

Young Indigenous Meatworkers Gazette

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Our Worker of the Month – Barry Campbell



Congratulation goes to
**Barry Campbell from Titjikala in
central Australia for receiving the
Worker of the Month Award for April
2010.**

Barry Campbell, aged 22, started work with Rockdale Beef on 11 November 2009 as a **Trainee Packer**, and has remained focused ever since.

Barry is now a **Qualified Slicer** on the Rockdale Beef Boning Floor.

It's not easy to get to this level; even so Barry has made it.

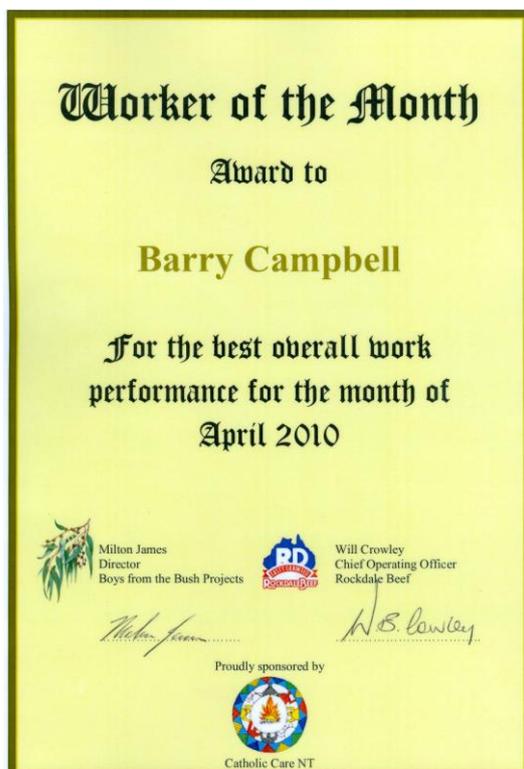
Barry is now earning good money, is highly respect by his work colleagues, and set for a good career in the meat processing industry.



What is also remarkable about Barry is that he and his wife, Christobell, are members of a small group of people who have accepted the reality that real jobs are unlikely to come to communities like Titjikala, for young men like Barry.

If a married or single man wants a real job, rather than live for the rest of his life on CDEP, training courses, or welfare, he must leave his home and community, with or without his family, and relocate to where there are job opportunities. This is a fact of life, and happens all over the world.

Michael, like Barry, could not get a job back home, and like Barry, came to accept the fact that he must move to an area where there are the job opportunities.



If young people are willing to work hard, and commit themselves, the meat processing industry can offer you a good paying job, and a qualification that can set you up for life.

For more information on how to join the Remote Area Work Scheme, contact Milton James on 0429 644 645.

Ali Curung workers going well

Pictured below is Virgil Downs, now aged 18 years old from Ali Curung.



We will soon be celebrating Barry's achievement at a dinner in a restaurant in Wagga Wagga.

Michael Tabuai joins Barry on the boning floor

Pictured below is 19 year old Michael Tabuai working on the Rockdale Beef boning floor with Barry Campbell.

Virgil's supervisor says he is coming along fine. Virgil can be seen here on the bandsaw, cutting up ribs and packing them in boxes



One thing the other fellas don't understand is why Virgil gets to work next to all the girls.



Not all work - for the meat workers

Narrandera is situated on the banks of the Murrumbidgee River; a great place to relax and do a bit of fishing on the weekends.



Jarvis Johnson, now aged 18, is also doing very well.



Or if you like, there is plenty of fun and games when the shows come to town. This is where you will find Anton McMillan – on the dodgem cars.



Jarvis works on the night shift and can be seen here packing high quality meat to be sold all over the world.



Last month we saw the Hot Rod Show come to town. It's interesting how people are drawn to cars that best match their personality and ambition.



Here is Barry Campbell eyeing off something that he thinks would look just fine in his driveway.



Whereas, Virgil is more interested in the American classic – the Mustang. He is thinking of buying one of these beauties one day and showing it off back home as evidence of what the good life is all about.

Jarvis on the other hand sees himself driving something much bigger; with more room for all his girlfriends.



RAWS has zero tolerance of drug and alcohol

Whereas, Anton likes to put on a bit of show with something that has more grunt and good vibrations.



From the Editor

The Boys from the Bush Projects owes its existence to Milton James, who's vision and dedication to changing the lot of young indigenous people, knows no bounds. Milton with the strong support of his wife Soad and daughter Jacqueline has built this project into a strong and viable example of what can be accomplished with wisdom, determination, and sheer grit. The sponsors, committee and Rockdale Beef share Milton's vision and determination to ensure the success and growth of this project. The stories in this Gazette are a small reflection of lives being changed for generations into the future. I encourage you to reflect upon the significance of that change and how you can build this new world with the Boys from the Bush Projects.

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**EDUCATIONAL SECTION FOR RAWS'
WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

**Crumbed chicken drumsticks and
hot chips**

How many teaspoons of fat are in this lunch?



**Look at the next page for the answer in
teaspoons of fat**

This lunch is very high in fat (10 ½ teaspoons of fat).

Both the chips and the crumbed chicken are fatty because they have been deep fried in oil.

This lunch is low in fibre and will not keep you full for very long.



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