



## NANT 2013/2014 Newsletter

28 September 2013 to 30 June 2014

# Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc

First of all we would like to thank all general members, past committee executives since 2007, volunteers and who supported and trusted us to handle the responsible position of NANT committee for 2013/2014.

We have experienced more than expected during this second quarter.

Our major strength were the current team, Coordinators and volunteers who have contributed their time and energy to shape up NANT in this new dimension.

Following were the activities and achievement that NANT have achieved during our journey since 27th September 2013 to 30 June 2014(second Quarter)

### SGM NANT 2013/2014

For NANT Constitution amendment/review and fill vacant position

1. 28 September 2014

Adjunct due to lack of participation

2. 5 October 2013

Successful and formed Constitution review team

3. 13 April 2014

Passed the NANT constitution for 2014 onwards. Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc held SGM on 13 April 2014 at Filipino Community Centre and completed the committee for 2013/2014

Chairperson: Nitesh Raj Pant

Vice Chairperson/PRO: Nirajan Pokharel

Secretary: Yadab G.C

Treasurer: Shivaji Khaniya

Members:

Hem Bahadur Pun

Niraj Gurung

Hari Khadka

Dinesh Pandey

Secretary Womens Affairs: Bandana Koirala

Outgoing President: Radeep Thapa

### Coordinators:

NANT-NRN Coordinator Niraj Gurung

Help Nepal: Shambhu Kandel



From Left Hem Pun, Shivaji Khaniya, Rajesh Budathoki Manoj Dhungana, Yadab G.C, Nirajan Pokharel, Nitesh Raj Pant during SGM 5 October 2014

### Dashain 2070, 5 October 2013

Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc celebrated Dashain 2070 at Filipino Community Hall..



Performers during the event were Shraddha Baral, Yashoda Dhakal Aryal, Subhadra K.C, Anil Giri, Rakesh Shrestha, Bibek Luitel.

Food Stall holder: NANT F & B Team Samir Adhikari, Suman Giri, Prabeg Shrestha, Alina Shrestha, Pramod Kharel.

NANT Band members Firoj Rana, Dhan Gurung, Sebak Raj Subedi, Sunil Shrestha and Priya Dhungana have performed extraordinary.





## Parliament House Reception to NANT 2014

The Office of Chief Minister Office of Multicultural Affairs had invited NANT management Committee 2013/2014 for the parliament house reception. NANT Band, NANT Coordinators and NANT Team together attended the reception and represented Nepalese community living in Darwin. Chief Minister of the Northern Territory Hon Adam Graham Giles, Multicultural Minister Hon Peter Donald Styles, Ministerial Advisor Community Engagement Officer Linda Fazldeen, CEO MCNT Joe DeLuca and MCNT Program Manager Ron Mitchell were also present during the reception.



Nepalese Association of Northern Territory would like to thank Office of Multicultural affairs for the support and encouragement.

NANT Band members, F & B coordinator, NANT 2013/2014 Management team had an opportunity to present NANT future plans and ideas to the Hon Minister's to promote Nepalese activities and engage more communities to be a part and enjoy the diversity together.



Media (Photography): Amit (Dark) Parajuli  
 Media(Photography/Graphic):Sanjit Gurung  
 Student: Rupa Pandey  
 Student: Yashoda Dhakal Aryal  
 Student: Dhan Kumar Gurung  
 F&B: Samir Adhikari, Suman Giri,Prabed  
 Shrestha, Alina Shrestha,Pramod Kharel

### NANT BAND

Firoj Rana, Dhan Gurung, Sebak Raj Subedi  
 Sunil Shrestha, Priya Dhungana,



Tihar festival was celebrated at Darwin Community Arts with the documentary presentation about the festival.

Chief Guest for the event Multicultural Minister Hon Peter Styles.



All sports personals and volunteers of Nepalese Association was acknowledged during the event and the certificate was handed over by the minister.



NDUFC also inaugurated their dress during the event.Nepalese Darwin United Football club members are very active participants on NANT sporting events which holds every year during the month of July & August. Team participates in the interstate games too to represent NANT.

## Tihar 2070 Celebration on 2 November 2013







NANT members really enjoyed the event and would like to thank Multicultural Minister Hon Peter Styles for his valuable time contribution to meet our NANT members and providing opportunity to all to take photos for the memories.



## Charity Concert Casuarina 7 Dec 2013

Charity Concert organised by Multicultural Youth NT, Indonesian Student Association in association with Red Cross to support Typhoon Victims in Philippine. Event was absolutely great.



Our Big Thanks goes to NANT Band Team members and all supporters who joined together to support the event and our performers.



Thank you Priya Dhungana & Firoj Rana for your great Performance.



NANT Band practice throughout the year at Darwin Community Arts at Chamber Crescent Malak NT 0812.

## Lhoshhar Celebration 2013

Gurung (Tamu) Community of Darwin had celebrated Tamu Lhoshhar on 28 december 2013 which was great success.



Nepalese Association of NT assisted and participated during the event and looking forward to work together for upcoming future events too.

NANT Band performed live music and talented performers also presented the traditional Nepalese dances.



Darwin Community Arts Supported NANT by providing the event venue at Chamber Crescent Theater Malak.



## NANT New Year 2014 Dance Party

NANT organised New Year Dance party on 12 January 2014 at Duck Nuts Bar at Darwin City. It was successful with the participation of music lovers and fun lovers members.

## NANT Tennis Tournament 2014

NANT organised tennis tournament for tennis lover members of NANT on 18,19,25 January 2014 which was another major successful event of NANT.

Winner Bijay Bhusal & Hari Bhattarai



Nirajan Pokharel, Radeep Thapa, Bijay Bhusal, Nitesh Raj Pant





## NANT Youth Talent Show 2013/2014

NANT was successful to secure Youth Vibe Grant 2013/2014 from Office of Youth Affairs and organised the Youth Talent event on Sunday 26 January 2014 at Darwin Community Arts Chamber Crescent Theatre.



NANT also started Youtube Channel and uploaded the highlight of the event and parents interview.



## NANT Holi Celebration



Students celebrated Holi Festival during the Nepali Language Class on 16 March 2014.

Nepali Language and Culture class has become one of the popular project of NANT where not only students but their parents also participate in a weekly basis at casuarina library Sunday 4 to 6 PM.

## NANT Nepali Language & Culture Class 2013/2014



NANT received Cultural & Linguistic Award 2013/2014 funding from Department of the Chief Minister, Office of Multicultural Affairs till 30 June 2014.



This project is the milestone in the initiation of Nepalese Language and Culture project in Darwin for Nepalese future generation.



NANT would like to acknowledge Associate Professor Dhan Parsad Pandit and Associate Professor Nirmala Dhungana for the video session during this first class on 2 February 2014 also Sagun Dhungana for technical support and proudly thank Ms Shraddha Baral Ray for wonderful performance during the project period and her commitment for taking the responsible step to successfully accomplishing the project.



NANT also would like to acknowledge all the parents who beside their busy schedule managed to bring their children to benefit from this sessions and would like to appreciate their

## Interstate Sports Tournament 2013

Nepalese Recreational Club (NRC) had organised interstate sports tournament held in Sydney from 27 – 29 of December 2013 has been completed with great success. Competitions were held in Golf, Tennis, Badminton and Table Tennis. NANT members Bijay Bhusal represented NANT and participated in the Tennis Tournament.

Tennis: The tournament was held across two days Friday 27 and Saturday 28 December 2013 at North Ryde RSL Youth Club and Strathfield Sports Club Tennis courts. A total of 16 players from NT, QLD, VIC and NSW participated. This tournament was coordinated by Mr. Bishnu Hamal and Dil Kumar Bharti.



Nepalese Association of NT would like to thank Bijay Bhusal for representing NANT and NRC for providing the opportunity.

## MIT Cup Football Melbourne 8 & 9 March 2014

Yeti FC had organised MIT CUP 9-A Side National Tournament in Melbourne Australia. NANT Sports Coordinator & NDUFC Founder member Hem Pun coordinated the event and successfully attended the event.

To encourage sports participants family of the participants and NANT Chairperson Nitesh Raj Pant & Secretary Yadab GC voluntarily attended the event.



Participants who went to Melbourne were Ajay Gurung, Bishal Gurung, Ganesh Gurung, Sanjay Gurung, Pursotam Bista, Dhurba karki, Deeperson Chhetri, Zenith Malla, Ashok Adhikari, Niranjana Banjade, Saroj Dahal, Rajendra Wosti, Nirajan Basnet, Dinesh Thapa.

NANT, Hamro Interactive Media and NRNA-NT also generously supported the NDUFC to participate in the event.





Also Language & Culture Coordinator Shraddha Baral appreciated the students with providing the gifts to students of the month.

## Nepali New Year 2071

**Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc**

**celebrating**  
**HAPPY NEW YEAR 2071**  
SUNDAY 13 APRIL 2014

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**Nepalese Authentic food**  
**Nepalese Cultural performance**  
Peace Ritual by Monk "Bhanta ALOK"

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**NEPALESE ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN TERRITORY INC**  
WELCOMING ALL TO ENJOY NEPALI CULTURAL SHOW AND SPECIAL PERFORMANCE BY NANT BAND

Venue: Filipino Community Centre  
Amy Johnson Ave, Marrara NT 0812  
Gate open: 4PM  
Special General Meeting of NANT: 5PM to 6PM  
Event 6:30PM to 11:30PM  
Date: Sunday 13 April 2014

**SUPPORTERS**  
Australia, DCA, ICF, HAL, MARRA, SILK AIR, POKHAREL ASSOCIATES, nidea, NEPALI VISION, NEPALI TIMES, नेपालीपत्र

Nepali New Year Event was proudly Sponsored by Northern Territory Government and our Annual Sponsors. NANT would like to acknowledge all.



Nepali new Year 2071 was welcomed with the peace enchantment by the Buddhist Monk Bhanta Alok, initiated by NANT member Niraj Gurung

overwhelming support in this project.

Now, we need all Nepalese community support to keep this project running for 2014/2015.

## RITU Nepali Movie Show

**Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc Proudly Screening**

**RITU**  
WITH LOVE FROM AUSTRALIA  
DIRECTED BY WANG ADRIAN

**Ticket Price**  
\$20  
**Current CDU Students**  
\$15

Venue: Mal Nairn Auditorium Charles Darwin University  
Date: 15 March 2014 Time: 5PM gate open, Movie start sharp 6PM

NANT Organised Nepali Movie "RITU" screening to support Nepali Language and Culture project on 15 March 2014.

## NANT Website launch



Multicultural Minister Hon Peter Styles inaugurated the new look of NANT website on the occasion of Nepali New year 2071. Website is maintained and designed by **nidea** and the coordinator is NANT members Dhan Kumar Malla.



## CDU Harmony Day Event



Shraddha Baral Ray represented Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc on Harmony Day 2014 Event organised by CDU today 21 March 2014. We appreciate your contribution towards Nepalese community and are really proud of your talent.

Shraddha has been performing in various event including Darwin Community Arts popular project "My Sister's Kitchen" which is scheduled every month on the last Monday evening. NANT band also contribute their time to participate and keep the representation of Nepalese community to such events in Darwin.





NANT website went online at the Nepali New Year Day 2071 on 13 April 2014 replacing the old webpage.

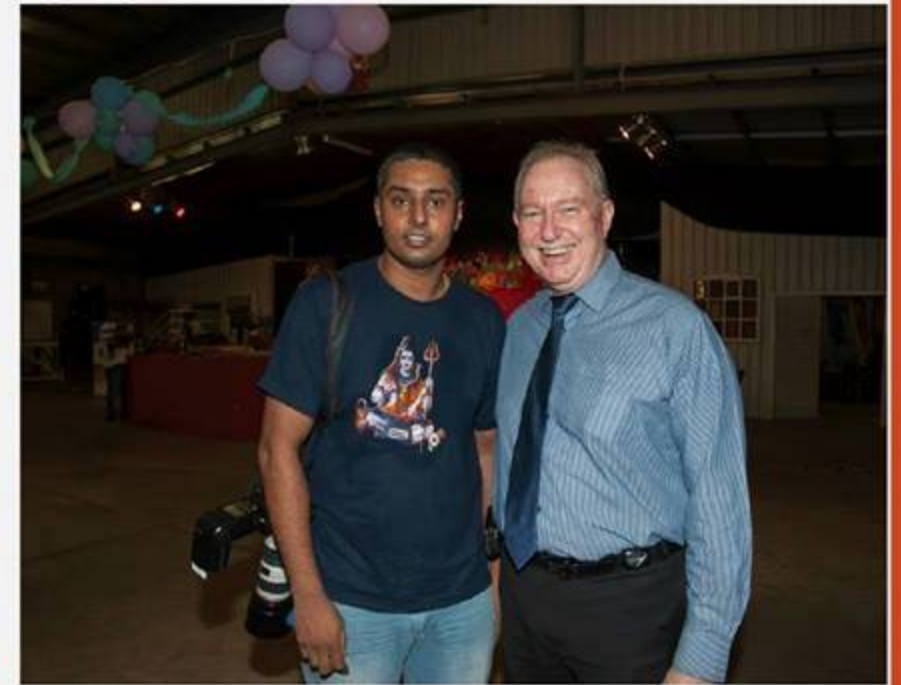


## NANT F & B Team 2013/2014

NANT F & B Team members Prabeg Shrestha, Alina Shrestha, Pramod Kharel, Suman Giri, Samir Adhikari and other volunteers are the valuable NANT members who contribute their time to assist NANT to represent Nepalese community in various events in Darwin.



Amit (Dark) Parajuli and Sanjit Kumar Gurung are the active media coordinators who captures photos and videos of NANT event to keep update members with the highlights of the events.





## NANT Workshop 2014

Buddhist Monk "Bante Alok" attended the workshop for Positive way of living life.



This event was coordinated by NANT-NRNA Coordinator Niraj Gurung and held at Darwin Community Arts Chamber Crescent Theater on 25 April 2014



Guests from Sydney Indra Ban, Daman Koirala, Eva Koirala and Ishwor Bajracharya from Katherine had attended the event.



NANT acknowledged Bante ALOK for wonderful presentation to enlighten our community.

## NANT Radio Team 2014

Nepalese Association of Northern Territory have permanent time slot at Darwin Xtreme Radio 91.5 every Sunday 2 to 3 PM. Multilingual Broadcasting Council of NT have offered free radio training to interested members of NANT. Currently Sarbesh Chitrakar, Sanjit Kumar Gurung and Bibek Luitel is working voluntarily to represent NANT.



NANT Vice Chairperson Nirajan Pokharel have contributed his time to run Nepali program and from 24 April 2014 handed over to New Radio team.

## RAGHAV Movie Show 25 April 2014

'NANT EVENTS FOR APRIL 2014'



Raghav Movie was screened to support NANT Nepali Language & Culture project.



Sarbesh Chitrakar, BP Bhandari, Ujjwal Kandel, Pallav Raj Aryal were the active volunteers of the event.





## Nightcliff Seabreeze 2014



Shraddha Baral Participate in Nightcliff Seabreeze Festival and represented the Nepalese living in Darwin.



## Harmony Soiree 2014

**Darwin Waterfront Harmony Soiree**

Saturday 31 May 2014  
Darwin Waterfront Precinct 4pm - 8:30pm

Join in and celebrate the Territory's great multicultural community at the Darwin Waterfront and enjoy the picnic atmosphere.

There will be activities for everyone! Come and enjoy live entertainment, delicious food and a spectacular fireworks display. Bring your own decorated lantern and be part of the celebration. Prizes will be awarded for the best handmade lantern. Refer to the reverse side for entry information and instructions on how to fold a lantern.

For more information please visit [www.multicultural.nt.gov.au](http://www.multicultural.nt.gov.au)



NANT F & B Team successfully managed the food stall.

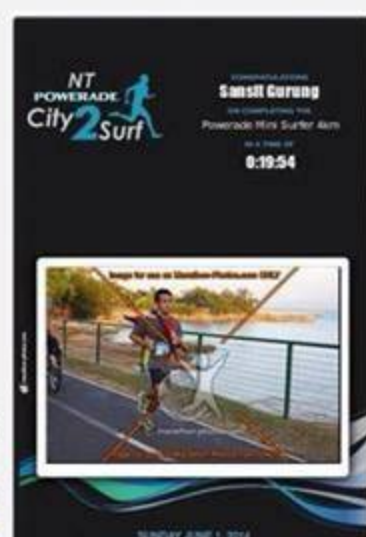


NANT successfully participated in the event with Nepalese dance, Nepalese information stall and Food stall. NANT volunteers contributed their valuable time to make Nepalese presence memorable. NANT acknowledge Office of Multicultural Affairs for providing us an opportunity. NANT participated in 2012/2013 & 2013/2014.



## City2Surf 2014

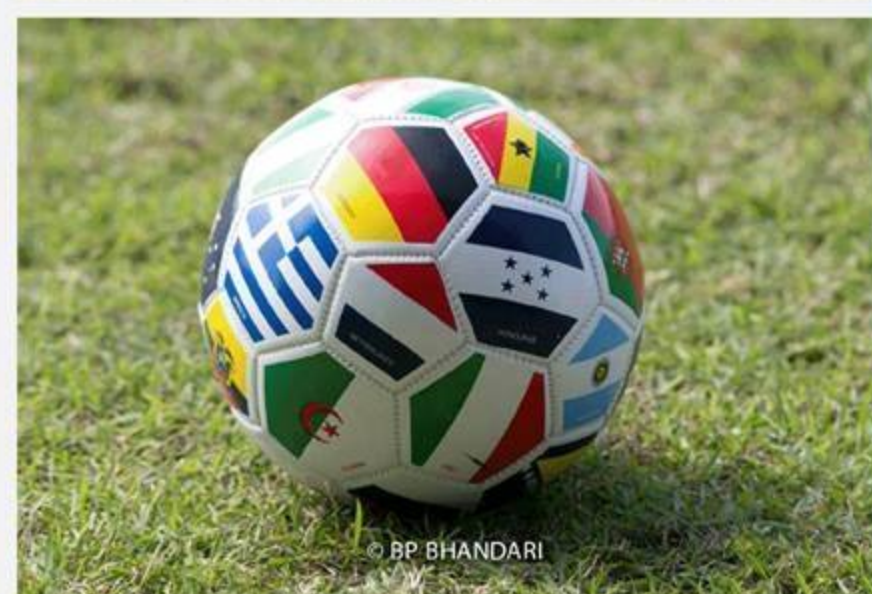
NANT members Chandra Prakash Gurung, Sanjit Kumar Gurung & Janga Gurung represented Nepalese community during City2Surf event 1 June 2014



## Refugee Cup Football



NDUFC represented NANT on Refugee Cup Football on 14 June 2014. Also NANT F & B team held the Nepali Momo stall during the event.



NANT Sports coordinator and NDUFC Founder member Hem Pun had coordinated the event and the participants were Ajay Gurung, Ashok Adhikari, Pursotam Bista, Dhurba Karki, Bishal Gurung, Saroj Dahal, Sanjay Gurung, Santosh Shrestha, Dinesh Thapa, Mann Gurung and Deeperson Chhetri.

Nepalese Darwin United Football Club had also attended 2012/2013 World Refugee Day Football Club and have displayed the professional game this year 2013/2014 too.





**NANT Annual Event  
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## India@ Mindil



Explore the exhilarating world  
of Bollywood dance!

Stalls open at 4:00pm • Program starts at 6:00pm

The Indian Cultural Society would like to thank the Northern Territory Government  
and Mix 104.9FM for their kind support towards the India @ Mindil 2014.

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**NANT F & B Team Food stall**



**NANT Annual Event  
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**NANT Annual Event  
General Sponsor**





## One Off Event Sponsors



## Funding Applied till date

JULY 2013 to June 2014

1. Multicultural Affairs Sponsorship Program
2. Community Benefit Program City Of Palmerston
3. Computer For Community
4. Building Multicultural Communities Program
5. Diversity and Social Cohesion Program
6. Multicultural Affairs Sponsorship Program
7. Cultural and Linguistic Award 2013-2014
8. Youth Engagement Grant Program 2013-2014
9. Quick Response Grant 2013-2014
10. Sport and Recreation Grass Roots Investment Program 2013-2014-NDUFC
11. Our Neighbourhood Community Grant
12. Quick Response Grant 2013-2014
13. Multicultural Affairs Sponsorship Program
14. Multicultural Affairs Sponsorship Program Round 2
15. Palmerston Festival 2013-2014
16. Quick Response Grant MIT Cup 2014
17. Sharing Agreement 2013-2014
18. Air North
19. Jetstar- Flying star

For more details on applied grants till date please contact NANT Team

## Successful Funding outcome

1. NANT Sporting Events (OMA)
2. Computer For Community (DOB)
3. Teej 2070 (OMA)
4. Palmerston Festival 2013 City of Palmerston
5. Dashain 2070 (OMA)
6. Tihar 2070 (OMA)
7. Youth Vibe Grant 2013/2014
8. Nepali New Year 2071 (OMA)
9. Cultural & Linguistic Award 2013/2014

## Major Achievement

1. NANT Constitution 2014 has been successfully submitted to DBO and circulated to NANT Members
2. NANT has successfully accomplished the Cultural & Linguistic Award Grant funded project "Nepali Language & Cultural Class".
3. NANT have Food Business Registration until 30 June 2015.
4. NANT website with support from nidea
5. Financial Audit completed 2012/2013 and 2013/2014 will be completed by July 2014.
6. Participation in MIT Cup 2014, Waterfront Harmony Day, India@Mindil, World Refugee Day, Palmerston Festival etc

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## Message from Chairperson

Dear All,

On behalf of Nepalese Association of Northern Territory Inc, I would like to thank all members, volunteers, coordinators, performers, NANT Band, NANT F & B Team and specially management team 2013/2014 for outstanding encouragement and support during the our term for 2013/2014.

We have achieved a lot in very short period of time and we will continue our strength in future too with similar enthusiasm.

This was not possible without the support from the NT Government, NGO, community organisations, sponsors and well wishers and I am thankful to all past and present management team since NANT establishment 2007, NANT members and Nepalese living in Australia specially Darwin NT.

New Management team for 2014-2016 will commence their duty from 1st July 2014 and we are confident that whatever support we received from the Nepalese community will be provided to upcoming committee as well to encourage them to continue their good work.

It was definitely a wonderful journey and looking forward to contribute to Nepalese community in coming days too.

Thanking you

Sincerely  
Nitesh Raj Pant  
Chairperson  
NANT 2013/2014



## 1. NANT Volunteer Acknowledgement Event

29 June 2014

Venue: Filipino Community Hall or  
Time: 11:00AM onwards  
(Certificate distribution to all volunteers, performers and sportspersons)  
Handover Event to NANT 2014-2016

## 2. NANT Official Handover

1st July 2014

Venue: MCNT  
Time: 5:30PM onwards  
Final Handover & 1st New Committee Meeting

## 3. Movie Night Deckchair

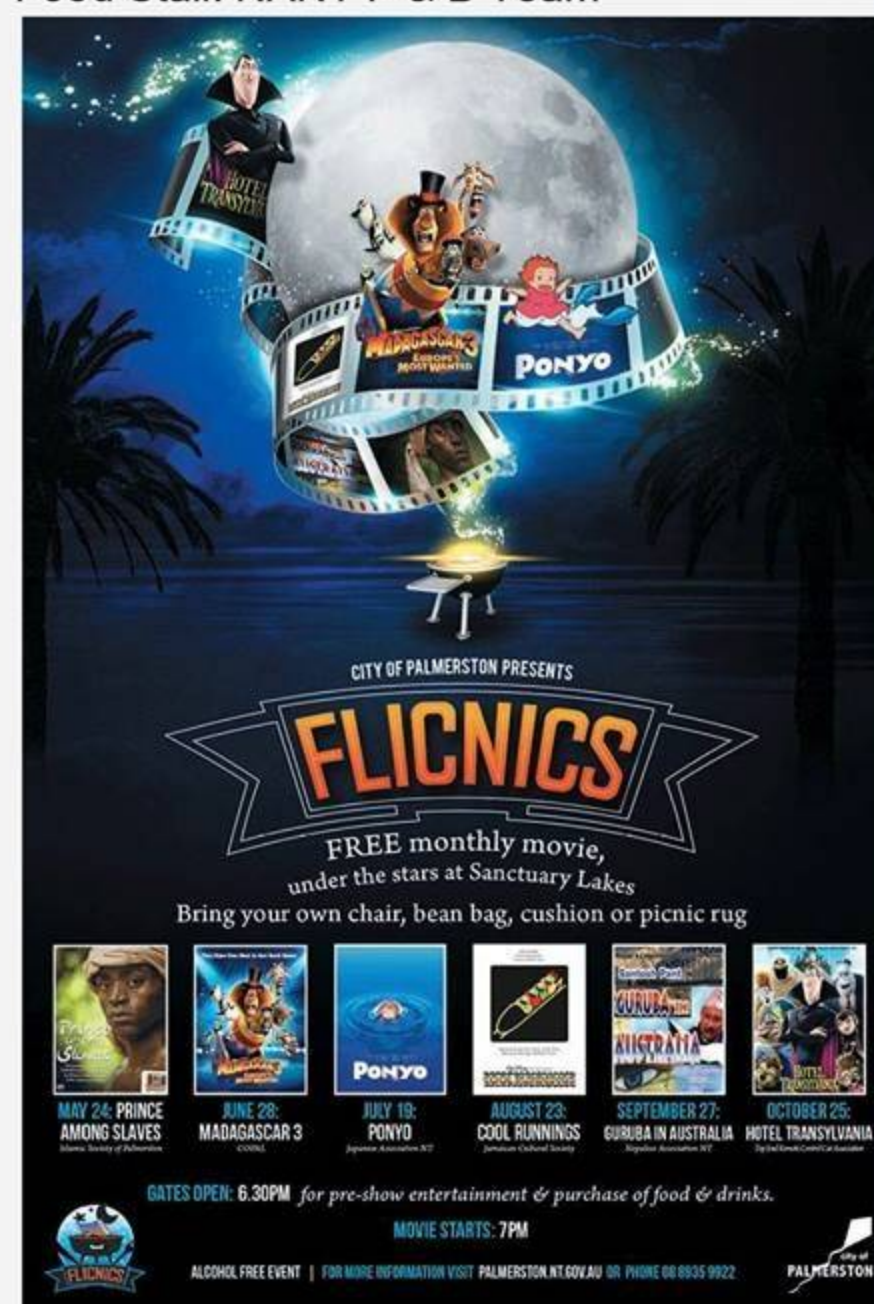
13 August 2014

Venue: Deckchair Cinema  
Time: 6PM onwards  
Charity Movie show by Duke of Edinburgh Awards NT Division

## 4. FlicNics

27 September 2014

Venue: Sanctuary lake Gunn Palmerston  
Time: 6:30PM onwards  
Movie Screening: Guruba In Australia  
Food Stall: NANT F & B Team



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