

## PCYC NSW INDIGENOUS YOUTH MEMBERSHIP AND PROGRAM ATTENDANCE DATA

Indigenous membership data as at 12/06/2020

PCYC NSW has a current Indigenous membership in our clubs of 5246 (approximately 5.6 % of our total membership base).



The highest rates of junior Indigenous membership in our **metropolitan** clubs:



in **regional** clubs:



**Term 3 2018- Term 4 2019 Fit Program Indigenous data**

Programs run since the RISEUP launch on the 8th August 2018: **230**

**Fit Together** programs run since January 1, 2019: **33**

- Overall Fit Program participants up to end of 2019 (excluding Fit For Life): **3357**
- ATSI participants overall: **1575 (46.9%** of overall participants)
- ATSI Male Participants overall: **1029**
- ATSI: Female Participants overall: **546**

**Fit For Life**

- Fit For Life Participants to date: **4884**
- ATSI Participants: **1955 (40%** of overall Fit For Life participants)
- ATSI Male Participants: **1285**
- ATSI Female Participants: **670**

**Employment**

- ATSI total gained employment: **58**
- ATSI retained employment: **45**
- ATSI have not retained employment: **13**

**Retained employed**

- Male: **27**
- Female: **18**
  
- Apprenticeship: **7**
- Traineeship: **3**
- Full-Time: **5**
- Part-Time: **5**
- Casual: **25**

The apprenticeships were in Carpentry, Green keeping, Mechanic, Roof tiling, and Metal Fabricator. The traineeships were in Banking and Finance, Factory hand, and Labourer. Several young people have been employed by PCYC as activities officers.

## Term 1 2020 Fit Program Data

Please note that the Term 1 2020 figures are interim and to be confirmed. Due to the impact of COVID 19 our data collection is incomplete and needs to be audited and updated.

- Of **119** participants in our Term 1 2020 **Fit Programs** approximately **64.7%** identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- **42%** ( n=**788**) of **Fit for Life** participants identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander

## Examples of Indigenous Youth Achievements

### Walgett PCYC – Work and Development Order



A young Aboriginal male with the highest level of outstanding police issue fines was engaged in Work and Development Order. Youth Case Managers spent months trying to engage the young person before he finally came into PCYC looking for help and wanting to better his situation.

### Fit Together Bulli – Traditional bark canoe



Cultural revival is a priority for many Aboriginal communities and the Aboriginal Bark Canoe Project is a vehicle to engage local communities and build relationships in the promotion of boating safety. The Project was successfully piloted during NAIDOC week in July 2018. Youth Case Managers from Bulli and Wollongong PCYC conducted the Fit Together program which is aimed at engaging young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth. During the program police partner with local elders and Transport for NSW (Maritime) in a project to build a traditional Aboriginal Bark Canoe. The young people and mentors created the canoe, which was later presented to Commissioner Fuller and now sits in Police Headquarters in Parramatta. The presentation consisted of a traditional smoking ceremony and Aboriginal dance group.

### South Sydney PCYC – Fit Together Term 4 2019



Completing education goals, promoting connection to culture, programs, sport and employment pathways through the Rise Up strategy is what the Fit Together program seeks to encourage youth to do. In term 4 2020 PCYC South Sydney ran Fit Together. 7 of the young people proudly graduated from Year 12. Some of the young people ended up being mentors on the Tribal Warrior program also run from PCYC. One of the young people moved from Narrandera where he had no opportunity to engage in sport and now trains most afternoons in football and boxing.

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### Fit Together – Cowra



In August 2019 Fit Together was run at Cowra PCYC. The participants worked on and submitted a design for PCYC's new outdoor space and Indigenous garden. The garden was designed with a goanna shaped pond in the middle. The young people's imagination saw a garden representing the shape of a goanna, which is held high as a totem for Wiradjuri people.

## PCYC NSW Indigenous focused programs

The below figures are based on the best available data from **2019** as the COVID 19 pandemic has impacted on the collection of 2020 data due to closures of clubs across NSW.

- **SAY Patrol**; Taree, Kempsey, Bourke & Newcastle: average participation **135** per week
- **REAL Program**; Taree, Walgett: average participation **69** per week
- **Get Fit @ PCYC**; Taree: average participation **95** per week
- **Moree East Program** (primary school); average participation **100** per week
- **Saturday Night Program**, Moree; average participation **20** per week
- **Weekday drop in** Bourke; average participation **20** per week
- **Reading Program**, Bourke, average participation **30** per week (school terms)
- **Friday Night We're Alright**, Walgett; average participation **30** per week
- **Boys Program**, Walgett; average participation **15** per week
- **Friday Night Program**, Dubbo; average participation **80** per week
- **The Vision Program**, Broken Hill; average participation **11** per week
- **Thursday Night Program**, Broken Hill, average participation **20** per week

Total average weekly participation rate across above programs = **625**



## Nations of Origin

- A three-day sporting carnival celebrating indigenous culture and engagement of young indigenous men and women
- ↑1500 young men and women participated in Basketball, Netball, Football Fives and Rugby League