



# Meet Louise.

**Louise Wellington**

**RAP Committee Member | Business Owner | Cultural Advocate**

Louise joined our RAP Committee in August 2024. She's the owner of **Tin Truck & Associates**, part owner of **Hardy Fencing NT**, a 100% Aboriginal-owned business, and is passionate about cultural connection and change.

Her family comes from Central Australia – the Luritja people of Watarrka (Kings Canyon) and the Warlpiri people of Willowra.

You may have seen Louise in our training videos or around the Support Office on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

Louise has been recognised internationally, and don't get her started on the benefits of fashion and colour coding!





# Meet Marnie.

## Marnie Jones

**Paediatric Occupational Therapist at the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health | Lightning Ridge, NSW | Graduated Calrossy Anglican School, Tamworth - Class of 2016**

"Yalari has shaped my life in every way imaginable - I owe so much to them. The scholarship not only supported my educational growth but also my personal development. Without Yalari, I'm not sure I would have had the courage to ever leave home or pursue university, which has been life-changing for me. Going to boarding school also gave me the opportunity to set an example for my younger siblings, showing them that taking on new challenges can lead to amazing opportunities."







# Meet Rory.

## Rory Vocale

**Surgical Resident at The Royal Melbourne Hospital | Kyabram, VIC |  
Graduated Geelong Grammar School - Class of 2011**

"Yalari provided me with an opportunity to receive an exceptional education at one of Australia's leading boarding schools. This schooling experience allowed me to maximise my academic potential and instilled in me a profound sense of confidence and self-belief as a young Aboriginal man finding his path. That belief empowered me to pursue my lifelong dream of becoming a doctor-an achievement made possible through Yalari's support."





# Meet Jabreeni.

## Jabreeni Fogarty

**Health Promotions Officer at Deadly Choices | Cunnamulla, QLD |  
Graduated Southport School, Gold Coast - Class of 2015**

"Yalari has been integral in shifting narratives about our mob and the achievements we can make. Rarely do you find an organisation that genuinely wants to support you and see you thrive, but Yalari does exactly that."







# Meet Jacob.

## Jacob Nichaloff

**Award winning rapper and songwriter known as J-MILLA | Darwin, NT | Graduated Scotch College, Adelaide - Class of 2015**

"Yalari gave me more than just an education, it gave me opportunities, lifelong friendships, and a deep cultural connection, when I was far from home. It opened doors I never imagined and shaped the person I am today."





# Meet Sadiar.

## Sadiar Foster

**Clinical Naturopath and Founder of Inner Bloom Naturopathics |  
Horn Island, Torres Strait | Graduated St Patrick's College,  
Townsville - Class of 2010**

"The Yalari scholarship didn't just open doors, it helped build a bridge to achieving my dreams. It provided me with the opportunity to learn, grow, and step into a world of possibilities that would have otherwise been out of reach."







# Meet Julia.

## Julia Malamoo

**First Secretary at the Australian Embassy in Thailand | Astonville, NSW | Graduated St Hilda's, Gold Coast - Class of 2014**

"Yalari provided me with an education that I would consider second to none. Just as importantly, Yalari enabled my pursuit of self-discovery, independence and confidence from a young age. Mustering the courage to attend boarding school was the first of many steps in the journey that has delivered me to where I am today.

My Yalari experience was culturally empowering and gave me the confidence to pursue more and more opportunities during and after high school. To this day, I attribute my professional success to the fundamental self-confidence that was nurtured and blossomed during my Yalari journey."







# Meet Jodene.

## Jodene Garstone

**Paralegal - Environment and Planning Team at White and Case |  
Halls Creek, WA | Graduated Geelong Grammar School - Class of  
2016**

"Yalari gave me the ability to want more for my life. There is a saying, 'you never know if you don't ask. This makes sense, but when you come from a small community and your world is even smaller, you don't know what you're allowed to ask. Yalari not only opened the door to many unimaginable opportunities, but it empowered me to ask for and create those opportunities for myself. This is something that I believe every Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander child should have the privilege of experiencing."







# Meet Carla.

## Carla Fisher

**Deputy Mayor of Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council | Cherbourg, QLD | Graduated The Glennie School, Toowoomba - Class of 2011**

"Yalari has been a beacon of hope in my life, providing me with a quality education and introducing me to a world beyond my own. Through boarding school, I discovered a sense of independence and self-reliance that has shaped me into the person I am today. The wisdom of 'it takes a whole community to educate a child' resonates deeply with me, and I'm committed to paying it forward by advocating for the educational rights of our children. Seeing Uncle Waverley Stanley's remarkable achievements has inspired me to make a difference, not just for myself, but for my community and people. Education for our children is one of my passions and I believe it's the key to unlocking a brighter future for our people. Yalari has also given my son the same opportunity that I had. This is something that I am forever grateful for. Yalari doesn't just give you a quality education it is life changing."

