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Welcome Message

Welcome to the latest edition of my newsletter!

September was a very busy month here in the Indian Ocean Territories, and October promises more of the same.

We've recently celebrated one of the most anticipated events of the year on Christmas Island – Territory Week.

This celebration of our identity, culture, and community spirit is only possible thanks to the tireless efforts of the Shire, local businesses, community groups, volunteers and residents. I extend my thanks to everyone who was involved in bringing this important week to life. It's a powerful reflection of the pride we hold in Christmas Island, and the strength of our community.

I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the changing seasons and importance of preparation. With the wet season fast approaching, I strongly encourage all residents to begin checking emergency kits and staying informed through local alerts, including the IOT News Facebook page. Preparedness is a shared responsibility, and

together we can ensure the safety and resilience of our island communities.

I have some key engagements coming up next month, with travel to Canberra in early November to meet with the Minister for Territories and a number of her ministerial colleagues as well as to participate in the Regional Development Australia (RDA) Forum, which brings together representatives from all 50 RDA organisations across Australia. These engagements provide a valuable opportunity to discuss our priorities and explore new pathways for economic development for our local communities.

After the meetings in Canberra, I'll also be visiting Norfolk Island to continue engaging and working with Administrator George Plant on shared issues and priorities, such as emergency management and waste removal in Australia's remote external territories. I look forward to meeting with stakeholders and community members from Australia's other remote, external territory, and to sharing insights with them.

On the way home, I'll spend a few days in Perth to meet with WA agencies, both during and after the annual IOT Service Delivery Agreement (SDA) collaboration event. These meetings will help to support and strengthen service delivery tailored to the distinct needs of Christmas Island and the Cocos Islands.

This month we will be welcoming the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry to the IOT, to engage with stakeholders on H5N1 Avian Influenza preparedness and biosecurity planning. You can read more about this important visit and how you can help control potential outbreaks of this virus on our shores in this newsletter.

Also in this newsletter is an important update on the next stage of the Christmas Island Resort site revitalisation, including the appointment of a property manager to market the site for a future eco-friendly development.

If you would like to find out more about anything in the newsletter or you would like a hardcopy, please contact my office. Let us know if you want us to include your upcoming community event or activity in the newsletter. Stories (including photos) about recent IOT community events are very welcome and can be emailed to IOTAdministrator@infrastructure.gov.au.

Farzian Zainal

Administrator of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Latest News

Celebrating Connection and Equality: IWD Accelerate Action Women's Expo on Christmas Island



On Saturday 20 September, more than 150 women gathered at the Rec Centre on Christmas Island to take part in the IWD Accelerate Action Women's Expo, an inspiring evening of connection, creativity, and community advocacy.

The Expo featured a vibrant mix of information stands showcasing services and initiatives designed to support women's wellbeing, empowerment and leadership. Attendees had the opportunity to connect directly with representatives from the Australian Federal Police, breast cancer awareness programs, local businesses and volunteer groups, gaining not only practical information, but also inspiration and resources to help strengthen their roles in the community.

Throughout the evening, four interactive activity stations offered something for everyone. Lin led a calming yoga session, Gail from Ishar Multicultural Women's Health Service hosted a thoughtful Q&A, Sally brought energy and laughter with line dancing, and Arts & Culture CI invited attendees to get creative with an art therapy session.



Dinner was a gourmet build-your-own burger bar, catered by Island Alchemy, offering a delicious and relaxed opportunity to connect. The evening concluded on a lively note, with raffles offering a generous array of prizes, followed by a spirited Zumba session led by Suzane Chan, bringing movement, joy, and celebration to the dance floor, leaving participants uplifted and connected

A heartfelt thank you goes to the organising committee, sponsors, caterers, information stand holders, volunteers, and every attendee who made the evening a success. A special mention to Stephanie Sambell, Stevhnle Nel, Zoey McMillan, Faye Woodward, Lea Pederson and Amy Rossbach for all the tireless work you all put in before, during and after the event. Thank you also to Vicki Carr who was a spectacular MC during the Expo.

This Expo was part of a broader series of activities across the Indian Ocean Territories to honour women's achievements and to advocate for gender equality in our communities. While International Women's Day is marked annually, its values are celebrated year-round through events like this that empower, uplift, and unite.



Update – energy transition for the Indian Ocean Territories

Following a competitive tender process, the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts (the Department) is progressing arrangements to undertake a feasibility study on decarbonising the electricity supply across the Indian Ocean Territories.

The study will look at the options available to generate, store and distribute power in our remote and tropical home, and provide advice about which technologies and energy sources might best supply our future energy needs.

The study will commence with gathering information about how electricity is used on each island, the environmental and community factors that will impact decision-making and gathering the views of key on-island stakeholders. The study will consider current and future electricity usage, including usage by future commercial developments that may contribute to the economic development and prosperity of the islands.

Further information will be shared, including through IOT News on Facebook, once contract arrangements are finalised and to inform the community of opportunities to have a say and be involved in shaping the outcomes of the study. It is important that the data and information collected reflect the conditions, views, voices and values of the islands.

A skilled workforce is essential to any power system and I encourage community members with a mechanical or electrical aptitude and an interest in a career in the power industry to consider applying for the apprenticeship opportunities with Indian Ocean Territories Power Services on Christmas Island.

Unlocking new potential for Christmas Island: Property

Manager appointed for Former Resort Site

The Australian Government has appointed Hotels and Hospitality Group (JLL) as property manager for the former Christmas Island Resort site, marking a significant step toward revitalising one of the Island's most iconic locations.

Following a competitive, rigorous and transparent procurement process, Hotels and Hospitality Group was selected by the Department to showcase and list the 18-hectare beach-front site to new commercial enterprises, including international markets. The manager's appointment reflects the government's commitment to unlocking the site's potential while ensuring responsible stewardship of the surrounding environment.

The former resort site, directly managed by the Australian Government, offers a unique opportunity to raise global recognition of Christmas Island as a premier tourist destination. Future leasing of the site is expected to provide a significant boost to the local economy, supporting jobs, investment and long-term growth.

Expressions of interest will be welcomed from ventures aligned with the island's natural and cultural values, including short-stay accommodation, luxury adventure experiences, and eco-tourism. All future development will be subject to environmental regulation to support the protection of the adjacent marine park and surrounding ecosystems.

Hotels and Hospitality Group will be visiting Christmas Island and inspecting the site from 21-24 October to commence this exciting process.

We will keep the community updated as the expression of interest process is progressed.

Mental Health Month in the IOT: Supporting Wellbeing, Together



October is Mental Health Month, a time to reflect, connect, and take action to support the wellbeing of our communities across the Indian Ocean Territories.

Mental health is something we all share. Whether we're checking in with a neighbour, supporting a friend, or taking time for ourselves, every conversation and connection matters. This year's theme, *"We All Have a Role to Play"*, reminds us that mental health is not just about treatment, it's about belonging, understanding, and care.

This message was also at the heart of **R U OK? Day**, held earlier in September. The day encouraged all Australians to ask a simple but powerful question: *"Are you okay?"*, a reminder that every day is an opportunity to connect and support those who may be struggling with life's challenges. A genuine conversation can make a real difference.

This Mental Health Month, the Indian Ocean Territories Health Service (IOTHS) hosted a health-related stall during Cove Day on Monday 6 October, so community members could drop by and chat with our friendly staff about key health topics, including mental health, physical wellbeing, and available support services.

Whether you're seeking advice, supporting someone else, or curious to learn more, this month is a chance to engage in meaningful conversations that strengthen our community.

Across the IOTs the Australian Government continues to work closely with local services, Shires, and community groups to promote mental wellbeing and ensure support is accessible, respectful, and inclusive.

Let's continue to build communities where mental health is understood, supported, and never faced alone.

Staying Vigilant: Preparing for H5 Bird Flu in the Indian Ocean Territories

This October, the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) and the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications,

Sport and the Arts (DITRDCSA) will visit the Indian Ocean Territories. They will undertake a series of engagement activities and site visits aimed at strengthening local preparedness for H5 bird flu, building on regular bird flu sampling and Parks Australia planning activities.

We are fortunate that the Indian Ocean Territories remain free from H5 bird flu—a serious virus that has caused devastating impacts across the globe. Australia, New Zealand, and the Pacific Islands are currently the only regions in the world that have not been affected.

Globally, H5 bird flu has led to major losses of poultry and mass deaths of wild birds and mammals, affecting over 560 bird species and more than 90 mammal species. A small number of human cases have also been reported overseas, however, the current risk to people remains low.

Because wild birds can carry the virus over long distances, it's essential to stay alert with the spring arrival of migratory shorebirds from the northern hemisphere. An outbreak here would have serious consequences—not only for our precious wild birds, but for our poultry and the wellbeing of our community.

The Australian Government is committed to working closely with key groups across the Territories, including the Christmas Island and Pulu Keeling National Parks and the Shires, to support a coordinated and informed response. These efforts are part of a broader approach to protect the natural values of the region and ensuring the community is supported to respond to any potential outbreak.

While we can't stop the virus from arriving to the islands, we can watch for signs of bird flu. Early detection helps protect wild birds, poultry owners and the community.

If you see multiple sick or dead birds, avoid contact, record what you see and report to the Emergency Animal Disease Hotline on 1800 675 888.

If you've got backyard chooks, it's important to protect them from bird flu. That means keeping them separate from wild birds including feral chickens and making sure wild birds can't get to your chickens' feed or water.

Always wash your hands with soap before and after handling birds or eggs.

Preventing our backyard chooks from roaming and controlling feral chickens can also help to protect the health of our wild birds.

These simple steps go a long way in keeping our birds and our community safe. It's up to all of us to [stay alert and be ready for H5 bird flu](#).

DAFF and DITRDCSA will be on the islands from 17-24 October. The community will be provided further information on local preparedness and response following this visit.



Australian Government

What you need to
know about H5
avian influenza (bird flu)

Be prepared birdflu.gov.au

Authorised by the Australian Government, Canberra

Athletics West Returns to the Indian Ocean Territories

Athletics West Coach Kylie Wheeler recently completed her second successful visit to the Indian Ocean Territories, delivering athletics coaching and community engagement across Christmas and Cocos Islands.

From 26-29 August, Kylie was on Cocos, followed by a visit to Christmas Island from 29 August to 5 September, where she promoted athletics and shared her extensive experience with children, educators and community members.



Participants, including many familiar faces from her previous trip, were welcoming and enthusiastic, embracing the opportunity to run, jump and throw. Kylie worked largely with school children during class time, helping prepare them for upcoming Athletics Carnivals.

She also ran after-school community sessions, offering more in-depth practice and insight into the different track and field events for dedicated participants.

A standout moment was the Stay on Your Feet session with seniors on Christmas Island, which once again proved to be a highlight. The group embraced the competitive spirit of the games, shared plenty of laughs, and stayed active.

Kylie expressed her appreciation for the warm reception and strong community engagement, and is excited about the possibility of returning again to help further develop athletics knowledge and ability across the Territories.

Thanks to Kylie, Athletics West, local community groups, schools and all participants who made this visit such a success. Your energy, enthusiasm and support continue to strengthen athletics in the IOT.

This visit was funded by the Australian Government in partnership with the Western Australian Government, reflecting a shared commitment to supporting healthy, active communities in the Indian Ocean Territories.



Community Bulletins


Fazian Zainal
Administrator of Christmas Island
Administrator of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands



Number: A24/2025. Date: 14 October 2025

Air services transition update

Complimentary baggage, food and beverage



With continuity of essential air services and a smooth transition the Australian Government's priority, Qantas is currently finalising detailed flight planning to commence its services to the Indian Ocean Territories from 3 November 2025. I appreciate that passengers are keen to plan their travel and baggage requirements in advance, so I am pleased to provide this community update with details from Qantas.

Qantas will continue to operate IOT flights from **Terminal 1 (T1) at Perth Airport** during this transition period. I understand that contrary information was communicated to some passengers due to a system issue and that this caused some confusion. I apologise for any uncertainty this has caused.

I am pleased to now confirm that IOT travelers will receive a **complimentary checked baggage allowance of 30kg, plus 7kg carry-on**. Additional baggage (up to 35kg) can be purchased, subject to space availability on each flight. This includes eskies and similar cooler box items. No single piece of baggage can exceed 32kg, and any piece over 23kg may incur a heavy charge at the airport.

Qantas is working to implement a 'priority' baggage system for the IOT routes, where each passenger will receive at least one 'priority' bag, with any excess bags uplifted on the next available service, subject to availability. Additional baggage allowances may apply for Qantas Frequent Flyer and Qantas Club Members.

Qantas will closely monitor baggage uplift and may adjust allowances of flight planning to help prevent repeated offloads.

I can further advise complimentary food and beverages will be offered on IOT flights, including halal and other dietary options. Passengers can request a dietary-required meal via the Qantas website under the 'Manage Booking' section at least 24 hours prior to departure (or 36 hours for Halal meals).

In the initial transition period, passenger flights to the IOT will include a stopover at Port Hedland. This is a temporary measure, and passengers will not disembark during the stop. These interim arrangements will apply for up to 12 months while further regulatory approvals are progressed and equipment is mobilised in the IOT.

I encourage all travelers to view their booking on the Qantas website to check the full terms and conditions of their fare as well as to manage flights incidentals such as additional baggage, meals, and other special requirements.

Qantas is still finalising freight arrangements, including pricing and service details, which will be shared with the community shortly. I will continue to provide updates as more information becomes available.

Qantas has now confirmed that interim freight operations will depart Perth to Christmas Island fortnightly on Fridays, rather than Saturdays as earlier advised. The service will overnight on Cocos Islands on Friday before returning to Perth on Saturday.

I want to thank the community for your continued patience and understanding as we work through the transition to Qantas-operated air services in the Indian Ocean Territories. I assure you the Department continues to work closely with Qantas to support transition and minimise disruptions.

A dedicated Qantas call centre line, which is available on 1300 026 698 between the hours of 8am-7pm Christmas Island time, is available for urgent IOT route enquiries for individual passengers.

For groups, the Group Travel team are available on 13 26 24, while travel agents can contact Qantas Agency Connect on 13 17 11 for assistance with agent bookings. Queries about any Virgin bookings should be directed to its contact centre on 13 67 89.

If you have general questions about the transition process, you can contact IOTairservicetransition@infrastructure.gov.au

These services are vital to life in the Territories, and I remain committed to keeping you informed and supported throughout this transition.

Farzian Zainal, Administrator of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Community Activities



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Join the 2026 Christmas Island Robbers Club Committee!

DATE: Thursday, 16th October 2025
TIME: 6:30pm
LOCATION: VMR Building

Help us deliver an exciting and inclusive rugby league program for children from Pre-Primary to Year 12 on Christmas Island!

What We Offer:

- A well-established, family-friendly club backed by Phosphate Resources Limited Group (PRL Group)
- Strong support from the local school, including field access and opportunities for older children to join the NRL WA Harmony Trip to Perth
- A fun and rewarding way to give back to the community through sport!

Volunteer Benefits:

- Free Online League Safe Course
- Free Coaching Accreditation (via NRL WA)
- Free Club Membership for your children participating in the Junior League Program

Whether you're keen to coach, assist, or help behind the scenes, we welcome you to be part of our team!

Let's make 2026 a fantastic year for our young athletes and the Christmas Island community!

Contact Vanessa - Phone: 0447 688 007 Email: cirobbersrlc@outlook.com

ANZAC DAY 2026 CHRISTMAS ISLAND

DAWN SERVICE COMMITTEE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



If you are interested in joining the organising committee for the 2026 ANZAC Day dawn service, please contact the Office of the Administrator by phone or email before COB November 15, 2025.

Fortnightly planning meetings will begin in early 2026.

iotadministrator@infrastructure.gov.au
(08) 9164 7959

Public Announcements



PROJECT UPDATE: OCTOBER 2025

Welcome to the first Cocos (Keeling) Islands Airfield Upgrade Project Update. These updates will be published every second month, over the life of the project, to keep the local community informed on construction progress and important project information.

Please don't hesitate to contact the project if you have any questions. Please email: info@cki-airfield-upgrade.com

Materials Offloading Facility

- Construction of the Material Offloading Facility (MOF) at Rumah Baru is approximately 70% complete, with 112 metres of structure completed and 34 metres to go.
- Completion is expected in early 2026.
- For the safety of the community and our team, we remind all community members and visitors that the construction area underneath and around the MOF is an exclusion zone and access is strictly prohibited.



MOF Piling Works



Accommodation Camp

- Construction of a 96-person (approximately) accommodation camp to support the project, just north of the West Island township, is scheduled to begin in late 2025, with expected completion in early 2026. The project plans to use its own supply chains/logistics to supply the camp (i.e. workforce waste removal and freight) to limit impacts on the community.

Flights and Sea Freight

- The project recognises the importance of both passenger and freight services to the local community and has sought to minimise impacts to these services during construction.
- For instance, while the project will continue to book seats for the construction workforce on the regular Virgin/Qantas flights throughout construction, the project will also use bespoke charter flights to transport the peak workforce to and from CKI. This will limit the number of commercial seats and air freight capacity being used by the project through the existing provider. These charter flights are planned to commence in late 2026 once the MOF and the accommodation camp are complete.
- While the project will continue to transport cargo via the existing shipping provider (Zentner) for the duration of construction, a standalone shipping provider has also been engaged to limit the amount of project cargo on the existing ship during peak construction. The project is also building the dedicated MOF to limit disruption to existing Rumah Baru wharf operations (such as freight and ferry services) during construction.
- We will continue to monitor our impacts throughout the project.

Local Engagement

- The next round of on-island community consultation is currently being organised. Details will be provided in the Atoll once dates are confirmed.

Timeline

2025	2026	2027/2028
- MOF construction ongoing. - Clearing and establishing area for accommodation camp.	- MOF construction complete. - Accommodation camp complete. - Airfield works commence. - Sydney Highway upgrade works commence.	Airfield works ongoing. Completion expected in 2028.

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Job Opportunities



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Fleet and Administration Officer

Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA)
Christmas Island Territory Officer Level 4
Full Time Ongoing

Looking for a stable role with real benefits? Join IOTA as a Fleet and Administration Officer and make a direct contribution to the Christmas Island community.

About the role

We're looking for someone hands-on, organised, and community-minded to join our Property and Justice Services team as a Fleet and Administration Officer. In this role, you'll take care of IOTA's diverse fleet — from cars and trucks to boats and emergency vehicles — while also supporting the smooth running of our office and court services. Your work will range from coordinating servicing and repairs to assisting with purchasing, finance, and day-to-day enquiries. No two days are the same, it's a role that combines practical problem-solving with office support, offering variety, stability, and the chance to make a real difference for the Christmas Island community.

What's in it for you?

Along with meaningful work, you'll enjoy a generous package that includes:

- Base salary:** \$70,926 – \$82,503 per year
- District allowance of between** \$11,060 **and** \$18,590 per year extra (based on dependent status)
- Superannuation:** 16% employer contribution on base salary
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth**, covering cost of flights for you and your dependents
- Generous leave entitlements**, with 27 days' annual leave accrued annually **plus**

personal leave

- Plus, further benefits of IOTA employment, including flexibility and stability, in a team setting.

Appointment Conditions

To be eligible for this role you will need to meet the following requirements:

- Be an Australian Citizen and able to obtain a Baseline security clearance.
- Hold a valid current manual driver's licence.
- Successfully complete a pre-employment health check.
- Be prepared to take part in any required training, both practical and theoretical.

About you

You don't need to be an expert in everything — what matters most is your willingness to learn, your practical skills with vehicles or administration, and your ability to work well as part of a small community.

Ready to Apply?

For an information pack with details about the role and how to apply, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **109181**.

Applications close at 16:00 (4pm) Christmas Island time (CXT)(UTC+7), Monday, 20 October 2025



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Senior Operations Manager

Territory Executive Level 3 (TE3) – Christmas Island Full Time Ongoing

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking motivated, experienced and suitably qualified persons to join our team as the Senior Operations Manager within the Indian Ocean Territories Operations Service (IOTOS) on Christmas Island.

The IOTOS is responsible for managing a diverse portfolio of services and infrastructure across Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands in the interest of the Commonwealth including Commonwealth owned properties and infrastructure, community services including distribution of licences and permits, justice, fleet, land management and contracts and project management.

The key responsibilities of the Senior Operations Manager are to:

- Manage a team responsible for a diverse operations portfolio across Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands
- Ensure services are delivered efficiently, ethically and in line with legislative and departmental requirements
- Manage the maintenance, upkeep and renewal of building and civil work assets, plant equipment, fleet vehicles, hospital equipment, emergency services and communications equipment,
- Manage and administer land, buildings and housing including heritage and environmental management

Our ideal applicant will have high level project management experience, demonstrated experience in developing and administering contracts, the ability to work as part of a high performing team and have the demonstrated ability to establish and maintain effective client relationships in a complex environment while delivering outcomes.

Applicants who have relevant tertiary qualification or professional experience, experience operating within a State or Federal Government environment and demonstrated ability to live in a small, multi-cultural and remote community will be well regarded.

To be considered, applicants must be eligible to obtain a security clearance at Baseline Vetting Level (must be an Australian citizen), satisfy a Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check, hold a current 'C' class drivers licence transferrable to the Indian Ocean Territories and be subject to a health assessment.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply for this opportunity, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number **109131**.

Applications close 4.00PM (Christmas Island local time) (CXT) (UTC+7), Monday,



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Cleaners – Various Facilities

Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) - Christmas Island
Territory Officer Level 2
Full-time/Part-time Ongoing Vacancies

Are you looking for a stable role with real benefits? IOTA is looking to fill multiple cleaning positions to work across various sites, including public buildings, offices and housing. Join our team and make a direct contribution to the Christmas Island community.

About the role

We are looking for individuals who are hands-on, organised and community-minded to join our team as a cleaner. In this role, you'll provide a high-quality cleaning service across various workplaces and properties owned and/or managed by the Indian Ocean Territories Administration on Christmas Island. Your day-to-day will range from hands on cleaning duties to monitoring and maintaining stock.

What's in it for you?

Along with meaningful work, you'll enjoy a generous package that includes:

- **Base salary:** \$58,594 to \$66,662 per year (pro-rated for part-time employees)
- **District allowance** payable in addition to base salary
- **Superannuation:** 16% employer contribution on base salary
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth
- Generous leave entitlements

Appointment Conditions

To be eligible for this role you will need to meet the following requirements:

- Hold a valid current driver's licence, as this role is required to work across various sites.
- Complete a satisfactory Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check through the IOTA.
- Successfully complete a pre-employment health check.

About you

Our ideal applicant will have a cleaning qualification and / or relevant experience in a similar role as well as a basic knowledge of work health and safety responsibilities. They will have a demonstrated ability to organise time and work priorities efficiently with limited supervision.

Ready to Apply?

For an information pack with details about the roles and how to apply, please contact the IOTA Human Resources Team at IOHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au.

Applications close at 4:00pm Christmas Island local time (CXT)(UTC+7), Monday, 03 November 2025



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Cleaner – Power Service Facilities

Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) - Christmas Island Territory
Officer Level 2

Part-Time Ongoing Vacancy (113567)

Package includes:

- Base annual salary between \$58,594 to \$66,662 (pro-rated for part-time employees)
- Employer contribution to superannuation at 16% of base salary
- District allowance payable in addition to base salary
- Generous leave entitlements

- Generous leave entitlements
- Annual return airfares assistance to Perth

The Indian Ocean Territories Administration (IOTA) is currently seeking a motivated, dedicated and suitably qualified person to join our team as a Cleaner based on Christmas Island.

The Cleaner will primarily be responsible for delivering high quality cleaning services to the offices and staff amenities at the IOTPS Administration/Electrical building and the Power Station on Christmas Island.

Our ideal applicant will have a cleaning qualification and / or relevant experience in a similar role as well as a basic knowledge of work health and safety responsibilities. They will have a demonstrated ability to organise time and work priorities efficiently with limited supervision.

The successful candidate will be experienced in maintaining confidentiality and working in sensitive environments and will have basic written and verbal English language ability.

To be considered, applicants must obtain a satisfactory Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check conducted through the IOTA and must hold a valid C class driver's licence. The successful candidate may also be subject to a health assessment.

For an application pack outlining how you can apply, please contact the IOT Human Resources Team at IOTHRTeam@infrastructure.gov.au and quote position number 113567.

Applications close 4.00PM (Christmas Island local time) (CXT) (UTC+7), Monday, 3 November 2025



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MECHANICAL APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITY
APPLICATIONS OPEN! 4 YEAR APPRENTICESHIP

Exciting 4-Year Mechanical Apprenticeship Opportunity at Christmas Island Power Station

Join the Indian Ocean Territories Power Service (IOTPS) and Indian Ocean Group Training Association (IOGTA) at the Christmas Island Power Station. Work alongside experienced tradespeople in generating and distributing electricity on Christmas and Cocos (Keeling) Islands. Gain hands-on experience while contributing to essential community services.

Our ideal candidate needs to be team oriented, highly motivated and adaptable whilst upholding a safe working environment at all times.

The successful candidate will need to be available to commence in early January 2026.



About the Opportunity:

- ✓ **Hands-On Experience:** Work alongside experienced tradespeople.
- ✓ **Learn and Grow:** Gain skills in inspection, maintenance, repair, and more.
- ✓ **Community Impact:** Contribute to essential services on Christmas Island.

What You'll Do:

- ✓ Inspect and maintain heavy-duty diesel power generators.
- ✓ Learn basic machining and component repair.
- ✓ Participate in major overhauls of diesel generator sets.

Who We're Looking For:

- ✓ **Education:** Completed Year 10 or higher with passes in Mathematics and English.
- ✓ **Interest:** Genuine interest in Engineering and Mechanical trades.
- ✓ **Skills:** Good communication, teamwork, and adaptability.
- ✓ **Experience:** Experience in remote, multicultural environments is a plus.

How to Apply:

1. Write



Write your application expressing your interest and making sure you respond to each of the essential criteria

2. Attach



Attach your resume, copies of any qualifications/licences, your most recent school report, and any other relevant documentation.

3. Submit



Submit your application to IOGTA:
Email: general.manager@iogta.wa.edu.au
Mail: PO Box 431 Christmas Island WA 6798
In person: IOGTA, Old Technical School

Applications closing date Friday, 31st October 2025.

This apprenticeship position is funded by the Australian Government

Community Announcements

Christmas Island Outdoor Cinema

CHRISTMAS ISLAND



Late changes will be posted on the Roundabout Blackboard and [Facebook](#).

Movie ticket \$5.00



The Naked Gun (M)

SATURDAY - 18 October, 7.30pm

Only one man has the particular set of skills - to lead Police Squad and save the world.



Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale (PG)

SATURDAY - 25 October, 7.30pm

When Mary finds herself in a public scandal and the family faces financial trouble, the household grapples with the threat of social disgrace. The Crawleys must embrace change with the next generation leading Downton Abbey into the future.

Want to sponsor an upcoming movie?

You will receive 2 free passes, special seating, food platter with your favourite nibbles, drinks of your choice and a public announcement on the evening of the movie. We will advertise your company or individual message in the Islander, Facebook Page, on the world's most remote roundabout and one of the last remaining outdoor Cinema screens. (Your choice of movie and date will be dependent upon availability.)

To become part of this exciting club or enquire about sponsorship, please Email: cioutdoorcinema@gmail.com or accounts@cinema.org.cx

Rating information provided by <http://www.classification.gov.au>.

The Christmas Island Cinema Club is proudly supported by: CIFI, Freightshop, Shire of Christmas Island, Metro Solar and many local sponsors and volunteers.

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