenges facing CI.

The following representatives each bring a wealth of experience and expertise to the table, and showcase the diversity of backgrounds and knowledge that makes up our community. As well as the three community members selected through the EOI, key organisations have also nominated their representatives for this important forum.

- Azli Albashri
- Peter Griggs
- Alex Jansen
- Shire of Christmas Island, *to be advised*
- PRL Managing Director, Lai Ah Hong
- IOT Regional Development Organisation Treasurer, Thomas Battcher
- Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands Parks Manager, Derek Ball
- Christmas Island Business Association Chairperson, Nicholas Gan
- Christmas Island Tourism Association committee member, Patricia Power
- IOT Administration Director, Ian McKendrick

I have no doubt our shared passion for our region, and commitment to its sustainable future will support fruitful outcomes built on collaboration and mutual respect. As Chair of the Committee, I look forward to working closely with the group's members over the coming year, to develop a collective voice on our vision for the future of Christmas Island.

We will meet every two months, with the first meeting anticipated to take place in September and will keep the community updated on the outcomes of our engagements.

Farzian Zainal, Administrator of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Job Opportunities



Australian Government
Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts



Health Service Manager – Christmas Island

Full Time Ongoing Vacancy

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking a motivated, professional and suitably qualified person to join our team as the Health Service Manager (HSM) within the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) based on Christmas Island.

The IOTHS delivers a primary and acute health care service in two of Australia's most remote and most spectacular settings - Christmas Island (CI) and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (CKI). IOTHS includes a 24 hour eight bed hospital and primary care facility on CI and clinics on Home and West Islands in the CKI. The IOTHS is committed to "Working with our communities to keep us healthy for the whole of our lives".

The key responsibilities of the HSM are to:

- Provide clinical leadership and operational management of the IOTHS;

- Develop and maintain a harmonious, multi-disciplinary approach to quality health care in a remote cross-cultural environment;
- Ensure all functions of the IOTHS operate in accordance with governance frameworks and budget allocations;
- Develop, implement and evaluate the strategic direction of the IOTHS in consultation with the Director, IOTA; and
- Ensure the maintenance of accreditation standards across all functions of the IOTHS.

Our ideal candidate will have demonstrated leadership and operational management of a health service or similar function including management and reporting of financial, human, physical and intellectual resources; demonstrated experience in managing and implementing clinical and corporate governance systems, including accreditation standards; a proven ability to establish and maintain positive and productive working relationships with a range of internal and external stakeholders and ensure positive public relations. The candidate will also have a proven ability to lead an organisational culture of customer service, quality health outcomes and continuous improvement.

The successful candidate must be able to obtain a security clearance at Baseline Vetting Level (must be an Australian Citizen), hold a current class C Drivers Licence transferable to the Indian Ocean Territories and valid Western Australian Working with Children Check and be subject to a health assessment.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply for this opportunity, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **109283**.

Applications close 4.00pm (Christmas Island local time), Monday 9 September 2024.



Australian Government
Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts



Practice Manager
Christmas Island
Territory Officer Level 8 (TO8)
Full Time Ongoing Vacancy

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking motivated, professional and suitably qualified persons to join our team as a Practice Manager within the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) based on Christmas Island.

The IOTHS delivers a primary and acute health care service in two of Australia's most remote and most spectacular settings - Christmas Island (CI) and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (CKI). The IOTHS includes a 24 hour eight bed hospital and primary care facility on CI and clinics on Home and West Islands in the CKI. The IOTHS is committed to "Working with our communities to keep us healthy for the whole of our lives".

The key responsibilities of the Practice Manager are to manage and coordinate the General Practice and Visiting Specialist Services to ensure the delivery of advanced primary health care to patients and families. The role has direct supervision of the administration staff and works in collaboration with the medical practitioners to optimise the use of telehealth, specialist referrals and visiting specialist consultations. The role is also responsible for maintaining the general practice manual and quality portfolio associated with The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP).

The successful candidate must be able to obtain a security clearance at Baseline Vetting Level (must be an Australian Citizen), hold a current class C Drivers Licence transferable to the Indian Ocean Territories, valid Western Australian Working with Children Check and be subject to a health assessment.

The successful candidate will have demonstrable recent practice management experience, familiarity with The Royal Australian College of General Practice standards and knowledge and experience in the delivery of primary health care from an administrative perspective.

Further, the successful candidate will have a demonstrated knowledge of, and commitment to,

quality improvement, well-developed communication and analytical skills, familiarity with medical practice software and have highly developed skills in conflict resolution, negotiation and problem solving as well as the ability to manage and develop a high performance team.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **116409**.

Applications close 4.00pm (Christmas Island local time) (CXT) (UTC+7), Monday, 9 September 2024.



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Director of Nursing and Community Health

Christmas Island Full Time Ongoing Vacancy

Package valued in excess of \$200,000 including:

- Base salary of \$136,264 per annum
- Employer contribution to superannuation at 16% of base salary
- District Allowance payable in addition to base salary
- Generous leave entitlements
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth
- Relocation assistance may be provided if relocating to the Territories

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking a motivated, professional and suitably qualified person to join our team as the Director of Nursing and Community Health (DONCH) within the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) based on Christmas Island.

The DONCH is responsible for leading and managing the Nursing and Community Health portfolios within the IOTHS to ensure the delivery of high quality health care services to the Indian Ocean Territories communities, using a multi-disciplinary and culturally

appropriate approach. The DONCH plays a key role in the IOTHS leadership team and is responsible for ensuring the cost effective use of human and material resources within a robust safety and quality framework.

The successful candidate will have advanced clinical care skills and an understanding of Remote Area Nurse competencies specific to small hospitals. In addition, the successful candidate will have a demonstrated commitment to improving health outcomes and experience in the development and delivery of health care using primary health principles and primary health care programs. Further, strong management and leadership skills as well as a sound understanding of human resources and financial management are essential.

To be considered applicants must be Australian citizens and eligible to obtain a security clearance at Baseline Vetting Level, hold current registration as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA), hold a current class C Driver's Licence transferable to the Indian Ocean Territories and be eligible for a valid Western Australian Working with Children Check.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **114978**.

Applications close 4.00pm (Christmas Island local time) (CXT) (UTC+7), Friday, 13 September 2024.



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Registered Nurse Level 2

Christmas Island Ongoing Vacancy – Full time

Package valued in excess of \$148,000 including:

- Base salary of \$88,413 - \$93,935 per annum plus shift penalties

- Employer contribution to superannuation at 16% of base salary
- District Allowance payable in addition to base salary
- Generous leave entitlements
- Relocation assistance and heavily subsidised housing and motor vehicle (including fuel) may be provided if relocating to the Indian Ocean Territories
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth (upon completion of 12 months' continuous service)

Are you looking for an exciting opportunity, adventure and a better quality of life whilst expanding your experience?

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking motivated, professional and suitably qualified persons to join our team as a Registered Nurse Level 2 within the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) based on Christmas Island.

The IOTHS delivers a primary and acute health care service in two of Australia's most remote and most spectacular settings - Christmas Island (CI) and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands (CKI). The IOTHS includes a 24 hour eight bed hospital and primary care facility on CI and clinics on Home and West Islands in the CKI. The IOTHS is committed to "Working with our communities to keep us healthy for the whole of our lives".

The key responsibilities of the Registered Nurse position are to deliver direct, high quality and comprehensive nursing care and individual case management and to act as a professional role model, resource and support for colleagues.

Our ideal applicant is highly motivated, adaptable and willing to be actively involved in health promotion activities. The successful candidate will independently manage one or more health portfolios and be required to participate in a 24/7 roster, including night shift, weekends and public holidays. Potential future opportunities on Cocos (Keeling) Islands is also a possibility.

To be considered, applicants must be currently registered as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA), hold a current class C driver's licence transferable to the

Indian Ocean Territories and a valid Western Australian Working with Children Check.

Nurses with a demonstrated ability to work effectively with people in small/remote and/or regional contexts in a multicultural environment will be well regarded.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **113497**.

Applications close 4.00pm (Christmas Island local time) (CXT) (UTC+7), Friday, 13 September 2024.



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Health Worker - Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Territory Officer Level 3 (TO3)

Ongoing Vacancy – Part Time 0.5FTE

\$60,771 - \$71,101 per annum (pro-rata for part time)

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking a motivated, professional and dedicated person to join our team as a Health Worker within the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) based on the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

You will be a valued member of our health care team, to provide holistic care using a primary health care approach. Your contributions will enhance the quality of life and dignity of those in our care. You will support disability services and assist our seniors to maintain their independence at home and in the community, as well as undertake clinic duties and interpret related activities.

Our ideal candidate will bring strong interpersonal skills and an ability to effectively communicate with staff, community members and their families. We are looking for a reliable team player that can work unsupervised and as a part of a team, while maintaining privacy and confidentiality and utilising

your sound knowledge of Work, Health and Safety requirements.

To be successful in this role, the ideal candidate will bring the following skills and competencies:

- Demonstrated ability to provide high standard individualised care for persons with support needs with limited supervision.
- Demonstrated well developed communication and interpersonal skills including the ability to work and communicate effectively with clients, their families, allied health staff and other professionals.
- Ability to work unsupervised and as a part of a team.
- Experience with maintaining confidentiality and working in sensitive environments.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Work, Health and Safety requirements specific to the required work environment.

To be considered, candidates must be eligible to work in Australia, undergo a Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check, obtain a valid Western Australian Working with Children Check and will be subject to a health assessment.

For further information about this unique and exciting opportunity, please contact Leah Hobbs, Community Health Nurse (CKI), on (08) 9162 6655 or leah.hobbs@infrastructure.gov.au. Reach out to the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **115705** to obtain an application pack and apply.

Applications close 4:00pm Cocos (Keeling) Islands local time, Friday, 20 September 2024.



Australian Government
Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts



Housing Officer CKI – PN 109245
Territory Officer Level 5, Cocos (Keeling)
Islands
Full Time Ongoing Vacancy

Package include:

- Base annual salary of between \$73,062 to \$86,330
- Employer contribution to superannuation at 16% of base salary
- District allowance payable in addition to base salary
- Generous leave entitlements
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking a motivated, professional and suitably qualified person to join our team as the Housing Officer within the Indian Ocean Territories Operations Service (IOTOS) based on the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

The IOTOS is responsible for managing a diverse portfolio of services and infrastructure across the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Christmas Island in the interest of the Commonwealth including Commonwealth owned properties and infrastructure, community services including distribution of licences and permits, justice, fleet, land management and contracts and project management.

The key responsibilities of the Housing Officer is to deliver support to the Operations service stream's property business unit in a timely and effective manner regarding all aspects of managing the IOTA's property portfolio.

Our ideal candidate will have a sound understanding of contemporary housing and property management, and particularly the challenges faced in maintaining properties in a remote tropical environment. Experience working within a procurement framework, coupled with excellent interpersonal, communication, relationship building and consultative skills will also be expected. At the same time, the successful candidate will also have experience with maintaining confidentiality and working in sensitive environments.

Applicants with well-developed computer skills, particularly with the MS suite of programs and asset management systems will be well regarded.

To be considered, applicants must hold a valid drivers licence transferable to the Indian Ocean Territories and be eligible to obtain a security clearance at

Baseline Vetting level (must be an Australian Citizen).
The successful candidate will also be subject to a
health assessment and Nationally Coordinated
Criminal History Check.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply,
please contact the IOT Human Resources Team at
IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position
number **109245**.

**Applications close 4.00pm (Christmas Island local
time) (CXT) (UTC+7), Monday 23 September 2024.**

Community Announcements



**CHRISTMAS ISLAND
ROBBERS RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB INC. AGM**



**RECRUITING
NEW MEMBERS
2025 SEASON**

Thursday 19
September

6:30pm @
VMR Head Quarters

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

- PRESIDENT**
- VICE PRESIDENT**
- SECRETARY**
- TREASURER**
- GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS**
- COACHES**

(CAN BE PUT THROUGH AN ACCREDITED COACHES COURSE)

JOIN NOW

VOLUNTEERING IS SELF-REWARDING AND
CAN PROVIDE A HEALTHY BOOST TO
YOUR SELF-CONFIDENCE, SELF-ESTEEM,
AND LIFE SATISFACTION.

Christmas Island Outdoor Cinema



Volunteers Needed

The outdoor cinema is a 100% volunteer run organisation.

The AGM will be coming up first week of October. In order to function, a minimum of 6 active committee members are required. We are currently down to 2 or 3.

Without minimum numbers, the cinema will not function. If you would like to know more about committee roles, send a message to the cinema or send an email to cioutdoorcinema@gmail.com

Late changes will be posted on the Roundabout Blackboard and [Facebook](#).

Adults \$ 5.00

School aged children 3 to 17 years old \$2.00



Haikyuu! The Dumpster Battle (PG)
Sponsorship available

SATURDAY - 7th September, 7.30pm

Despite a strong field, the Karasuno High volleyball team advances past the preliminary round of the Harutaka tournament in Miyagi prefecture to reach the third round.



Despicable me 4 (PG)

SATURDAY - 14th September, 7.30pm

Gru, Lucy, Margo, Edith, and Agnes welcome a new member to the family, Gru Jr., who is intent on tormenting his dad. Gru faces a new nemesis in Maxime Le Mal and his girlfriend Valentina, and the family is forced to go on the run.



It Ends With Us (M)

SATURDAY - 21st September, 7.30pm

When a woman's first love suddenly reenters her life, her relationship with a charming, but abusive neurosurgeon is upended and she realizes she must learn to rely on her own strength to make an impossible choice for her future

Want to sponsor an upcoming movie?

You will receive 2 free passes, special seating, food platter with your favourite nibbles, drinks of your choice and a public announcement on the evening of the movie. We will advertise your company or individual message in the Islander, Facebook Page, on the world's most remote roundabout and one of the last remaining outdoor Cinema screens. (Your choice of movie and date will be dependent upon availability.)

Volunteers needed for projection, bucket collection and to assist on the Executive Committee.

To become part of this exciting club or enquire about sponsorship, please Email:

cioutdoorcinema@gmail.com

or accounts@cinema.org.cx

Rating information provided by

<http://www.classification.gov.au>.

The Christmas Island Cinema Club is proudly supported by: CiFi, Freightshop, Shire of Christmas Island, Metro Solar and many local sponsors and volunteers.


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