



# Leaders in Aboriginal Tourism

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## CAE CHATTER April May 2010

### CAENT NEWS

Hi and welcome to our 3rd issue of CAE Chatter. We've had a great response to our last issue and have lots more news to share with you for this one. Enjoy. We have a new free call phone number **1800 011 144** for all Australian enquiries. International enquiries contact us on **+61889520405**.

#### Rainbow Valley Tours accreditation

Through the Tourism NT mentoring program Rainbow valley Cultural Tours has recently and successfully obtained accreditation for ATAP, as well as advanced ECO accreditation. ATAP is the Australian Tourism Accreditation Program. This is a significant accreditation, and as a result means that customers of Rainbow Valley Tours can be rest assured the business utilizes eco friendly practices and procedures. [www.rainbowvalleyculturaltours.com](http://www.rainbowvalleyculturaltours.com)

#### Red Centre campaign

Tourism NT recently launched its 'Get CeNTred' campaign promoting the fabulous sights and adventures to be had in the Northern Territory. For more information about our operators and what they have to offer in Central Australia go to [www.travelnt.com](http://www.travelnt.com) and click on Alice Springs in the Destinations – travel guide section on the right.

#### Arlpwe Ali Curung Cultural Dance Festival

For a great weekend of activities and entertainment, why not get out to the Arlpwe Ali Curung Cultural dance Festival on the 3rd – 4th July. There will be a woomera spear throwing competition, a fire making competition with boomerangs, and traditional men's and women's dancing. There will also be a sports carnival, and a host of art, craft and bush tucker demonstrations are on offer at the community owned art gallery. At night there will be great entertainment with live bands and film screenings. Food and drinks will be available. Email: [bookings@caent.com.au](mailto:bookings@caent.com.au) for more information or visit [www.australianaboriginalartgallery.com.au](http://www.australianaboriginalartgallery.com.au)



Arlpwe Ali Curung Cultural Centre



## PROFILES

CAENT represents 13 different local Indigenous tourism operators. In each issue of CAE Chatter we will focus on a selection of these partners to give you a snapshot of the fantastic tourism opportunities on offer in Central Australia.

### Kurrparru Tours

Kurrparru Tours is owned and operated by Micah Laughton, a traditional custodian of the Watarrka area. The cultural tours conducted around the amazing Kings Canyon Rim and the Kings Creek Walk offer visitors the chance to learn the culture of the Luritja people, their bush tucker and their creation stories. The stunning canyons and wildlife of this ancient landscape will take your breath away, and the teachings of Micah and his team will open your eyes to the cultural significance of this ancient landscape.

[www.kurrparrutours.com.au](http://www.kurrparrutours.com.au)



### Wallace Rockhole Tourist Park

Wallace Rockhole is a Western Aranda Aboriginal Community, located along the James Range, and founded in 1973 as an outstation of the Hermannsburg Mission. From here day trips are available to West Macdonnell Ranges, Hermannsburg, and Palm Valley. Visitors are invited to camp or stay in the cabins in the tourist park, and experience the traditions of the aboriginal people of this region – bush tucker and medicines, ancient rock art and breathtaking scenery.

[www.wallacerockholetours.com.au](http://www.wallacerockholetours.com.au)



## WHAT'S AHEAD

### ATE – AUSTRALIAN TOURISM EXCHANGE

The ATE trade show is being held in Adelaide in June. CAENT will be there on the Tourism NT stand – and agents also have the chance to meet some of our Indigenous tour operators. Representatives from Jungala Tours, RT Tours and Rainbow Valley Cultural Tours will be at the booth to promote their ventures and answer questions.



Central Aboriginal Experiences (CAENT) is part of the Australian Government's Emerging Indigenous Entrepreneurs Initiative. In conjunction with Tourism NT, it aims to develop and expand the capabilities of Aboriginal cultural touring, through project management and establishment of Indigenous Tourism hubs in Alice Springs, Darwin & Nhulunbuy. CAENT thanks our partners - the Australian Government, and Tourism NT, for their support.

