

# ganbina focus

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## OUT AND ABOUT AGAIN

"After a couple of challenging years, it's great to be able to start running Ganbina's exclusive learning tours again."

Anthony Cavanagh, CEO, Ganbina



*Pictured on the recent Sydney/Melbourne Year 10 Youth Leadership Tour are (L-R) Grace Jones, Chenneil Fowler, Lincoln Atkinson, Jordan Chapman and Amelia Lines.*



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## YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Ganbina's Youth Leadership Program starts in Year 10 and runs for three years. During that time, participants meet leaders from different industry sectors; take part in special regional, metropolitan and national events; and learn how to develop their own leadership skills.

The recent six day 2022 Year 10 Sydney/Melbourne Tour was jam packed meeting people from the financial services, community, social enterprise, education, entertainment and sporting sectors; tackling team building and leadership activities; taking in the famous sights; and exploring the cities by ferry, bus and tram.

In Sydney, the group met with the AMP Foundation, the Redfern National Centre of Indigenous Excellence and the Redfern Community Centre. The Melbourne itinerary included visits to the Ngarara Willim Centre at RMIT, Ganbina's Melbourne office, ANZ, Crown Resorts and the Collingwood Football Club.



Lincoln Atkinson

*"The highlight for me was learning more about Indigenous culture and what organisations are doing to apply Indigenous support on an everyday level. It was my first time in Sydney, so that was really cool. It was good to find out about how Sydney started and what it is like today, and in particular the history of Redfern."*

*"I enjoyed the workshop that ANZ ran for us and it was really interesting to learn about all the things that they do apart from daily banking. There are so many different roles that people do there. Architecturally, the building was also really great."*

*"I think the YLP is a really good opportunity. It's good to travel to open your mind to different places and experiences so you can get an idea of what you might want to do in your future."*



Grace Jones

*"I really enjoyed RMIT, we got to have a tour and then we went to have a look at the tech place where they do all the coding and programming. I'd never done anything like that before, and I had a lot of fun with it.*

*"The Escape Room at Crown was also fun. They told us a story, and then you had to work as a team to solve the puzzle one step at a time so you can find your way out. I want to be a forensic scientist or a criminal investigator, so I really enjoyed working on how to solve that challenge.*

*"It was great to travel and explore new things and all the things we did are things you wouldn't be able to do if you weren't on the YLP."*



Jordan Chapman

*"AMP was interesting, listening to different people about their own journeys and what they are doing and how they got there. And the Collingwood Football Club was interesting, learning about the team and their history and background and the things they are doing with community.*

*"I really enjoyed going to Leadership Victoria because I am very interested in community and leadership. They talked about how you have to follow through on stuff if you want to be a leader, and they spoke about the values you need, such as being ambitious, and also being selfless and putting others before yourself.*

*"The Tour definitely broadened my horizons and made me want to be a better leader."*





## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

Jet James is the winner of Ganbina's 2021 Academic Excellence Award sponsored by La Trobe University.

Jet completed his VCE at Notre Dame College, achieving the highest ATAR score among Ganbina Year 12 participants.

CEO Anthony Ganbina said: "Jet's academic achievement recognises he is a role model for aspiring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth in this region. We are thrilled that all his hard work paid off for him and we wish him all the very best with his tertiary studies."

Jet has now relocated to Melbourne where he is studying for his Bachelor of Applied Chemistry and Chemical Engineering at RMIT.

"I've been with Ganbina since Year 9 and I think it's a great program with a great purpose," he said.



"I feel very connected to my Aboriginal culture thanks to my school, MADEC and Ganbina."

"Being with Ganbina has been a great experience overall, and I am still involved with them now. They provided me with my laptop for university which I really appreciated."

Jet wants to develop his career in the fuels or environment sector when he completes his degree.

### On the radar

2 August	Year 9 Industry Tour
8 August	Year 10 Leadership Traits
17 August	Year 8 Industry Tour
19 August	Year 11 and 12 Community Dinner
5 September	Year 10 – Looking at Community
7 September	Year 7 Industry Tour
18 September	Year 11 Youth Leadership Program – Townsville Trip
26 September	Ganbina Youth Achievement Awards – Applications Open
7 October	Year 11 Communications and Public Speaking
14 October	Ganbina Youth Achievement Awards – Applications Close
11 November	Ganbina Youth Achievement Awards Night
22 November	Year 11 Youth Leadership Program – Goal Setting
28 November	Year 12 Youth Leadership Program – Goal Setting