



WANTOK 2014 (MACKAY)

PROGRAM

Friday 28th March to Monday 31st March 2014

CQU Mackay Building 1/G.03 (Cook Lecture Theatre) & Foyer

Program Facilitator/Moderator:	Michael Chapman
Forum Scribe:	Dianna Robinson
Opening & Closing Proceedings	
Host/Master of Ceremonies:	Dennis Bobongie
Session Facilitator:	Darren Fittler, Gilbert & Tobin Lawyers
Session Facilitator:	Robyn Watego
Session Facilitator:	Melina Fakatava
Session Facilitator:	Emelda Davis
Session Facilitator:	Graham Mooney
Session Facilitator:	Tony Watego



DAY 1: SESSIONS 1 - 6
COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING
FRIDAY 28th March 2014

SESSION 1

10:00am - 11:00am

Opening Ceremony

[See separate Opening Ceremony Program.]

11:00am – 11:25am

Morning Tea (screening [Wantok 2013 Brisbane](#))

SESSION 2

11:25 – 12:00pm

“Program introduction and some ground rules for working together”

Session Facilitator: Michael Chapman

Aunty Shireen Malamoo introduces Michael as the Wantok 2014 Facilitator/Moderator.

- Over view of Wantok 2014 Workshop program
- Facilitator/Moderator to set rules for debate and conduct, and obtain attendees agreement
- Facilitator/Moderator to acknowledge community discord and deficiencies in current model, and how, prior to attendees debating these issues, community capacity building can be used to assist in effectively addressing these issues. (NB: no debate on the floor during this session regarding the discordance issues.)
- Group exercise: commence unpacking ‘Kindness’, ‘Respect’, ‘Joy’, ‘Mercy’, ‘Community’ and ‘the Greater Good’.

[See Conference Document: *“Some Ground Rules for Working Together.”*]

SESSION 3

12:00pm - 1:15pm

“Working together to draft a constitution”

Special Guest Facilitator: Darren Fittler, Gilbert & Tobin Lawyers

Moderator: Michael Chapman

- What is a constitution (what does this mean)
- Discussion regarding an unincorporated working committee
- Federation model discussions / insights

1:15pm – 1:30pm

Short break and commencement of lunch service for the Working Lunch.

SESSION 4

1:30pm – 3:30pm

“Working towards an inclusive national representative body”

Special Guest Facilitator: Darren Fittler, Gilbert & Tobin Lawyers

Moderator: Michael Chapman

Working Lunch with G&T Lawyers

- Benefits of a Federation model
- Terms of Reference/Instructions/rules for a national ASSI governance work group

- Governance
- Conflicts of interest
- Copyright of images and stories (oral culture)
- ‘Umbrella insurance’ for affiliate organisations – is this possible?
- Q&A

[See Conference Documents: *“National ASSI Governance Work Group: a proposal for discussion”* and *“Future Visions: A Federation/Ordinary Community Member Model.”*]

3:30pm – 4:00pm

Afternoon Tea

SESSION 5

4:00pm - 5:00pm

“Good Governance and Community Organising”

Facilitator: Michael Chapman

A workshop on the three keys to good governance for community organisations

- Openness
- Transparency
- Accountability

SESSION 6

5:00pm – 6:30/7pm

“Where to now? Motion, Debate and Vote”

Facilitator: Michael Chapman

Consideration of a Motion to dissolve the Wantok 2013 Governance Model, and to work towards developing a better model through further consultation and by instituting a *“National AASI Governance Work Group (‘NASSIG Work Group’)*” to deliver a Constitution for an incorporated association for adoption at the next Wantok.

[See documents: *“DAY 1, SESSION 6: MOTION: A Pathway to an Incorporated Association”* and *“National ASSI Governance Work Group: a proposal for discussion.”*]

6:30/7pm Supper at the Hut / END DAY 1

DAY 2: SESSIONS 7 – 11
COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING
SATURDAY 29th March 2014

SESSION 7

10am – 11:30am

“Reconnecting with History, Family and Community: Welcoming Mackay to the Wantok Communities”

Facilitator: Robyn Watego

- Poem by Veronica Griffin
- Mackay historical information
- Mackay Births Deaths & Marriages archives
- Finding family power point presentation – DATSIMA

11:30 am - 12:00 noon

Morning Tea (screening Wantok 2013 Brisbane)

SESSION 8

12:00 noon – 1:00pm

“Discussion regarding recognition of ASSI Elders and a National Register of ASSI Elders”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Robert Watego

Discussion regarding:

- the value of traditional decision making
- whether a National ASSI Association should institute and keep a Register of ASSI Elders
- consider a major celebration of ASSI Elders to launch the Register and honour existing ASSI Elders

1:00pm – 2:00pm

Lunch service (Phantom Island Screening)

SESSION 9

2:00pm – 3:30pm

“The NASSIG Work Group: Discussion regarding the Terms of Reference, selecting the NASSIG Work Group and interim National Spokesperson(s) and Administration”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Melina Fakatava

A summary of Day 1 followed by discussion regarding:

- the Terms of Reference for the NASSIG Work Group
- selecting members of the NASSIG Work Group to deliver the next Wantok at which a Constitution for an Association will be presented for adoption
- which ASSI organisation will provide administration to assist the NASSIG Work Group
- who will the National Spokesperson(s) (if any) until the next Wantok

[See Conference Document: *“National ASSI Governance Work Group: a proposal for discussion.”*]

3:30pm – 4:00pm

Afternoon Tea

SESSION 10

3:30pm – 5:00pm

“The NASSIG Work Group: Community Capital Building – Identifying community skills, talents and resources”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Graham Mooney (plus Regional Facilitators)

A workshop to identify existing regional community skills, talents and resources.

SESSION 11

5:00pm – 6/6:30pm

“The NASSIG Work Group: Motions regarding the NASSIG Work Group”

Facilitator: Michael Chapman

Consideration of a Motion regarding selection procedures for members of the NASSIG Work Group and the adoption of Terms of Reference for the Group.

Consideration of a Motion regarding interim Spokesperson(s) and Administration.

If the Motion regarding selection procedures for members of the NASSIG Work Group includes a provision to appoint three (3) attendees of Wantok 2014 (Mackay) to the Work Group, an election for these three appointees will take place.

[See Conference Document: *“National ASSI Governance Work Group: a proposal for discussion.”* Motions to be drafted during the course of the day.]

6:30/7pm END DAY 2

DAY 3: SESSIONS 12 – 14
FUTURE VISIONS
SUNDAY 30 March 2014

SESSION 12

10am – 11:30am

“Future Visions: Getting Counted – National Census and Australian Bureau of Statistics”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Emelda Davis

- Report back of meeting with the Australian Bureau of Statistics
- Importance of being included in the National Census
- 2016 Census community education campaign
- 2021 Expansion of Census family heritage question

11:30 am - 12:00 noon

Morning Tea (screening Wantok 2013 Brisbane)

SESSION 13

12:15pm – 1:30pm

“Future Visions: Overview of a Federation/Ordinary Member Governance Model and Discussion”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Melina Fakatava

In light of the community consultation undertaken so far, what a national incorporated association of ASSI organisations and community member could look like.

[See Conference Document: *“Future Visions: A Federation/Ordinary Community Member Model.”*]

1:30pm to 2:30pm

Baked Sunday Lunch (screening Wantok 2012 Bundaberg)

SESSION 14

2:30pm – 3:30pm

“Future Visions: Defining the Criteria for Membership of the Association”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Melina Fakatava

Workshop to identify criteria for membership of the Association.

[See Conference Document: *“Future Visions: A Federation/Ordinary Community Member Model.”*]

3:30pm – 4:00pm

Afternoon Tea service

SESSION 15

4:00pm – 5:30pm

“Future Visions: Structuring the National Council: Defining the Classes of Seats”

Facilitator: Michael Chapman, Robyn Watego and Graham Mooney

Workshop regarding defining the classes of seats on the National Council and possible geographic boundaries of regions.

[See Conference Document: *“Future Visions: A Federation/Ordinary Community Member Model.”*]

SESSION 16

5:30pm – 6.30pm

“Future Visions: Thinking Ahead: Strategic Plan for the Association: Your thoughts”

Facilitator: Michael Chapman and Robert Watego

Workshop and discussion to ascertain topics/needs to be addressed in the Association’s first Strategic Plan.

[See Conference Document: *“Future Visions: A Federation/Ordinary Community Member Model.”*]

6:30/7pm / END DAY 3

DAY 4: SESSIONS 17 – 19

CLOSING BUSINESS

MONDAY 31 March 2014

SESSION 17

10am – 11:30am

“Recap, Questions on Notice and other matters”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Robert Watego

This session addresses any outstanding matters and replies to questions taken on notice during the course of the conference.

11:30 am - 12:00 noon

Morning Tea (screening?)

SESSION 18

12pm – 1:30pm

“The NASSIG Work Group: Organising the next Wantok”

Facilitators: Michael Chapman and Melina Fakatava

Exploring ideas on delivering the next Wantok.

1:30pm – 2:30pm

Lunch

SESSION 19

1:30pm – 2pm

“Closing”

Host: Dennis Bobongie

2pm End of Conference