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Young local Aboriginal performers like Kartanya Maynard, Kinnie Langford and Olivia Wells, pictured above, and (inset) the kana plila ripana youth dancers from Launceston, capture much of the essence of what Tasmania's annual putalina festival at Oyster Cove is about. The talented trio of performers and the youngsters were amongst a huge line up of entertainment at last Saturday's festival, held near Hobart. In its 29th year, it is the biggest event on the state's Aboriginal calendar each summer, and is widely anticipated for the music, healthy food and activities for children as much as the chance for a good catch up and yarn. Look for a report and more images in our next edition. *Photos by Jillian Mundy*

Juvenile injustice



AUSTRALIA is facing a 'national crisis' if it continues to lock up Aboriginal young people at such alarming rates, according to legal experts and Indigenous

leaders. Across the country, Aboriginal young people make up 54 per cent of all juveniles incarcerated, with Western Australia and the Northern Territory leading the pack when it comes to locking up Aboriginal juveniles. Those

Warning sounded over huge national Indigenous youth incarceration rate

jurisdictions are almost exclusively locking up Aboriginal children.

And the problem is just getting worse, with the latest figures released by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare showing that the national rate of Aboriginal

juvenile incarceration has continued to climb steadily, rising from 27 times the non-Indigenous rate in 2008, to the current level of 31 times.

The alarming trend has prompted leaders such as Dr Tom Calma, regarded

as the 'grandfather of justice reinvestment', and GenerationOne chief executive Warren Mundine, to call for national leadership on the issue.

Mr Mundine has called for a national summit, while Dr Calma has urged people to make their voices heard in submissions to a Senate inquiry into justice reinvestment, a policy which promotes spending taxpayer dollars on prevention, rather than detention.

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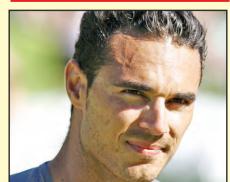
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MY FAMILY NORMAN ROSS – Townsville, Qld



AMILY is so important to us and that was certainly the case when my wife Mabel and I renewed our vows on the 60th anniversary of our wedding. Members of our big family organised a ceremony for us at the German Club in Townsville on 15 December.

She looks as beautiful now as when we became man and wife all those years ago.

The family members gathered around us on the lawn outside the club as we sat under an arch and renewed our vows before celebrant and Elder Ernie Hoolihan.

Ernie told the guests that it was a very rare occasion for an Indigenous couple to be married for 60 years, and we are so happy.

I met Mabel during 1948 in Townville when she was visiting relatives for Christmas. She returned to Mt Isa, however I kept in touch with Mabel until she returned in December 1949.

When Mabel wen back to Mt Isa once again I decided to go out west where I worked on a couple of stations doing stock work.

I moved back to Townsville and worked at the cement company for six months then went back out west and worked with Mabel's brothers on the stations

In 1952 we decided to get married. Mabel was working at different hotels in Cloncurry and Mt Isa, in the dining and coffee rooms.

Our first child was born in Mt Isa during 1954 and we moved back to Townsville where we extended our family with five more children.

Today we have 11 grand children and seven great children and many were there when we renewed our vows.

Some family travelled from as far away as Sydney, Mt Isa and Sunshine Coast. There were also friends from Murray Island who now live in Townsville, and others from Palm Island.

I am aged 83 and am a Bindal traditional owner, while Mabel is 80.

The reason behind our long and happy marriage is simple – I have always done what Mabel told me.

After we renewed our vows we all went inside and had a top night.

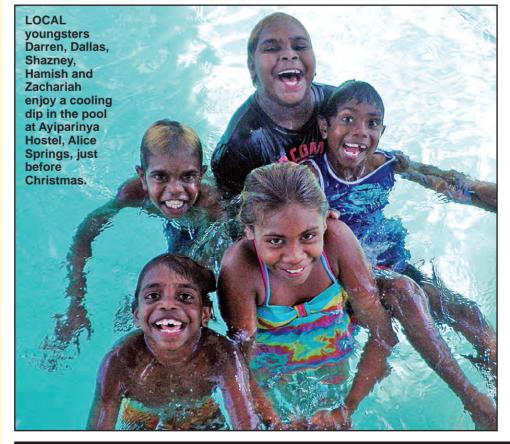
I was emotional during the ceremony especially when I thought of the relatives and friends who have passed away. But this is just such a wonderful occasion having so many of our family here and I can sum it up in two

Above: Norman Ross and his wife Mabel at their 60th wedding anniversary with family members.

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A new year to remember



Indigenous kids had more than stars in

their eyes on new year's eve in Sydney.

They were special guests at the City of Sydney 2012 Sydney New Year's Eve fireworks spectacular, enjoyed by millions around the world.

The students, from Glebe Public School. Plunkett Street Public School in Woolloomooloo, and the Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy's Aurukun Campus, were chosen by their communities based on their attendance and good marks at school last year.

Imani Tamwoy, 11, traveled more than 3000km to Sydney from the Top End to join Nakita Edwards, 12, Kamika White, 10, and nine-yearolds Zoe Dumas and Macenzee Blakeney to welcome in 2013 from a top vantage point on the Sydney Harbour foreshore.

And didn't they have a

Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore said the City's inaugural Attendance at School



Resting up for the big night ... Students Tamika White (Glebe Public School), Macenzee Blakeney and Zoe Dumas (Plunkett St Public School) and Nakita Edwards (Glebe Public) in front of the Sydney Harbour Bridge on New Year's Eve. Photo: City of Sydney

Incentive Program offered Indigenous children who performed well at school a once-in-a-lifetime chance to see the celebrations 'from the best seats in the house'. The program was

inspired by the story of nine-year-old Delwyn 'DJ' Gothachalkenin, from Aurukun in north Queensland, who made a special deal with his friend and mentor - sport and

recreation officer Genevieve Delves - that he would attend school every day for a year if she took him to the Sydney New Year's Eve fireworks.

True to his word,

Delwyn didn't miss a day of class, and last year his dream came true.

The students also had a lunch cruise on Sydney Harbour in the lead-up to the big night.

Tamworth tribute for **Jimmy Little**



THE final concert at this month's **Tamworth Country Music**

Festival Aboriginal Cultural Showcase will be named in memory of legendary singer Jimmy Little.

Organisers said the Yorta Yorta man, who passed away last year, was a strong supporter of the showcase.

Showcase organiser Steve Blanch said Uncle Jimmy had attended a number of showcases and was well loved in Tamworth and by the country music community.

"Uncle Jimmy was inducted into Tamworth's Country Music Roll of Reknown and he was recognised as a pioneer of Aboriginal success in the music industry, but more than that he was a mentor and an inspiration for countless numbers of young aspiring musos, both black and white," Mr Blanch said.

"We are incredibly proud to present this memorial to such a great man."

Mr Blanch said the concert on 26 January would feature the best of Aboriginal country performers including Shellie Morris, Roger Knox, **Auriel Andrew and Johnny** Huckle, as well a strong contingent of emerging talent.

Milroy on child sex commission



Australian Aboriginal woman has been appointed as one of six

commissioners to a Royal Commission into child sexual abuse. Professor Helen Milroy, an academic and consultant child and adolescent psychiatrist, was among six commissioners named last week by Prime Minister Julia Gillard.

Prof Milroy is a descendant of the Palyku people of the Pilbara region of Western Australia but was born and educated in Perth.

She studied medicine at the University of Western Australia, worked as a general practitioner and consultant in childhood sexual abuse at Princess Margaret Hospital for Children for several years before completing specialist training in child and adolescent psychiatry.

She is currently Winthrop Professor and director of the Centre for Aboriginal Medical



HELEN MILROY

and Dental Health at the University of WA and a consultant with the Specialist Aboriginal Mental Health Service, Department of Health, at Graylands Hospital, Perth.

Ms Gillard said NSW Supreme Court judge Peter McClellan would head the royal commission. The other commissioners are former

Queensland police chief Bob Atkinson, former Victorian Children's Court President Justice Jennifer Coate, **Productivity Commissioner** Robert Fitzgerald and former WA senator Andrew Murray.

Ms Gillard said Prof Milroy would provide extensive experience in child and adolescent health, including the mental health impacts of child sexual assault. She also said the royal commission would only focus on child sex abuse in institutional contexts.

"It will not deal with child sexual abuse in the family, it will also not deal with abuse of children which is not associated with child sexual abuse."

Ms Gillard said the commission would provide advice and recommendations to the Government 'in as timely a way as possible'. She said the inquiry would be expected to provide an interim report by the end of June 2014 and would wind up in December 2015.



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Housing 'is ahead of schedule³



THE Federal Government says more than 5000 homes in remote Indigenous communities have

now been refurbished or rebuilt, nearly two years ahead of schedule. The returbishments are part of the \$5.5 billion National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing, which is building new houses as well as refurbishing or rebuilding existing homes in remote Indigenous communities nationally.

The Government says it has passed the overall target of 4876 refurbishments by 2014, with all jurisdictions either exceeding or on track to meet their individual targets.

It says it is also on track to meet the target of 4200 new homes built by 2018, with more than 1440 houses constructed so far. In total, more than 6000



JENNY MACKLIN

homes in remote Indigenous communities have been built or refurbished since 2009.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin says decent housing is critical to tackling Indigenous disadvantage.

"The housing program is also giving Indigenous people more opportunities for work, with Indigenous employees making

up more than 20 per cent of the overall new construction workforce," she said.

"About 30 per cent of this workforce in the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia is Indigenous."

The Government says the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing was renegotiated in late 2009 to provide greater financial incentives for jurisdictions to deliver new houses and refurbishments. Under the revised arrangements, up to 25 per cent of a state or territory's capital works funding allocation can be reallocated if agreed targets are not met.

"This has significantly improved the delivery of new housing and refurbishments," Ms Macklin said.

"This is set to continue with around 590 new houses and about 1200 refurbishments expected this financial year.'



Sisters Colleen Minung-kana Mundy and Cheryl Mundy inspect where the fire came behind their hometown of Primrose Sands a week earlier. It was the first time they had seen the area since the fire swept though. Aunty Colleen holds a bunch of fibres she collected for traditional basket weaving from nearby only days before.

Sisters safe after fleeing bushfire

By JILLIAN MUNDY



PAKANA sisters Colleen Minung-kana Mundy and Cheryl Mundy were among the thousands who fled this month's Tasmanian bushfires. Physically unscathed and their homes

intact, they consider themselves lucky.

Amid strong winds on Tasmania's hottest day on record and their hometown of Primrose Sands hemmed in by two fire fronts, they were told to evacuate to the beach.

"I packed some photos, wet t-shirts and towels I had in the fridge, watered the dogs down, a few clothes, woollen blankets and drinking water," Cheryl said.

"It brings the really important things into context, I suppose that's why you grab your mother's and father's photos.

Colleen packed some photos and her cat into a cardboard box.

Along with hundreds of others, the pair stayed the night on the beach until the danger had passed.

"Everyone was calm and considerate, it bought the community together," Cheryl said.

"It was about people before property, that's a

"I know nature is the boss, it reinforced that." At the beach, watching flames approach, Colleen believes if it were not for a gust of wind that sent the flames burning back on

themselves and the tireless work of the firefighters, Primrose Sands may have met a similar fate to nearby Dunalley, where more than 100 homes were lost, businesses destroyed and the school burnt to a pile of rubble.

People retreated into the cold water, and later thousands were evacuated by sea as roads to the Tasman Peninsula were cut off for more than a week.

"I thought 'We've got the water, but what's the tide, how far would we have to go out, and who can swim and how long could we stay afloat?'," Cheryl told the *Koori Mail*.

Growing up in the bush in areas prone to

bushfires, Cheryl said she and her siblings were always prepared.

Fire ready

"We learnt the drill - go to the swimming hole and put a wet towel over our head and take a tourniquet for snake bites," she said.

It's the third time Cheryl has been evacuated from a fire. She suffered burns in an earlier incident

"I wasn't cherishing going back to the burns unit for more skin grafts, and I have poor vision, so I had to stay calm," she said.

The same day their sister Loueen Triffitt chose to go to town as another bushfire approached her hometown of Hamilton, in central Tasmania.

As the Koori Mail went to press, their

nephew, firefighter Shayne Mundy, was battling

Colleen is concerned for animals affected by the fire and noted the loss of native cherry and basket-weaving fibres in the blaze, and the absence of a nesting pair of sea eagles since the fire.

'This land, part of the tribe of Mumirimina people, is a good place for hunting and gathering, we eat a lot of traditional meats,"

"My son hunts possums in the traditional way, by hand and in the daytime, and never uses a gun, but it doesn't mean our hearts don't go out to all the bush creatures burnt in the fires."

With fires still burning around the state, and Tasmania's fire season only in its early days, Colleen and Cheryl are too wary to travel to the annual Preminghana Aboriginal camp next week in the north west of the state.

As the Koori Mail went to press, the fire, known as the Forcett fire, from which they were evacuated, continued to burn uncontained on several fronts.

Donations to the Red Cross Tasmanian Bushfires 2013 Appeal can be made at Commonwealth Bank, St George, Westpac and Australia Post branches and online, or by calling 1800 811 700.

*Colleen and Cheryl Mundy are cousins of journalist Jillian Mundy

Resolutions

As we do at the start of every year, *Koori Mail* asked Indigenous people around Australia for their New Year hopes and resolutions. They appear on pages throughout this edition.



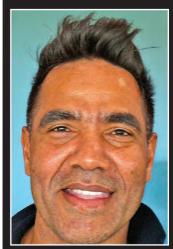
ELIZABETH BALUZ – Badu Island, Torres Strait: I want to live life to the fullest and bless the things I have.



JAMES AITKEN – ranger at Uluru Kata-Tjuta National Park, NT: To work towards being made a senior ranger.



DAWN BLAZELEY - Cape Barren Island, Tas: I'm resolving to have the strength to continue doing the best I can with my art and to move forward with it. I'm painting the history of Tasmania.



CHRIS BONNEY - Sydney, NSW: To hang out more with my family in South Australia.

Legal challenge to Kimberley gas hub



LEGAL action has started over the environmental approval process for Woodside's controversial Browse gas hub at James **Price Point in Western** Australia.

The Wilderness Society WA and traditional owner, Goolarabooloo Elder Richard Hunter, began Supreme Court legal proceedings against the state's

Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and Environment Minister Bill Marmion over his approval in July.

The EPA report that recommended Mr Marmion approve the proposal was done by one person, EPA chairman Paul Vogel, after four other board members had to stand aside due to conflicts of interest.

"The parties are seeking a judicial review of the decisions made around

Boys taking part in one of the programs run

by the now-defunded Balunu Foundation.

THE head of a Darwin-based

people alive and out of jail has

cut its funding as 'an absolute

Balunu Foundation CEO David Cole told the

Koori Mail he was forced to lay off eight staff on

Christmas eve after being told by a government

bureaucrat that the charity would receive no further funding to support its programs.

He said the decision was made despite

assurances of support from NT Chief Minister

Terry Mills, who once appeared in court to urge

a magistrate to send a young person, who had

"We've stopped operating, but two of my

"Just last week a young person attempted

broken into his house, to the program.

staff, who are now unemployed, are still

working with kids today," Mr Cole said.

suicide in a community. The young person

disgrace'.

described a decision by the

charity which aims to keep young

Northern Territory Government to

the proposal to locate the Browse Liquid Natural Gas Precinct at James Price Point, alleging the decision-making process was flawed because of conflicts of interest and improper delegations," the Wilderness Society said.

Wilderness Society WA Kimberley campaigner Heidi Nore said three conflicted EPA board members were involved in deliberations about the

NT foundation loses funding

didn't call out for anyone else but rang my staff

"The young person's phone was going dead and two of my staff were running around

dealing with family, organising an ambulance

and police, until two in the morning."

Mr Cole said a rally would be held outside

chief executive Priscilla Collins came out in

the NT Government substantial amounts of

past four years and, shamefully, so has the

young person per year to keep in juvenile

detention. The NT Coordinator General for

percentage of Aboriginal detainees," she said "It costs the NT Government \$216,000 per

money by keeping youth out of juvenile

the NT Parliament this Friday to protest against

North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency

support of Balunu, saying the foundation saved

"The number of young people in detention in

the NT has increased by 75.6 per cent over the

just before midnight, calling out for help.

project for several years before finally stepping down.

"If the Supreme Court agrees that the EPA has acted unlawfully, the James Price Point approvals should be overturned and the assessment process recommenced," she said.

Mr Marmion's approval was subject to 29 conditions, including steering clear of fossilised dinosaur footprints around the shoreline. - AAP

Warning as juvenile jailings hit new high

By DARREN COYNE



AUSTRALIA will be dealing with a 'horrendous' adult Aboriginal prison population in the

unless dramatic steps are taken now to curb the rising number of Aboriginal youth being locked up in

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare(AIHW) show that the national rate of Aboriginal juvenile incarceration has continued to climb steadily, rising from 27 times the non-Indigenous rate in 2008, to the current level of 31 times.

Across the country, Aboriginal young people make up 54 per cent of all juveniles jailed, with the Northern Territory and Western

AIHW spokesperson Tim Beard said one in every 217 Indigenous

Aboriginal Legal Service NSW/ACT chief legal officer John McKenzie told the Koori Mail the service considered the problem a national crisis. Mr McKenzie, who has been involved in the ALS for more than 30 years, said it would be almost impossible to deal with unless the Federal Government began taking the issue seriously.

Government funding to Aboriginal legal services, which remained stagnant in comparison to Legal

the problem gets worse we will be

staff what they're worth, but our lawyers on average are earning 20 to 25 per cent less than equivalent

The release of the AIHW figures prompted Warren Mundine, the head of the GenerationOne Indigenous employment initiative, to call for a national summit on the issue, accusing governments of creating an 'indigenous prison

He said Aboriginal overrepresentation in jails and juvenile detention centres was 'a ticking time bomb and a disaster for the future of Aboriginal communities'.

next five to ten years

detention. Figures released by the

Australia much higher.

young people aged 10-17 would be in detention on any average night.

The problem was particularly bad for young Aboriginal males, he said, as they accounted for 91 per cent of young people in detention.

He was also critical of Federal Aid funding.

"We are very concerned that as falling even further behind in what's

"We are doing our best to pay lawyers at Legal Aid."

industry'

Mr McKenzie said he would

support such a summit, but warned that it was a starting point, not an end point.

Justice Reinvestment campaigner Dr Tom Calma, who championed the idea of spending money on prevention rather than detention in his 2009 Social Justice Report, also tentatively backed the summit idea.

He said there was already some 'very positive work' under way, especially at a state and territory level, and that a Senate inquiry

announced in November was also examining justice reinvestment.

the funding cuts.

Dr Calma urged anyone interested in the issue to make submission to that inquiry by 15 March. The reporting date is 16 May.

Lobbying

On another front, Dr Calma said the Justice Reinvestment campaign, which is supported by the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, was

lobbying to have the Council of Australian Governments (COAG)

take the issue on. "We're targeting COAG because we want a national commitment led by the Federal Government, Each prison system is run by states or territories and it's important that there needs to be national leadership (to reduce Aboriginal incarceration rates)," he said.

Meanwhile, Northern Territory

call for a national summit.

Remote Services reported that on any given

day, 39 young people were in detention.

"Based on this figure, it is costing the
Government over \$8 million per year to detain
young people in the Northern Territory.

"Much of this is property which would be for

better spent on funding programs, such as

Balunu, that address the underlying causes of

the funding cut, saying Balunu had known its

funding was to end on 31 December.

in face-to-face meetings and written

commitments beyond this date," the

correspondence and the NT Government

offending and can prevent crime."

An NT Government spokesperson defended

'This has been consistently conveyed to the

Balunu Foundation over the past several weeks

understands they have not taken up any further

based rehabilitation to assist in the reduction of

spokesperson said. "The NT Government is

currently developing a new model of camp-

youth crime and young people in detention.

"Much of this is money which would be far

Despite the Territory having the nation's highest incarceration rate per head of population of both Indigenous young people and adults, Mr Elferink told the ABC that it wasn't the Government's role to fix these problems, 'the role starts with the parents'.

Indigenous people account for 29 per cent of the Territory population, but 78 per cent of people in detention are Aboriginal.

Attorney General John Elferink has reportedly dismissed Mr Mundine's Mundine comment - P25

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Seeking legal advice ... Members of the Meriam Elders Group, back from left, Segar Passi, Terry Tapim and Ron Day and, front, Amos Mapa, Steve Tapim and Dennis Passi.

Elders oppose island transfer

By ALF WILSON



A GROUP of Elders from Murray Island (Mer) in the Torres Strait will travel to Brisbane later this month to take legal advice about reversing the first Queensland Indigenous land transfer which includes a township

The Meriam Elders Group is bitterly opposed to the transfer by the Queensland Government last month of the Torres Strait islands of Mer, Dauar and Waier - known as the Murray Islands – to the Meriam people.

Spokesman Mike Passi told the Koori Mail he was confident the matter would be before a court within months.

Queensland Indigenous Affairs Minister Glen Elmes presented a deed of grant to Mer Gedkem Le, the registered native title body corporate which will hold the land in trust for the benefit of the native title holders

"This deed ... will provide inalienable freehold ownership of the islands," he said.

"The grant is of particular significance because the township on Mer is the first to be included in a grant since the Torres Strait Islander Land Act came into effect in 1991."

Much opposition

But although the Government claimed the transfer followed extensive consultation with the Meriam people and was approved unanimously at an island community meeting with agreement from the leaders of the eight clans on the islands, there is still much opposition.

Mike Passi said the transfer had caused

conflict between Mer families, and the Elders group would fight it in the courts.

Mer Gedkem Le chairperson Doug Passi said the 14 December transfer went smoothly, with the community celebrating long into the night. He said organisations that had previously dealt with the State Government over use of Meriam land would now deal with the body corporate (PBC).

Doug Passi acknowledged the path to the land transfer had been a rocky one.

"There has been a bit of conflict in the community, with the Elder group putting their concerns that there had been no consultation between the PBC, the community and the state," he said.

"The community was 'stand still' - they don't know whether to follow the Elder group

New Year's Resolutions



WARREN H WILLIAMS -Hermannsburg, NT: I have already given up drinking and smoking, so I'll go with being closer to my family.



TAHNI WATERS - Dubbo, NSW: I'm resolving to live a happy life and find full-time employment.



JOHNNY WEEKEND - Daly River, NT: I just want to get a bit more healthy.

Wrong man taken to hospital



INVESTIGATIONS are under way into the wrongful apprehension of a homeless Perth Aboriginal man and his subsequent

detention at Graylands Psychiatric Hospital.

Last month, the 22-year-old man was picked up by WA police and taken to Graylands after he was mistaken for a psychiatric patient who had absconded.

Hospital staff gave him an antipsychotic drug, to which he had an allergic reaction.

The man was treated at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, where the case of mistaken identity was discovered, and he later discharged himself

The incident has embarrassed WA authorities and sparked calls for

'(We) deeply regret this incident and will act on recommendations to try to ensure an incident like this never happens again' – North Metropolitan Health Service

a review of the treatment of Aboriginal people by WA mental health services.

The Noongar Tent Embassy has criticised WA authorities, and offered support - including legal advice - to the unnamed man.

WA Health Minister Helen Morton said the North Metropolitan Health Service (NMHS) had asked for more time to complete investigations, which were being treated with 'utmost priority'.

She said the man had received follow-up care, and his allergic

reaction to the anti-psychotic drug did not appear to have had any ongoing effects.

Members of the Noongar Tent Embassy group held a support gathering in Perth on 2 January, where they spoke to ministerial advisers regarding the man's treatment.

Spokesperson Eddie Ware said the embassy wanted a public apology from the police and the hospital, and called for the suspension of the officers and staff involved until investigations were completed.

At the gathering, Aboriginal woman Helen Corbett said Aboriginal cultural rights must be acknowledged in the WA Mental Health Act.

The group called for a complete review of the treatment of Aboriginal people by WA mental health services.

Mr Ware said the incident had breached social and cultural protocols and smacked of racial

The original patient who absconded from Graylands Psychiatric Hospital voluntarily returned himself on 16 December.

A NMHS spokesperson said: "(We) deeply regret this incident and will act on recommendations to try to ensure an incident like this never happens again."



EDDIE WARE, Perth, WA: I want to become stronger within myself so I can better help our people, and become more in tune with the nature of our spirit as warriors and survivors.

New Year's Resolutions



CAMERON ELLIS-YOLMAN – Brooklyn Park, SA: I want to have another good year like 2012 and a crack at playing top level football.



KARLIE GOODWIN -Mornington, Tas: I want to give up smoking and get fit. And I really want to learn more about my culture and the environment.



ROBERT GODFREY, Bega NSW, living in Sydney: To continue doing the best I can working for my excellent employer, Aboriginal Hostels Ltd.



KATHY CAMPBELL – Alice Springs, NT: My resolution? The same as last year ... to quit smoking.



Racism sparks protest

By CHRISTINE HOWES



A GROUP of church-going Yarrabah youths who say they were kicked out of the popular Cairns Night Markets last week by a security officer held a small but vocal anti-racism demonstration on Saturday

afternoon. The youths, aged 18-22, say they were forced to leave the markets on the grounds they were not accompanied by an adult - they were - and then because some of them were barefooted.

"Somehow I don't think a bunch of white youths accompanied by an adult would be treated like the group from Yarrabah, who were out on a church youth night trip, have been," Yarrabah community leader Elverina Johnson said

"The more I hear about these Yarrie youths

who were told to leave the Cairns Night Markets, the more it's upsetting."

One of the group, 22-year-old Anton Sands, said he was disgusted by what happened.

"This security (officer) walked up to some of the youths and said are you here with an adult," he said.

"So I said, 'yeah I'm an adult', and he demanded to see my ID. I showed him but he still wanted us to get out.

"I said 'we have every right to be here like everyone else' but we left to stop trouble."

Disappointed

Cairns traditional owner Seith Fourmile, who attended the protest, said he was disappointed to hear about the incident.

"In this day and age you'd think racism wouldn't be around, but it's still here," he said.

"I suppose some people have still got that mindset, they regard Aboriginal people as

thieves - and while they're looking at the black kids the other kids are stealing. There's that imbalance all the time.

"We should be able to go into any shop at any time, and I didn't really think in Cairns it would rear its ugly head once again and I'm here to make sure we stamp it out, as much as we can.'

Mr Fourmile said it was good to see young people taking up the challenge.

"It's encouraging to see young people facing this and really taking it head-on," he

"And I think more of our mob out there should be doing the same as they are."

Ms Johnson said further action would be

She said she was not there to witness the incident, but had been assisting the group since the incident happened and had taken statements

Tent embassy case in court



POLICE couldn't legally evict three Aboriginal activists from a tent embassy in Brisbane's Musgrave Park because the land has

been set aside for Aboriginal use, a court has heard.

Wayne Wharton, Bogaine Skuthorpe-Spearim and Hamish Chitts were arrested at the Aboriginal embassy just after midnight on 12 December.

They were among a group of people trying to re-establish the embassy in the park after Brisbane City Council shut down the site.

The trio appeared in the Brisbane Magistrates Court last Friday applying to amend their bail conditions, which state they cannot return to the park.

Police prosecutor Adrian Lange told the court, which was packed with supporters of the defendants, that the three men were among a 'large' group which police confronted at the embassy at



A sign on display in Musgrave Park last month.

midnight on 12 December.

The defendants refused police orders to leave the park and were arrested, he said.

The trio have been charged with contravening a direction under the Police Powers and Responsibilities Act.

Defence barrister Andrew Preston said a title deed stated the southern corner of Musgrave Park where his clients were detained was freehold land set aside in 1999 under a Deed of Grant In Trust 'for Aborigines and for no other purpose whatsoever'.

He argued the land isn't a public place, so police couldn't lawfully remove his clients from it.

"There can only be a breach of legislation if this area is a public place," he said.

Magistrate John Costello adjourned the hearing for a date to be fixed, saying he wasn't expecting such a complex case.

The Brisbane City Council shut down the site last month, with Lord Mayor Graham Quirk saying Elders asked him to do so because the embassy's original intent was not being honoured.

The park saw rowdy scenes in May last year, when hundreds of police descended on the park to evict tent embassy supporters on the orders of the council. - AAP

Green light for work at The Block



THE NSW Government has given planning approval to the proposed

redevelopment of The Block in Redfern. NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell said the Department of Planning and Infrastructure had approved the Pemulwuy redevelopment project in the inner-city suburb.

Mr O'Farrell said Pemulwuv would include 62 affordable houses, a 42-unit student housing complex, a gym, a child-care centre and a community gallery, as well as open space.

He said there would also be shops and a 115-space underground car park.

As well, the Lawson Street Bridge would also be extended over the adjacent rail corridor to enlarge the 'meeting place' and create open lines of sight from Redfern Station through the precinct.

The approval of this project .. will allow for the creation of a vibrant new housing, community and cultural precinct close to transport and the University of Sydney," Mr O'Farrell said in a statement. - AAP

Hospital crane is named by **Shanique**



ONE of the five cranes being used to build the new children's hospital in Perth has been given a Noongar name. It will be called Koolangkas, which means children in

the Noongar language.

Koolangkas was chosen by 11-year-old Shanique Ford with the help of her class from Medina Primary School, after a call was put out by the WA Health Minister Kim Hames to name the cranes.

"My great grandma, who is an Elder, calls all of the grandchildren koolangkas, so I thought it was a good name for a crane building a children's hospital," Shanique said.

Koolangkas the crane was erected on the site last month. It reaches up to 105 metres high and can lift up to 18 tonnes.

The other cranes are named Kranosaurus, Tall Bert, Magnus and Sir Lift a Lot.

Dr Hames said the naming competition received almost 700 entries statewide, including from Kalgoorlie-Boulder, Geraldton, Roebourne, Bunbury and Perth.

Three tower cranes are now onsite, with the remaining two to be installed soon.

Koolangkas will be used mainly for the construction of the blocks which house the hospital wards and the theatres and diagnostic areas.



Shanique Ford at the hospital site with crane driver Demetrius.

NSWALC faces mining protests

By RUDI MAXWELL



NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) CEO Geoff Scott is unfazed by the threat of protests outside head office in Parramatta.

Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council chair Roy 'Dootch' Kennedy is calling for anyone concerned at NSWALC's approach to mining to join him in a protest on 25 January

Mr Kennedy, a Yuin man, is upset that the NSWALC applied for exploration licences for coal seam gas (CSG) without speaking with the land council network beforehand.

The council has four petroleum special prospecting authority applications under consideration by NSW Resources and Energy, which cover large areas across the state. It has had one application refused, in the Illawarra.

NSWALC has also submitted an expression of interest for a uranium exploration licence, with the aim of extracting the radioactive element from coal dams from power stations.

"I know some areas may want to take CSG as an option, but if the state land council wants to go down the path of mining, which is totally against our cultural views, then they should discuss it with all land councils involved," Mr Kennedy said.

"Community consultation is one of the biggest things we advocate, they should have sat down and gone through the issues with communities like ours that have seen the impact of mining and the devastation it has on cultural areas

"We are the ones who have seen the effects of coal mines hitting bores and water reserves in this area. Do we want to start drilling holes through aquifers, and risk contaminating drinking water so miners can extract whatever resources they want to?

"In Australia we are so advanced with alternative energy, why doesn't the state land council get involved with alternate energy, rather than in tearing up our country further and devastating significant sites?

Under consideration

However, Mr Scott said there was nothing about which they could consult while the mining applications were under consideration.

"People are entitled to protest," he said.

"It would be good if we could have a sensible debate about the pros and cons of CSG, but most of the time the debate is not about issues but about the extremes of issues

"There is nothing to consult about, we are no further ahead, the process just takes so long. "Maybe taking a long time means that all

views are on the table, but the real problem in the CSG debate is that people have very entrenched opinions and don't want to listen to anything else: it's not a debate, it's lobbying. which people are entitled to do in a democracy.

"At this stage nothing has been approved, and the long lead time means we can have a conversation but, if people want to have a conversation, it's got to be in a sensible environment.

Mr Kennedy suggested that NSWALC hold a state meeting for the entire land council network.

"Have a look at what has occurred in the Illawarra as a result of 50 years of mining, don't just look at the dollar signs, be informed of the dangers," he said.

"This is about fresh water aquifers and rivers. Water is more precious than gold, and you can't drink gold and it's the same with gas.

Mr Scott said the reason NSWALC had expressed interest in a uranium licence was to investigate what minerals might be able to be found in coal ash dumps near coal-fired power

"We want the opportunity to investigate whether that is a viable resource or not, we're not looking at digging up uranium but we will continue to look at ways to get money into the hands of Aboriginal people," he said.

Resolutions



IAN GRIMM – Darwin, NT: I'm going to work at getting fit and losing a few kilos.



LIZ SIMPSON - Walgett. NSW: I want to get healthy, stay positive and continue to be there for my family.



SONNY VANDENBERGH – Torrensville, South Australia: I want to be running in the Bay Sheffield foot race.



JODI KERR – Living in Melbourne, Vic: I'm aiming to quit the smokes and reunite with my kids.



LE LE SANDERSON -Grange, SA: I'm resolving to keep supporting my three kids in what they do.



PHILLIPE McLEOD - Yuin (NSW) man living at Yulara, NT: To make assistant manager here at Sails in the Desert (at Yulara).



TRACEY PEPPERILL -Darwin, NT: I want to give up the smokes and too much iced coffee.



RUSSELL BUTLER - Mount Tambourine, Qld: Our baby daughter is due around 25-28 December, so my resolution is to make sure she and my wife Anthea Edmunds are both happy and healthy.

New Year's Resolutions Color gains support

By KIRSTIE PARKER

CHANCES are that if you engage with social media, you will have heard about a new 'grassroots' movement sweeping through Canadian First Nation communities and beyond.

The Idle No More (INM) movement began in October last year when four women from Saskatchewan - Nina Wilson. Sylvia McAdam, Jessica Gordon and Sheelah McLean - decided they couldn't stay silent while the Canadian Government pushed through laws (including two budgetary bills known as Bill C-38 and Bill C-45), which they said threatened Indigenous treaty rights to land, resources and water, sacrificing Indigenous sovereignty and environmental protections to exploration and development.

"Idle No More activities will not stop until we reach our two goals: Indigenous sovereignty (nation to nation relationship) and protection of the land and water (social and environmental sustainability)," said the movement's website.

"Once we reach these goals, we will continue to work to protect them. In essence, Idle No More is here to stay."

The peaceful campaign has rapidly spread across Canada, attracting hundreds of thousands of participants and support from Indigenous people elsewhere, the 'Occupy' movement and others.

A National Day of Solidarity and Resurgence was held on 10 December and many protests have been staged throughout Canada, from rallies and demonstrations to blockades of roads, highways and rail lines, and the use of 'flash mobs' to perform traditional round dances in shopping malls.

Solidarity

There've also been solidarity protests in the United Kingdom and Europe, Egypt, New Zealand and Australia.

Although not directly related to the cause, Attawapiskat Chief Theresa Spence from northern Ontario has become synonymous with it since embarking on a 'hunger strike' on 11 December to protest the poor living conditions of her

Chief Spence says she'll maintain a liquid diet of just fish broth and medicinal tea until Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the Queen's representative in Canada Governor General David Johnston, meet together with Indian leaders. Her stance has won her many fans but also generated mounting fears for her health.

While INM insists that it works outside of the system of government, it has influenced more established Indian leadership, such as the powerful Assembly of First Nations (AFN), made up of elected

"We have arrived at a moment unlike any other in the history of our people," AFN National Chief Shawn A-in-chut Atleo told a press conference last Thursday.

"And I for one am deeply grateful to our people and deeply grateful



Canadian Aboriginal protestors hold a sign as they march from Victoria Island to Parliament Hill in Ottawa on 11 January as part of the Idle No More movement. AAP image

for the leaders that we have today, both those in positions of elected leadership of our nations - all the councils and the chiefs - and... the grassroots as they're so often referred to. This is the strength of our nations.

"Today our people are standing up from coast to coast to coast... We acknowledge and give thanks to the awareness that has been brought through Idle No More as well as the actions of Chief Spence, (two other hunger strikers) Elder Robinson and Jean Sock.

"As leaders, our responsibility above all is to care for our peoples and we have heard their voices."

Regional Chief Perry Bellegarde, from Saskatchewan, told the press conference that treaties were about peaceful co-existence and sharing the lands and resources, not exploitation.

"Our treaties were not supposed to make us poor in our own homelands but that's what we see," Chief Bellegarde said. "And we see that (INM) movement because our people are tired of the overcrowded housing conditions, they're tired of the high unemployment, and they're being exploited with no involvement from Indigenous peoples.'

Division

However, the Assembly's membership has split over its approach to the debate. Some chiefs say they'll blockade vital infrastructure, and have the power to bring the country to its knees.

But Grand Chief Atleo and others have urged a more conciliatory approach of transforming the First Nation/government relationship through negotiation.

Last Friday - the same day as a further global day of action - Atleo and about 20 other chiefs met with

Prime Minister Harper. Others boycotted the talks, staying outside with Idle No More protesters. Chief Spence also stayed away from that meeting, unhappy that the Governor General wasn't there.

The AFN delegation sought, amongst other things, a commitment to a high-level working process with national First Nation leadership over treaties; fair and expeditious resolution of land claims; resource equity, benefit and revenue sharing; a transformed 'fiscal relationship' guaranteeing fairness and sustainability for communities: a commitment to a national inquiry on violence against Indigenous women and girls; and a school in every First Nation.

It is understood that Mr Harper refused to alter or repeal the offending laws, as demanded by Idle No More and its supporters, but Grand Chief Atleo said afterwards that 'some movement' had been achieved.

Day of action

He said the Prime Minister listened respectfully to chiefs, and provided a clear mandate for nigh-level and ongoing tal treaty implementation and on comprehensive claims. Despite the apparent headway, Idle No More's campaign continues unabated, with its founders and organisers planning a national and worldwide day of action on 28 January.

'This day of action will peacefully protest attacks on democracy, Indigenous sovereignty, human rights and environmental protections when Canadian MPs return to the House of Commons on January 28th," an INM statement said.

"As a grassroots movement, clearly no political organisation speaks for INM. This movement is of the people for the people."

As part of last Friday's global day of action, the Idle No More Solidarity - Sydney group demonstrated outside the Canadian Consulate in The Rocks. It's understood their presence forced the temporary public closure of the consulate.

Indigenous Social Justice Association (ISJA) president Ray Jackson told the Koori Mail that the 'draconian' legislation put through the Canadian Parliament partly mirrored the 'absolute travesty' of the Australian Government's intervention into the Northern Territory.

"In both of those pushes by government, there is a loss of the land, to open the land up to the mining industry... We're also going through the same processes more widely than in the NT," Mr Jackson

"It is ISJA's hope that we can link up with the Idle No More warriors and let them know that we are supporting them. Maybe we can get some international solidarity up where they can support our fight as we will support theirs."

Aboriginal Tent Embassy c founder and Sovereign Union spokesman Michael Anderson said Canadian and Australian First Nations peoples had similar, unsettled histories stemming from British colonialism.

"Whatever the Canadian people are doing, we need to look very closely at that," he said.

"All the Indigenous people around the world are watching and learning from each other and we're about to fight the same fight."

The Koori Mail also sought comment from the National Congress for Australia's First Peoples, but no response had been received at the time of

Council chief warns over 'weak' draft heritage law

By JILLIAN MUNDY



CHAIR of Tasmania's recently appointed interim Aboriginal Heritage Council

(AHC) Rocky Sainty says he and other members will walk away if a draft bill aimed at protecting Aboriginal heritage is

passed by the State Parliament. "We will not be part of a piece of weak legislation," he said.

Mr Sainty said the draft Aboriginal Heritage Protection Bill, written before the council was formed, was mainly aimed at developers and not acceptable in its current form.

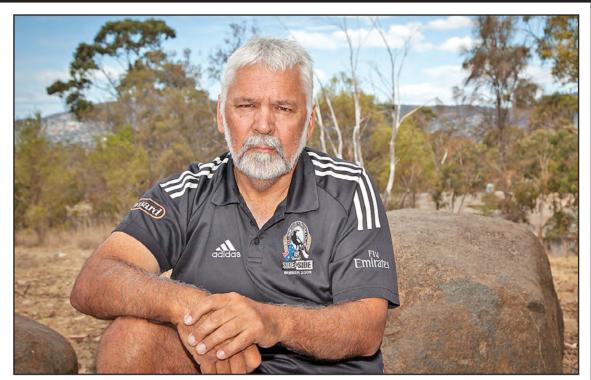
A submission from Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre legal director Michael Mansell said: "The emphasis on development over the Aboriginal relationship with their inheritance requires a complete rethink by the Giddings Government, and a whole new draft bill to replace this failed effort.'

Mr Sainty told the Koori Mail his council would fight for Aboriginal heritage.

"We're under no illusion or expectation of the job we have taken on, it's going to be a lot of pressure," he said.

"We'll be fighting on behalf of the community to get the bill to where we need to protect Aboriginal heritage.'

When the AHC was announced last year, Mr Mansell called it a puppet group, saying 'the group cannot stop



Under no illusions ... Interim Aboriginal Heritage Council chair Rocky Sainty.

destruction or order heritage to be protected, it can only advise'. Mr Sainty was disappointed

to hear that label. "We're not tokenistic blackfellas sitting at the table telling the Government what

they want to hear," he said. "We're sitting at the table telling the Government the changes they need to make if the Aboriginal community are to accept this new piece of legislation.'

Mr Sainty said he and other members had a wealth of knowledge and experience.

Mr Sainty is an Aboriginal heritage officer of 20 years, Tony Brown and Zoe Rimmer are curators of Indigenous cultures at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hank Horton has his own cultural tourism business, Rodney Dillon is the Indigenous Rights Campaigner for Amnesty and a former ATSIC commissioner, and Colin Hughes is the senior Aboriginal heritage officer with the Tasmanian Aboriginal Land and

Sea Council. There have been at least six attempts to replace the

Aboriginal Relics Act 1975. which is considered inefficient and outdated and, in Mr Sainty's words, 'appalling'.

Mr Sainty said he was part of a review committee in the 1990s that walked after the then Government watered down proposed legislative changes.

"At the moment there is good faith from the Government, but there's a long way to go," he

The Bill is scheduled for the Tasmanian Parliament June

Vic council praised – P28

UN group concern at jailings



Rights Committee has expressed concern about Australia's

disproportionately high number of Indigenous people in jails.

The committee's statement of concern came as it asked the Government to explain how a range of its laws, policies and practices are compatible with international standards, ahead of a major review of Australia's human rights record.

The committee, responsible for monitoring states' compliance with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, wants Australia's answers by no later than the end of the year.

"The issues raised by the committee correspond with major areas of human rights concern identified by Australian non-government and community organisations," Human Rights Law Centre director of international human rights advocacy Ben Schokman said.

"The expert treaty body has asked the Government to explain, for example, how Australia can adequately protect human rights in the absence of a national human rights act."

Indigenous issues continue to be a major UN focus.

"It should be a matter of concern to all Australians that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are incarcerated at over 15 times the rate of non-Indigenous adults, while Indigenous children are almost 24 times more likely to be in detention," Mr Schokman said.

Closing gap support call



THE Close the Gap steering committee has called on the Federal Government to

maintain Indigenous health funding in its submission to the national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health plan.

The plan, for which consultations were held late last year, will replace the national strategic framework for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, which expires in June

Close the Gap co-chair Mick Gooda said the steering committee was seeking assurance from the Government that investment in Indigenous health would continue after this period, given all parties had committed to a 2030 target to close the gap on Indigenous health inequality.



'The bipartisan commitment to closing the gap cannot fall victim to budget cuts' – Mick Gooda

"We cannot take our eye off the ball or fall into any sense of complacency in relation to Indigenous health," Mr Gooda said.

"Because we are now seeing some early signs of progress towards closing the gap, it is even more important to maintain commitments of both funds and effort as Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander peoples are still dying too young. The partnership agreement on Indigenous health outcomes must be renewed with at least the same level of funding to build on the strong foundations in place.

"Ongoing funding is vital so that this work can continue. The bipartisan commitment to closing the gap cannot fall victim to budget cuts."



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Findings upset family



THE family of Aboriginal man Herbert John Mitchell who died during 2011 in police custody at the Townsville

Watchhouse have been disappointed by the Queensland Coroner's findings.

Woorabinda-born Mr Mitchell, 52 when he died, was arrested by police at Castletown Shopping Centre in Townsville, just after 11am on 17 April 2011 for being drunk in a public place.

Police said Mr Mitchell was initially to be taken to a diversionary centre, but he became abusive and was taken to the Townsville watchhouse, where ambulance officers assessed he was sufficiently well to be kept.

The inquest heard a police check later in the afternoon found Mr Mitchell unresponsive and he was taken to Townsville Hospital after attempts to revive him failed. He died the following day.

The coroner, who heard from 14 witnesses during last month's inquest, found the police decision to take Mr Mitchell to the watchhouse was reasonable and the assessment by paramedics was in accordance with ambulance policy.

But the family said they were not satisfied.

"We are disappointed and our family also questions how he came to be in a watch-house cell rather than in the local



Family members outside the Townsville Court House during the coronial inquest, from left, Herbert Mitchell's niece Melvina Mitchell, his brother Thomas, and Melvina's partner Arnold Ryan.

diversionary centre which has been created for the purpose of diverting intoxicated persons away from the police cells," family member Melvina Mitchell said.

"The family are hurt and disappointed that the care, supervision and treatment of Herbert Mitchell while being held in custody by the Townsville

Police was completely inadequate and unsatisfactory and not sufficient to meet his needs.

'Gentle, kind man'

"The family remembers a gentle, softly spoken and kind man who enjoyed spending time and talking with family.

"He was also very soft-hearted

and respectful to everyone he knew and we will always cherish the time we spent with him.

"The family also would like to thank those people who have supported us through this sad process.

The full Coroner's findings are at http://www.courts.qld.gov.au/ courts/coroners-court/findings

Hooper to face hearing



boxer Damien Hooper will face court next month charged with exposing himself to

police and spitting on an officer at a Queensland nightclub. The alleged incident happened at Dalby, west of Brisbane.

Mr Hooper, 20, of Toowoomba, has been charged with wilful exposure, obstructing police, and serious assault of a police officer. He's due to face the Dalby Magistrates Court on 19 February.

Mr Hooper won the hearts of Indigenous Australians last year when he strode to the ring at the London Olympics wearing a T-shirt with the Aboriginal flag on it.

His action contravened the International Olympic Committee's charter, which prevents political statements at the Games.

Mr Hooper was forced to apologise to Australian team boss Nick Green, but later said he didn't regret his actions, which also breached an athletes' agreement.

"I was proud I did it, I don't regret doing it," Mr Hooper said at the time. - AAP





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Noonkanbah wants police

By GEOFF VIVIAN



RESIDENTS of trouble-hit Kimberley community Noonkanbah want a police station. And they have

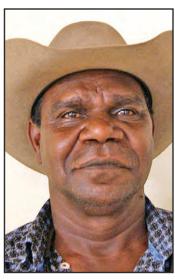
enlisted high-profile retired West Australian Aboriginal magistrate Sue Gordon in their campaign.

But police are tight-lipped on the issue, saying simply that they will continue to cover the area from the multi-function centre at Looma, up to two hours' drive away.

Frustrated Noonkanbah community chairman Malcolm Skinner says assaults, thefts and accidents are plaguing the community. The local ban on grog has been impossible to enforce, with people from nearby communities camping in the local riverbed and sharing alcohol bought in the town of

"They bring their grog back to the community," Mr Skinner

He says drunk people have been running amuck, creating a danger to children and older residents.



Noonkanbah community chairman Malcolm Skinner says a local ban on grog has been impossible to enforce and drunk people have been running wild.

Humbugging is a major issue. Mr Skinner said the community store had two break-ins and a ram raid last year, and cattle had been let out of neighbouring Militjiti station's paddock after a muster, making it necessary for the Aboriginal community that runs it to spend thousands of dollars re-mustering.

For many years Mr Skinner's father, Noonkanbah Elder Dickey Cox (aka Dickey Skinner), ran a community ranger program that kept most of the grog out of Noonkanbah. Now that Mr Cox has retired the rangers are having trouble

Sue Gordon, who says many people just refuse to accept the rangers' authority, intends to lobby the WA Government to fund a police post where police on patrol could stay overnight, and to budget for a police station in future years.

"It's a community that really wants a police post first,"

"The total population (of the area) can be up to 900 people. What's the equivalent small country town in say the south-west of Western Australia, what have they got? They've got a police station ... so why should a remote community be any different?"

Kimberley police superintendent Mick Sutherland declined to comment other than to say: "We police Noonkanbah from Looma, where there is a new multi-function centre."

Top medal to Thorpe

FORMER swimming champion lan Thorpe may have been unsuccessful in his Olympic comeback attempt

last year, but he has collected the prestigious Human Rights Medal. Thorpe was awarded the medal last month for his work as an advocate for Indigenous children through his Fountain for Youth charity, which works with 21 remote communities in the Northern Territory.

Co-author of the Little Children are Sacred report and chair of the Lowitja Institute Pat Anderson won the Human Rights Community Individual Award (Tony Fitzgerald Memorial Award) and the Aboriginal Legal Service of WA (ALSWA) won the Community Organisation Award.

Law graduate Krista McKeeken was awarded the Young People's Human Rights Medal. She has been assisting ALSWA with stolen wages applications as part of the Stolen Wages Reparation Scheme.

Thorpe was delighted with his award.

"I believe that all children should be given the opportunity to live a healthy and fulfilling life," he said.

"I want Indigenous children afforded the same opportunities as all children in Australia.

The Fountain for Youth supports the Literacy Backpack program, where children take home



Human rights award winner Pat Anderson.

for their school libraries.

backpacks with suitable reading

material, and parents and students

work together on choosing books

The organisation has also

contributed to the development of

Wugularr/Beswick, which develops

"When I first visited some of the

the Ghunmarn Cultural Centre in

children and showcases art from

communities outside Katherine in

shocked at the lack of facilities,

particularly the schools," Thorpe

great nation that we potentially can

said. If we want to become the

the Northern Territory I was

the artistic ability of Aboriginal



Jeff McMullen (accepting lan Thorpe's award) with the Australian Human Rights Commission's Prof Gillian Trigg and Mick Gooda.

be, we have to look after the first Australians and we have to look after the neediest people in this country above all else.'

Thorpe is co-patron of the Close The Gap campaign.

Ms Anderson is recognised nationally and internationally for her leadership in promoting and advancing the human rights of Indigenous people, with a particular focus on the health, education and the protection of children.

"I am honoured to have been acknowledged with this award," she

"Like many Aboriginal people, I don't do what I do for awards: it is



ALSWA CEO Dennis Eggington.

simply part of the work we must do for our communities," Ms Anderson said. "This award is also in recognition of the work all Aboriginal people do for their communities to make change in health for Australia's First Peoples.'

ALSWA CEO Dennis Eggington attended the ceremony and accepted the award on behalf of ALSWA.

"I am extremely honoured to accept this award on behalf of our Aboriginal community and all of the people who have worked for ALSWA over nearly four decades,"

"I am so proud that our organisation has been

acknowledged with this prestigious award and this is testament to the dedication and commitment of so many people over the years, including our current staff members at our 15 offices throughout WA.

"This award shows quite clearly that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' ongoing struggle for justice and equality needs to be at the forefront of this country's human rights agenda," said Mr Eggington.

On the same day, Federal Attorney-General Nicola Roxon released Australia's national human rights action plan.

The Government has a vision for Australia that is free, democratic, just and tolerant, where people have opportunities to make a decent life for themselves, and a community that supports those who are disadvantaged," she

"While we can be proud of our human rights record, Australians should know that this Government will continue working to better secure their rights, and meet our international obligations."

The plan includes an 'Act of Recognition acknowledging the unique and special place of Australia's First Peoples as an important step towards holding a successful referendum to change the constitution to recognise Indigenous people'.

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Australian Indigenous Heritage Research

the region.

As part of my Ph.D research project in sociology, I am currenty **looking for Australians with Indigenous Heritage**

- preferably born between 1980 and 1990
- who were raised in a White Australian culture
- who have quite recently found out that they have Indigenous heritage OR who have known for a time but have only recently decided to research their heritage or identify as Indigenous.

The key questions I want to explore are:

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New Year's Resolutions



REBECCA
BUTTERWORTH – Bowen
Qld, but living in Melbourne: I want to reunite with my kids and tell my story in a book.



HOSEA MURPHY – Palm Island, Qld: This year I want to buy a boat with an outboard motor and do lots of fishing.



LILLIAN LANDERS - Perth, WA: This year I want to spend more time travelling around the south-west of WA, learning about that country.



CLINTON MUNDY - Hobart Tas: It would be to continue recording oral history and cultural knowledge from our family.

Medical service closed



remains closed after being declared insolvent. But there are hopes it may soon re-open.

The service, which caters to about 8000 clients, is under the control of a governmentappointed administrator.

Local Federal MP Mark Coulton told the Koori Mail it was expected that the service would reopen with new management.

"The closure is not permanent from my understanding from the Federal Government there is a desire to keep the service going because it is very important to the people of Dubbo," he said.

A spokesperson for the Federal Department of Health and Ageing said it had no choice but to declare the AMS insolvent because of 'significant ongoing compliance issues'.

The official said the Government remained committed to doing what it could to maintain Indigenous health services at Dubbo.

Former Thubbo chief executive Cecil See was unavailable for comment, but told the local Daily Liberal newspaper



Closed for business ... the sign at Dubbo's Aboriginal medical service.

that he was saddened by the closure. "We did leave a GP service that we recommend on our notices that we've had to put up at Thubbo," he said.

"Clients will just have to go to another GP service... it's disappointing.'

Before closing, the service was operating a number of health programs including an Aboriginal Elders Program and a quit smoking program.

Its clinical services included child and adult health checks, home visits, transport, family

planning and a diabetes clinic. Mr Coulton told the Koori Mail there was a possibility another nearby Aboriginal medical service could take over the operations at Thubbo, although details were still being worked out.

Amnesty call on Briscoe death

NT

AMNESTY International has joined calls for an independent investigation into the death of an Aboriginal man in police custody in Alice Springs last year.

The call follows a decision by the NT Department of Public Prosecutions not to investigate the death of Kwementyaye Briscoe, despite a coroner finding that a lack of police care led to Mr Briscoe's death.

Mr Briscoe was taken into custody 'for his own protection' in January last year, but died due to failures by police to adequately care for

One officer was caught on CCTV listening to an iPod and surfing the internet as other inmates sought in vain to help the dying man.

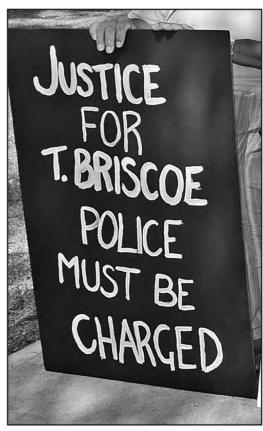
That same officer later lied to ambulance staff about how often he had checked on Mr

Another policeman was filmed dragging Mr Briscoe around the station because he was too drunk to stand and later used what a coroner found was 'undue vigour' to sling the prisoner towards a reception counter.

Mr Briscoe's family have since tried unsuccessfully to have charges brought against the officers

Acting on new legal opinion, the Briscoe family's lawyer, George Newhouse, wrote to NT Department of Public Prosecutions director Richard Coates on 7 December seeking charges of manslaughter and failure to care be considered against some police.

But in a letter dated 14 December, Mr Coates said he agreed with the coroner's findings that there was no case to answer in relation to the death of Mr Briscoe.



One of the signs at a recent protest over the death of Kwementyaye Briscoe.

"There are no reasonable prospects of convicting them (individual police) of a crime," Mr Coates said.

Amnesty International Indigenous Rights Program manager Monica Morgan said the

family had made Amnesty aware of the letter.

"Richard Coates has told the family his department will not carry out an investigation into the case, stating that as the Coroner did not recommend charges against the officers involved, the matter will not be pursued," she

"It is reprehensible and incredibly sad that a young man taken into custody on the premise he will be safer in a cell because of his intoxication level, as a result of inhumane treatment, died alone there."

Meanwhile, Mr Newhouse last week warned that individual police and the NT Government could be sued if compensation talks did not begin soon.

Mr Newhouse said he was shocked with the reaction of the Government when he tried to contact them about compensation in December.

"They slammed the door in our face," he

Mr Newhouse said he was told the family would have to exhaust all possible civil action before such a payment would be considered.

"I am confident that they will instruct us to take action, but that is the last thing they want to do," he said. "If the Northern Territory Government want Shine lawyers to litigate against everyone from the lowliest police officer through to the NT Government themselves before they will consider entering into genuine discussions then bring it on."

NT Attorney-General John Elferink denied his Government was trying to avoid compensation talks with the family.

This looks more like a strategy that they are employing to get the Government all twitchy about opening the doors for negotiation," Mr Elferink said.



THE High Court is expected to decide within months on a landmark case about the validity of alcohol restrictions for Palm Island residents that

could have broader implications for programs that target only Aboriginal

On 11-12 December, the High Court heard an appeal from Indigenous woman Joan Monica Maloney who was convicted of alcohol possession on Palm Island, off Townsville, in 2010.

Ms Maloney was charged after police searched her car and found a bottle of bourbon and a bottle of rum in the boot. The 55-year-old pensioner is challenging the Queensland law that restricts alcohol on Palm Island on the basis that it contravenes the Racial Discrimination Act and Constitution.

Alcohol restrictions are considered 'special measures' under racial discrimination laws and apply to 19 Queensland Indigenous communities

The High Court accepted an

application from the peak Indigenous body, the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, to make submissions as a friend of the court.

Before last month's hearings Congress co-chair Jody Broun said 'special measures' were used across Australia to enact laws for the 'advancement' of Indigenous people without any yardstick for their effectiveness, duration or community support and acceptance.

"The legal principles, rather than the details of this case, provide the opportunity for a watershed moment in Australian history," she said in a statement.

Ms Broun said the case went to the heart of the nation's conversation on constitutional reform, in light of moves to recognise Aboriginal people in the constitution and scrap race-based sections.

"Is there any place in a modern Australia for race-based laws which do not treat everyone equally under the law?" she asked.

The Palm Island alcohol management plan (AMP) has attracted controversy since it was introduced in 2006.

The Townsville Bulletin reported last year that one-third of the island's adult population was in court for breaching the alcohol restrictions on a single day in September 2010.

The Human Rights Law Centre is assisting the Congress on a pro-bono basis.

"If the Government is genuinely committed to making a positive

difference for Aboriginal communities, it must respect and empower those communities, not impose predetermined solutions," law centre spokesman Ben Schokman said.

However, Congress' participation in the case drew criticism from a range of high-profile Aboriginal people, including Cape York campaigner Noel Pearson, GenerationOne CEO Warren Mundine, and former magistrate Sue

Mr Pearson wrote in The Australian newspaper just before Christmas that the Congress and others supporting Ms Maloney's challenge in the name of human rights had 'got it wrong'.

"We contend that AMPs are not racially discriminatory. In fact, AMPs are measures to ensure that Aboriginal people enjoy their human rights to health, safety and freedom from violence," he wrote.

...the right really being defended from discriminatory infringement here is the perceived right to drink. I say perceived right, because in actuality, no such right exists."

Queensland's Newman Government is reviewing AMPs, separate to the court action. It has asked Indigenous communities to tell it what difference the restrictions have made to levels of alcohol-related violence and other

AAP understands that, if successful, Ms Maloney's case could potentially have broader implications including for the ten year extension of the Northern Territory Intervention,

Photo courtesy NCIE depending on how the High Court defines special measures, advancement and consultations.

National Congress co-chair

Jody Broun.

In its submissions to the court, the Congress argued special measures must be designed and implemented on the basis of prior consultation and active participation of the communities affected.

The Federal Attornev General and state counterparts from Western Australia and South Australia filed submissions to intervene in the

Lawvers for the Federal Attorney General have argued in submissions that the appellant's reliance on the UN declaration of the rights of Indigenous people concerning 'free, prior and informed consent' is flawed.

The submission noted there was a lack of international consensus about meaning of this term.

Although Australia supports the declaration, it is not binding, the submission said.

– AAP, with additional reporting by the Koori Mail.



NT Minister Adam Giles, Federal Minister Warren Snowdon, guests and local kids at the opening of the new Top End bridge.

Remote communities welcome new bridge



A NEW Top End bridge should significantly improve access to several remote communities during the wet

season. The new \$24 million Bul Bul Bridge, near the community of Naiuyu at Daly River, is designed to improve access to the remote communities of Woodycupaldiya, Palumpa, Peppimenarti and Wadeye, as well as help tourism and local industries.

The single-lane bridge is 13 metres higher than the



The new bridge.

existing low-level crossing. NT Transport and Infrastructure Minister Adam Giles said 20 local Indigenous people were involved in the construction of the bridge and approaches, with eight of them reaching certificate level two qualifications.

Federal Member for Lingiari Warren Snowdon said the opening of the bridge just before the wet season was 'terrific news' for communities in the area.

"It will reduce the wet season road closure from an average of 114 days to just three to five days per year," he said.

The bridge name, Bul Bul, was suggested by the traditional owners of the area, the Malak Malak people, in honour of a renowned Aboriginal tracker who passed away in 1943.

Eora Journey - Place Projections Expression of Interest No. 1712 Invitation to Artists

The City of Sydney invites Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists to submit proposals for video, still projection or other light based public artworks for Eora Journey - Place Projections. This project aims to reactivate the 'memory' of specific places and events in recent Aboriginal history at sites within the city.

Submission Deadline 11am Tuesday 12 February 2013.

For a copy of the Expression of Interest documents please contact Mr Anthony Manuatu, Tendering Officer:

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MARIE RAMJOHN - Alice Springs, NT: I want to be healthier. Give up the iced coffee and stuff like that.



STAN GRANT - NITV journalist: To be around home more, to see more of my parents and to get along to more games of my boy's football games.



ROBERT MACKIE - Moa Island descent, Torres Strait Islands: My aim is to exercise and lose weight in 2013 and spend more time with my father.



NORMA FULFORD – Palm Island, Qld: My resolution is to hope I am treated equal like everyone else. But who knows what the future holds.

New Year's Resolutions Your guide to Survival Day events around the nation

Solid turn-outs are expected

By DARREN COYNE



ABORIGINAL and **Torres Strait** Islander people once again are expected to turn out in force for

Survival/Invasion/Australia Day events around the country on Saturday, 26 January.

In Canberra, at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples will convene a discussion titled 'Sovereignty, The Constitution and

Congress'. Congress said the discussion was in response to a commitment given a year ago at the 40th

anniversary of the Embassy to advance the sovereign rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Congress said the

discussion would take place between 10am and 3pm and all interested people were welcome to take part. The gathering is part of a corroboree organised by the Embassy, which starts

In Sydney, the 11th Yabun Festival, which usually attracts more than 20,000 people, is on again in Victoria Park, Broadwav.

Western Arrernte singer and 2012 Red Ochre Award winner Warren H Williams will headline the festival alongside Pitjantjatjara man Frank Yamma, Helen Mountfort, and Ursula Yovich and her

Archie Roach will also be performing along with an extensive line-up of other singers, dancers and artists.

Constantina Bush and Alec Doomadgee will host the main stage.

In regional New South Wales, Taree is set to host the Saltwater Freshwater Festival, which showcases some of the finest Aboriginal musicians and performers.

The day will also feature hands-on workshops, children's and youth spaces, traditional

and contemporary canoes, basketball games and a fantastic market atmosphere featuring Aboriginal art, craft and food stalls.

For those living outside of the Manning Region, there will be return buses running between the festival and Coffs Harbour, Kempsey, Port Macquarie, Gloucester and Forster. Fares will be \$3 each

In Melbourne, there are three main Survival Day events. The Belgrave Community will

Festival, which takes place in Treasury Gardens from 1pm to 7pm. The festival is the state's longest running music festival with this year's line-up featuring the Stiff Gins, Bart Willoughby, Kutcha Edwards, Lee Morgan, Koorioboree – along with the children's activities.

Before the festival, a rally and march will take place in Fitzroy. People are asked to gather at 8.30am on the corner of Gertrude and George Streets, Fitzroy for a smoking ceremony and welcome to country. There

Institute will host a free event at Mulliwirraburka (Rymill Park). The gathering will feature performances by Warren Milera, Tony Minniecon, Nancy Bates. Eddie Peters, Tal-Kin-Jeri, Jack Buckskin, Kurruru, Ngarrindjeri Miminar Kykulun Choir, Matt Morrison, Hannah Yates and a welcome to country.

There will also be a flag raising ceremony, waterslide, face painting, community stalls and a barbecue for a gold coin donation.

In Western Australia, the

Supreme Court Gardens in Perth will be the place to be for the Smokefree WA Survival Perth 2013 concert

It will be hosted by Deadly award winner Karla Hart and winner of the Melbourne Comedy Festival's national Deadly competition, Kevin Kropinyeri.

The concert begins at noon with an opening ceremony followed by performances by Oz Island, Jake and the Cowboys, the Merindas and ARIA and Deadly award winner, Casey Donovan.

In the Northern **Territory**, the Darwin **Aboriginal Rights** Coalition has organised a Survival Day film screening at the Monsoon Movies Film Festival, being held at Fannie Bay. The film Murundak: Songs for Freedom will be screened.

In Brisbane, the 1000 Warrior March is

aiming for State Parliament House at 10am, while an Invasion Day Rally will be held in Tasmania, organised by the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC), departing from the TAC office in Hobart at 11.30am.

Organisers said a rally and commemoration would be held to honour the lives, land, and rights stolen during the white invasion.

"While Australians are celebrating the invasion of our country, we will be marching in protest," TAC organisers said.



hold its event in Belgrave, next to the pool in Benson Street from 12pm to 4pm.

Organised by volunteers and funded by the Shire of the Yarra Ranges, the event 'acknowledges the Indigenous perspective on the 231 years of European occupation of Australia, and celebrates the survival of the oldest living culture on the globe through live music, storytelling, traditional dance and craft'.

Another Melbourne event is the 2013 Share The Spirit

will be speakers and forums until noon, followed by a march to Treasury Gardens for the Share the Spirit Festival at 1pm.

As well, Baluk Arts will have a Survival Day concert from 11am to 3pm on the Frankstone foreshore. The free beachside event will

feature live performances by

Tambo Company Band, Liz

David Dryden, Dickie Bedford, and Allyson Walker. In Adelaide, Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural

Cavanagh Duo, Peter Rotumah,



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CLARICE COMPTON -Sydney, NSW: I'm going to keep working as long as I can. It's important to me.



NEVILLE KHAN – Noongah (WA) man living in Alice Springs, NT: I want to give up smoking.



DEBRA BOURNE -Townsville, Qld: Hopefully I can win a jackpot on a scratchie and also to give up smoking.



MICHAEL 'MacAVANEY' MONTELEONE -Melbourne, Vic: To be a better person within myself and enjoy a healthier

New Year's Resolutions Govt seeks native title feedback THE Federal the fright to possible to the first to the fright to possible to the first to the fright to possible to the first to the first to the first to the fright to possible to the first to



Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs has called for submissions about the Native Title Amendment Bill 2012.

The bill reforms three areas of the Native Title Act. it clarifies the meaning of negotiating in 'good faith' and makes amendments to

the 'right to negotiate' provisions; it allows parties to agree to set aside the historical extinguishment of native title in areas set aside for the preservation of the natural environment, such as parks and reserves; and broadens the scope, and streamlines processes for voluntary Indigenous Land Use Agreements.

Committee chair Blair MP Shayne Neumann said he was proud of the committee's 'record of having an open mind and working on progressive recommendations

for action in policy areas like Indigenous over-representation in the criminal justice system, and in language learning in Indigenous communities'.

"Given that record, as part of this bill inquiry we have the opportunity to have a conversation about how the native title process can be reformed for the future, to improve access to land rights by Indigenous communities in balance with the interests of other stakeholders," he said.

The committee will hold a

roundtable hearing on Friday, 8 February, at the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence in Redfern, Sydney.

Submissions are due by 31 January, addressing whether a balance has been struck between the views of various stakeholders, or proposals for reform of the native title process. If you want to participate at the hearing, or to make a submission, visit www.aph.gov.au/nativetitle or contact the committee secretariat on (02) 6277 4559.

Bunuba young fellas who danced for Justice John Gilmour on his arrival at Geikie Gorge and then after the native title determination. Photo courtesy of the Kimberley Land Council

rights battle



years, the Federal Court has recognised the native title rights and interests of the

Bunuba people across the Fitzroy River Valley in the Kimberley region.

Justice John Gilmour handed down the consent determination at an on-country sitting at Geikie Gorge (Danggu) on 12 December, granting the Bunuba people land rights across more than 6000 square kilometres that includes the Leopold Downs pastoral lease, the Fairfield pastoral lease, portions of other pastoral leases and small areas of reserve land and unallocated crown land.

Since the claim was lodged, six of the eight original claimants have passed away.

The Kimberlev Land Council (KLC) negotiated native title on behalf of the Bunuba people. Most of the determination area is exclusive possession, with some smaller non-exclusive areas across pastoral leases and reserves.

Bunuba traditional owner

June Oscar said she felt both happiness and sorrow about the determination.

"Today is about honouring the fight of our Elders past and present who initiated this native title claim on behalf of all Bunuba people," she

"We have been waiting 13 years for our rights and it is with sadness that some of our early leaders cannot be here with us today to see the fruition of their hard work.

Resistance

"Native title is extremely symbolic for our people because we are one of the few groups that fought a war for our country through Jandamarra and the Bunuba resistance to the takeover of our country.

"We now have our country back. This consent determination confirms in Australian law what we have always known: that Bunuba country has been and always will be our country."

Ms Oscar said the claim was about more than recognition.

"This is about creating real opportunities and a future based on the strength that comes with ownership of

country," she said. "When you are an owner, you have rights, and, when you have rights, you are seen in a different light.

"With the recognition of our rights and interests, we will be able to negotiate opportunities to assist us in our endeavours to create strong communities and economic business enterprises that utilise our country and resources."

KLC CEO Nolan Hunter congratulated the Bunuba

This should be a verv proud and special day for you all. Getting native title rights is a long and arduous process but your determination and perseverance has paid off," he said.

"You are recognised as the rightful owners of your traditional lands, highlighting the strong and on-going connection you have to your country, culture, language, law, story and dance.'

The Bunuba people have a second native title claim, which includes the Windiana Gorge National Park and Tunnel Creek, the home of Aboriginal warrior Jandamarra, that they hope will be determined soon.

Tableland Yidinji claim succeeds



THE Tableland Yidinji people have had their native title claim recognised for traditional lands in far north Queensland. Yidinji spokesperson Shaun Joseph said the determination meant a lot to the traditional owners.

"People have been fighting for many years to get recognition up here, to get back out to country and utilise it the way we want to," he said. "Now we have rights in certain areas to hunt and gather, and Elders want to show the next generation how our culture lived years ago and what they used to do years ago.

"Hopefully it will also mean employment for our young people. One of the things we really want is more rangers on county, people caring for country. Another is eco and cultural tourism.'

The Yidinji determination is over land and waters around Tinaroo Falls near Atherton for an area of 150 square kilometres.

The original claim was made in 1999.

Court recognises people's interests



THE Federal Court recognised the Indjalandji-Dhidhanu people's native title rights and interests over 19,500 hectares of land in north-west Queensland, covering 57 parcels of land near Camooweal.

The determination settles a claim made by the Indjalandji-Dhidhanu people in 2009.

The Indjalandji-Dhidhanu have negotiated an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) to manage native title issues in the Camooweal Caves National Park, which falls within the determination area.

Chris Robson, assistant director-general Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander land services, said the preservation of Indigenous culture and identity through native title determinations provided pathways to achieving more economic benefits and independence for traditional owners on their land.

"The determination and associated ILUA means the Indjalandji-Dhidhanu people will have the use and enjoyment of their traditional lands for generations to come," he said.

Tagalaka praised for agreements



THE Tagalaka people have had two long-standing native title claims recognised in far north Queensland, around Crovdon, Normanton and East Hayden for 30,000 square kilometres of land. The determinations settle claims lodged in 1998 and 2001.

Chris Robson, assistant director-general Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander land services. said the determinations recognised exclusive native title rights and interests over 105 square kilometres of land and non-exclusive native title rights and interests over 29,817 square kilometres.

"The determinations will work alongside a number of Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) that the Tagalaka People have negotiated with local councils, pastoralists and service providers," Mr Robson said.

"The ILUAs provide for the management and the ongoing protection of land within the determination area and complement the ILUAs the Tagalaka People negotiated with the state government in 2005 and 2008."



New era for Congress



THE Central Australian Aboriginal Congress Inc (Congress) has a new board and governance structure. Members

of the major Alice Springs-based health organisation voted last month to become registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act), rather than the the Northern Territory's Associations Act 2003. They also voted to accept a new rule book (constitution) for Congress.

The move comes after a controversial year for the organisation, with questions over its finances and management.

Community leader William Tilmouth will chair the new board, which includes treasurer Dawn Ross, youth representative Chansey Paech, Donna McMasters, Chippy Miller and Joseph Hayes. Congress members also approved adding three independent Aboriginal experts to serve alongside the six elected board members.

Formed in 1973, Congress has grown to become the largest Aboriginal-controlled health service in the Northern Territory, providing services to the Aboriginal community of Alice Springs and those living on outstations within a 100km radius of the town. It is also responsible for clinics in five remote Central



Members of the new Congress board, from left, Chansey Paech (youth representative), Donna McMasters, Dawn Ross (treasurer), Chippy Miller, Joseph Hayes and William Tilmouth (president), with chief executive officer Donna Ah Chee.

Australian communities.

Congress CEO Donna Ah Chee welcomed the change. "We know there are many advantages in registering under the CATSI Act," she said.

Mr Tilmouth thanked the

community for its support of the

'Encouraging'

"It's encouraging to see the new board and their enthusiasm to work with management to bring about the necessary changes in order to meet the charter of Congress and the expectations of government and the community,"

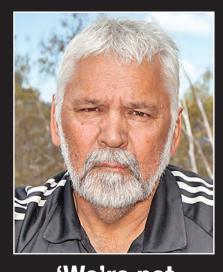
"I'm also a strong believer in partnerships; we need community relationships in order to deliver services to the people who need them most.

'We are no longer a closed shop. We are committed, as the new board, to being open and transparent.



DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW MY RESOLUTION FOR THE NEW YEAR 15 TO LIVE ON \$35 A DAY. HA! LET'S SEE HER PAY L RENT, ELECTRICITY, WATER GAS, WEEKLY FOOD BILLS PLUS SCHOOL KIDS OUT OF THAT!

4 Quote



'We're not tokenistic blackfellas sitting at the table telling the Government what they want to hear'

- Tasmania's Interim Aboriginal Heritage Council chair Sainty Rocky

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Be positive and never give in

WHERE do you stand in regards to New Year's resolutions? Come 1 January, had you compiled a long list of steps towards self-improvement? Or had you resolved not to make any resolutions?

It's all a matter of personal choice but, by now, you'll likely have a fair idea whether you'll be sticking to any resolutions you made.

Now, we're not perfect - far from it but over the break we spent some time imagining the kind of stuff that could make a real and positive difference collectively to our communities.

And we came to the conclusion that. while not everything is within our individual control, there's a lot that we can do to influence how things turn out. So, here goes... what do you think?

This will be a big year for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. With a Federal election brewing as well as one for the National Congress for Australia's First Peoples, we'll have numerous chances to make ourselves heard – but only if we've taken care of the business and enrolled to vote or, in the case of the Congress, joined up as a member. It's fine if you make a conscious decision not to participate, but don't let apathy be the cause.

Get involved, get active by joining your local land council, health service or other community-based organisation - very few of which have resources to spare. It's easy to sit on the sidelines and criticise, and much harder to pitch in and help.

Irrespective of the issue – whether it be Constitutional reform, sovereignty, Australia's treatment of refugees, the carbon tax, justice reinvestment or



anything else - help lift the tone of the debate by getting informed. If you don't know about something, read up on it or discuss things with friends or even strangers before wading in.

Respect other people's right to have and express opinions. Given the diversity within our communities, the idea that we would all think the same is ridiculous. And, even if you strongly disagree with someone else, there's no need for put-downs or abuse. We've all heard the story about black crabs in a bucket.

Don't dismiss a sensible suggestion just because it comes from someone you don't especially like. Be constructive and back your mob.

Be positive and optimistic. If you think something will go badly, it probably will. Happily the opposite is true, so visualise yourself getting what you really want.

Lastly, never give up. Many of us have it tough but, then, we didn't survive tens of thousands of years in this beautifully rugged land by being weak.

And our ancestors didn't fight as long and hard as they did just so we could

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STEPHANIE GOLLAN

Aboriginal cultural instructor and tour guide

Raukkan community South Australia

Favourite bush tucker?

Favourite other food? Smoked fish.

Favourite music? Country rock and sounds from the 1950s and 1960s.

Favourite sport? AFL. I'm a Port Power supporter.

Favourite book? Conquest of the Ngarrindjeri, by

Graham Jenkin. Favourite holiday destination?

I've always wanted to go to Uluru, and I'll get there one day, too. What are you watching?

On TV, SBS and now NITV of course.

What do you like in life? Reconciliation, but I think people need to work harder at achieving it.

What don't you like? The onset of winter. It slows me

What three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?

Actors Ernie Dingo and Deborah Mailman, and academic Professor Marcia Langton. I look up to her.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous Australians?

I'd like to see major communities have their own dedicated centre for cultural celebrations such as NAIDOC.

'I'm feeling more and more comfortable every time I head out on to the court' - Ashleigh Barty

Barty IOOKS to big future

Ashleigh Barty, the Indigenous 16-year-old darling of Australian tennis, is riding the crest of a wave. Even an early exit from last week's Hobart International was just a hiccup as the Ipswich youngster prepared for her second Australian Open in Melbourne, starting this week. Writer CHRIS PIKE caught up with Barty after her stunning win over former French Open singles champion Francesca Schiavone at the Hopman Cup in Perth earlier this month.

NDIGENOUS teenage tennis star Ashleigh Barty had the week of her life at the Hopman Cup tournament in Perth this month - including a win over one of the greats of the game.

And this week she's been in Melbourne for another crack at the Australian Open.

It's a big time for the 16-vear-old 2011 Junior Wimbledon champion, who's feeling good about her future.

Barty jumped at the chance when she received a call from Hopman Cup organisers to stand in for the injured Casey Dellacqua and partner Bernard Tomic to represent Australia.

Barty was coming out of 2012 where she won four International Tennis Federation (ITF) singles titles and improved her world ranking from 669 to 175.

She was only too happy to take the place of Dellacqua and be part of Australia's team in a daunting Hopman Cup draw against Germany, Serbia and

The Queenslander's week began well, with a win over former world No 9 Andrea Petkovic when the German was forced to withdraw with a knee injury.

The Australians were also handed the mixed doubles victory, so Barty's Hopman Cup experience was off to a perfect start.

But the best was yet to come. More than 13,000 fans packed the Perth Arena on 2 January as Australia took on

After Bernard Tomic upset world No 1 Novak Djokovic, Barty had a free hit against Ana Ivanovic and put in a spirited performance against the former world No 1 and French Open

Even though she lost, Barty did well against the Serbian star, and then the Australians only narrowly lost the mixed doubles in a deciding match tie-break.

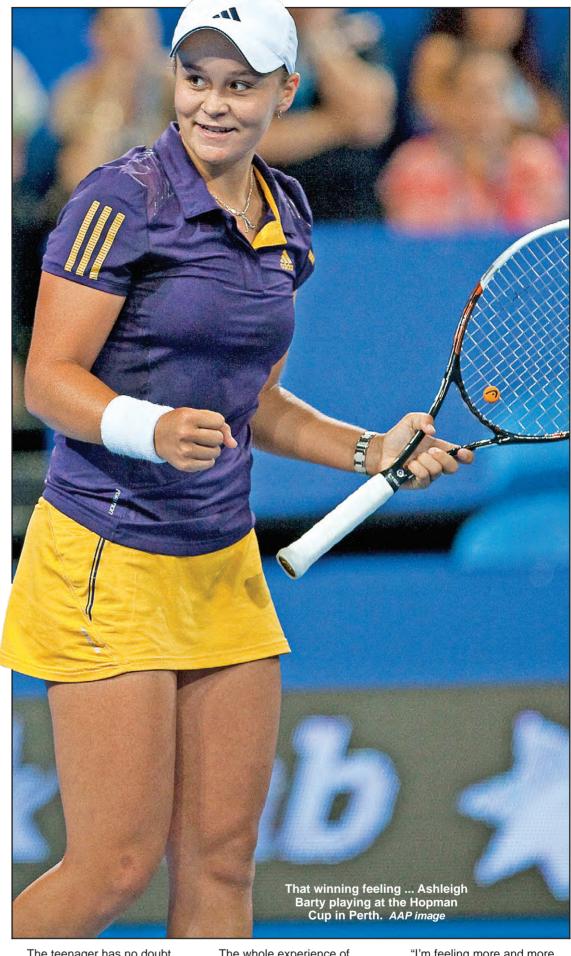
Biggest win

Italy was the next opponent, and the result was the biggest win of Barty's career. She comprehensively downed Francesca Schiavone – no mean feat considering the 32-year-old Italian has been ranked as high as No 4 in the world as recently as 2011.

Schiavone was the 2010 French Open champion and made the final again in 2011, so there are few bigger scalps in world tennis.

Barty's victory put Australia in with a chance to make the final as well, but Serbia took care of Germany to qualify instead.

Barty said she had an incredible time in Perth and playing in front of the huge crowds at the Perth Arena.



The teenager has no doubt the win over Schiavone was the best of her career to date.

"It was insane coming out and playing in front of so many people. It's unbelievable and to do it in front of so many is just so amazing," Barty said.

"With the occasion and everything that was going on, I really played well against Francesca and it has to be close to one of the best performances I've ever played.

"I think it trumps everything, it was an incredible feeling to beat someone like her.

'So much adrenaline was pumping through my veins after that. When I found out that I was in the same pool as Francesca and Ana, it was going to be an incredible opportunity for me. To go out there and actually beat one of them was unbelievable."

The whole experience of being in Perth and not only playing women's singles matches against Ivanovic and Schiavone but also playing mixed doubles with Tomic and against the like of Djokovic is something that Barty feels will help her development enormously.

'Like Christmas

"Being in Perth felt like Christmas really. I had such a ball and it was the best experience of my career so far as a professional," she said.

"I was practising with the girls as well and it's been such a valuable time for me. I was able to practice with professional players, real professional players, and it has been really great for me to get out there to try and fit in with them.

"I'm feeling more and more comfortable every time I head out on to the court."

Since her Hopman Cup experience, Barty lost a tough three-set match at the Hobart International against defending champion and world No 32 Mona Barthel, but was granted a wildcard into her second straight Australian Open in Melbourne.

"I can't thank Tennis Australia enough for giving me another opportunity. Hopefully I can now play well over the rest of the summer after my experience in Perth," Barty said.

"It's unreal to have played all the Grand Slams last year and hopefully I can now play okay in Australia this year, and maybe see how I'm looking once the draw comes out."

Sport report – Page 72



Margaret Morrison with her certificate.

Margaret celebrates 30 years of service

By ALF WILSON



TORRES Strait Islander woman Margaret Morrison says one of the most rewarding duties during her 30 years with the Australian Public Service has been

assisting Indigenous people with

Ms Morrison was presented with a certificate for her three decades of service at a ceremony in Townsville last month.

For the past 28 years of that time

she has been an employee of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) in Townsville.

"I would recommend a position in the Australian Public Service to our people, especially the youngsters," Ms Morrison said. "There are many good opportunities and I have been honoured to work for the Tax Office for so long and assist many Indigenous

Ms Morrison is of Moa Island descent on her mother's side and Darnley descent on her late father's side. "I have a lot of family members up in the Torres Strait," she said.

Ms Morrison was born in Brisbane and raised in Townsville, where she attended local primary and high

On finishing Year 11 at Pimlico High School she started working with the Department of Aboriginal Affairs in 1982, before moving to the Tax Office in 1984.

She has worked in the ATO's Client Accounting Services, the Client Registration Unit and with Tax Help.

She also helped in broadcasts of tax tips and played a major part in the implementation of a cross-cultural awareness course.

Answers to our Edition 541 Crossword. How did you go?

ACROSS

- 3. Tucker 5. Coober
- 9. Brisbane
- 14. Taser
- 12. Trick
- 13. Executive
- **DOWN**
- 1. Netball
- Goldfields 4. University
- 15. Wales 6. Redfern 16. Eclipse
 - 7. Dingo 8. Perth
 - 10. Anderson
 - 11. Greens
 - 14. Tasmania

Our brain-teasers

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SOLUTIONS IN OUR NEXT EDITION

ACROSS:

- 1. This Baby was born in a manger.
- 4. Adelaide AFL club.
- 7. ARIA Hall of Fame entrants Yothu ...
- 10. North Queensland NRL side.
- 12. Federal social security authority.
- 13. National Native Title ...
- 16. Head of the Catholic Church.
- 17. Police chief.

DOWN:

- 2. World's highest mountain.
- 3. Northern Victorian city.
- 5. Take unlawfully. 6. Indigenous actress
- Deborah M... 8. Disease carrying insect.
- 9. Capital of Queensland. 10. Local government
- body. 11. National rugby union side.
- 14. Your brother's son. 15. Mary G is of the Kimberley.

YOUR SAY



GenerationOne CEO Warren Mundine says now is the time to act to ensure a bright future for our youth. See Page 25

Grog management and self-determination

I SUPPORT the Aboriginal councils (in Queensland and the Northern Territory) in their quest to showcase their own communities' capacity to manage alcohol consumption.

These council mayors are not unintelligent people, they were elected by their communities to be leaders and represent their communities

Those high-flying Aborigines in

the south need to mind their own business and stop focusing on keeping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in poverty.

Have a look in the mirror and around, some of us have created a

middle class society and we don't live in poverty.

It's called self-determination.

GEORGE BLAIR by email

Time for a change of policy direction

An open letter to Prime Minister Julia Gillard

THE Working Group for Aboriginal Rights is calling on you and your Government to change direction in your policies on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs.

We recommend you focus your strategies on the Theo van Boven principles of Reparation for Peoples who have suffered gross violations of human rights.

His extensive work clarifies the remedial steps needed for people to recover from Human Rights abuses (UN Economic and Social Council Resolution 2005/30).

Apology is only the first step, and the health and well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders is dependent, in our opinion, on all seven steps of the van Boven principles being implemented - restitution, compensation, rehabilitation, satisfaction and guarantees of non-repetition and prevention.

The evidence is clear that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are still suffering gross violations of human rights and have done so since 1788, and it is now encumbent upon your Government to change tack and begin to deal with the reality of Aboriginal peoples' continuing survival against all odds.

We are now at the stage where Aboriginal people understand the trickery within colonial history and the ingenious



subtlety employed to conceal Australia's lack of legitimate sovereignty

Consequently, many are now able to see through the deception of Minister Jenny Macklin's Act of Recognition, just as many found PM Rudd's apology very welcome, but somewhat hypocritical as the army was still moving into Aboriginal communities in the Northern Territory as he made the landmark apology to the

Stolen Generations.

Many ask: Where is the apology to the communities who lost their children, land, language and ancient way of life, which has stood the test of time?

The fact that Aboriginal communities have among the highest suicide rate in the world is indicative of the distress caused by government policy.

The fact that no Australian government has fully implemented the 1949

Convention for the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide shows there is something to hide.

We would like you to answer in writing the following questions:

1. When will you amend Section 268.121 - 268.122 of the International Criminal Court Consequential Amendments Act 2002, so that the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide is fully incorporated into Australian domestic law?

2. When will you repeal the Act of Recognition and start meaningful negotiations with respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nations and peoples' continuing sovereignty and seek just solutions?

3. Will you ensure that the Theo van Boven principles for Remedy and Restitution will be enacted for the wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nations and Peoples?

4. When will your Government ensure self-determination for Northern Territory communities and withdraw the Intervention, now known as Stronger Futures?

We would appreciate your prompt reply to these issues, which affect not only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, but also all Australians

> **FFIONNAN BROOKE-WATSON** Convenor, Working Group for Aboriginal Rights

POETRY

Meaning of First Nations' Peoples... **Australia Day Thought**

First Nation people of this land Belong to deserts and coastline sands For millenniums of **Dreamtime places** Respecting country with black faces.

The second nation to reach these shores On ships with flags to conquer all, A third nation to cross the waves Of migrants, refugees and slaves.

Australia's first millennium A nation built by British A nation with its mines and farms A nation born from bearing arms.

Australia's nation of today Whose generations number eight? Australians merge to new moulds 200 years is not that old...

First Nation Australians are still here today No boats have taken us away From where our

forefathers Feet touched ground

First Nation Aussies Stand strong and proud, Not for the White **Australia Day** It brought us way too much dismay We stand tall For what's here today

Another millennium? We will stav.

> **Z QUAKAWOOT** by email

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poems must be accompanied by the author's full name, home town/city and State/Territory, and a contact number so we can verify content. After that, we're happy to withhold names and addresses

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Empowering our kids

LL children should have the human right to live a healthy and fulfilling life. This is surely common sense. We would like to think that every Australian would agree on this simple human dignity, making it our national priority.

So why are the Children of the Sunrise, Aboriginal children, still denied an equal opportunity for well-being?

Ian Thorpe's Fountain for Youth is a small effort given the scale of the poverty and disadvantage faced by Indigenous children and their families. We support Aboriginal communities to improve health and education, supplying literacy backpacks to provide reading in bookless homes, building or enriching libraries, working to help small businesses and cultural centres create a viable economy in isolated

For more than a decade we have shared the struggle with remote Aboriginal communities and with Indigenous organisations in the cities, trying to focus our nation on action to improve the lives of our most vulnerable children.

We have both travelled the world and seen that poverty can be a trap for children, holding them back with no chance for their talents to shine.

Yet against the odds, some kids do rise above the

seemingly overwhelming problems because they know who they are and that someone believes in them.

Empowerment and knowledge are the crucial factors for change that can turn disastrous health situations into hopeful communities within a single generation.

For this reason, we have concentrated our advocacy at Fountain for Youth on trying to convince government that disempowerment and discrimination are the biggest threats to the genuine advancement of the First Australians.

The Close the Gap campaign led by a great Australian, Dr Tom Calma, raised our hopes for a bi-partisan political effort to focus all branches of government across the country on a coordinated effort to improve housing, health, education and employment, An Aboriginal child born in 2007 in the Northern creating the road

future. With another Olympian, Catherine Freeman, we shared a dream that educating our nation on these challenges would

to a brighter

inspire everyone to believe that we could get this done without more Stolen Generations or seeing the heart cut out of Aboriginal

Instead, we see more



McMullen

Indigenous children being removed from their families than during the worst decades of the Stolen Generations.

Suicide among young Indigenous people is now a

IAN **THORPE**

safety and well-being of not altered the Northern Territory Government's grim assessment that more children are now at risk of neglect than

Indigenous children have

Aboriginal children. It is why we had no choice but saw it as a responsibility to raise our voices against the removal of the protection of the Racial Discrimination Act for these 73 targeted

communities. The Intervention prompted a speech in London titled Dirty Little Secret (by Ian Thorpe) and countless attempts on a long tour (by Jeff McMullen) with Aboriginal leaders to voice the concerns of communities overrun by this sweeping disempowerment.

After five years of imposing a state of emergency on the NT communities, the Government feigned re-instatement of the Racial Discrimination Act but kept intact its most discriminatory provisions for another ten years.

No one else in this country would stand by and see their communities

> smeared and stereotyped in this way, but the great Australian Silence continues.

The Human Rights Medal is awarded to one man (lan Thorpe). We ask you to see it as recognition of the work of all at

the community level who strive to improve the human rights of the First Australians. It is time for more serious reflection on the challenges that remain. Make it personal and use

every breath, for this is our nation's most urgent task.

We want you to hear the voices that have been silenced. Aboriginal Elders in the Northern Territory including Rosalie Kunoth-Monks, from Utopia, and Dr Djiniyini Gondarra, from Elcho Island, have reminded us in important speeches that we have not respected the human rights of Indigenous Australians.

Twenty years after (former Prime Minister) Paul Keating's historic Redfern speech urging Australians to 'open our hearts a bit', Aboriginal people are still waiting.

An Aboriginal child born in 2007 in the Northern Territory will spend the first 15 years of his or her life living under a prolonged state of emergency that deprives them of rights and has done so little to put food in their belly, improve their health or education, let alone assure them that we have counted them as our own precious children.

The truth is that Australia is still a nation officially discriminating against just one group of citizens.

Ian Thorpe is the founder and Jeff McMullen honorary CEO of the not-for-profit health and education organisation, lan Thorpe's Fountain for Youth. Ian Thorpe, a great Australian swimmer and Olympian, won the 2012 Australian Human Rights Commission's Human Rights Medal.

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terrifying contagion across the Top End communities.

Incarceration rates are higher than in the dark days of apartheid in South Africa. All of our nation's

displays of concern over the

before the Intervention. The bitter partisan

politics surrounding the **Northern Territory** Emergency Response in 2007 blinded our nation to the real needs of these

Transport Roads & Maritime

Aboriginal Heritage

Campbelltown Road between Camden Valley Way and Brooks Road

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the proposed Campbelltown Road Upgrade, between Camden Valley Way and Brooks Road to register to be consulted.

To register your interest, please contact: Mr Barry Gunther Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisor, Aboriginal Programs Environmental branch via phone:

8849 2006, fax: (02) 8849 2886 oi email: Barry.Gunther@rms.nsw.gov.au

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Wednesday 6 February 2013.

Roads and Maritime Services is planning for the future upgrade of Campbelltown Road from a two lane road to a divided four lane road.

The proposal may result in Roads and Maritime Services:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010,
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act



Transport Roads & Maritime Services

Aboriginal Heritage Princes Highway Burrill Lake crossing

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the Princes Highway crossing of Burrill Lake to register to be consulted.

To register your interest, please contact: Agnes Donovan

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Adviser South Level 5, 90 Crown Street Wollongong NSW (02) 4221 2767

agnes.donovan@rms.nsw.gov.au

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Wednesday 6 February 2013.

Roads and Maritime Services proposes to investigate options for the future of the existing crossing, including the potential provision of a new bridge over the lake.

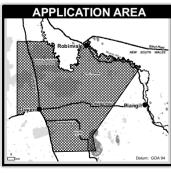
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Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Notice of an Application for Registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party



Name of applicant:

Murray Valley Aboriginal Cooperative Ltd 5 December 2012

Date received: Public comments due: 18 February 2013

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) has received an application by Murray Valley Aboriginal Cooperative Ltd for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party for the hatched snown on the accompanying map, if regi the applicant will be responsible for making key decisions about cultural heritage protection and management under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006.

In determining whether to grant this application, the VAHC must consider:

- whether the applicant is a native title party;
- whether the applicant has traditional or familial links to the area;
- whether the applicant has historical or contemporary interests in and expertise in the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage in the area;
- the existence of any grant of land by government in fee simple to an Aboriginal body in the area; · whether the applicant has entered into a land and natural resource management agreement with the State in the area;
- · any other relevant matter

The VAHC invites written comments on this application, which can be sent to: Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat Postal address: GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001 Email: vahc@dpcd.vic.gov.au

The applicant will be advised of comments received.



Where our youth belong

N classrooms and in jobs, that is where our Aboriginal youth belong. Recent reporting around Aboriginal youth being sentenced for stealing hamburger buns, I will admit sounds ridiculous.

However an urgent review of the sentencing laws is not the answer.

Reviewing the sentencing of Aboriginal kids compared to non-Aboriginal kids will no doubt reveal some interesting facts and clearly some discrepancies.

But the proposed sentencing review deviates from the real issues.

The rates of Aboriginal kids in prison is a ticking time bomb. It is a disaster for the future as a nation

We have let this issue spiral out of control, and the bleeding obvious to me is we've got to get kids back into education and jobs. Anything else is a waste of time and a failure.

There has been report after report after report after report on this issue and they all say the same thing. It is a blight on the Aboriginal and wider Australian community that we have let this get to this stage.

Urgent action is needed to

develop meaningful and effective prevention strategies so young people see themselves comfortably inside the classroom instead of the courtroom, and so their education leads to real jobs and not a life of crime.

In 2007 Indigenous young people made up around 3 per cent of the population, yet Indigenous juveniles accounted for 59 per cent of the total detention population in Australia. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare reports that on an average day in 2011-12 Indigenous youth were 31 times as likely to be in juvenile detention.

Sadly, we can return our Indigenous young people to prison at a higher rate than we can retain them in either high school or university.

In 2005, the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research reported 90 per cent of Indigenous young people who appeared in Children's Court went on to appear in adult courts. Young Indigenous offenders are repeat offenders; small crimes turn into big crimes and the whole community loses.

The writing is on the wall here:



WARREN MUNDINE

diverting our kids from juvenile justice and engaging them in school and career paths is imperative for their future, and ours.

A growing pool of young

Indigenous people are falling through the cracks of society, and staying there. This has to stop.

It will take Indigenous leaders, politicians, policy experts, young people, justice workers, school teachers, employers and the community as a whole to change this.

Diversionary strategies offering holistic approaches to offenders have been shown to work. This holistic support is exactly what GenerationOne is advocating for with an employer-led model of Vocational Training and Employment Centres (VTEC). Employer-directed training that leads to real jobs is supporting Aboriginal people find sustainable employment. This model can be matched for juveniles.

A 2009 report, Criminal Justice and Indigenous People: A Dysfunctional Relationship? found that prison sentences had little deterrent value for many Indigenous offenders. It makes perfect sense to suggest that diversionary programs be the next step.

I am a dad, I am a foster parent and I am part of an Australian community that is heartbroken when I read stories about children standing in courtrooms, being defended of crimes ranging from misdemeanors to the severe. The age of these kids is heartbreaking. What is more heartbreaking is the well-worn path from the juvenile justice system to adult prisons for Indigenous people. Diversion to education and employment is the only answer.

In 2013, the GenerationOne Indigenous employment campaign will be meeting with attorneys-general, ministers and juvenile justice experts to investigate ways in which the system can prevent Aboriginal youth from entering a life of crime

The 2011 Census revealed that 35.9 per cent of the Indigenous population is under the age of 15.

The wave of young people is breaking on our shores.

The time to act is now.

*This also appeared in *The Australian* newspaper last week.

*Warren Mundine, a Bundjalung man, is CEO of GenerationOne.

Letter to the Editor

Criticism of PM Gillard shows a double standard

I FOLLOW politics fairly closely and watch question time on television, so I consider myself to be fairly up to date with what is happening in our political parties.

I have my likes and dislikes and believe I have good reason to base my views on.

I know I will get offside with a lot of people by saying I really like Prime Minister Julia Gillard and what she is

The main criticisms aimed at her are: she is not married therefore living in sin, she does not believe in God, she has no children, her clothes don't fit very well and, to top it off, she has RED HAIR.

Then there are the criticisms pushed by the Federal Opposition, claiming that she acted corruptly in some union affairs with a former boyfriend almost two decades ago.

There are journalists and the Opposition claiming that she avoids answering certain questions about that matter.

I have seen the Prime Minister in two press interviews and when challenged she simply asked

The Voice of Indigenous Australia

what the question was that she was supposedly avoiding. She did the same in Parliament in response to (Opposition Leader) Tony Abbott's 15-minute attack on her, and nothing was forthcoming.

Then the big one, that she lied about the carbon tax and therefore she cannot be trusted.

I clearly remember former Prime Minister John Howard saying 'I will never ever introduce a GST'. When he got into office he introduced it and justified his action by simply saying 'I changed my mind'.

Is it not possible that Prime Minister Gillard, after further research and consultation with her party, changed her mind?

John Howard's change of mind was acceptable, Julia Gillard's change of mind was a lie.

Perhaps Prime Minister Gillard's use of the word 'misogyny' was not overplayed in her response to Tony Abbott's attack on her.

> HAROLD HUNT St Mary's, NSW



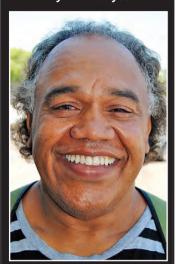
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New Year's Resolutions



LORRAINE MILLER – Alice Springs, NT: To barrack harder for my AFL team, the Adelaide Crows, so they go one better than they did last year.



ARNOLD OTTAVIANO – Townsville, Qld: I want to give up drinking alcohol and smoking and turn my life around.



DEB BROWN - Hobart, Tas: I'm just looking forward to better health this year.



DONALD FING - Lismore, NSW: I'll be starting my apprenticeship as a dieśel mechanic so that I can obtain a job in the mining



Cheers to the 2012 and welcome 2013 from the aunties, catching up are first-time Woodford visitor Aunty Amy Garnett, from Saibai and Dauan islands in the Torres Strait, Aunty Rizah Kris, from Moa Island, and long-time Woodford and The Dreaming weaving artist Aunty Bakoi Boulton (from Murray Island), who now lives at Tweed Heads.

Indigenous acts star at Woodford

By EMILY MURPHY



THE latest Woodford Folk Festival did not disappoint in showcasing the best of Indigenous Australian acts as well as emerging artists who are well on their way to stardom.

While the surprise visit of Prime Minister Julie Gillard and former PM Bob Hawke to the huge southern Queensland festival may have been the highlight for some, the line-up of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander performers was second-to-none.

The Songlines First Nations stage featured the likes of Radical Son, Shellie Morris and Microwave Jenny, as well as a host of stellar acts including Impossible Odds, Bobby Alu, Thelma Plum, Stiff Gins, Tjurpurru, Uncle Herb Wharton and the Taigai Zugubau Dance

Main attraction

The highly acclaimed and celebrated Archie Roach's one-night-only performance of 'Into the Bloodstream' at the Amphitheatre age was a main attraction for thousands on the Sunday night that saw a choir including the best of Australia's music industry.

Shane Howard's 30-year celebration show 'Other Side of the Rock' was packed at each of the three shows, with international yidaki player and musician William Barton bringing his skills to the stage along with Tidda Amy Saunders and Black Arm Band members Shellie Morris and Emma Donovan.

Held on Jinibara land, the festival was a feast for all the senses with workshops, performances, traditional dance demonstrations, visual arts, music, comedy and discussion series held by Elders.



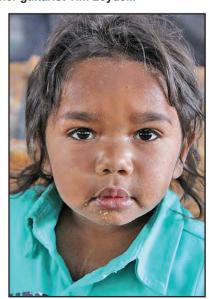
Gurindji painter Rachel Morris, from Kalkarindji, at her first Woodford.



Celebrated percussionist Greg Sheehan jumped up on stage during one of the Shellie's Story concerts at the Songlines First Nations stage with multi-award winning artist Shellie Morris and her guitarist Tim Loydell.



Woodford Folk Festival is a great time for family to spend time together, with Jarrowair women Michelle Davlight. Dawn Daylight and Malinda Flynn, all from Brisbane, taking in the festivities.



Two-year-old JJ Georgetown (Wakka Wakka) from Wondai.

Palm Job fears Resolutions

By ALF WILSON



QUEENSLAND Government funding cuts are set to cost 30 Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council workers their jobs. Mayor Alf Lacey says it's a

major blow for the North Queensland Aboriginal community,

which has one of Australia's highest unemployment rates.

Palm Shire Council provides 140 jobs and the loss of 30 would have a devastating effect on many families

Mr Lacey said the jobs were in danger because several state grants had been discontinued or not increased to match inflation.



'The other 16 **Indigenous shire** councils in **Queensland would** be in the same boat' Mayor Alf Lacey

He said a further \$500,000 in unspent grant money had also been taken from the council because it did not use the funds as required by the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme guidelines.

"Because we don't collect rates we don't have a buffer zone when cuts come and there is no

surplus money," he said. "The other 16 Indigenous shire councils in Queensland would be in the same boat."

Townsville-based State Local Government Minister David Crisafulli told the Townsville Bulletin newspaper that Palm Island council needed to become more efficient.

"It is the responsibility of council to get the most out of the money they receive from the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme and other programs by looking for innovative solutions to deliver more with less, just like we have had to do at a state level," he said.

But Mr Lacey said that instead of concentrating on welfare payments, State and Federal governments needed to help start economic development in a bid to create jobs.



PETER WHITE - Canberra, ACT: To make sure the collection at National Film and Sound Archive (where he is senior curator, Indigenous collections) is representing all of the mob throughout the country.



NIKEISHA AHFAT -Katherine, NT: I'll be looking to get a job this coming year.



LIONEL DODD – Arabana man from Maree, SA: My resolution's simple. To keep on living.



ELAINE WILLIAMS – Alice Springs, NT: I want to go back to studying a degree in adult education and community management, and I want to do more to help my people.

Dirty Business shines a light on mining industry



thought within Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities - those fervently wishing the phenomenon a long and healthy life, and those who believe that its end can't come soon enough.

The factors influencing both of these positions are interrogated in the third episode of an informative three-part series that began earlier this month on SBS TV.

The Renegade Films production Dirty Business: How Mining Made Australia explores the history of Australian mining, the highs and lows of how it has affected every aspect of the nation's life including land rights, environment, politics, and social economic and labour history.

Episode one, Money, screened on 6 January, telling of the battles to share in the incredible wealth generated by a 'boom' industry and living with the ever-present threat of 'bust'. Episode two, Power, screened on Sunday, exploring how mining has been 'a crucible' through which both the labour movement and big business have tried to influence, infiltrate and control governments.

Episode three, Land, screens this Sunday and will be of keen interest to Indigenous audiences, charting as it does the struggle between mining and land rights. The program ventures that land rights owe their very existence to mining, having galvanized our communities into action in the courts, on the streets, and in the corridors of political power. And it suggests that mining, while destroying and dispossessing, may yet be the best hope for the future of Australia's traditional owners (TOs).

While it seems to conflate somewhat several separate Indigenous battles against miners, Land charts in a helpful and interesting way the 50-year campaign to see Indigenous land rights recognised as justice

That campaign canvasses the actions that led to the Yolngu



'Super Pit'... The huge Fimistin Open Pit open-cut gold mine at Kalgoorlie in Western Australia.

people's presentation of now famous bark petitions to Federal Parliament; the role of Torres Strait Islander men in building the Pilbara's railways; the passage of the Aboriginal Land Rights (NT) Act 1976; the angst caused by discovery and mining of uranium at Kakadu; the blockade and confrontation between protesters and police over oil exploration at Noonkanbah in WA; the beginnings of the Aboriginal and environmental alliance; Bob Hawke's ill-fated pledge to introduce national land rights (largely finished off by what is described as a 'disgusting' and high successful advertising campaign by the WA Government); the 'game changing' High Court Mabo judgment (described hysterically by then WA Liberal Party state president Bill Hassell as having the potential to destroy our society'); Rio Tinto's eventual mothballing of the Jabiluka uranium deposit in the face of sustained TO opposition; and recent royalty deals.

As well as various non-

Indigenous informants including Rio Tinto's global practice leader Bruce Harvey, academic Ciaran O'Faircheallaigh and former Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Federal Fred Chaney, the program features anti-uranium mining campaigner Jacqui Katona championing the power of sustained protest, and early land rights campaigner and now academic Marcia Langton talking of the transformation of the mining industry from 'the pillagers to the major investors in the Indigenous world'.

Observations

The program contains a string of fascinating and candid observations, such as Bruce Harvey's one that, early on, 'Aboriginal people had no power, there were no land councils, there was no legislation. I mean, they were barely recognised within the apparatus of the Australian state, as it were, so for many mining companies, (were) just an irrelevancy. I mean, we were being provided with consent permits to go out and explore at

the behest of state governments and we were going to go and do

Prof Langton's pragmatic approach is sure to rile some in Aboriginal and environmental camps, but one suspects that will cause her little concern.

"What's the point of rights if they don't bring us out of poverty, combating high mortality rates and insufficient housing?" she rails in the program. "Surely our rights must serve a practical purpose. One would think that the practical purpose would be to bring us out of poverty and join the mainstream of society. I know there are, you know, leftists, anarchists and Greens who think this is treachery. I ask them to live in a house with 30 people living in it with their children at risk of dying. Then you can lecture me about Indigenous rights." - By KIRSTIE PARKER

Dirty Business: How Mining Made Australia, episode three Land, is on SBS One at 8.30pm this Sunday, 20 January, and on SBS Two at 8.30pm on Thursday, 24 January.

NSW minister talks up changes to Act



NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello says proposed administrative amendments to the 30-year-old Aboriginal Land Rights Act will simplify the legislation and

assist local Aboriginal land councils.

"They will address administrative inefficiencies that will, for example, help simplify the land claims system, leading to greater economic outcomes for Aboriginal people across NSW," he said.

"The amendments also help to clarify some existing provisions of the Act where the terminology has changed over recent years and address minor inconsistencies that exist in

NSW Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Geoff Scott said the amendments would help fix many errors in and oversights of the Act.

"The next round of amendments, which will be subject to a series of consultations, will address the balance of governance, decision making and facilitation powers to clarify and enable the land rights network to begin to realise its potential," he said.

Havnen new CEO of NT health service



FORMER NT Coordinator General for Remote Services Olga Havnen has been named the new CEO of Danila Dilba Health Service in the Yilli Rreung region of the NT.

Ms Havnen has previously been the head of Indigenous strategy with

Australian Red Cross and manager of international and Indigenous programs with the Fred Hollows Foundation and is on the board of the Indigenous Land Corporation.

After Ms Havnen wrote a scathing report last year, claiming successive NT governments had redirected funds desperately needed for remote services to urban luxury items, her position was abolished by NT Minister for Aboriginal Advancement Alison Anderson.

Caring for country part of Alice desert park program



Aaron Curtis, the first person to start the new apprenticeship course at Alice Springs Desert Park.



CONSERVATION and land management are now part of the Alice Springs Desert Park apprenticeship program.

The new programs will be in addition to the tourism, horticulture and captive animal management programs run at the park over the past 16 years.

Alice Springs man Aaron Curtis is the first person to start the new conservation and land management apprenticeship after having completed a two-year school-based Certificate II Tourism (Guiding) apprenticeship at the park last July.

Park director Paul AhChee Ngala said the apprenticeship program was being diversified so that people were exposed to natural and cultural resource management while still being able to specialise in tourism or horticulture.

"The park has an enduring, successful apprenticeship program with more than 70 per cent of the 30 people who started their apprenticeships in the past 16 years having completed their programs, and 76 per cent of those are still working in the Territory," he said.

Careers

"These graduate apprentices have taken up careers as professional guides, horticulturalists, zoo keepers, rangers, language interpreters, youth workers, administrators and business owners.

"Aaron will study a Certificate III in Conservation and Land Management from Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education (BIITE) and he has decided he wishes to pursue a pathway towards becoming a ranger so we are delighted to provide him with this opportunity.

"The Clontarf Football Academy and Centralian Secondary College's 'Gateways Program" were very effective at supporting Aaron during his final years of school and the mentors and teachers still play an active role in his life.

"STEPS employment will also continue to support Aaron for the duration of his apprenticeship.'



Important community announcement

Changes to the law on smoke-free outdoor areas

From 7 January 2013, there are new requirements in NSW making the following areas smoke-free:

- Within 10 metres of children's play equipment in an outdoor public place;
- Open areas of public swimming pool complexes;
- · Spectator areas of sports grounds or other recreational areas during organised sporting
- · At public transport stops and stations, including platforms of passenger railways and light rail stations, ferry wharves, light rail stops, bus stops, taxi ranks and the area where people gather or queue to wait for the bus, taxi or light rail; and
- Within 4 metres of a pedestrian access point to a building (meaning a non-residential building or a building that combines residential and commercial uses). This requirement will operate from 6 July 2015 for hotels, clubs, restaurants and cafes.

From 6 July 2015, commercial outdoor dining areas will be required to be smoke-free. Smoking will not be permitted in an outdoor public place that is:

- A seated dining area an area in which seating is provided and in which food that has been purchased and served on plates or packaged for immediate consumption is consumed - but only while food is being consumed or is available for purchase and consumption there;
- Within 4 metres of a seated dining area on licensed premises or at a restaurant, or
- Within 10 metres of where food is sold or supplied for consumption at a food fair.

From 6 July 2015, hotels, clubs, restaurants and cafes will need to comply with the ban on smoking within 4 metres of any pedestrian entrance to or exit from a public building.

Penalties will apply for anyone who fails to comply with the new laws.

These amendments to the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 are a key measure in reducing community exposure to second-hand tobacco smoke, tobacco-related harm and the uptake of smoking in NSW.

For more information please visit the NSW Health website at: www.health.nsw.gov.au or contact the Tobacco Information Line on 1800 357 412. The Tobacco Information Line can be accessed by non-English speaking persons via the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) on 13 14 50.

Focus on heritage



STATE Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell has welcomed what she says is the

constructive approach of the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council to the recently released report of the Inquiry into the Establishment and Effectiveness of Registered Aboriginal Parties. Mrs Powell said she was 'greatly encouraged by the council's positive response to the vast majority of the report's findings and recommendations'.

Established under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006, the council advises the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on matters involving Aboriginal cultural heritage, and makes decisions on applications from traditional owner groups to become a Registered Aboriginal Party.

"There is clear agreement to work constructively together to continue to support those parts of the Aboriginal heritage system which are working well, and to improve those areas where issues have been identified by the inquiry's report," Mrs Powell said.

She said the inquiry received 70 submissions and heard from 39 speakers at six public hearings.

"Its report makes 24 key findings and 38 recommendations and I'll be considering each one carefully before formally responding to the report by May," Mrs Powell said.

The minister said she was pleased to hear of the council's commitment to encouraging diverse representation on the body.

"There are two vacancies on the council now and there'll be four additional vacancies in May 2013 when current members' terms conclude," she said.

"The council agrees that the recruitment of six suitably qualified people from across the state to fill these positions is a priority for both itself and the Coalition Government.

Process

"...The recruitment process to fill six of the 11 places on the council by May 2013 has already commenced.

"I encourage any Aboriginal Victorian who can demonstrate traditional or familial links to an area of Victoria - and an extensive knowledge of Aboriginal cultural heritage management issues - to express their interest in becoming a council member.

For more information, or to download an expression of interest form, go to www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/ indigenous/aboriginal-heritagecouncil or telephone the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council on (03) 9208 3243.

Nicole set to drive her future



NICOLE Caldwell, from Casino in northern NSW, is hoping to use the skills she learned in a course calling for volunteer bus drivers to get a job. Ms Caldwell participated in

Getting About, a 12-month project funded by Transport for NSW, auspiced by Lismore City Council and delivered by ACE Community Colleges, a project that helped 10 Aboriginal people to get their bus licences from communities in Lismore, Ballina, Box Ridge, Muli Muli, Casino, Kyogle and Cabbage Tree Island.

The project brief was to train volunteer bus drivers who could safely drive people to family or sporting gatherings, funerals and other events, but Ms Caldwell is hopeful of going a step further, finishing the public passenger course.

She is training with Casino Bus Company and is hoping to soon be employed driving on local school

"I've seen some Aboriginal people - they had to look twice when they saw me driving the bus," Ms Caldwell said. "I just jumped into this whole thing. I wasn't sure what to expect, but it's been excellent."

Pictured right: Nicole Caldwell in front of one of the training buses.



Child care agency seeks foster carers



The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA) is seeking suitable people in Melbourne to provide respite, short-term and long-term foster care.

The lead Aboriginal child and family welfare organisation in Victoria, VACCA is responsible for providing safe, nurturing, and culturally sensitive foster care placements for Aboriginal children from birth to 18 who are unable to live with their families. The goal is to provide Aboriginal children with positive and nurturing family life experiences that will support their cultural, social and emotional development.

For more details, go to www.vacca.org or phone Taryn on (03) 8388 1855.

Macklin under fire for \$35-a-day claim



FEDERAL Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin has been under intense pressure over a claim that she could survive on an allowance of just \$35 a day. She had made the claim after

commenting on changes, as of the first of January this year, to the parenting payment scheme that moved up to 84,000 single Australian parents to the Newstart allowance.

Welfare groups estimate some families will be between \$60 and \$100 worse off as a result of the Government changes.

Ms Macklin last weekend admitted her remarks were insensitive and that she could have been clearer in the way she said them.

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Scheme concern



THE scheme to manage welfare payments has stirred concern and confusion among remote Indigenous communities in South

Australia, Government documents show. Documents obtained under the FOI Act, show Federal officials held consultations on income management with communities in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands in May last year, alongside talks on a regional partnership agreement.

Internal correspondence between Department of Indigenous Affairs (FAHCSIA) officials says communities are getting confused with the volume of information we are presenting'. "When we then come to talk about (income management), we are on the back foot and the talk about the NT and intervention comes out," an official wrote.

Department notes say people in the Indulkana community of the APY Lands were worried that income management, which was introduced in October, was a 'front for other things to come (similar to the NT intervention)'.

By late last month, 263 people in the APY Lands had voluntarily signed up for income management and nine community stores had agreed to accept Basics Cards.

Child protection workers and Centrelink staff have been given the power to refer people for mandatory income management, but the department declined to comment on whether the practice has started.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin says income management is an important measure to help families in the APY Lands budget in the best interests of their children.

The program costs \$4.4 million over two years.

APY Lands Council member Murray George says community members overwhelmingly rejected proposals to introduce income management and urged the Government to focus on issues of funding for communities and homelands. "Strong concerns were expressed about the Government giving itself more power to control Aboriginal people through income management," he said.

Compulsory

Compulsory income management communities in the Northern Territory

People on income management have 50-70 per cent of their welfare payments quarantined on a Basics Card that can be used only at government-approved shops.

Last year, FAHCSIA faced criticism, with claims of mishandling consultations with NT communities over plans to extend the intervention program, rebranded Stronger Futures, for another 10 years.

An independent evaluation of the scheme in the NT last year found income management operated more as 'a means of control', with little evidence it brought behavioural change. – AAP



Want to study pharmacy? \$15,000 per year available to assist with your studies

The aim of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship Scheme (ATSIPSS) is to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to undertake studies in Pharmacy at University. It is acknowledged that if the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities are to be adequately met by pharmacists, there is a need for more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pharmacists to be working in the industry. A total of 3 scholarships valued at \$15,000 per annum for a maximum of four years are offered annually.

Students interested in studying pharmacy at university need to have an interest in health, communication and science. Some universities offer students from rural areas extra credits to assist them into the pharmacy degree course. Talk to your school careers counsellor or contact the Pharmacy School at one of the universities to find

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This Program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing as part of the Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement

www.ruralpharmacy.com.au

Portal to save Gathang

A COLLABORATION between two Indigenous organisations from opposite sides of the Pacific has seen the launch of a new web

portal dedicated to the revitalisation of the Gathang language.

Made up of the Birrbay, Warrimay and Guringay peoples, Gathang speakers cover coastal NSW from Port Stephens to Port Macquarie.

Community members gathered last month at Taree TAFE, on the mid north coast of NSW, to launch the Gathang portal, which includes a dictionary archive. images and audio.

Project member Jeremy Saunders said there were a limited number of fluent Gathang speakers.

"Having the portal will engage young people in language learning, as well as give those living away from home the chance to enhance their language knowledge," he said.

The portal is the result of a collaborative effort between FirstVoices, a program of the First Peoples' Cultural Council (FPCC) based in British Columbia, Canada, and Muurrbay, a regional Aboriginal language centre that supports Aboriginal people on the east coast of Australia to revive their languages and culture.

FirstVoices manager Peter Brand met Muurrbay regional co-ordinator Anna Ash at Puliima, a national Aboriginal languages conference in Brisbane in 2010.

Following much discussion and community consultation, FirstVoices and Muurrbay agreed to run a pilot project, the first of its kind in Australia, where the Gathang language database that was the basis of the published dictionary would be uploaded to the FirstVoices web hub.



A Gumbaynggirr project will follow in

Mr Brand, an Australian expat, travelled from his home in Canada to attend the launch of the new website.

"I'm extremely excited to see Muurrbay break ground in this area," he said.

"It's daunting for Aboriginal communities to put their languages on the web but, in our experience, making use of the latest

technologies can greatly support the language work that goes on within the communities and the fear of appropriation is not warranted.'

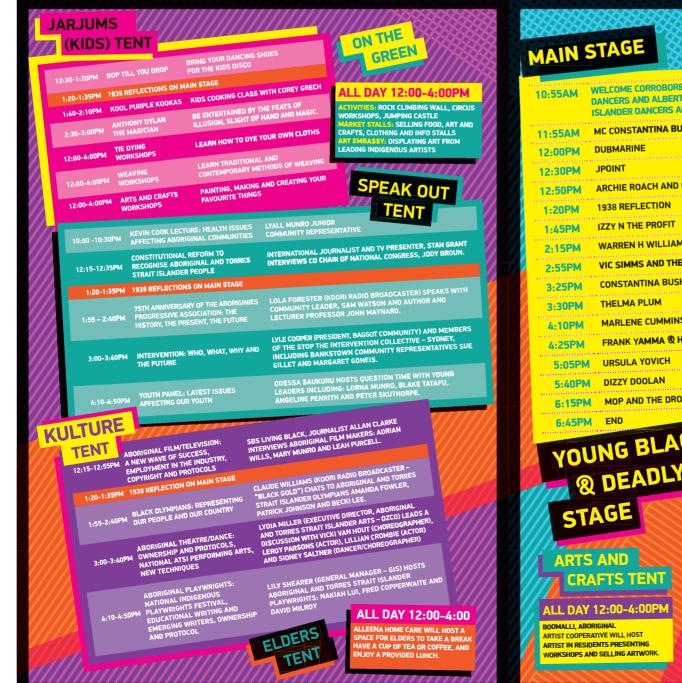
Ms Ash said Muurrbay had published several dictionary/grammar works.

"But people say that they want to hear their language," Ms Ash said.

"This online archive will make all the difference to revitalising the language. The hard work and dedication of the Gathang language recorders has made this a reality.

The project was supported by funding from the Federal Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport via its Indigenous Languages Support program.

To visit the portal go to www.firstvoices.com/en/Gathang







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- 10:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)
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- 8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Doc Series)
 8:30 Our Generation PG (Documentary)
 9:30 My Uncle Bluey PG (Documentary Series)
- 10:00 Australian Biography PG (Doc Series)
 10:30 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)
 11:00 NITV News NC (News)
 11:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)

SUNDAY 20TH JANUARY

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)

1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)

4:00 Roots Music M (Entertainment)

8:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids) 8:30 Go Lingo G (Kids) 9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)

10:30 Dreamtime To Dance PG

9:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
10:00 Dreamtime To Dance PG (Documentary Series)

11:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG

5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)

(Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
12:30 Murri Rugby League Carnival 2012 G

11:00 Nice Coloured Girls PG (Documentary) Pursuing The Flame PG

5:00 Yeyekerte G (Series)
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7:00 Bizou G (Kids) 7:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)

- THURSDAY 17TH JANUARY
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 6:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
 7:00 NITV News NC (News)

- 7:30 Barefoot Summer G (Sport) 8:30 Shaq Vs G (Entertainment) 9:30 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
- 10:00 Hunting Aotearoa M (Series)
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11:30 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)

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- 12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)
 1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
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 1:00 Island Of Origin Of Origin 2011 NC (Sport)
 2:30 Gamarada: A Spiritual Awakening PG (Sport)
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 - 10:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle) 11:00 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
 - 11:30 Among Us PG (Documentary)
 - 12:00 Contrary Warrior PG (Documentary)
 1:00 Larger Than Life PG (Entertainment)
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 8:00 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
- 8:30 Coming To Light Curtis Project PG (Doc) 9:30 Larger Than Life PG (Entertainment)
- 10:00 Mataku M (Drama)

- FRIDAY 18TH JANUARY

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- WEDNESDAY 23RD JANUARY 12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent) 1:00 Ella 7's 2009 NC (Sport)
- 2:00 Natsiba 2010 NC (Sport)

SATURDAY 19TH JANUARY

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4:30 Five Seasons PG (Documentary)

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- 6:00 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series) (Documentary Series)
 6:30 My Life As I Live It G (Documentary)
 - 11:00 Wind M (Drama)

Weeknights 5.30pm

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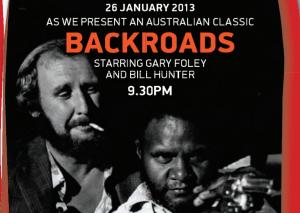
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- 3:00 My Survival As An Aboriginal PG

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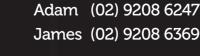
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Aboriginal Cancer Partnerships Grants Program

The Cancer Institute NSW is pleased to call for Expressions of Interest for the Aboriginal Cancer Partnerships Grants Program. Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services can apply for grants up to \$180,000 to deliver projects in collaboration with local health professional networks that build Aboriginal cancer control capacity and knowledge of health professionals across the spectrum of cancer control. Grants are available for collaborative development, delivery and evaluation of projects

- Clinical Placements and Site Visits;
- Health Professional Support Network and Ongoing Support;
- Partnership Building Betwen Mainstream Cancer Services and Aboriginal Community Controlled

For more information and to download an application form please visit: http://www.cancerinstitute.org.au/research-grants-and-funding/grants/opengrants.

General enquires can be sent to acppgrant@cancerinstitute.org.au.

Applications to be received by the Cancer Institute NSW no later than 5pm, 18th February 2013.



Australian Government

Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations

Community Expression of Interest for the Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY)

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) is seeking expressions of interest from communities who would like the Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY) delivered. DEEWR is expanding this program to 50 new communities, with an emphasis on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

HIPPY is a two-year home-based program that works with parents and children in the year before the child commences formal school. It gives parents and carers the confidence to be their child's first teacher and be engaged in their child's learning.

If you would like more information on having HIPPY in your community, please visit the DEEWR website at www.deewr.gov.au/home-interactionprogram-parents-and-youngsters-hippy or call (02) 6240 7308 for expression of interest details.

Expressions of interest should be submitted to DEEWR and received by 1 February 2013.



State Training Services

ELSA DIXON ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Call for Applications for 2013/14

The Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Program is an initiative of the NSW Government to encourage job opportunities and career advancement for Aboriginal and Torres Strait

The NSW Department of Education and Communities is seeking applications from eligible organisations in the NSW public, local government, private or community sectors for funding proposals under the following program elements:

The Permanent Employment element aims to get Aboriginal people into permanent careers in the NSW public and local government sectors.

The Temporary Secondment element aims to improve career development for Aborigina employees in the NSW public and local government sectors.

The Career Development element offers funds to make it easier for NSW public service departments and local councils to give Aboriginal employees training or other career

The *Partnership Project* element funds special projects to create jobs for Aboriginal people

The Graduate Work Experience element encourages employers to give new Aboriginal graduates a start in the workforce by subsidising a work experience placement (maximum 12 weeks) in the person's field of training. Any employer is eligible to apply, subject to the conditions in the Guidelines.

The School-based Traineeship element aims to get Aboriginal school students into a traineeship as part of their Higher School Certificate in the NSW public and local government

Program Guidelines and application forms can be downloaded from: https://www.training.nsw.gov.au/programs_services/funded_other/acp/edaep.html

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 22nd FEBRUARY 2013 -FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

State Training Services, Aboriginal Services Ph: (02) 6881 6178 Fax: (02) 6881 6179 Email: sts-as@det.nsw.edu.au



Funding for interpreters

By LIZ MURRAY



FEDERAL funding for the accreditation of Indigenous language interpreters has

been welcomed.

The National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI) will receive \$286,000 towards improving access to the accreditation system for interpreters of Indigenous languages.

WA Equal Opportunity Commissioner Yvonne Henderson welcomed the move, seen by advocates as a step towards greater support for the needs of Indigenous and linguistically diverse people in regional and remote areas.

NAATI is still in the process of assessing what language groups will receive funding, and in what proportion.

The Kimberley Interpreter Service (KIS), the only Indigenous language interpreter service operating in Western Australia, currently provides interpreting services for 26 language groups.

Ms Henderson said the need for interpreter services funding in WA was desperate. She said



YVONNE HENDERSON

cases where a cancer patient could not understand treatment options and an Aboriginal man who continually breached parole because he could not understand the conditions, highlighted the need for interpreters.

KIS coordinator Deanne Lightfoot said her service was calling for more widely accessible interpreter training; advice for service providers encouraging the use of interpreters; and community education regarding the rights to use an interpreter.

"We are looking at ways of

including Pilbara and Goldfields language speakers to train in the Diploma of Interpreting, now a prerequisite for NAATI," she said.

The Equal Opportunity Commission and KIS said government service providers needed to make greater use of interpreters.

Ms Henderson criticised the fact that some people had been forced to 'make do' when seeking help with the translation of vital information.

"It is illegal to discriminate against someone in the provision of service by providing them with a less favourable service, and if someone can't understand the service that is being delivered to them, then obviously it is less favourable," she said.

Ms Lightfoot was optimistic, saying the funding was a promising sign that change was

"Everyday we fight for the basic human right to understand and be understood, for equal access to services," she said.

Ms Henderson said concerned people could contact her office at www.eoc.wa.gov.au or on 1800 198149.

KIS has offices in Broome and Kununurra and can be contacted on (08) 9192 3981 or at kis@wn.com.au



At the concert after enjoying a quick dip in the nearby river were, from left, were Bert Baker, Derac Corporal, Ethan Cummins, Reggie McAlister, Korey Lemasurier and Knomi Cummins.

Townsville youth conference and concert prove popular

By ALF WILSON



A YOUTH and culture conference and concert held last month in Townsville

proved popular.

Organised by the Indigenous Corporation for Townsville Youth, Helping Our People Everyday (ICTY-**Helping Our People** Everyday), the conference focused on further

education and Indigenous employment programs available locally.

The concert featured comedian Sean Choolburra, Sneake1, Earleeo, Purple Diamond, Dubbzone and Whuntunah Jaban dancers.

Organiser Frank Willis said the the event overall went well.

'The community concert was a huge success, with 1000 people coming to enjoy the music," he said.

James Cook University and our ambassadors did

an excellent job supporting the event and also helping.'

William Palm Island, 20, and Malakai Tyson, 18, enjoyed the concert.

The dancers were so good and really inspired me to do well in my life," William said.

Mr Willis thanked the sponsors James Cook University, Evolution Mining, Townsville City Council, Twin Rivers Association, Queensland Health and School of Indigenous Studies.

Archaeologist Bryn Coldrick on country in the Pilbara with Nyiyaparli traditional owner David Stock. Photo: FMG

41,000-year-old charcoal found at Pilbara site



CHARCOAL analysed while excavating a rock shelter in the Pilbara region of Western Australia has been carbon-dated at more than 41,000 years old.

Nyiyaparli traditional owners were working with archaeologists from the heritage company Archae-aus, the Nyiyaparli heritage

Corporation at a site near the creek called Kakuthungutanta in the Chichester Ranges to the north of the Fortescue Marsh on mining leases held by Fortescue Metals Group (FMG).

Nyiyaparli Elder and heritage sub-committee member David Stock said it was important heritage was protected. "We feel proud that this evidence of our ancestors has

been found and are happy it will be protected," he said. "This kind of work shows Australians that our heritage is very important and that it can be protected."

Protect places

Nyiyaparli Elder Gordon Yuline said the caves needed to be kept to show young people how the old people used to live. "It is very important we protect these places and we are able to go there and teach the young ones," he said.

Archae-aus managing director Fiona Hook said the shelter site would be protected by a buffer zone and that Nyiyaparli traditional owners had requested further

FMG CEO Nev Power said the company was committed to preserving the important site.

Last year FMG came under fire after it was found the mining company had destroyed two heritage sites and damaged a third at it's Solomon Hub (Pilbara) project, an allegation Fortescue initially denied, until it was confirmed by documents obtained by the Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation under the Freedom of Information Act.

Party's over as Miller quits ALP

By DARREN COYNE



CAIRNS pastor Norman Miller has resigned from the Australian Labor Party after being asked to withdraw his candidacy for the next Federal election.

Mr Miller, who was endorsed by the ALP to run for the seat of

Leichhardt, which covers a large area of Cape York and the Torres Strait, told the Koori Mail he was surprised by the party's about turn.

He said he had been hoping to become the first Aboriginal ALP member in the House of Representatives.

Mr Miller said he was disappointed at the way he had been treated, but didn't hold any grudges.

He said he had worked for the ALP in Federal, state and local campaigns and had been campaigning in Leichhardt with a team behind him and good local support.

"I never did anything wrong and was ready to give it a great push," Mr Miller said, adding he had not ruled out running as an independent candidate.

If he does, he would be taking on Warren Entsch, who won back the seat from Jim Turnour of the ALP in 2010 after losing it in 2007.

Mr Miller said he was particularly disappointed that he had received no official notification that he was being dis-endorsed as the candidate for Leichhardt.



NORMAN MILLER

"The ALP State Office asked me to withdraw my candidacy despite letters confirming my endorsement from that office on 17 July and the ALP National office on 19 September," he said.

"I was asked in a November meeting to withdraw my candidacy and have a go again in five to ten years as Leichhardt was considered

unwinnable. I did not do so and was told I could be disendorsed if I didn't withdraw."

Mr Miller said Prime Minister Julia Gillard had even sent him a Christmas card, thinking he was the candidate.

"I have never received any notification in writing of my disendorsement but I received a Christmas card from Julia and (her partner) Tim (Mathieson) on November 30 addressed to the ALP candidate for Leichhardt.

A short time later he received a letter from the State ALP office, sent to all members, calling for candidates for Leichhardt.

Mr Miller told the Koori Mail that while was considering running as an independent, he would continue pushing for changes.

Mr Miller said he would begin a campaign to see the names of the seats of Leichhardt and Cook changed to Indigenous names because of their high Indigenous populations. This would be in line with Bennelong in NSW and Lingiari in the Northern Territory.

He said he would also continue to push for constitutional reform for Indigenous people.

He said he was also in discussions about taking the next step after former Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's apology to the Stolen Generations in February 2008 by negotiating with the Queen to make an apology to Indigenous People in Australia for their treatment by Britain.

The Koori Mail contacted the State office of the ALP and state secretary Anthony Chisholm but received no reply.

Resolutions



HERBIE BROPHO - Perth, WA: I want to make things better for my family and make the West Australian Police Commissioner accountable.



NARISHA CASH - Parkside, SA: I would like to move to Melbourne.



TANYA KERR - Echuca, Vic: I want to find stable housing and to get my family back together again.



TOBY REID – Dunghutti (NSW) man, living in Sydney: I'm going to finish my traineeship in concrete cutting and then look for a suitable job.

'Heart of Our Nation' NITV free at last





At the official launch. Front, from left, Mutitjulu Elder Uncle Bob Randall, SBS managing director Michael Ebeid, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, NITV channel manager Tanya Denning, SBS board member Dot West and journalist Stan Grant. Back, from left, SBS chairman Joseph Skrzynski, Opposition spokesman on Indigenous Affairs Nigel Scullion and Communications Minister Stephen Conroy.



- Above: From left, Pixie Brown, Awalara Teimiy, **Margaret Anawara and** Elsie Mumu, all from Mutitjulu.
- Right: Anangu women Judy Trigger, Happy Reid, Emantura Angus and Elsie Jinco performed inma at the beginning of the concert.



By KIRSTIE PARKER



AN 'essential service', a potential 'nation-building tool for all Australians', and one of the greatest ever contributions to reconciliation'.

Thirty years in the making, the nation's first Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander television service NITV has a lot to live up to. But, judging by the fanfare and feedback since it went free to air just over a month ago, it's off to a cracking start.

Previously, NITV was available only on pay TV through Foxtel and Austar but that all changed at the auspicious time of 12 noon on 12 December - 12/12/12 - when the service went free to air on SBS Channel 34.

An historic 'Heart of Our Nation' broadcast was beamed live from Uluru -

described by NITV as 'the heart and cultural heartbeat of our nation' - and hosted by the local Anangu people.

The event began with inma (ceremony) performed by senior Anangu women, and interviews by Aboriginal journalists Stan Grant and Rhoda Roberts with government ministers, broadcasting industry, and Indigenous community

representatives. These were followed by a special episode of SBS Indigenous current affairs program Living Black on the development of **Aboriginal and Torres** Strait Islander media, and a special edition of NITV News broadcast from Uluru featuring an exclusive interview with Prime Minister Julia Gillard.

In a recorded video message, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon described the launch of NITV free to air 'a momentous achievement' for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

NITV was not just for Indigenous people. Mr Ban said.

"It will enrich and benefit all Australians, who now have access to 60,000 years of powerful storytelling and knowledge," he said.

"The establishment of NITV will help challenge stereotypes of indigenous peoples. It will empower indigenous voices and influence the social and political agenda. It will also play an important role in promoting the rights of indigenous peoples and safeguarding indigenous culture and language for years to come."

Communications Minister Stephen Conroy told guests gathered at the nearby Yulara Resort (purchased in 2010 by the Indigenous Land Corporation) that Australians could be very proud of NITV, which he said would 'deliver Indigenous programming into every Australian living room, bringing a wider audience for its informative, entertaining and educational content'.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the federally funded channel would be a showcase for Indigenous talent and 'a place where all Australians can come together to see and hear stories and understand what goes to the heart of who we are as a nation'.

SBS managing director Michael Ebeid said the broadcaster would now reflect Australia's true diversity, while SBS chairman Joseph Skrzynski dubbed the new channel 'airwave rights for

> Indigenous people'. Federal Opposition spokesman on Indigenous Affairs Nigel Scullion read a message of congratulations from Opposition Leader Tony Abbott and described NITV as one of the greatest contributions to reconciliation' between Indigenous and other Australians that he'd seen.

NITV channel manager Tanya Denning, a Birri woman from central Queensland, said **Aboriginal and Torres** Strait Islander people had 'survived to this day mainly because of our storytelling ability'. "These are stories of survival, not just looking backwards but stories of surviving into the future," she said of NITV's diverse content.

"These stories are an essential service to our people and can be a nationbuilding tool for all Australians.

"There is no doubt the nation is ready and the time has come. I invite you to see our people, hear our stories and feel our spirit."

Later, comedian Ernie Dingo hosted a special two-hour sunset concert with performances from Christine Anu, Casey Donovan, Troy Cassar-Daley, Dan Sultan, Archie Roach, Warren H Williams and Frank Yamma and others in front of a crowd of about 300 people, many from nearby Mutitjulu and other nearby bush communities.

 Having trouble receiving NITV on Channel 34? NITV recommends setting your TV set-top box, PVR and so on to re-scan for channels. Or call NITV on 1800 500 727 for further assistance.

Here are some of the comments posted on NITV's Facebook page since last month's free-to-air launch

- "Congratulations NITV on your new channel. I find I am watching it daily and really appreciate subject matter of each program and what I am gradually learning about our First Australians. You should be very
- "So glad to see NITV air on TV, good to see our people Australia-wide share in our culture. My kids sit down and watch it with me and are very interested in everything that is on."
- "Thank you for giving me the opportunity to access stories and information about the traditional land owners of this country. You are doing a great job and as a white Australian I feel ashamed of our past treatment of Indigenous people but I am encouraged by the information and awareness your station is providing, allowing me the opportunity for a better understanding.'
- "Best thing I've seen on TV here since I moved here. Loving the diversity. As Kiwis who regularly watched our own Maori channel all the time, we were missing some culture! Thank you.'
- "Really enjoying NITV. Often the best thing on the box and we white Aussies can learn a lot.
- just simply love NITV it's my default channel and rarely changes."

aunch for broadcaster



Preparing to perform during the From the Heart of Our Nation sunset concert are musical artists Christine Anu, Dan Sultan, Casey Donovan, Warren H Williams, Archie Roach, Troy Cassar-Daley and Frank Yamma and others, with concert host Ernie Dingo and co-hosts of a special midday broadcast Rhoda Roberts and Stan Grant. Photo by WAYNE QUILLIAM



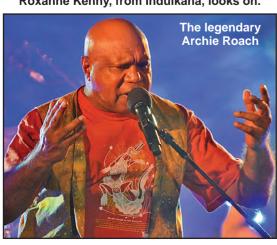
Relaxing with friends is Luke Eldridge (centre). Originally from Sydney, Luke now works for the Sounds of Silence tourism experience at Yulara.



NITV Channel Manager Tanya Denning shares a joke with colleagues Susan Moylan Coombs and Chris Bonney



Karen Brown (right), from Mimili in SA, holds her baby niece Aliyana, as Aliyana's mum Roxanne Kenny, from Indulkana, loc



NT Aboriginal Advancement Minister Alison Anderson, centre, with Alison Hunt, from Umutju, and SBS board member Dot West.



Taking in the concert were Robert Mumu, Xavier Kitson, Jacob Braeden, Johnny Jinco and Hezekiel Jinoona.



Yulara residents Bert Williams and Geneveive Carlton enjoyed the concert.







Russell Smith looks on as Dan Sultan works his guitar. Photo by WAYNE QUILLIAM



Angela Bates, from NITV News, and Allan Clarke, from Living Black on SBS.

SNAICC hits out at **Govt funding cuts**



THE Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) has criticised the Northern Territory Government's decision to slash funding to Strong Aboriginal Families, Together (SAF,T) and restructure its

Department of Families and Children.

"SAF,T represents something the NT has never had before - an Aboriginal voice to advocate on behalf of our children, families and communities," SNAICC chair Sharron Williams said.

"In slashing SAF,T's budget, the NT Government has weakened that voice, at the same time weakening an important link between Aboriginal communities and government and greatly reducing the agency's capacity to deliver much-needed and culturally-appropriate family support services.

"SNAICC believes the new Government has acted in great haste and not given the peak body a chance to take the lead in developing solutions and tackling the many serious and entrenched issues faced by Aboriginal children and families, the Territory's most disadvantaged citizens."

SNAICC said the Government's actions would stall progress that has been made in reforms to child protection in the past 12 months and lead to a loss of confidence by Aboriginal groups.

Rachel wants to share her culture

By DARREN COYNE



BUNDJALUNG woman Rachel Roberts is intent on sharing her

culture as a legacy for her grandchildren, and as a tribute to her late father.

Ms Roberts, 53, who was born in Casino, northern New South Wales, has begun a series of cultural awareness workshops she says are aimed at educating non-Indigenous people about the past, in order to improve the present. Her workshops, held at the Alstonville Adult Community Education centre, are targeted towards people such as teachers and others who come into contact with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"During the workshop I cover the history of Aboriginal people and then go into the



Rachel Roberts during one of her cultural awareness workshops in northern NSW.

various policies and legislation which have been applied to Aboriginal people since white colonisation," she said. "My teachings are all about closing the gap by giving people a greater understanding.

Ms Roberts, who has worked in various positions throughout the Northern Rivers area, also draws on her experiences gained while working and studying linguistics in the Northern

"I've been all over the Territory and up to Mer (Murray) Island where Eddie Mabo came from... and I've worked in libraries and schools," she said.

Along the way, Ms Roberts has also raised six children, swelling the ranks of her large extended family.

"My parents were very nurturing people and that's why I'm doing the cultural awareness, it's all about them, a legacy," she said.

As part of her workshops, participants are treated to traditional Aboriginal dancing by one of her sons, Stuart Roberts

She also plans to have visiting Elders come to her workshops this year to speak about such things as language and traditional knowledge.

The next workshop will take place in Alstonville on 15 February.

Applicants sought for commissioner



FEDERAL Attorney-General Nicola Roxon is calling for applicants for Australia's next race discrimination commissioner, following the resignation last year of Dr Helen Szoke, who will take up the role as

CEO of Oxfam. The race discrimination commissioner sits in the Australian Human Rights Commission, an independent statutory body.

Australian Human Rights Commission president Gillian Triggs will act as race discrimination commissioner until a permanent appointment is made. A new commissioner is expected to start in mid-2013 and be appointed for five years. Details on how to apply can be found at http://www.ag.gov.au/About/Careers/ Pages/default.aspx

Roebourne centre officially opened



THE Pilbara town of Roebourne now has a new youth centre. It was officially opened last month by WA Regional Development Minister Brendon Grylls.

Owned and managed by not-for profit community organisation

Yaandina Family Services, the centre provides a gathering space for young people.

"The youth centre is a safe haven for young people and Yaandina is to be congratulated for creating a wonderful community asset for generations to come," Mr Grylls said.

The Roebourne centre received \$1.96 million in Royalties for Regions funding, \$1 million from Lotterywest and \$1 million from the Shire of Roebourne. It includes a semi-commercial kitchen, a sound-proof music room and courtyard with a stage for shows.

IBA takes holding in Message Stick



INDIGENOUS Business Australia (IBA) has taken a 31 per cent stake in Indigenous company Message Stick Communications. Message Stick, a majority Aboriginal-owned business, provides communications

services, mainly audio conferencing, to a range of corporate and government clients, including IBA, KPMG and Allens.

IBA chair Dawn Casey said it was a sound investment in an established and successful Indigenous business that would provide strong returns. "Through its anticipated strong returns, the investment will help IBA's Investments program to fund its broader work in the area of Indigenous economic development," she said.

Record crowd at Christmas event



Above: All smiles and ready for a feed of curry puffs at the Stable on the Strand in Townsville from left, Patrina Gara, 10, Veeleah Edoni, 17, and her mum **Patricia** Edoni.

Right: **Pastor Peter** Adai. of Saibai descent, and Lynette Adai were chaplains at the event.

By ALF WILSON



SEVERAL thousand Indigenous people were among the record crowd of more than

40,000 people at the Stable in the Strand Christmas celebration in Townsville from 18-22 December.

Indigenous Pastor Ada Boland welcomed guests to country at the official opening, when the Aboriginal Red Eye **Theatre Company** dancers performed.

A highlight was the bustling, interactive Town of Bethlehem, where visitors were able to meet the Three Wise Men. shepherds with their sheep, King Herod, Roman soldiers, traditional trades people (baker, carpenter, fishmonger, weavers) and Mary, Joseph and baby

Saibai Islanders Peter and Lynette Adai were among the people in Bethlehem .

The Koori Mail spoke to many Indigenous people, including wheelchair bound 63-year-old Lena Adams, who hails from Mapoon on Cape York.

"I have really enjoyed being with my family here and this is a great Christmas event," she said.

Palm Island woman **Evelyn Lymburner was** there with grandson Clint, 11, in the village of Bethlehem at Strand Park.



Healing in the WA Wheatbelt



NOONGAR people from the West Australian Wheatbelt centres of Kellerberrin and Quairading have for the first time shared original songs of love, loss and

legacy. They performed the songs in Kellerberrin last month as part of the CAN WA (Community Arts Network) Voices of the Wheatbelt: Healing Songs project.

Local Noongar people had spent six months working with musicians and songwriters Gina Williams, Guy Ghouse and David Hyams in the project, designed to share personal stories through song.

"This has been one of the most rewarding and emotional projects I've been involved in," Ms Williams said.

Each week we came away feeling like we'd learned so much more than we could ever offer.'

Local performer Wayne Yarran said the community had 'waited a long time to do this'.

Telling stories

CAN WA strategic and cultural development manager Ivy Penny said the project was about creating a space where people could tell their stories through song and could perform or record them for future generations. "It's about giving voice to people's stories through the power of music," she said.

Highlights of the concert included:

- Lynette Yarran performing a gospel song Streets of Gold.
- Christine Walsh and Byron Pickett wooing the audience with songs celebrating their enduring love.
- Josephine Colbung sharing her song about the passing of her son.
- Wayne Yarran singing a song inspired by and dedicated to Uncle Tom called From the Old School, with his daughter Yolande Yarran bringing it home with Balladong Country.
- Carol and Carrie Yarran singing a rendition of Down the Old York Road a song originally written by Carrie's father the late Steve Yarran.

The concert concluded with Elder Tom Hayden singing a song on the Stolen Generation titled Some Kids Were Taken.





Above: The Healing Songs team, back from left, David Hyams, Yolande Yarran, Byron Pickett, Ron McCann, Ivy Penny and Guy Ghouse; middle from left, Wayne Yarran, Carol Yarran, Lynette Yarran, Christine Walsh and Tom Hayden; front from left Josephine Colbung, Gina Williams (with Thomas Williams-McGill), Brenda McIntosh, Kimberly McIntosh and

> Carrie Yarran. Photo by Richard Watson

Left: The evening also marked the debut public performance of local hip hop group Static Crew. The Kellerberrin group

was well received. Members are, back from left, Madison Fitzgerald-McIntosh, Alan Boundry and Connie Yarran and, front from left, Reynold McIntosh, Geraldine **McIntosh and Leonard** Wells.

Photo by Ivy Penny

Senator to chair new committee



NORTHERN Territory senator Trish Crossin has been appointed chair of the new Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Joint Select Committee. Senator Crossin said the

committee would inquire into and report on steps that can be taken to a successful referendum on Indigenous constitutional recognition.

"It's important to recognise the unique and special place of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of our nation, and this is a clear step forward, towards holding a successful referendum to create a constitution that justly recognises our first Australians," she said.

Senator Crossin said an advisory group would be formed to guide the work of the committee, which will continue building on work done by the Government-appointed Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition.

For its first inquiry, the committee is considering the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Recognition Bill 2012, which provides for the recognition by the Parliament, on behalf of the people of Australia, of Indigenous peoples; requires the minister to cause a review of support for a referendum to recognise Indigenous peoples in the Constitution; requires the minister to present a report of the review to Parliament; and ceases to have effect two years after its start.

Heritage award to **Sydney volunteers**



A GROUP of volunteers who work to preserve Aboriginal heritage in Northern Sydney have been recognised in the latest NSW Heritage Volunteer Awards.

Volunteer Aboriginal Site Monitors take care of about 50 key sites of Aboriginal heritage significance in the northern Sydney area.

NSW Heritage Minister Robyn Parker said the group's benefit to the wider community was significant. "Not only do the volunteers provide the legwork for the monitoring, they also contribute to promoting the program and raising community awareness of the value of Aboriginal heritage," the minister said.

Brought together by their drive to learn more and to protect the Aboriginal heritage in their area, the group have been trained in Aboriginal heritage site management and formed into a network to provide regular monitoring and care for these important sites."

All systems GO! for Yamba the honeyant



IMPARJA Television's favourite honeyant, Yamba, is now entertaining young children across the country. Yamba's Playtime is a half-hour show for preschool-aged children that has been produced in

central Australia since 1995. It was a finalist at the Deadlys in 2011 and 2012.

It follows the life of Yamba the yerrampe (honeyant in the Arrernte language) and best friend Jacinta. Series one was repeated on the Nine Network last year.

Yamba's Playtime series 2 began on GO! this month and features singer Shellie Morris.

The show is designed to captivate and entertain preschoolers through singing, music, dancing and movement, story-telling, colour, and characters.



Yamba the honeyant and Jacinta.

MCA takes on taboo subjects



Museum of Contemporary Art Australia

(MCA) has ventured into stimulating territory with a group exhibition exploring issues of taboo - attitudes long held and traditionally entrenched in societies around the globe.

Being shown in multiple locations around the museum until 24 February, TABOO explores the relativity of taboos across different cultures, tracing their origins and history, evolution through generations, and the impact they have on everyday life and culture.

In addition to visual art, it also includes an extensive program of performances, conversations and film.

'Daring'

Wiradjuri artist Brook Andrew, who curated TABOO, says that by raising issues of censorship with 'daring' or 'disrespectful' devices, the exhibition aims to 're-visit arguments and decisions made out of fear and trauma that have now become verbatim to shut down discourse or even to influence good value in debate, creativity and culture'

"TABOO aims to remove these barricades by juxtaposing ideas that open other strategies to enable visibility, discussion and accessibility," he said.

Featured artists in the group exhibition are Australia's Bindi Cole, Judy Watson and Ricardo Idagi; Jimmie Durham (Europe); Leah Gordon (UK); Alicia Henry (USA); Anton Kannemeyer (South Africa);



Anton Kannemeyer's A Black Woman lithograph (2011). Image courtesy the artist and Stevenson, Cape Town and Johannesburg



Judy Watson's a preponderance of aboriginal blood (2005), one of 16 etchings with chine collé on magnani cotton rag; each 42 x 30.5 cm. State Library of Qld image, courtesy the artist and grahame galleries + editions, Brisbane.

Jompet (Agustinus Kuswidanato) (Indonesia); Yal Ton (Eric Bridgeman) (PNG and Australia); and Ana Mendieta (Cuba and

Anton Kannemeyer is arquably the most obviously controversial artist in TABOO. Said the MCA: "(Kannemeyer's) clarity in presenting issues close to the bone in his own post-Apartheid South Africa

remind us of our own lingering issues with colonialism and the violent histories it espoused.

"Do not be fooled by his seemingly 'witty' cartoons, they reference specific points in South African and international history.'

For the full TABOO program, go to www.mca.com.au/

Founders' ripple effect continues at Boomalli



AN exhibition of works by the founding members of the Boomalli Art Gallery is continuing at the Sydney dallery until this Sunday, 20

January. The 'Ripple Effect' exhibition is part of celebrations marking the 25th anniversary of Boomalli, founded in 1987 to support and promote the work of Indigenous artists.

Works by founding members Bronwyn Bancroft, Euphemia Bostock, Brenda L Croft, Fiona Foley, Fern Martins, Arone Raymond Meeks, Tracey Moffatt, Avril Quaill, the late Michael Riley, and Jeffrey Samuels are featured in the show.

The official opening of the exhibition late last year attracted more than 300 people.

Exhibition curator Keith Munro, from the Museum of Contemporary Art, told the Koori Mail it took 18 months to research and choose the works, photographs, videos and supporting archival materials for display. He included each artist's early and late works so visitors could see their development.

"It's extraordinary just how talented the group was, and most went on to have their works bought by major state and national art galleries," Munro said.

Euphemia Bostock thanked the volunteers and board members who helped Boomalli, which recently survived some challenging times.

Journey

As part of the exhibition, Bronwyn Bancroft talked about her journey to become

"We had to go and find other people we could work with Boomalli became a family for us and that's the way we survived," she said.

Munro praised all the artists and their

"Boomalli has been central to the nurturing of contemporary art practice - it's a really strong show," he said.

Boomalli is at 55-59 Flood Street. Leichhardt. Details on (02) 9560 2541.



Anu Bloody good, say the critics



A FORTNIGHT into a key role in the Brisbane season of Tony Award-winning musical South Pacific, and Christine Anu appears to have critics eating out of her hand. The Torres Strait

Islander songstress plays Bloody Mary in the popular production, alongside Lisa McCune, Teddy Tahu Rhodes and Gyton Grantley. And the critics are impressed.

"For me, there were two stand-out performances: Bloody Mary, played by Christine Anu, and Luther Billis, who was played by Gyton Grantley," wrote a reviewer from the Sunshine Coast Daily.

'Mesmerisina'

"Anu is suitably disconcerting as Bloody Mary ... Her rendition of Bali Ha'i is menacing yet mesmerising," wrote another from Brisbane Times.

Australian Stage magazine said Anu had tapped into two decades' worth of music, theatre, dance, film and television

..she is bloodier than Mary ever was and you just love to loathe her and hope never to have to do business with her! Unless, of course, that business is audience participation."

Anu took over from fellow warbler Kate

Ceberano, who played Bloody Mary during South Pacific's Melbourne season late last year. Before opening night at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) on 2 January, Opera Australia artistic director Lyndon Terracini said Anu was an important asset to the company.

"Christine Anu is a charismatic performer who is exceptionally talented. She is also a role model for a generation of Indigenous performers who are having a major impact on Australia's performing arts industry," he said.

Tickets (from \$79.90, inc GST and booking fee) are still available for some shows. To buy tickets, phone 136 246 or visit www.qpac.com.au

Remaining dates are as follows:

• Evenings at 7.30pm: January 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25 and 26

Matinees at 1.30pm: January 16, 19, 22, 23 and 26

Matinees at 3pm: January 20 and 27 Venue: Lyric Theatre, QPAC, cnr Grey and Melbourne streets, Cultural Centre South Bank, Brisbane

After the Brisbane season of South Pacific, Anu will resume the tour of her tribute to the Queen of Soul Aretha Franklin, REWIND: The Aretha Franklin Songbook. For dates and tour information, visit www.christineanu.com.au

Play tells of ugly history

By MARGARET SMITH



WHEN Kate Grenville's book The Secret River was published

in 2005 it generated plenty of controversy.

Grenville wrote it after discovering that her greatgreat-great English grandfather had 'taken up land' in the Hawkesbury region just north of Sydney in

Her book revealed the horror of the past, but dismayed black and white readers alike. Whites were shocked by the violence and the author's audacity, and Aboriginal people felt there wasn't enough description from the Indigenous perspective.

But the book went on to win awards, and was shortlisted for the international Man Booker Prize in London.

Now the work has been turned into a play by Andrew Bovell. It is directed by Neil Armfield with assistance from Bangarra's Stephen Page and Dharug adviser Richard Green. Aboriginal character names have been added and given dialogue.

The story centres around the convict William Thornhill, who is transported from England. In Sydney he is pardoned by Governor Lachlan Macquarie. He tells his wife that they will start a new life in the Hawkesbury region, and it soon becomes clear that this will be at the expense of the traditional owners.

Governor Macquarie himself had a conflicted relationship with the Indigenous people. On the one hand he gave land to



ordered that Aborigines caught pilfering food 'are then to be driven away by force of arms by the settlers themselves'. The Appin Massacre resulted south-west of Sydney.

Indigenous actors Ursula Yovich, Miranda Tapsell (both of whom appeared in Redfern Now) and Trevor Jamieson (who starred in the play Namatjira), spoke to the Koori

They stressed it depicts what happened across Australia in the early days of black-white contact.

'Devastating'

"The Dharug people and the settlers could have lived together. It makes what happens all the more devastating," Tapsell said.

The play has been a huge challenge for the three actors, while Yovich and Tapsell were born in Darwin.

They said Richard Green was invaluable in teaching them Dharug, and Stephen Page had assisted with their movements on stage.

The play is at the Sydney Theatre Company until 9 February and then tours to Perth and Canberra.

Richmond jumper design challenge



THE Richmond Football Club is giving Indigenous artists the chance to design the home guernsey for this year's 2013 Dreamtime At The G match on

Saturday, 25 May.

To enter, artists must create an artwork in the theme 'Dreamtime'.

The winning work will be printed on the players' jumpers and the artist will receive four tickets to the official Richmond event and a framed Dreamtime guernsey signed by the Tigers' captain and coach.

For more information, artwork specifications and guidelines visit www.richmondfc.com.au/dreamtime or email dreamtimedesign@richmondfc.com.au

Entries close at 5pm on Friday, 8 February.

Projection artists wanted for project



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander artists are being encouraged to apply for a new project that will tell stories about Sydney's Aboriginal heritage.

Up to five artists will be selected for Place Projections, where artworks will be projected on major buildings, including Sydney Town Hall and the Australian Museum.

Project submissions close at 11am on Tuesday, 12 February. For more information, visit www. cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/cityart

Skinnyfish to run **Barunga Festival**



DARWIN-BASED Skinnvfish Music will manage and run the Barunga Festival for the next five years. The festival has been held in June for the past 27 years at the small Aboriginal community south of Katherine.

Visitors are invited to camp and be part of a large program of cultural and artistic workshops, dancing ceremonies, traditional bush tucker gathering, didgeridoo making, basket weaving, music and sport from the region.

This year's festival will be held from 7-10 June.

Bangarra's Blak touring nationally



Bangarra Dance Theatre's production Blak will tour nationally from May until July this year. Choreographed by artistic director Stephen Page and emerging choreographer and company dancer Daniel Riley

McKinley, Blak focuses on the rites of passage for young Aboriginal people as they transition to adulthood.

It is based on the stories told by Bangarra's

For more details, go to www.bangarra.com.au



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Indigenous law dinner in Brisbane



ABOUT 100 people attended the recent 2012 Queensland Indigenous Law and Justice Dinner, hosted in Brisbane by Queensland University of Technology and the Southbank Institute of Technology. Guests included academics, school students, Elders from the Murri

Court, and representatives from local law firms, the

judiciary, police and government.

Indigenous law and justice students from five tertiary centres across Brisbane were among those who heard Inspector Chris Enzim, the Qld State Water Police coordinator and a QUT law graduate, speak about his 25-year career with the Queensland Police.

Indigenous Elder Uncle Des Sandy gave a welcome to country and magistrate Jacqui Payne was master of ceremonies.

Opportunity

QUT acting dean of law Professor Rosalind Mason said the dinner brought together Indigenous students from across all education levels (high school, TAFE, universities) and provided them with an opportunity to

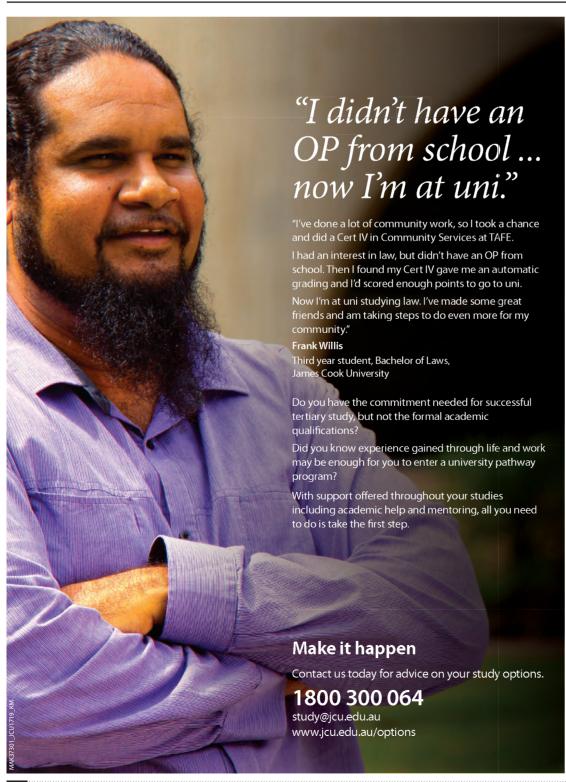
"The students also get the chance to meet with industry professionals working in the law, justice, and criminology areas, and hear from Indigenous graduates about their experiences and how their education has created opportunities," he said.

"(It) also provides a forum for students to speak directly with these people about career opportunities

QUT Oodgeroo Unit director Professor Anita Lee Hong said the dinner also gave the university a chance to recognise supportive employers.



QUT law students at the 2012 Indigenous Law and Justice Dinner, from left, Allison Boland, Jade Hamilton, Amy Sandri, Corey Curran, Kody Crawford, Ivan Ingram, Bess Fitzgerald, Davina Lucas and Lesley Norton.



Funding for Vic program

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THE Victorian Government has allocated \$1.03 million to fund the next two years of a

special training program in Aboriginal cultural heritage management. The funding is for La Trobe University to continue its Certificate IV in

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management

The funding follows the graduation last month of 19 Aboriginal people from the course. Victorian Aboriginal

Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell praised the 2012 graduating class and the course.

"An Australian first, the Certificate IV in Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management is a recognised qualification, developed and funded by the Victorian Government and delivered by our partners La Trobe University," she said. "This past year, the course achieved another first, a

100 per cent pass rate, which is a credit to the dedication and commitment of the students, academics, industry professionals and traditional owners involved."

Mrs Powell said the program combined traditional classroombased learning with hands-on practical experience to give students

the qualifications and skills necessary to manage Aboriginal cultural heritage now and in the future.

"This is the third year the course has been run, and previous graduates have gone on to further studies in cultural heritage management and archaeology while many others are

employed as cultural advisers on their own country," she said.

"This graduating class of 19 students will join the previous 39 students who are now using their qualifications to contribute to the social and economic growth of their community and their family."



'Legends' graduate



INAUGURAL Learn Earn Legend! School to Work Year 12 graduates from western Sydney were honoured last month at a function in

Sydney. NRL chief Shane Mattiske, Indigenous All Stars coach Laurie Daley and NRL-RLPA academic team of the year member Luke Burt joined the students and their families in the celebration at ANZ Stadium.

The Learn Earn Legend! School to Work program aims to create successful career pathways for Indigenous students in Years 11 and 12 in participating schools across Western Sydney. It is a combined initiative of the NRL, the Department of Education, **Employment and Workplace Relations** (DEEWR) and western Sydney-based rugby league clubs.

"Rugby League is strongly committed to improving the lives of young Indigenous Australians and this graduation function is the perfect example of all areas of the game working together to achieve results," Mr Mattiske said.

"We shared breakfast with program graduates, NRL and club representatives from the Bulldogs, Panthers, Wests Tigers and Eels, Toyota Cup team members, corporate partners and government representatives.

"As a game we understand and embrace our role in closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage and we are pleased with our progress to date.

"In 2011, 427 students (68 per cent of a



The inaugural 2012 Learn Earn Legend! School to Work Year 12 graduates from western Sydney with officials.

total of 626) successfully transitioned into further education, training or employment through the School to Work programs taking place in our NRL clubs in Queensland, Newcastle and now Western Sydney.
"We currently have an additional 970

student engaged in the program, which is an outstanding result."

Indigenous Employment and Economic **Development Minister Julie Collins** congratulated the graduates.

"Programs like (this) are an important

part of the Learn Earn Legend! initiatives," she said.

"The initiatives encourage and support young Indigenous Australians to stay at school, get a job and be a legend for themselves, their family and their community."

The 2012 Learn Earn Legend! School to Work Western Sydney graduates.

Bulldogs: Dale Mulligan, Ryan Fermor, Jake Collage, Michael Stevens (all Bass Hill High School); Marika Raikalevu and Shane Poll (East Hills High); Sarah-Maree Allen and Keith Colligan (Granville South Technical College); Mariah Reynolds and Therese Holden (East Hills Girls Technology High); Taminya Brown (Chester Hills High); Jason Heath and Jenny Rhodes (East Hills High); Michael Stevens (Bass Hill Boys

Eels: Chailee McDonogh (Westfield Sports High); Matthew Doran (Bonnyrigg High); Natalie Agius (Wyndham College); Jordyn Colless (The Hills Sports High); Danica Whitehouse, Ben Whitehouse and Matt Whitehouse (Westfield Sports High); Apolosa Nimacere (Wyndham College); Harry Pitt (Bonnyrigg High); Tim Dargan, Jordan Watson and Ricky Firth (Wyndham College).

Wests Tigers: Caitlin Regan and Leanka Shillingsworth (Sarah Redfern High); Lisa Harris and Luke Humphries (Leumeah High); Chloe Matterson (St Patrick's High); Carley-Jade Chesterfield (Airds High); Nikki McCall and Bailey-Maree Beaumont (St Patrick's High); Tamara Summers and Jestyn Nand (Ashcroft High); Shannon Ryan (Eagle Vale High); Abbi Whilock (Picton High); Codey Edwards (Ashcroft High).

Panthers: Jake Lewis (Bidwell Chifley College); Dylan Callaghan, John Haines, Luke Hemmings, Corey Lowe, Ryan McCormack, Jessica Millgate and Osea Sewebe (Chifley College); Dean Brownlie, Jordan Johnson, Kayla Jones and Taylor Reynolds-Addo (Doonside High); Cassandra Johns, Dorothy Johns and Mitchell Shearer (Jamison High); Brooke Camillari, Natashia Carroll, Eli Delaney, Jacqueline Fogarty, Heather Lamy and Cassie Ryan (Loyola High); Kate Wright (Plumpton High); Matthew Kennedy, Carlos Rojas, Tyler Spicer and Jye Taylor-Lane (St Dominic's College).





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Big day for RATEP students



Ready for the class room ... The latest group of RATEP graduates and their teachers.



MORE Indigenous educators are on the way following the latest **Remote Area Teacher Education Program** (RATEP) graduation in far north Queensland.

More than 50 Indigenous students received their diplomas and certificates after graduating from RATEP, a joint initiative of Education Queensland, James Cook University and Tropical North Queensland TAFE (TNQT). The program is designed to provide education training to people in remote communities.

TNQT institute director Joann Pyne said the graduates had been able to stay in their communities while completing studies.

Bringing education to communities using learning guides, distance

technologies and onsite teacher support has meant the students felt they didn't have to leave their communities to study and graduate," Ms Pyne said.

"These graduates now have the skills to work as teaching assistants in schools, and for diploma-level graduates they now have the eligibility to continue their education at James Cook University to become fully qualified teachers.

They come from 23 regional and remote communities throughout Queensland, including the Torres Strait, the south-east and the far west.

"The big smiles on their faces say it all; they are ready to take the next step in their teaching careers and contribute to their communities by becoming significant educators and role models for future generations.'

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Australian Centre for INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGES

Union in push for uni staff

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THE National Tertiary **Education Union** (NTEU) wants more Indigenous staff at

The call follows Federal Tertiary Education Minister Chris Evans' new plan to double the number of Indigenous university students.

NTEU president Jeannie Rea welcomed the plan for more students, but said boosting the number of Indigenous staff at

universities had to be part of the solution.

"Over the past decade the number of Aboriginal and **Torres Strait** Islander staff working at Australian universities has doubled," she said.

"However Indigenous academic and general staff are still only one per cent of the workforce, although

(Indigenous Australians) constitute 2.2 per cent of the Australian population aged 15-64 years.

Senator Evans made the commitment to population parity for Indigenous students in announcing the new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Higher Education Advisory Council, which will advise on how to reach this goal.

"Having staff and students

represented on the council is critical to its success and we welcome the inclusion of nominees from both the NTEU and the National Union of Students," Ms

She said that the NTEU had long campaigned to increase the number of Indigenous staff at Australian universities.

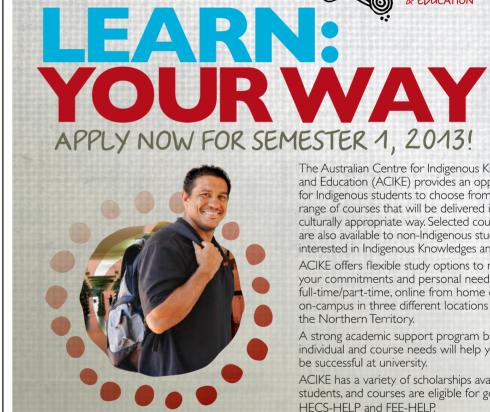
"Targets for Indigenous employment are standard parts of enterprise agreements negotiated between the union and universities

and have played a part in achieving the growth in staff," she

Terry Mason, a senior lecturer at the University of Western Sydney and chair of the NTEU National Indigenous Policy Committee, said the success of Indigenous students was linked strongly to universities being culturally inclusive and safe places for Indigenous people.

"Indigenous students continue to have lower completion rates than other students," he said.

"Having Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff to support and mentor Indigenous students is vital to them staying the distance. Even just to see Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff around universities sends a positive



The Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE) provides an opportunity for Indigenous students to choose from a wide range of courses that will be delivered in a culturally appropriate way. Selected courses are also available to non-Indigenous students,

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Burns training for health workers



Course participant Aboriginal health worker Sarah Lindsay extinguishes a fire under the watchful eye of South Australian metropolitan firefighter Phil Evans.



ABORIGINAL health workers (AHWs) now have access to specific burn injury training, following a

six-year collaboration between the Royal Adelaide Hospital Burn Unit, the Aboriginal Health Council of SA and, more recently, the Julian Burton Burns Trust.

Aboriginal burns program and course coordinator Kurt Towers said Indigenous people had 25 times the rate of severe life-threatening burns than other Australians.

"Unfortunately, burn injuries in the Aboriginal population are often more severe due to inadequate burns first aid and great distances to travel for specialised treatment," he said. "This accredited course acknowledges the important role AHWs have in burn injury prevention and management in the community.'

The eight AHWs who participated in the pilot course received education in topics ranging from first aid and fluid resuscitation to applications of burn dressings and pressure garments.

They also participated in practical exercises, including in hospital burn rounds and outpatient appointments, bushfire prevention, home fire escape planning and extinguishing different types of fires.

Covered

The area covered by SA Burns Services includes the Northern Territory and bordering parts of New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland and Western Australia.

The accredited course is targeted at Aboriginal health workers in rural and remote communities.

For more information on how to enroll, contact the Aboriginal Health Council of SA on (08) 8273 7200.



Help available to train Indigenous pharmacy assistants



Check out the Pharmacy Assistant Traineeship Scheme available to all community pharmacies across Australia

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pharmacy Assistant Traineeship Scheme is aimed at supporting the pharmacy workforce by encouraging Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to enter Pharmacy Assistant/Technician roles.

The objective of the Scheme is to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pharmacy Assistants in Community Pharmacies across Australia.

A maximum funding amount of \$10,000 is available to Community Pharmacies to assist with the employment and training of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders in a Pharmacy Assistant role. Pharmacies are responsible for securing an eligible pharmacy assistant themselves.

All community pharmacies across Australia are eligible to apply for

To find out more about the allowance visit www.ruralpharmacy.com.au or contact the Rural and Indigenous Pharmacy Workforce team on 02 6270 1888 or via email ruralpharmacy@guild.org.au





This project is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing as part of the Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement.

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THE Australian **Bureau of Statistics** (ABS) has started what it says will be the largest **Aboriginal and Torres**

Strait Islander health survey to date. The ABS says the survey will expand on its 2004-05 survey by increasing the number of participants by 30 per cent, collecting new information on

exercise, diet (including bush foods) and measurements of cnolesterol, blood glucose and iron.

And for the first time, the ABS says it will directly measure obesity and blood pressure levels, as well as nutritional status and chronic

disease. It says that by combining the self-reported information together with the biomedical samples, a more complete picture of the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples will be available.

"Importantly this will give us some information about the level of undiagnosed conditions, such as diabetes," the bureau said.

"While the biomedical component of the survey is voluntary, our survey champion Cathy Freeman encourages people to get involved as, she says, 'you will be helping your family, your community, and future generations to live longer healthier lives'."

The survey will be conducted nationally in cities "...This will give

and remote communities to create evidence to measure progress in improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and contributing to closing the gap in life expectancy.

The ABS says the first survey results will be

released in September and be used by a wide range of Aboriginal organisations, health researchers, public health advocates, government, clinicians and community health organisations.

More details are available at www.abs.gov.au/australian healthsurvey

Win caps a big year for Wurli



KATHERINE-based Wurli-Wurlinjang Health Service (Wurli) has capped off what it says has been a great 2012 with another award.

This time Wurli senior Aboriginal health practitioner (AHP) Bonny King won a 2012 Aboriginal Health Worker Excellence Award.

Ms King won in the specialised category, for her work as the leader of Wurli's internal clinical auditing program.

Wurli is an independent Aboriginal community controlled health organisation (ACCHO) providing primary health care services to Indigenous people in Katherine and surrounding areas.

Ms King, who has played a key role in Wurli achieving nationally and internationally recognised accreditation standards, was also the co-founder of the SOLID program, a grassroots initiative in health education and prevention for adolescent girls. "I think this award shows the brilliant

work that is performed at Wurli," she said. "It was also won by our doctors, medical students, senior staff, and my work colleagues. You are my mentors as well, I could not have done this without you."

Wurli AHP Velma King was a runner-up in the urban category at the Awards. An Indigenous chronic disease specialist, she is also a role model as an active participant in organised sports in the Katherine region, and is undertaking a Bachelor of Nursing degree.

Legend

In April, Wurli clinic coordinator and senior AHP Gwenda Lawton won the 2012 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers Association's (NATSIHWA's) inaugural Legend award. She received the award for 'providing a positive, safe and supportive work environment for AHPs to practice exceptional primary health care, and for her long service and commitment to Indigenous health care'

At the same time, Wurli AHP Leitisha Jackson received NATSIHWA's inaugural Young Warrior award as 'a Young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health worker (practitioner) who has passion, enthusiasm and a commitment to make a difference'.

In May, Wurli director of medical services Dr Bruce Hocking was named 2012 Northern Territory GP of the Year. General Practice Network NT (GPNNT), a peak body representing General Practitioners in the NT, handed out the award. In its second year, the award recognises outstanding contributions to clinical welfare and the overall health of the community by General Practitioners in the NT.

"Being awarded NT GP of the Year for 2012 has been a great honour for me and a big achievement for Wurli," Dr Hocking said.

"It's really a reflection on all of us. People know me because of the award, but they also know Wurli better because of it.'



Wurli-Wurlinjang Health Service senior Aboriginal health practitioner (AHP) Bonny King with her award.



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Educators receive nutrition training



INDIGENOUS people in Queensland, the Northern Territory and Western Australia have received training to evaluate a program aimed at

improving infant nutrition and the preparation of healthy foods.

Menzies School of Health Research provided the training on the Fred Hollows Foundation Early Childhood Nutrition and Anaemia Prevention Sprinkles program.

Menzies senior research fellow Dr Kate Senior said the program involved local community-based workers regularly visiting families to give Sprinkles - a vitamin and mineral supplement - to add to their baby's food as well as providing support and education about nutrition and preparation of healthy foods.

Each single dose sachet of Sprinkles contains enough iron to meet the daily requirement, along with micro-nutrients such as zinc, iodine, vitamins and folic acid

Dr Senior said that, with many Indigenous infants having severe iron deficiency, programs such as Sprinkles were critical to improving nutrition and helping to prevent problems in later life.

She said this was particularly relevant if such interventions were combined with community-based education about nutrition and the preparation of healthy food for infants and children.

'Excellent'

"The model for the program was unique in that the community-based workers were trained to deliver both the supplements and the supporting education, and that's excellent for building capacity within communities," she said.

"We worked with Ngukurr community workers Amelia Huddleston and Angelina Joshua as well as Fred Hollows and Sunrise Health Service in Katherine to develop a set of culturally appropriate research questions.

"From there we conducted a workshop drawing together all the community-based workers from the Northern Territory, Western Australia and Queensland to develop their interviewing skills and their ability to accurately record the information they were obtaining.'

Dr Senior recently joined more than 20 of the budding community educators who had travelled to Darwin for the final component of the program at Menzies.

"The final workshop brought together all our participants and their interviews to learn how to analyse the material they nad collected and draw meaningful conclusions," she said.

"As well as giving Indigenous infants a better nutritional start to life and building community and maternal education, the program is offering local women real employment and training opportunities by teaching them how to run and evaluate their own programs.

"Working in close partnership with Fred Hollows project coordinator Danielle Aquino and Menzies' Dr Janet Helmer ensured the program had a strong level of buy in from the community workers as well as strengthening our ties

in the communities." A final report will be sent to the Fred Hollows Foundation for its overall evaluation of the early childhood nutrition and anaemia prevention program.



Challenger Institute Pathways to Better Health students with officials from South Metropolitan Public Health Unit and Bunnings.

Challenger students plant seeds for a bright future



CHALLENGER Institute of Technology health students have designed and planted an

edible community garden in Mandurah, south of Perth. The Certificate II in Leadership (Health Focus) students created the garden as part of Challenger Institute's Pathways to Better Health program for Aboriginal students which was launched last year.

Challenger Institute leadership program coordinator Leigh Blackwell said the program aimed to encourage students to become more engaged in their local community.

"Not content to just stop at the gardening, the students went above and beyond the project requirements to produce a fantastic healthy eating calendar," she said.

"They named the calendar Mooditj Eating and it reflects the six annual Noongar seasons.'

Challenger Institute foundation and cultural studies director Mardi Dwyer said the Pathways to Better Health program aimed to develop the skills of Aboriginal people in the health sector.

During the 15-week program based at Challenger's Peel campus, students are trained

by industry professionals in a number of health settings, including Challenger's new nursing facility in Murdoch.

The community garden project was supported by the South Metropolitan Public Health Unit and Bunnings.

Full-time and part-time course applications at Challenger Institute are now open for Semester 1, 2013. See www.challenger.wa.edu.au for more information.

Study examines high lupus rate



A NEW study is looking at why Indigenous Australians suffer nore frequently and severely from lupus than other people. Lupus, which affects more than five million people

worldwide, is an auto-immune illness, meaning a person's immune system attacks the body itself, destroying healthy tissues, particularly the heart, joints, brain, lungs, skin and kidnevs.

A review of lupus research in Indigenous people, published in the Internal Medicine Journal, highlighted the plight of many Indigenous Australians.

Lead author Dr Fabien Vincent, from the Department of Immunology at Monash University, said lupus was up to four times more prevalent in Indigenous Australians, and they suffered from a more severe form of the illness with a higher number of

"There is a higher prevalence of this illness intrinsic to this particular population, different set of symptoms of lupus from non-Indigenous Australians," he said.

"Interestingly, prevalence and disease characteristics of lupus also appear to differ between Indigenous communities, depending on the region of Australia.

'Abnormal reaction'

"In Far North Queensland, compared to non-Indigenous Australians, they have less photosensitivity which is an abnormal reaction of the skin to the sunlight, more renal involvement which means that their kidney function is often affected.

"In the Northern Territory, they have more anti-Sm autoantibodies than non-Indigenous Australians, which are specific to this disease highlighting the abnormal production of antibodies by the body against itself."

Dr Vincent said the potential findings might lead to new therapeutic strategies that

"These differences in lupus prevalence, severity and disease manifestation may reflect and be influenced by different genetic and environmental factors such as high ambient ultraviolet exposure and prevalence of infections," he said.

There's a possibility that environmental factors act as triggers of disease when combined with genetic factors, such as an autoimmune predisposition or susceptibility in Indigenous Australians.

"Considering the genetic-environmental interactions, and not just genetic background, may lead to better knowledge of the underlying causes of lupus in this population. It may also improve the health status of Indigenous Australians and close the health gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous lupus sufferers."

Taking heart from exercise





A WEEKLY program run out of Perth's Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service is proving good for the heart in more ways than one. The Koori Mail dropped by the busy service recently and caught up with three of the 50-or-so people who've joined the Heart Health program - from left, Deloris Garlett, from Timmin, Elvie Pickett, from East Perth (originally from Gnowangerup), and Kim Smith, from Bentley. "Every Thursday, we exercise through the Heart Health program," said Elvie. "There are about 50 or 60 of us. We come regularly because, otherwise, we're all just out in the suburbs. There's nothing wrong with my heart; I just like to do a bit of exercise." Here's to that.

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SOCIAL marketing, traditional Indigenous games and a photography project will be part of a University of Newcastle

project designed to improve the health of young Aboriginal people in rural areas.

The Dharma Burra Nyinhi (Eat Strong Live Long) project, funded by the Federal

Department of Health, will be delivered by the Many **Rivers Diabetes Prevention** Project (MRDPP), a 10-year research and health promotion partnership between Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Service (ACMS) in Taree, Durri ACMS in Kempsey and the University of Newcastle.

University researcher Dr Josephine Gwynn said the project would offer strategies to address the findings of the MRDPP.

"Research by the MRDPP shows that, consistent with the general population, young Aboriginal people consume excessively high amounts of poor quality foods such as hot chips, white bread and sugary drinks," she said.

"In the context of the high burden of chronic disease and reduced life expectancy for Aboriginal people, this finding is of major concern. However, the good news is that this group demonstrates relatively higher levels of physical activity than their non-Indigenous counterparts around the ages of 10 to 12.

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> "Our project will implement a social marketing and health promotion campaign to encourage healthier food choices by young Aboriginal people and support their higher physical activity levels, which, as in the wider population, tend to decline as they become older."

The research team will explore working with local stores to promote healthy food choices; and share information with parents through a Facebook page.

Schools with high Aboriginal enrolment will also be given boxes of fruit weekly, support will be provided to canteens to provide healthy food choices,

and the research team will present educational talks with a specific focus on type-2 diabetes, which affects many Aboriginal people.

Physical activity will be encouraged through Indigenous games in schools and a 'photo voice project' where Aboriginal children will be encouraged to photograph activities they enjoy and barriers they perceive.

"The discussion and materials generated by the photographs will be used to create local posters to encourage young Aboriginal people to maintain their physical activity levels, and to inform local physical activity programs," Dr Gwynn said.

Study finds reproductive health woes



A MENZIES School of Health Research (Menzies) study has found areas for improvement in reproductive health services now provided to Indigenous women in . Central Australia.

Menzies research fellow Bronwyn Silver found that Indigenous women may not be receiving effective primary health care for diagnosis and treatment of Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID), which is associated with reproductive complications such as ectopic pregnancy and infertility.

Born from infectious origin, chlamydia and gonorrhoea are important causes of PID in populations where sexually transmissible infections (STIs) occur at high levels.

The study was conducted in five primary health care centres in remote Central Australia.

In a two-year period, Ms Silver found that about one in 10 women aged under 35 came to the health centre with symptoms consistent with PID. However, very few were investigated for PID according to clinical guidelines and when PID was diagnosed, it was not treated appropriately.

"Increased awareness of symptoms, diagnosis, treatment and a revision of the guidelines is needed to improve detection and management of PID in a high risk STI setting such as Central Australia," she said.

"Early detection and effective management of PID in primary care settings can prevent complications and hospitalisations.

Ms Silver said the findings, published in the 10 December issue of the *Medical Journal of Australia*, also underscored the importance of implementing a sustained, comprehensive sexual health program in remote communities to prevent infections being contracted in the first instance. "This study will help

bans in place



SMOKING in many outdoor areas of New South Wales is now banned. Under the new laws, smoking is banned within 10 metres of playgrounds, at sporting fields when

sport is being played, at public transport stops including bus stops, taxi ranks and ferry wharfs, from 4m in front of doorways of public buildings, and on hospital grounds.

Smoking will also be banned in outdoor dining areas of licensed premises where food is being served from July 2015.

The Heart Foundation welcomed the laws, saying they would help to protect thousands of people in NSW who don't smoke.

Roebourne to get aged-care centre



THE WA Government will contribute \$6 million to the Yaandina Family Centre to build a 20-bed residential aged-care facility in Roebourne. The Federal Government will provide a further \$3.6 million, with land donations from the Ngarluma

Aboriginal Corporation and the Yaandina Family Centre making up the \$11.8 million project cost.

The new facility will replace the nine-bed hostel, which has provided low-care and limited respite services to the area, and is one of only two residential aged-care facilities servicing the needs of the Pilbara community. The other, Kallarra House in South Hedland, has 56 beds and both centres are operating at capacity with 90 per cent occupancy by Aboriginal people.

VATIONAL CALENDAR Export Mail The Voice of Indigenous Australia



WE welcome your items for our **National Calendar of events. Please** keep them to the point and include a daytime telephone number for checking purposes. Submissions may be sent to any of the addresses listed in the panel on Page 23.

National

28-29 August: Puliima 2013 National Indigenous Language and Technology Forum. Held at the William Angliss Institute, 555 La Trobe St, Melbourne. Details: www.puliima.com or call (02) 4927

Western Australia

1 March: Indigenous musician Frank Yamma will play at the Fly By Night Musicians Club in Fremantle from 7.30pm. Details on (08) 9430 5976.

NSW-ACT

Every Sunday: Family barbecue held at the National Aboriginal Embassy, opposite Old Parliament House in Canberra from 10am-5pm. BYO food and drink. This is an alcohol- and drug-free event. All countrymen and supporters welcome, as are donations. For more information, call in at the Embassy and ask for Tellamardi (TJ).

Until 20 January: Spirit in the Land Exhibition, exploring the connection between Australian artists, historical and contemporary, Indigenous and non-Indigenous. At the Penrith Regional Gallery and The Lewers Bequest, 86 River Road, Emu Plains, from 9am-5pm daily. Free entry. Details: (02) 4735 1100 or email gallery@penrithcity.nsw.gov.au or visit www.penrithregionalgallery.org

Until 20 January: Ripple Effect – Boomalli Founding Members' Exhibition. Featuring works by Bronwyn Bancroft, Euphemia Bostock, Brenda L Croft, Fiona Foley and more. Held at the Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt, from Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm (closed over Christmas). Free and all welcome. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or email boomalliartgallery@gmail.com or visit www.boomali.com.au

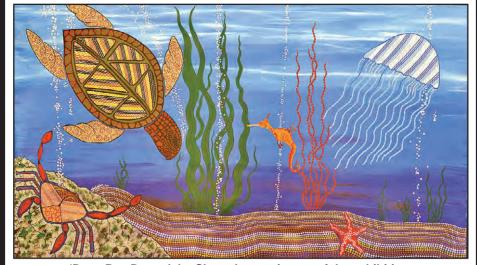
Until 3 February: Desert Psychedelic Touring Exhibition. Features paintings, prints and textile designs by the late Aboriginal artist Jimmy Pike. Held at the Cowra Regional Art Gallery, 77 Darling St, Cowra from Tues-Sat, 10am-4pm. Free gallery admission. Details: (02) 6340 2190 or visit www.cowraartgallery.com.au

Until 1 March: Registrations taken for the First Australians 2013 Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras parade. This parade celebrates gay, lesbian, bisexual, sistergirl and brothaboy communities. Community meetings are being held to plan the entry for the 2013 theme 'Generations of Love'. Register and get more info at www.acon.org.au/aboriginal or freecall 1800 063 060.

Until 24 March: Papunya Tula Art Exhibition. A new exhibition highlighting 11 rare works of the Papunya Tula artists. Held at the Art Gallery of NSW, Art Gallery Rd, The Domain, open from 10 am-5 pm. Free Gallery entry. Details: (02) 9225 1700 or visit www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au

17 January: Information day on living with a disability being run by the Disability Information Group in Dubbo, western NSW. From 10am-3pm at the Rotunda in Dubbo. More information call Ray Peckham on 0458 040 951.

20 February -3 March: Selling Yarns -Weaving the Nation's Story. Online



'Deep Bay Dream', by Shane Lovett, is part of the exhibition.

Prisoners' art n exhibition



AN exhibition featuring contemporary works by Victorian Indigenous prisoners is now on show in Melbourne.

Called Confined, the exhibition - in its fifth year - is part of the Yalukit Wilum Ngargee Festival (4-9 February) in suburban St Kilda run by the City of Port Phillip Council.

Mayor Amanda Stevens says the works on show reflect the many different regions across Australia and the cultural diversity of the artists' backgrounds.

"Confined exemplifies how art can be used as a tool for self-expression and to empower artists and the community to connect with each other," she said.

"By supporting this significant arts program, we learn about the artists' perspectives and we develop opportunities for creative expression and building cultural understanding."

Kent Morris, the Indigenous arts officer at cross-cultural arts organisation The Torch, says the exhibition gives an

opportunity for Indigenous prisoners to get feedback on their artwork, support their creative development and to provide them with a space for cultural

'Additionally, it offers the arts sector and the wider community a chance to support emerging artists and to learn about the experiences of prisoners," he said.

Organisers said the exhibition also aimed to highlight the issue of over representation of Indigenous people in prisons and to promote the practice of culture in rehabilitation.

Confined runs until 8 February at The Gallery, St Kilda Town Hall. It is presented by The Torch and the Yalukit Wilum Ngargee Festival.

The exhibition is funded by the City of Port Phillip with a \$10,000 grant through the Cultural Development Fund and support from the Department of Justice through Corrections Victoria and the Office for the Arts under their Indigenous Cultural Support scheme.

her grandmother's country (Bentinck Island). Held at Wooloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Woolloongabba, from Wed-Sat, 10am-5pm. Free Gallery entry. Details: (07) 3891 5551 or email@wag.com.au or visit www.wag.com.au

Until 19 April: State of Emergency Exhibition. Marking the 30th anniversary of the 1982 Commonwealth Games when Brisbane had political demonstrations for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander civil liberties. The exhibition includes original footage, photographs and personal stories. Held at Kuril Dhagun, Level 1, State Library of Queensland, Stanley Place, Southbank from 10am-5pm daily. Free and all welcome. Details: (07) 3842 9061 or visit www.slq.qld.gov.au/showcase/state-ofemergency

18 January: Cultural healing day at the WIN Stadium, Bundaberg. This event, through the Closing the Gap and Tackling Smoking programs, will feature guests Nathan Foley, Wendell Sailor and The Last Kinection, with MC Sean Choolburra. Open to all from 10am-2pm. More details on (07) 4150 2577 or 0427 627 453.

South Australia

Today and tomorrow: Tandanya school holiday workshop on paint theory with Burthurmarr Christopher Crebbin. And aerosol art with Nish Cash from 22-24 January. All free. Details on (08) 8224

Until 10 February: Lagua Dunalaig Exhibition. Lagau Dunalaig (island lifestyle) is an exhibition of artworks on paper by Cairns-based Torres Strait Islander artists Brian Robinson and Joel Sam. Held at Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide, open daily from 10am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (08) 8224 3250 or visit www.tandanya.com.au

Victoria

Until 3 February: Elizabeth Liddle Flora and Fauna Exhibition. The exhibition is based on early representations of Aboriginal people through recreated 'silver mounted emu eggs', using Easter eggs, kitsch figurines and dollies. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King St, Melbourne from Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. Free Gallery entry. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

26 January: Belgrave Survival Day 2013. This year will focus on children's activities including dance workshops, hip hop performances, competitions, face painting and more, entertainment for adults including live performances and the 150th anniversary of Cooranderrk. Free and all welcome. Held at Borthwick Park (next to Belgrave Pool), Bensen St, Belgrave from 12-4.30pm. Details: Email survivalday@gmail.com or visit www.belgravesurvivalday.org

26 January: The 2013 Share the Spirit Festival at Treasury Gardens, Melbourne. This year's line-up includes Bart Willoughby and band, the Stiff Gins, Kutcha Edwards, Lee Morgan, the SKIN Choir and dance group Black Mistig. It is at the Treasury Gardens, corner of Spring Street and Wellington Parade, from 1-7pm. Details at www.sharethespiritfestival.com

8-10 February: Blak Nite Cinema, at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI) at Federation Square, Melbourne. It features a tribute to musician Bart Willoughby as well as Indigenous-focused films. For more information, go to http://www.thatsmelbourne.com.au/ Whatson/Films/FilmFestivals/Pages/ FilmFestivals.aspx

TSI dancers for WOMAD



TORRES Strait Islander dancer company Arpaka will be one of the acts at this year's Australian World of Music, Arts and Dance (WOMAD) festival in Adelaide.

The major festival, from 8-11 March, features performances and workshops by leading traditional and contemporary musicians, dancers and DJs.

Arpaka Dance Company performed at the 2012 Festival of Pacific Arts in the Solomon Islands.

It is the first time a Torres Strait dance team has been included in the line-up for WOMADelaide.

Their attendance has been funded through the Torres Strait Regional

Authority (TSRA) Torres Strait Dance Strategy.

"Since 2011, the strategy has supported three dance teams to perform at high-profile events, including the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair and internationally at this year's Henley Festival in the United Kingdom," TSRA chairperson Joseph Elu said.

"WOMADelaide is yet another opportunity to showcase our Torres Strait culture to audiences from the

WOMADelaide attracts up to 90,000 visitors, more than half of them from interstate and overseas.

Details of the event and this year's line-up can be found at http://www.womadelaide.com.au

registrations are now open. This is a conference, workshop, market day and exhibition program to promote and showcase textile and fibre craft and design practices of Indigenous artists from across Australia. Registration fees apply. To register and for further information, visit on (02) 6208 5000 or visit www.sellingyarns. com/2013

Queensland

Until 26 January: 'Claudia's Story'. Winner of the 2012 Gold Coast Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award, Claudia Moodoonuthi presents her first body of work, including 'painting stories' and photographs based on memories of

Employment GENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Venus Johnson at the expo.



At the Australian Government Jobs and Skills Expo in Townsville, from left, Matice Henaway, Marie Dennis (Centrelink) 16-year-old job-seeker Saressa Oui and Guyai Dorrick (Centrelink).



Bamaga's Mathaias Kepa at the event.



Albert Reuben at the Break Thru People Solutions stall.

Flo Izzard, 64, from Palm Island.

Job expo popular

By ALF WILSON



SEVERAL hundred Indigenous people aged from the teens through to the 60s turned out last month for the Australian Government Jobs and Skills Expo

in Townsville. Bamaga 18-year-old Mathaias Kepa was among job-seekers from across north Queensland at the event, held on 12 December. "I am looking for work as an apprentice carpenter and there are more opportunities here than at home in Bamaga," he said.

Saressa Oui, a 16-year-old of Badu descent who lives in Cairns, was looking for a job in the retail sector.

Sandra Wallace, from Palm Island, was interested in café work, while Venus Johnson hoped to find a position as a kitchen hand.

Flo Izzard, 64, from Palm Island said she felt she still had a lot to offer an employer as a cleaner.

Albert Reuben, of Darnley descent, is an Indigenous liaison consultant for Break Thru People Solutions and staffed a stall which featured a giant Torres Strait flag. "We find jobs for people across all careers," he said.

The expo was part of the Qld Workers' Assistance Package being run by the Federal Government.

Senior media adviser at the Department of Human Services Paul Creedon said it was a genuine 'speed-dating event' for job-seekers. "With more than 50 stalls offering full-time and part-time jobs, people can speed check for work in a few hours at the same place," he said.

Exhibitors

Exhibitors such as Townsville City Council, Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE, Bechtel, Adecco, Energy Skills Qld, Toll People and Qld Corrective Services were amongst businesses, recruitment agencies and training providers at the event.

Federal Minister for Employment Participation Kate Ellis said the expo was a great success, with more than 350 jobs on offer.

Many took advantage of the local job opportunities, submitting 887 resumes to the exhibitors.

The Jobs and Skills Expos started in November 2009, and the Government says they have helped more than 24,500 job-seekers.

Three expos already held in Townsville drew thousands of visitors.



Sandra Wallace, from Palm Island.



Centrelink's Cecilia Stanley.

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Then this role might be right for you.

Contact Cindy Price phone 02 9625 0422 or email cindyp@childrenfirst.asn.au for more information.

Aboriginality is an essential requirement and genuine occupational qualification for this position and authorised by Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications Close 27th January, 2013.

Executive Director, Office of Aboriginal Affairs Victoria

- Strategic leadership opportunity
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The successful candidate will have extensive senior management and community strengthening experience. With highly developed interpersonal skills, commercial acumen, and the ability to think strategically, you will engage all levels of government, build community and business networks, and develop partnerships with key stakeholders. With a track record of implementing innovative strategies in complex environments, you will deliver solutions that meet the unique challenges of the Office. A professional qualification and understanding of contemporary issues relating to Aboriginal affairs is preferred. Applications close:

Tuesday 29th January 2013

further information.

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Department of Planning and Community Development



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Prison officer positions are available in Bandyup Women's Prison, Greenough Regional Prison (near Geraldton) and Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison (near Kalgoorlie).

For further information about salary, conditions and how to apply visit: www.correctiveservices.wa.gov.au/careers/opportunities/



ABORIGINAL LIAISON PROJECT OFFICER

0.5FTE - Fixed Term for 6 months with possible extension for a further 6 months 19 hours per week

Knox Community Health Service has a vacancy for an Aboriginal Liaison Project Officer to work with us to plan, deliver and increase access to mainstream health programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their families at our Ferntree Gully site in Victoria. Pre-requisites include relevant tertiary qualifications and/or equivalent experience working with the Aboriginal community.

Please apply in writing, providing a current resume and addressing the selection criteria as outlined in the Position Description.

> For a position description visit www.kchs.org.au For further information or a position description : Human Resources - 03 9757 6200 Applications to: recruitment@kchs.org.au

Applications close Tuesday 29th January at 5.00pm



Lightning Ridge Aboriginal Land Council Postal Address: PO Box 903 Address: 12 Pandora Street, Lightning Ridge, NSW, 2834 Phone: (02) 6829 0105 Fax: (02) 6829 0274.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Lightning Ridge Local Aboriginal Land Council (LRLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging

This position has recently been established following amendments to the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 (ALRA) as amended, and provides an excellent opportunity for the successful applicant.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the Lightning Ridge LALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, 1983, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills.

Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles

A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also

Experience working with Aboriginal peoples would be an advantage. All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

For a recruitment package contact the Chairperson, by email: lightningridgelalc@bigpond.com or on (02) 6829 0105.

Applications can be forwarded to lightningridgelalc@bigpond.com or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

The Chairperson

Lightning Ridge Local Aboriginal Land Council PO Box 903, Lightning Ridge, NSW, 2834

> Applications Close: TUESDAY 5th February, 2013. Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply



The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council is the peak Aboriginal health organisation in NSW representing Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services. Located in Surry Hills (Sydney), the AH&MRC are currently seeking applications for two positions in the Public Health Unit.

Project Officer (Hep C)

Fixed term, full time for 1 year

The position is responsible for the development and implementation of Hep C programs and activities within Aboriginal communities, in relation to Hepatitis C.

Project Officer (Harm Minimisation) Identified position

Fixed term, full time for 1 year

The position is responsible for raising awareness through resource development and education and to guide policy development to reduce harm caused by illicit drug use among Aboriginal

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Enquiries to: Ms Liz Murdoch, Program Director, Ambulatory, Community and Allied Health Services via email EMurdoch@mercy.com.au or on 0400 677157

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Applications Close: Friday 25 January 2013



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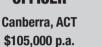
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LAKE CARGELLIGO

Aboriginal Health Education Officer -**Building Strong Foundations**

Position No: 115032

Salary: \$23.10-\$34.03 ph

Enquiries: Sabrina Brown, (02) 6058 1732, Sabrina.Brown@gsahs.health.nsw.gov.au

The Building Strong Foundations (BSF) Aboriginal Health Education Officer will work in partnership with BSF Child and Family Health Nurse and in consultation with internal and external child and family health providers to deliver culturally appropriate child and family primary health care in the critical early years of life, so Aboriginal children have optimal health, development and wellbeing. School readiness is a particular outcome focus of the program.

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Enquiries: John Dean, 0428 277 753, John.Dean@gsahs.health.nsw.gov.au

This position functions as part of the team and will undertake and meet the requirements of the Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health) degree. Under supervision, the position will participate in the development and implementation of adult mental health services to promote the social and emotional well-being of Aboriginal people in the wider community. The position is focused towards activities to prevent and intervene in the development of mental health and drug and alcohol problems.

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Location: Health Education and Training Institute, Gladesville Enq: Donna Fong, (02) 9844 6570, Email: dfong@heti.nsw.gov.au Closing Date: 05/02/2013

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Health

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Deputy Director Aboriginal Health (HSM Level 3)

Ref: 113662, F/T at Liverpool Hospital **Salary:** \$96,112-\$109,569 pa

Eng: Nathan Jones Ph: (02) 9828 6014

Female Aboriginal Liaison Officer (HEO Non-Grad)

Ref: 111899, Temp P/T, 24 hpw at Liverpool Hospital **Salary:** \$23.10-\$34.03 ph

Enq: Alison Pryor Ph: (02) 9828 6716

Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Male Aboriginal Health Officer (AHEO Non-Grad)

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Closing Date: 25 January 2013

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Inquiries: Rob McKinnon (02) 6495 5003 Information Packages: (02) 6495 5003 or

www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

applying online please contact (02) 9585 6696 during business hours for assistance.

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Closing Date: Sunday, 3 February 2013





Community Program Officer (ATSI Identified)

Clerk Grade 7/8 Governance Leadership and Community Engagement - Binaal Billa Wagga Wagga **Temporary Full-Time**

Total remuneration package valued up to \$100,283 per annum (Salary: \$82,098 pa -\$90,877 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Position No: 000001B2B

Job Description:

The positions throughout NSW will undertake a range of functions consistent with Office of Aboriginal Affairs responsibilities under the NSW State Plan, the Coalition of Australian Government's (COAG) National Indigenous Reform Agenda.

(Closing the Gap) and the NSW Government's Aboriginal Affairs Strategy, in accordance with the priorities and needs of the region, including:

- Working with other Government agencies and peak bodies to deliver on government priorities including service improvement planning across their region;
- Working with nominated Riverina / Murray Aboriginal communities to implement Office of Aboriginal Affairs programs including the Partnership Community Program;
- Implementing Office of Aboriginal Affairs projects in the Riverina / Murray region;
- Liaising with Aboriginal community groups and service providers to respond to emerging

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality. Superior understanding and sensitivity to Aboriginal culture, and an in-depth understanding of the Aboriginal community issues.
- Demonstrated ability to engage and work in partnership with Aboriginal communities and organisations, to deliver real outcomes in Aboriginal communities.
- High level verbal communication skills, including cross cultural, for negotiation and conflict resolution, working with stakeholders, management of sensitive issues and provision of advice to regional management and partners on a range of issues.
- Sound written communication skills and the ability to prepare reports, briefs, correspondence and submissions.
- Proven analytical and high level problem solving skills with an innovative solution focus.
- · Ability to exercise sound judgement, tact and discretion and maintain strict confidentiality. • Demonstrated project management experience and ability to meet deadlines and work independently.
- · Current motor vehicle licence.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position for a period up to 30 June 2013. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification authorised under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Enquiries: Julie Blackhall, Regional Director - Binaal Billa (02) 5852 1063

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 9th February 2013



Learning, Teaching and Student Engagement Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education and Student Engagement

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Officer

School Assistant 4

Salary Range: \$54,064 - \$58,700 (PN: 01633)

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education section is seeking applications from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people for the position of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Officer. The successful applicant will be responsible for working as a member of a team to provide support to ACT Public schools and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. Applicants must have knowledge of the educational issues, programs and initiatives relating to increasing educational outcomes and ensuring high expectations for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Possession of a current driver's licence. Year 12 certificate or equivalent is desirable. Willingness to undertake a relevant Certificate IV or equivalent qualification is essential.

Notes: This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified position. This is a part-time position available at 33:45 hours per week.

Contact Officer: Ginibi Robinson (02) 6205 9195 ginibi.robinson@act.gov.au

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Reference Number: 8363

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply for this

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The position will be filled on a temporary basis for 12 months with possibility of extension. Indigenous Australians are strongly encouraged to apply.

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Temporary Full-Time Salary package to: \$73,946 pa

Inquiries Name and Phone number: Wayne Anderson - (02) 6586 6909

To apply for this position please visit https://jobsnsw.taleo.net/careersection/all_jobs/jobsearch.ftl and refer to keyword 170985.



PROJECT OFFICER ABORIGINAL LEGAL NEEDS ANALYSIS

The Western Suburbs Legal Service is a dynamic community legal centre that is committed to social justice and the creation of a more equitable legal system.

We are seeking a project worker to conduct a legal needs analysis of the civil legal needs of Aboriginal people in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne.

The legal needs analysis will investigate the types of civil legal problems experienced by Aboriginal people in the West, as well as the ways in which community members seek to resolve those problems and the barriers encountered when seeking assistance.

The successful candidate will have demonstrated experience in the use of a range of research methodologies, strong communication skills and the ability to network across the Aboriginal community in the West.

This position is a 6 month contract position at 2 days per week. Hourly rate: \$36.84

For the position description visit www.wsls.org.au. For further information contact Emel Ramadan on (03) 9391 2244

Applications close January 29th January, 5:00pm.

Aboriginal Transport Network Members Services Officer (MS0) Parramatta Office

Aboriginal Members Service Officer

Full Time 35 hours per week (ongoing) Salary: Vicinity \$60,000 - Grade Six Level 1 Responsible to: Executive NSW Aboriginal Transport Network **Supervised: Community Transport Organisation CEO Commencing February 2013**

PRIMARY FUNCTIONS

The Aboriginal Members Service Officer (AMSO) will be employed by the NSW Community Transport Organisation (CTO) in consultation with the Executive Board of the NSW Aboriginal Transport Network (ATN). The AMSO will be responsible to develop and implement a work plan endorsed by the ATN Members, in regard to, workplace policies, procedures and established work practices.

The Primary Function of the AMSO is as follows:

- Implement Strategic Plan
- Promoting the ATN.
- To identify lobby for Aboriginal Transport Development Officers
- Positions across NSW.
- Liaise with funding bodies i.e. Transport for NSW and Ageing Disability and Home Care.
- Writing Funding Submission Application and Acquittals.
- · Collect Collate and evaluate relevant information.
- Submit monthly report.

Selection Criteria

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- Understanding of Aboriginal Community Development.
- Experience in managing Projects.
- Ability to review and implement Policies and Procedures.
- Demonstrate ability to work independently and as part of a team. Demonstrate analytical and problem solving skills
- Sound communication and interpersonal skills.
- Sound organisational and coordination skills
- Ability to travel including overnight stays.
- · Current Drivers Licence.

- · Proven experience and knowledge of Event Management and Media Skills
- Certificate IV in Community Services Work or previous experience in Community Development;
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Community
- Demonstrate understanding of the Community Common Care Standards;
- Willingness to undergo further education and training (professional development).

Common Selection Criteria

- · Knowledge of Equal Employment Opportunity Policies and
- Work, Health and Safety Polices and Principles;
- Anti-Discrimination Legislation.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Evidence authenticating Aboriginality will need to be provided by the applicant.

Successful applicants will be subject to a working with children check and a criminal records check.

Further Details and Applications please contact Greg Bondar, CEO on (02) 9635 8980 or email ceo@cto.org.au

Closing Date for Applications: 25 January 2013.

Community Child Health Nurse (Remote Area) Balgo (Kimberley Region), WA

- * Excellent remuneration package circa \$71,808 (pro rata)
- * Remote allowance (\$13k pro rata) & generous leave!



The Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Council (KAMSC) has an exciting opportunity for a **Registered Nurse** to join their multidisciplinary team of dedicated health professionals as a Community Child Health Nurse. Based in the town of Balgo, and working throughout the Kimberley region, you'll be providing rehensive child health care services to people throughout the region. You will be ed with an attractive salary package circa \$71,808 (pro rata) plus super & salary sacrificing options! Additionally, you'll receive a \$13k remote allowance (pro rata), isolation leave (2 wks for every 6 worked), district allowance and generous leave pro



KAMSC.ApplyNow.com.au **Apply Online** or Call 1300 366 573

CEO (Aboriginal Medical Service) Taree, NSW

Excellent remuneration package circa \$150k + salary sac!



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It's easy to make the move with Relocation Assistance!

Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Centre has an exciting opportunity for a Chief Executive Officer to lead its professional, multi-disciplinary team, based in Taree, NSW. You'll be esponsible for the strategic and operational management of the corporation, including staff, finances, assets and any other resources. In return, you'll enjoy an excellen emuneration package circa \$150,000 plus super and salary sacrificing benefits up to \$15,000. You'll also receive discounted dental & health care, laptop, phone & internet

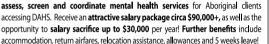


ApplyNow.com.au/Job41240 **Apply Online** or Call 1300 366 573

Senior Mental Health Clinician Derby, WA

- * Help 'Close the Gap' in Indigenous health!
- * NO ON CALL, relocation assistance + more!

Derby Aboriginal Health Service (DAHS) has an exciting opportunity for a Senior Mental Health Clinician to join their Derby team. You'll be working as a team leader to deliver



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Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573 QCOSS Queensland Council of Social Service Inc

POLICY OFFICER, LOW INCOME CONSUMER **ADVOCACY**

Salary \$65,411- \$68,715 + 10% Super—Full Time —Brisbane based

The Queensland Council of Social Service (QCOSS) provides a voice for and with Queenslanders affected by poverty and inequality. This role will contribute to QCOSS' capacity to develop and advocate

social policy positions to benefit disadvantaged Queenslanders. The successful applicant will work in the Low Income Consumer Advocacy team focusing on access and affordability issues in essential services.

Position description or further information available at www.qcoss.org.au or contact Ana Barassi on 07 3004 6900.

Closing Date: COB Monday 4 February 2013.

www.uccommunity.org.au



Helping Out Families Manager – Logan

Join a leading provider of Community Services in an exciting pilot initiative diverting vulnerable children and families from the statutory child protection system through to an earlier intervention. As Manager of the HOF program you will lead a team of senior and practiced professionals with a focus on delivering largely 'in-home' case work and support services to vulnerable children and families.

You will bring a strong level of experience in Human Service Delivery Management, ideally within the Family Support sector. You will have tertiary qualifications in a Human Services related field. You will be familiar with both performance and financial management and will excel in your ability to develop systems and produce a high standard of written work. Above all you will bring a passion and integrity to this work that will inspire those around you.

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity. For an application pack, please email Leanne.mcgrath@uccommunity.org.au Applications close 11 February 2013.

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Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Sutherland

Permanent Part-Time 24 hours per week Enquiries: Elizabeth Roche 02 9543 1111 Reference ID: 114530

Closing Date: 30 January 2013

Apply online at:

nswhealth.erecruit.com.au or email application quoting Ref. No. to: sesIhd.recruitment@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au

or send application to: Recruitment Unit, **Ground Floor Admin Building No. 2 Prince of Wales Hospital** Randwick NSW 2031

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



NATIONAL MANAGER MY MOOLA

Salary: Pro rata of \$85,000

Based on experience and qualifications, includes superannuation. Salary Packing is available

Conditions: Full-time (Melbourne based)

First Nations Foundation (FNF)

First Nations Foundation was established in early 2006 by a group of respected First Australian leaders, with the vision of enabling First Australians to make informed decisions about their financial wellbeing, in turn securing a sound economic future for themselves and their communities.

Primary Role of Position:

The primary role of the My Moola National Manager position is to manage and further develop the expansion of FNF's My Moola: opening financial pathways program on a national level to both Indigenous community organisations through direct funding from Federal Government funding as well as expanding the delivery as fee-for-service model via Aboriginal Organisations, Government Department and Programs, and large employers of Indigenous Australians enabling it to be delivered to a wider audience of Indigenous Australians nationally.

Application Process:

All applications must address the Selection Criteria as outlined within Position Description

For further enquires and Position Description contact: Trevor Pearce, Chief Executive Officer, First Nations Foundation

Ph: 03 9650 4652 Email: trevor.pearce@fnf.org.au Applications Close: Friday 8th February 2013



Aboriginal Family Support Worker - Brighter Futures

Salary Package: \$65,490

(Inclusive of base salary \$55,500, leave loading, superannuation and salary sacrifice opportunities)

Do you want a job that will give you the opportunity to make a real difference in the day to day lives of Aboriginal children and families who are in need of support?

For over a decade the KARI Community Programs Team has been delivering quality strategically targeted enrichment initiatives for the benefit of the Aboriginal people and community of South Western Sydney. This wealth of experience in relation to service provision and delivery has seen KARI's Community Programs go from strength to

We are currently looking to grow this portfolio and are looking to employ a number of Family Support Workers to work within our Brighter Futures team. The Brighter Futures program provides targeted support to vulnerable families to prevent them from entering or escalating into the child protection system so we are looking for people who have demonstrated experience working with children in

Working at KARI provides staff with the opportunity to work in supportive team environment and to enhance their professional development. We are looking for dedicated and motivated people to join our team and help us make a difference to the lives of children and families in their time of need

For more information on the Aboriginal Family Support Worker or to apply for this position please contact Troy Ruttley, Brighter Futures Coordinator, on (02) 8782 0300.



Seeking an Indigenous Community Liaison Officer

- Full Time position;
- Travel required/ based in North Rocks, Sydney;
- Opportunity to be trained in the field of hearing and

The Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children (RIDBC) Community Support Services operates an outreach service which conducts screening and provides support to improve the hearing and vision of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in rural and regional NSW

We are looking for a dedicated person to coordinate and participate in the above program

For further information, please visit our website www.ridbc.org.au/jobs



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Reckon you are mature, well informed and have a diplomatic approach to challenging Indigenous community issues?

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Residential Rehabilitation Manager

The Woorabinda Residential Rehabilitation Centre (WRRC) Manager will be responsible for the day to day management and delivery of quality residential rehabilitation, treatment services and educational programs to the highest standard, for Woorabinda Residential Rehabilitation Centre clients with Alcohol and Other Drug related

You will need to have:

- · Certification or tertiary qualifications in Social Work, Community
- Services (Alcohol and Drugs), and/or Counselling or equivalent.
- A demonstrated high level of knowledge of Indigenous Alcohol and
- Other Drugs rehabilitation, treatment services, education and
- A demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Societies and the diversity of their cultures.

You will need to have proven experience in:

- Operating and managing Alcohol and Other Drugs client residential facilities, treatment OR rehabilitation programs
- Financial Management, Human Resource Management, Workplace Health and Safety Management, Quality Management and Clerical

and administrative management. Along with the skills and abilities listed below:

- Computing skills Word processing (preferably MS Office Word) -Spreadsheet software packages
- Information Technology Communication skills including email and internet - Working knowledge of MIMASO or willingness to learn the system
- A demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.
- High level verbal communication skills with the ability to liaise with diverse range of stakeholders to promote the Woorabinda Residential Rehabilitation Centre.
- High level written communication skills with ability to compile and provide written reports.
- Demonstrated qualities of judgment, initiative and resourcefulness that contribute to team success and effectiveness of a team
- Ability to work independently and manage time well
- Personal attributes of sobriety, empathy, patience and common
- A current valid open driver's licence (Queensland Category "C" Licence)
- Blue Card (working with children) Cleared Police Checks.

Please Contact Betty Lappin bettyl@cqid.com.au on (07) 4153 1222 for more information, a confidential discussion or to request the full position description

Closing Date: COB Tuesday 29th January 2013.

Senior Program Officer - Straight Talk Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program

• Fulltime • Permanent • Melbourne based

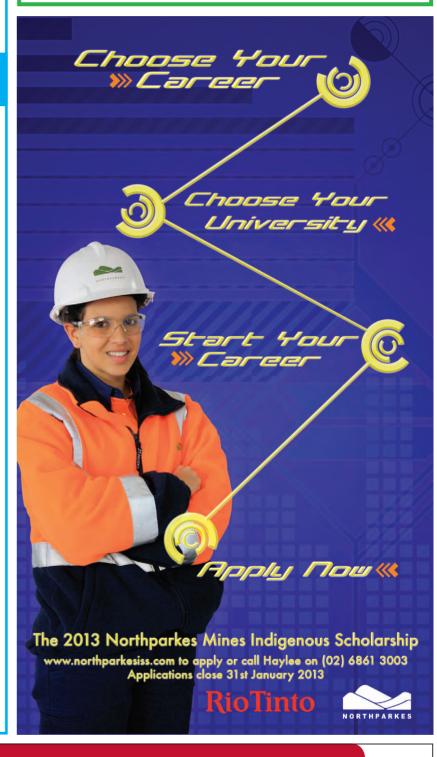
Oxfam's Straight Talk program connects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women with the political system and builds the capacity of women as change makers. Including a focus on practical tools and confidence, Straight Talk brings people together to share, learn and be effective in making a difference. The program includes opportunities for relationship-building between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and parliamentarians, information-sharing and developing strategies for change in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. As Senior Program Officer you will contribute to Oxfam Australia's work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with a particular focus on the development and implementation of the Straight Talk program.

We need your knowledge and proven experience of program implementation and community development to support our programs that work in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities to exercise their rights and to have a strong voice in decisions

Please visit www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs for application details. Salary (pending classification), likely range of \$54,701 to \$59,850 plus benefits and access to salary packaging. Applications close: Thursday 31st of January 2013. We promote diversity and practice equity - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

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Put your Life Experience to Work in Your Community

Koori Community Corrections Officer & Prison Officer Recruitment

Valuing workplace diversity, the Department of Justice has a growing number of Koori staff working across Victoria, including Koori Prison Officers and Community Corrections Officers. These career opportunities will have you working with people and families from all backgrounds. Your work will make a real difference.

- Beechworth Correctional Centre casual Prison Officer positions
- Dhurringile Prison casual Prison Officer positions
- Metropolitan Melbourne ongoing and fixed term Community Corrections Officer positions

To find out more information about these vacancies, or to register your attendance at one of our upcoming information sessions, please call Arbup Peters in Recruitment Services on (03) 8684 0385 or the Department's Koori Employment Team on (03) 8684 1757. Alternatively, you can visit www.cvcareers.com.au for more information or to apply on-line.

Applications for Prison Officer positions close Monday 21 January 2013.

Applications for Community Corrections Officer positions close Monday 28 January 2013.

VCAT has ruled that these positions be filled by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people only (VCAT exemption number: A293/2010)





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Project Officer, Sector Monitoring & Organisational Compliance

Clerk Grade 7/8

Department of Family & Community Services

- Location: Parramatta
- Remuneration: Total package valued up to \$100,283 per annum (Salary: \$82,098 pa -\$90,877 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Overview:

The focus of the Project Officer is to work under the direction of the Manager, Sector Monitoring and Organisational Compliance to implement a robust organisational compliance and governance framework across all AHO programs, business units and regional offices.

Selection Criteria

- 1. Demonstrated experience in Aboriginal Housing policy and program implementation with experience in the administration, monitoring and evaluation of complex government
- 2. Experience in project managing a compliance, monitoring and governance framework in a complex government program or environment.
- 3. Demonstrated analytical and decision making skills exercising sound judgement in all areas including risk management and the delivery of risk management programs.
- 4. Experience in financial modelling and planning using computerised applications and methodologies for trends analysis.
- 5. Sound influencing, interpersonal, presentation, written and oral communication skills together with demonstrated negotiation skills.
- 6. Demonstrated capacity to work effectively with Aboriginal people and the community to improve outcomes with a demonstrated understanding of Aboriginal cultural beliefs and attitudes
- 7. Current Driver's licence and willingness to travel within NSW and interstate.

Closing Date: 30 January 2013

If you wish to apply for this position: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Requisition Number: 00001CRX

Please see www.aho.nsw.gov.au for more information about Aboriginal Housing Office.

For enquiries: Katrina Morgan 8836 9412 Thank you for your interest in this position.

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Senior Project Officer Sector Monitoring

Clerk Grade 9/10 **Department of Family & Community Services**

- **Location: Parramatta**
- Remuneration: Total package valued up to \$113,802 per annum (Salary: \$93.586 pa -\$103,128 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Overview:

The focus of the Senior Project Officer is to undertake specific, priority projects in the Sydney Region to support or enhance existing systems and processes, or develop if necessary. Some projects may be trialled in Sydney and implemented in the AHO regions if applicable.

- 1. Understanding of Aboriginal cultural beliefs and attitudes and the socio-economic position of Aboriginal people within Australian society, and of their impact in relation to housing and related assistance with a demonstrated commitment to client service.
- 2. Sound understanding of 'best practice' principles and capacity to develop, implement and review systems related to Aboriginal Housing in NSW.
- 3. Excellent writing skills for project reports and preparing complex documentation and systems with demonstrated ability to prepare clear, concise and culturally appropriate information and resource materials, briefing notes, procedures and tools.
- 4. Demonstrated expertise working with community-based organisations and the ability to negotiate, influence and persuade others in planning and finalising work to achieve appropriate outcomes.
- 5. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills particularly as they relate to communicating with Aboriginal community members and representatives of Aboriginal organisations and for consultation and liaison with stakeholders.
- 6. Proven research ability to review policy and other documents and understand complex policy issues relating to community and Aboriginal housing.
- 7. Thorough and detailed knowledge and understanding of the legal and practical issues of community housing management and the AHO's role in the sector.
- 8. Current Driver's license with a willingness to travel.

Closing Date: 30 January 2013

If you wish to apply for this position: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Requisition Number: 00001BV0

Please see www.aho.nsw.gov.au for more information about Aboriginal Housing Office.

For enquiries: Katrina Morgan 8836 9412

Thank you for your interest in this position.



Passion for Caring – Achieving the Extraordinary

Aboriginal Service Development Officer

Full Time or Part time

Award: Victorian Public Sector (Health Professionals, Health & Allied Services, Manager & Administrative Officers) Enterprise Agreement 2011-2015

Equal opportunity exemptions apply A64/2008

This position exists to further Melbourne Health's strategic framework and build appropriate systems to ensure culturally responsive service provision for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients and their families when accessing services. In this role you will work closely with staff and agencies on strategies to improve access and effectiveness of hospital services for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community. The focus of this role will be service and care pathway development. In this role you will establish and maintain positive relationships with the Community, Melbourne Health staff, other service providers and government departments to strengthen the Aboriginal Program at Melbourne Health.

You will be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, accepted by the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Community and have demonstrated capability to provide cultural liaison, advice and support to hospital staff to better provide appropriate health care to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients, their families. You will have a tertiary qualification in Aboriginal Health or equivalent workplace experience.

Reporting to the Manager of Social Work & Cultural Diversity, you will be supported by the Allied Health Director, the Cultural Diversity Coordinator & an internal working group and will play a key role in implementing the Melbourne Health Reconciliation Action Plan.

Enquiries: Julia Blackshaw Ph: 0438836424 **Applications Close:** 25/01/2013 - Ref No. 12576

For further information and to apply online visit:

www.mh.org.au











Manager, Housing Operations -Aboriginal Housing Office

Grade 11/12 **Identified Position Department of Family & Community Services**

- Location: Parramatta
- Total remuneration package valued up to \$138,137 per annum (Salary: \$108,242 pa -\$125,181 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Overview:

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The Manager Housing Operations will support the Director, Strategic Housing Operations and Programs in the delivery of state wide social housing asset programs and services for Aboriginal people through the management of the administrative and financial processes of the Branch to ensure co-ordination of team reporting, elimination of duplication and improved governance. In addition the position holders will co-ordinate responses to Ministerial Representations, Briefing Notes, Cabinet Minutes and engagement of consultants as required.

The position holder will also oversight a Quality Manager position responsible for the development, implementation and monitoring of a Quality Management Framework for the AHO.

Selection Criteria

- 1. Strong skills and experience in all aspects of business management.
- 2. Sound operational experience in service delivery in a human services environment.
- 3. Excellent oral and written communication skills, and demonstrated ability to engage stakeholders through community consultations and briefings.
- 4. Change management skills and the ability to lead and inspire staff in the development and implementation of major reforms.
- 5. Strong influencing, networking & negotiating skills to deal with a range of staff and stakeholders.
- 6. Demonstrated ability to analyse complex problems, identify multiple pathways for resolution and identify the most appropriate response.
- 7. Responsible for making operational decisions for own area within approved business plans and agreed resource levels. Demonstrated capacity to manage and support direct reports in regard to complex staff matters.
- 8. Current Driver's Licence and willingness to travel across NSW.

Closing Date: 30 January 2013

If you wish to apply for this position: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Requisition Number: 000001ETH

Please see www.aho.nsw.gov.au for more information about Aboriginal Housing Office.

For enquiries: John Paszek (02) 8836 9444

Thank you for your interest in this position.

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1 x VIC (Melbourne), 1 x NSW (Sydney) Full Time, Permanent.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply Position Description details and Application instructions are available on our website

www.bushheritage.org.au/employment



CHILDREN'S COUNSELLOR

A part-time (7 day fortnight or as negotiated) vacancy exists in our Children's Family Violence Counselling program. An exciting opportunity to join our dynamic and committed team based in Ballarat, Victoria.

Salary and classification as per level 5 of the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010.

Salary sacrificing, employee wellbeing program and flexible work conditions apply

Applications addressing key selection criteria close Wed

Indigenous women encouraged to apply

Contact: Anita Koelle (Business Manager) on 03 5333 3666 or email anitak@wrisc.org.au

EEO exemption A104/2010



INDIGENOUS MYUMA PTY LTD **RANGERS**



3 x Trainee Positions

Dugalunji Aboriginal Corporation (DAC), working in partnership with Myuma Pty Ltd, is recruiting three people to join its new Indigenous Ranger Program, commencing March 2013.

About the Indigenous Ranger program:

With the support of Aboriginal traditional owner groups from western Queensland, DAC has been funded by the Queensland government to train and employ three Indigenous Rangers to carry out responsibilities under the Indigenous Land and Sea Ranger Program within the Georgina, Diamantina and Cooper Creek Basins. The government has committed to funding and increasing the number of western Queensland Ranger positions over the next three years. Indigenous Land and Sea Rangers are responsible for tasks

- managing weeds and feral animals
- fire management
- biodiversity surveys on local species and habitats
- preserving cultural sites and stories visitor management and education.

Rangers work closely with local traditional owners, landholders and community groups to achieve environmental outcomes and raise awareness of the importance of looking after country.

About the positions:

For the first 13 weeks of their placement, successful applicants will be employed by Myuma Pty Ltd while completing the Dugalunji Prevocational Training Program at Camooweal. During this period accommodation and meals will be provided and participants will be paid a training wage. Upon successfully completing training, participants will commence employment as Indigenous Rangers with DAC. Ongoing employment will be based at Longreach where Rangers will be responsible for their own accommodation arrangements.

DAC and Myuma are owned and managed by the Indjalandji-Dhidhanu traditional owners of the Camooweal region. Over the last decade, we have established successful construction, hospitality, training, land and heritage management enterprises. Our enterprises employ over 50 people and provide the context for our Award-winning Dugalunji Training Programs which since 2007 have delivered accredited training and employment to over 350 Indigenous people from throughout Queensland.

About you:

To be eligible for these positions, you must:

- be an Indigenous Australian, resident in regional Queensland, and preferably holding connections to Western Queensland
- hold a minimum P1 C class current driver's licence be physically fit
- have a genuine desire to work on country, often after hours and away from home for extended periods
- · be reliable, responsible and professional
- be a good communicator and team player
- meet the general eligibility requirements for the Dugalunji Prevocational Training Program.

Previous experience in a similar role is desirable, but not essential.

To apply for or enquire about these positions:

Please contact the Dugalunji Prevocational Training Program team in the first instance to obtain further details about the positions and an application pack, by email at training@dugalunji.org.au or on (07) 4748 2060.

> The closing date for applications is Friday 8 February 2013.



- Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person looking for a career opportunity which includes training and career progression?
- Are you interested in working in a caring supportive work place with great staff?

DENTAL ASSISTANT TRAINEESHIP

KCHS is offering a Dental Assistant Traineeship to an interested person who can make a positive difference and who has enthusiasm for working in the community as part

For further information and a position description please visit: www.kchs.org.au or contact the Human Resources Team on (03) 9757 6200

Applications close Friday 1st February 2013 and can be

Email to: recruitment@kchs.org.au or Knox Community Health Service 1063 Burwood Highway Ferntree Gully VIC 3156

Homelessness Services

Work with an innovative team to help provide client-centered services and coordinated responses to families and individuals within the Townsville area.

Team Leader

This full time maximum contract position will supervise a team of Assessment and Referral Workers, and assist families and individuals transition from homelessness to housing, or to maintain housing. Leadership experience is required

Assessment and Referral Worker

These part time maximum term roles conduct comprehensive needs assessments, and collaborate with a wide variety of organisations to assist families and individuals

The ideal applicants will have experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, knowledge of issues facing vulnerable populations, casework experience, and an ability to provide support and service delivery in a variety of contexts. We offer flexible hours and excellent salary packaging options. All positions are based in our Townsville office.

For further information about these positions please visit our careers page at

redcross.org.au

For enquiries, please contact Kate Lessing on 07 4759 6169.

Applications close 5pm Wednesday 30 January.





Tirkandi Inaburra Cultural and Development Centre Inc.

CENTRE MANAGER

If you like a real challenge and want to make a real difference this is the job for you.

> **Aboriginal Identified Position** Negotiable salary package valued at \$100,000.00

We are seeking a highly motivated and experienced manager with a passion for empowering our Indigenous youth so that they may have an alternate pathway in life to the criminal justice system

Tirkandi Inaburra is an early intervention centre for Indigenous male youth 12-15 years of age. The Centre delivers a culturally based residential program aimed at strengthening cultural identity and resilience and empowering its young participants to reach their full potential in life. The Centre is located on 780 hectares of Crown Land near Coleambally in the south-west of NSW and the successful applicant will be required to live in housing which is provided on site.

The Centre Manager has overall day-to-day responsibility for the management of the Centre, the performance of staff and the welfare of its participants. The incumbent in this position is also required to lead, co-ordinate and facilitate business planning processes, develop policies, programs and systems required to support the operations at the Centre and to monitor and to report operational and financial performance to funding bodies.

Application Package can be obtained from Tirkandi Inaburra's Acting Centre Manager, Liz Edwards on (02) 6954 4800 or email admin@tirkandi.org.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: The President Tirkandi Inaburra C/- Liz Edwards PO Box 134 Coleambally NSW 2707 or email admin@tirkandi.org.au

Applications close: Friday 1st February, 2013 at 5pm.

Recommended applicants will be subject to the 'Working with Children Check' and a further Criminal Records Check.

Tirkandi Inaburra Cultural and Development Centre Inc considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s. 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program Manager

- Senior management position
- Attractive salary packaging
 Melbourne based

Oxfam Australia is one of Australia's largest independent non government organisations focusing on international aid and development which has a strong commitment to the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program plays a central role in planning, managing and delivering programs and developing strong partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. The Program sits within Oxfam's Public Engagement directorate which mobilizes, fundraises and engages the Australian public, donors, policy makers and opinion formers to support Oxfam Australia's programs, advocacy and

Having worked for more than 30 years to support self-determination, Oxfam Australia is seeking a committed leader to lead the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program's team in strategy development, program funding, awareness raising and to develop and maintain relationships with a wide range of internal and external stakeholders.

Please visit www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs for application details. Salary \$92,130 plus benefits and access to salary packaging. We promote diversity and practice equity.

Applications close 3rd of February 2013.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

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Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People

- Support vulnerable Aboriginal children
- Critical leadership role
- Opportunity to make a difference

The Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People will bring an increased focus to improving the safety and wellbeing of vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people in Victoria.

A critical leadership position within the newly created Commission for Children and Young People, the Commissioner will promote the interests of vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people in Victoria. The Commisioner will provide independent advice on policies, practices and the provision of services relating to the safety and wellbeing of vulnerable Aboriginal children.

The Commissioner will play a key leadership role in the development of a plan to improve outcomes for Aboriginal children in out-of-home care, and will monitor and measure progress for vulnerable Aboriginal children across education, health and human services.

We are seeking candidates who possess a comprehensive knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal policy, culture and practices and who have a record of achievement in improving outcomes and the capacity to engage effectively with a range of key stakeholders.

To obtain a job description or apply online, visit www.careers.vic.gov.au/vacancies and enter 'commissioner' as the reference. To discuss, please contact Moiya Ford or Jeff Kelly from Ford Kelly Executive Connection on 02 6260 8788.

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Close the Gap Aboriginal Outreach Worker Great Job, Great Location!



Located on the stunning Mornington Peninsula, the Frankston-Mornington Peninsula Medicare Local (FMPML) offers a relaxed coastal lifestyle within easy reach of Melbourne. Famous for its many wineries, gourmet food destinations, and breathtaking beaches, the Mornington Peninsula is attracting a growing number of people to live and work in the region.

FMPML is a not for profit community-based organisation based in Mount Eliza that works with primary healthcare professionals to provide quality health care services to the community. Using well-established relationships with General Practice, allied health providers, health services, community-based organisations and local government, FMPML is developing local strategies to improve the coordination of, and access to,

An opportunity exists for an Aboriginal Outreach Worker (1.0) to improve the health and wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living with in the Frankston-Mornington Peninsula Medicare Local catchment by enabling General Practice to become more culturally aware, accessible and engaged with the local indigenous community.

The successful candidate will possess relevant qualifications such as Certificate 2, 3 or 4 in Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care or similar and have experience working in the primary health sector. The candidate will be able to work effectively with Aboriginal people to enhance the relationships between mainstream health services and the Aboriginal health sector

Benefits of working at FMPML

- Attractive salary packaging benefits (Permanent or Fixed term positions only)
- · Novated car lease option (Permanent positions only) On-going professional development
- · Highly supportive culture with family-friendly practices
- Clinical and professional supervision

Closing Date for Applications: Friday 25th January 2013

All of the above roles require a current: Drivers Licence, Police Check, and Working with Children Check. To request a position description and to apply for the position, by COB Friday 25th January 2013, please email **HR@fmpml.org.au** or contact our HR department on (03) 5973 5655 all position descriptions can be found on our website: www.fmpml.org.au

Applicants must send a cover letter, resume and a statement addressing the "Key Selection Criteria" outlined in the position description

Career Employment Australia Has the following positions available Darwin 1 x Program Coordinator <u>Adelaide</u> 1 x Education Support Officer 1 x Education <u>Coffs</u> <u>Harbour</u> Support Officer These opportunities require the successful

candidates to be innovative and energetic. They will be client focused, Have fantastic communication skills, and be self-motivated and self-directed. Successful candidates must have the ability to engage with Indigenous community. Applicants must have experience community/youth work and hold a current Working with Children's Card.

Career Employment Australia offer great work conditions with flexibility and Salary Benefits available

> Email resume to russellc@ceagroup.com.au by COB Wednesday 23/01/13.

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service

Tackling Smoking & Healthy Lifestyles Program (TS&HL) (Funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing - DoHA)

POSITIONS VACANT

Tobacco Action Workers

(Numerous - Full-Time) (Central/Far West)

Healthy Lifestyles Workers

(Numerous - Full-Time) (Central/Far West)

The TS & HL program spans three regions; New England based in Tamworth, and Central West/Far West based in Dubbo. The TS&HL team are engaged in community education, marketing and promotional activities designed to reduce chronic disease through smoking prevention, smoking cessation, and healthy lifestyle choices. A range of support and follow up services are also offered in order to assist in sustaining positive change for Aboriginal people. All TS&HL positions are funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing and managed by Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service. The Central West and Far West positions will be located in Dubbo and extensive travel throughout the region will be

Interested persons will need to contact Janet Curran, Tackling Smoking & Healthy Lifestyles Project Manager on (02) 6882 2751 or 0417 414 372 or by email janetc@wachs.net.au for an information package which details the "Essential & Desirable Criteria" to be addressed in the application.

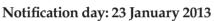
Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above positions and is authorised under section 14D of the Anti - Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications close:

25th January 2013

No late of faxed applications will be accepted.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland







On 19 December 2012 the Federal Court received an amended application by Tableland Yidinji People #3 native title claim group. The amended application seeks a determination by the Federal Court that exclusive Native Title Rights are held in the areas described below.

The Federal Court has directed the Native Title Registrar to provide public notification of this amended application.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must apply to the Federal Court for leave to become a party by 23 February 2013.

Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.

exclusion of all others.



Application name: Tableland Yidinji People #3 Federal Court File Number: QUD208 of 2004 Date Amended: 19 December 2012

The application falls within the Cairns City Council and

Tablelands Local Government Areas. Within the external boundary of the claim [as depicted on the inset] a number of allotments, or part allotments, have been identified where section 47B of the Native Title Act may operate. In respect of these allotments the Applicants claim the rights to possession, occupation, use and enjoyment of the areas to the

The land for which exclusive native title is claimed is:

Area Description
Lot 4 on Plan USL21312
Lot 5 on Plan USL21312
Lot 6 on Plan USL21312
Lot 7 on Plan USL21312
Lot 34 on Plan USL21901
Lot 1 on Plan AP11313
"Lot 39 on Plan AP9467 to the extent that it is within the External Boundary Description
Lot 1 on Plan NR1417
Lot 2 on Plan NR1417
Lot 3 on PlanNR1417
Lot 330 on Plan NR1509
Lot 477 on Plan NR4294
"Lot 857 on Plan SP108721 to the extent that it is within the External Boundary Description
Lot 18 on Plan SP140902

Note: Descriptions commencing with "denote lots where only part of the whole lot described is subject to

For those areas subject to the application which are not listed in the table above the Applicants claim nonexclusive native title rights and interests.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



ABORIGINAL CREATIVE AND CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT OFFICER

South East Arts seeks an Aboriginal arts/cultural worker for the South East region of NSW. to be based at Aboriginal Cultural Centre Monaroo Bobberrer Gudu (Eden)

Part-time, 3 days p/w for 12 month contract.

Salary \$50 000 pa (pro-rata) & super.

Applicants must address selection criteria, which include Aboriginality, arts/cultural, project management and funding experience, computer literacy & drivers licence.

For Position Description and Selection criteria email seainfo@southeastarts.org.au or call (02) 6499 2286.

Applications close: 25 January 2013



Senior Project Officer Quality Assurance -**Aboriginal Housing Office**

Grade 9/10 **Department of Family & Community Services**

- Total remuneration package valued up to \$113,802 per annum (Salary: \$93,586 pa -\$103,128 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave

Job Overview:

The Senior Project Officer Quality Assurance will improve the delivery of Aboriginal Housing Office asset programs through the identification of client, contractor, contractual and service issues. In addition the Quality Manager will improve the ability of Aboriginal Housing Office and Service Provider Project Managers to manage and deliver the asset programs through conducting Quality Assurance activities in accordance with Aboriginal Housing Office

Selection Criteria

- 1. Extensive knowledge and demonstrated practical experience in quality management and accreditation systems, continuous quality improvement, planning and associated Australian Quality Standards.
- 2. Experience in developing and implementing Quality Assurance and Audit programs including analysing complex data and information to identify emerging issues/trends.
- 3. Knowledge of Australian Building Codes, Government probity and contracting standards.
- Project management experience or relevant qualifications including demonstrated skills in strategic thinking and decision making.
- 5. Effective interpersonal communication, negotiation, influencing and organisational skills with an ability to manage competing priorities in a high volume workload encompassing
- 6. Ability to work collaboratively with multiple stakeholders to ensure project delivery.
- Ability to ensure clarity and acceptance around QA Audit outcomes in order to reduce the risk of conflict and litigation.
- 8. Current Driver's Licence and willingness to travel within NSW.

Closing Date: 30 January 2013

If you wish to apply for this position: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Requisition Number: 000001ETK

Please see www.aho.nsw.gov.au for more information about Aboriginal Housing Office.

For enquiries: John Paszek (02) 8836 9444

Thank you for your interest in this position.



Are you looking for a challenging and rewarding job, working for the Disability Care Support sector?

Aboriginal Disability Support Worker Program

Various Positions across NSW **Temporary Full-Time and Part-Time**

Western - Orange and Wagga Wagga

Southern - Illawarra

Northern - Kempsey, Narrabri, Tamworth, Armidale and Goonellabah

Hunter - Newcastle, Gosford and Central Coast

Metro South - Various locations across South Eastern Sydney, South Western Sydney and Metro North - Various locations across Northern Sydney, Blacktown, Penrith and Nepean

Ageing Disability and Home Care are providing opportunities for Aboriginal people to work in the Disability Care Sector in our Aboriginal Disability Support Worker Program.

The program is a pathway to gain the necessary skills, accredited training and confidence to apply for ongoing work in the disability care sector. You will work in group homes within the community on rostered shift work providing care and support to people with intellectual

Commencing in April 2013 the program offers:

- 12 months temporary employment Full time and part time positions available
- Generous salary and benefits
- · On the job training
- · Certificate IV in Disability Work
- Support by an Aboriginal cultural mentor
- Attendance at a culture camp and career development workshop

Positions are located in various locations across NSW and information sessions will be conducted for you to find out more about the positions. For further information about the program and details on the information sessions please contact.

Metropolitan South Region Shane Smith (02) 8746 5552

Metropolitan North Region William Trewlynn (02) 9407 1637 Sharon Mccullough (02) 6618 1621 or 0437 969 371 **Northern Region**

Carev Brandv (02) 6122 3646 Southern Region

Hunter Region Terry Jamieson (02) 4978 6116

Western Region Chelsea Stewart (02) 6841 1529 or 0409 176 191

For a job information package and to apply visit www.facs.nsw.gov.au/careers website, view Ageing Disability and Home care, Jobs at ADHC and select the region you wish to apply for or go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications close: 8 February 2013



SENIOR HR ADVISOR

VACCHO is Victoria's peak representative Aboriginal Health body and champions community control and healthy equality in Aboriginal Health.

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a qualified Senior HR professional to work within our growing and changing organisation.

The Senior HR Advisor plays a key role in supporting the delivery and improvement of HR services through effective advice and guidance to managers and working collaboratively with the CEO and Management group on the development and implementation of strategic HR organisational deliverables.

Suitable candidates will require previous experience in a Senior HR role and have a solid understanding of Human Resources and OHS practices, and possess a Post Graduate qualification in Human Resource Management or a Business related discipline.

For further information and a copy of the position description, please visit our jobs page at www.vaccho.org.au.

Applications close 30th January 2013.



Applications can be lodged online at www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4985 3150.

Project Officer

Wallsend Population Health

Enquiries: Paula Wye 0458 090 467

Reference ID: 114407

Closing Date: 27 January 2013

For the below positions:

These are targeted Aboriginal Positions. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 126 of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

Administration Officer

Enquiries: Kerry Hartcher 02 6515 1803

Reference ID: 110668

Closing Date: 20 January 2013

Patient Support Officer

John Hunter Hospital

Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin 02 4921 4266

Reference: 117110

Closing Date: 27 January 2013

Patient Support Officer

John Hunter Hospital

Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin 02 4921 4266

Reference ID: 113097 Job share will be considered.

Closing Date: 27 January 2013 **Administration Officer - Paediatric** Respiratory

John Hunter Childrens Hospital Enquiries: Karen Dixon 02 4921 3671

Reference ID: 116644

Closing Date: 27 January 2013

Medical Secretary

John Hunter Childrens Hospital Enquiries: Karen Dixon 02 4921 3671

Reference ID: 116244

Closing Date: 27 January 2013

Project Officer

Population Health

Enquiries: Justine Daly 02 4924 6477

Reference ID: 116431

Closing Date: 24 February 2013

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Collaboration, Openness, Respect & Empowerment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

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Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	04/2231 15/1344	STRATUM COAL PTY LTD HERON RESOURCES LIMITED	90BL 2BL	57km SW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing 29km SE'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 18° 39' S Long: 125° 22' E Lat: 31° 10' S Long: 121° 20' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1351	LA MANCHA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	4BL	15km W'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 46' S Long: 121° 18' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/819	ALPHABRASS RESOURCES PTY LTD	3BL	54km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 26° 57' S Long: 117° 43' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/820	AUSQUEST LIMITED	200BL	63km W'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 13' S Long: 117° 17' E	CUE SHIRE, MURCHISON SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	27/417	KALNORTH GOLD MINES LIMITED	28BL	45km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 44' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2233	AC MINERALS PTY LTD	70BL	129km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 122° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	29/868 36/792	GIANNI, Peter Romeo MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	6BL 8BL	68km W'ly of Leonora 39km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 47' S Long: 120° 38' E Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 120° 59' E	MENZIES SHIRE LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/797	MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	2BL	33km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 47' S Long: 120° 59' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/798	MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	2BL	33km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 121° 1' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	36/800 36/801	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	9BL 25BL	46km NE'ly of Leinster 52km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 40′ S Long: 121° 4′ E Lat: 27° 34′ S Long: 121° 3′ E	Leonora Shire Leonora Shire
Exploration Licence	37/1138	MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	1BL	44km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 121° 44' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1150	MONTANA EXPLORATION SERVICES PTY LTD	24BL	63km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 33' S Long: 121° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	38/2249 38/2779	GOLD ROAD RESOURCES LIMITED REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	42BL 15BL	95km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission 116km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 18' S Long: 123° 48' E	LAVERTON SHIRE LAVERTON SHIRE
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Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	38/2780 38/2781	ELLIS, Michael Jeremy SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	3BL 6BL	48km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission 55km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 122° 24' E Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2782	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	2BL	43km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 14' S Long: 122° 22' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2785	EMPIRE RESOURCES LIMITED	42BL	41km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 16' S Long: 122° 31' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	38/2786 38/2787	EMPIRE RESOURCES LIMITED EMPIRE RESOURCES LIMITED	34BL 8BL	31km NE'ly of Laverton 43km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 122° 40' E Lat: 28° 23' S Long: 122° 44' E	LAVERTON SHIRE LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2788	EMPIRE RESOURCES LIMITED	19BL	43km E'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 32' S Long: 122° 49' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2789	NORTHERN DRILLING PTY LTD	2BL	21km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 29' S Long: 122° 33' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	39/1672 45/2288	MAKA MINERALS PTY LTD ALTURA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	7BL 17BL	54km W'ly of Laverton 85km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 28° 30' S Long: 121° 52' E Lat: 21° 38' S Long: 119° 5' E	LAVERTON SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3407	BIRLA NIFTY PTY LTD	69BL	135km SE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 26' S Long: 123° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3511	ATLAS IRON LIMITED	8BL	46km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 1' S Long: 119° 20' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/3512 45/3979	MINE SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION PTY LTD BOOKABURNA MINERALS PTY LTD	2BL 70BL	27km SW'ly of Port Hedland 79km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 20° 32' S Long: 118° 29' E Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 120° 42' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4024	GLOBAL ADVANCED METALS WODGINA PTY LTD	31BL	80km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 26' S Long: 119° 2' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4025	GLOBAL ADVANCED METALS WODGINA PTY LTD	10BL	72km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 21' S Long: 119° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/4098 45/4105	JAYVEE RESOURCES PTY LTD VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	8BL 73BL	40km SW'ly of Marble Bar 99km E'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 21° 22' S Long: 119° 25' E Lat: 20° 36' S Long: 121° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4106	GREENWOOD RESOURCES PTY LTD	49BL	30km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 21' S Long: 119° 31' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4108	ATLAS IRON LIMITED	5BL 21BL	101km WL'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 1' S Long: 119° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/4110 47/2350	GONDWANA RESOURCES LIMITED IRON ORE HOLDINGS LTD	7BL	46km W'ly of Nullagine 61km SE'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 54' S Long: 119° 40' E Lat: 22° 7' S Long: 116° 36' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2636	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	3BL	94km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 29' S Long: 116° 18' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2659	BARACUS PTY LTD	169BL	44km N'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 14′ S Long: 116° 21′ E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, ROEBOURNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	47/2717 57/926	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD AUSQUEST LIMITED	6BL 68BL	96km SW'ly of Port Hedland 84km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 21° 2' S Long: 118° 6' E Lat: 29° 4' S Long: 118° 31' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE MENZIES SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	58/445	CLINCH, Margaret Mary	1BL	31km S'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 42' S Long: 117° 55' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1839 59/1870	WESTERN GOLD PTY LTD	60BL 32BL	46km S'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 45′ S Long: 116° 41′ E	YALGOO SHIRE MURCHISON SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	59/1914	ENTERPRISE URANIUM PTY LTD FALCON MINERALS LIMITED	16BL	59km NW'ly of Yalgoo 55km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 0' S Long: 116° 13' E Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 117° 14' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2945-6	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	139BL	25km W'ly of Balladonia	Lat: 32° 28' S Long: 123° 36' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	69/2947 69/2991	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD PONTON MINERALS PTY LTD	70BL 200BL	33km SW'ly of Balladonia 48km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat: 32° 38' S Long: 123° 35' E Lat: 32° 2' S Long: 123° 46' E	DUNDAS SHIRE, ESPERANCE SHIRE DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2992	PONTON MINERALS FTT ETD PONTON MINERALS PTY LTD	200BL	43km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat: 32° 2' S Long: 123° 46' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3079	NEWSEARCH PTY LTD	200BL	195km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 58' S Long: 122° 40' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	69/3081 69/3082	BEADELL RESOURCES LTD EPIENERGY PTY LTD	200BL 122BL	32km S'ly of Balladonia 24km N'ly of Balladonia	Lat: 32° 44' S Long: 123° 45' E Lat: 32° 14' S Long: 123° 49' E	DUNDAS SHIRE DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3083	ENTERPRISE IRON PTY LTD	81BL	148km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 39' S Long: 121° 54' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4254	ASKINS, Paul Winston	28BL	20km SW'ly of Bridgetown	Lat: 34° 5' S Long: 116° 0' E	BRIDGETOWN-GREENBUSHES SHIRE,
Exploration Licence	70/4372	KAOLIN RESOURCES PTY LTD	195BL	45km S'ly of Katanning	Lat: 34° 6' S Long: 117° 32' E	MANJIMUP SHIRE, NANNUP SHIRE BROOMEHILL-TAMBELLUP SHIRE, CRANBROOK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4397	ALBANY ENERGY PTY LTD	49BL	53km NE'ly of Albany	Lat: 34° 48' S Long: 118° 24' E	ALBANY CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4404	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	26BL	14km W'ly of Dalwallinu	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 116° 31' E	DALWALLINU SHIRE, MOORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4409	KAOLIN RESOURCES PTY LTD	40BL	24km E'ly of Northam	Lat: 31° 37' S Long: 116° 55' E	CUNDERDIN SHIRE, NORTHAM SHIRE, YORK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4410	KAOLIN RESOURCES PTY LTD	35BL	24km SW'ly of Cunderdin	Lat: 31° 49' S Long: 117° 4' E	CUNDERDIN SHIRE, QUAIRADING SHIRE, YORK SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	70/4414-l 70/4415-l	TATTERSON, Timothy Vincent ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	62BL 30BL	39km NW'ly of Mount Barker 34km E'ly of Merredin	Lat: 34° 28' S Long: 117° 17' E Lat: 31° 35' S Long: 118° 37' E	CRANBROOK SHIRE, PLANTAGENET SHIRE MERREDIN SHIRE, WESTONIA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4421	YILGARN IRON PTY LTD	89BL	17km SW'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 34' S Long: 118° 45' E	KONDININ SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	70/4424-I 70/4426	MOUNT GIBSON MINING LTD BYWATERS, Craig Anthony	20BL 4BL	64km S'ly of Jerramungup 41km NE'ly of Dalwallinu	Lat: 34° 30′ S Long: 118° 46′ E Lat: 29° 58′ S Long: 116° 53′ E	ALBANY CITY DALWALLINU SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4420	BYWATERS, Craig Antilony BYWATERS, Phillip John	4DL	4 TKIII NE IY OI Daiwaiiiilu	Lat. 29 30 3 Long. 110 33 E	DALWALLING STINE
Exploration Licence	70/4427	BYWATERS, Phillip John	3BL	46km NE'ly of Dalwallinu	Lat: 29° 57' S Long: 116° 57' E	DALWALLINU SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4432	BYWATERS, Craig Anthony LAKE HILLMAN MINING PTY LTD	40BL	56km W'ly of Bencubbin	Lat: 30° 59' S Long: 117° 18' E	DOWERIN SHIRE, KOORDA SHIRE,
Exploration Licence	70/4435-I	EAST PILBARA IRON PTY LTD	198BL	52km NW'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 28° 9' S Long: 115° 12' E	WYALKATCHEM SHIRE CHAPMAN VALLEY SHIRE, GERALDTON CITY MODTHAMPTON SHIPE
Exploration Licence	77/2068	CAZALY IRON PTY LTD	32BL	33km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 30' S Long: 119° 27' E	GERALDTON CITY, NORTHAMPTON SHIRE YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2081-I	SOUTHERN CROSS GOLDFIELDS LTD	1BL	63km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 15' S Long: 119° 22' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2082	AUSQUEST LIMITED	200BL	119km SE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 55' S Long: 118° 39' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	77/2085-l 77/2088-l	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD CLIFFS ASIA PACIFIC IRON ORE PTY LTD	3BL 20BL	58km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing 109km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 119° 56' E Lat: 29° 52' S Long: 119° 11' E	YILGARN SHIRE MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4739	LAMBOO RESOURCES LIMITED	36BL	84km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 34' S Long: 128° 4' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	21/715	CELLIERS, Olaf Christiaan RUNCIMAN, James David	69.19HA	18km SE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 34' S Long: 117° 58' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	28/1254	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	0.27HA	75km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	28/1255 37/8313	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD MINPROVISE PTY LTD	3.59HA 154.16HA	76km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie 42km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 11' E Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 121° 40' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4054	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	24.18HA	92km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 35' S Long: 121° 40' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5339	HADSON, David	198.55HA	45km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 121° 56' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5340	DARLEX PTY LTD DARLEX PTY LTD	58.14HA	45km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 121° 56' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5341	HADSON, David	192.93HA	45km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 121° 56' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5342-8	DARLEX PTY LTD MOTHERLODE RESOURCES PTY LTD	1299.25HA	45km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 121° 56' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1308-S	MICHELA, Stephen Cecil Martino	8.75HA	56km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	45/2656 45/2657	BOXCUT MINING PTY LTD	74.49HA 116.41HA	71km S'ly of Telfer 69km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 20' S Long: 122° 8' E Lat: 22° 18' S Long: 122° 1' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	45/2657 45/2659	BOXCUT MINING PTY LTD BOXCUT MINING PTY LTD	116.41HA 23.24HA	76km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 18' S Long: 122° 1' E Lat: 22° 22' S Long: 122° 2' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2683	URANIUM EQUITIES LTD	109.87HA	57km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 13' S Long: 122° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2727-31	JOHNSON, Chad Graeme JOHNSON, Neale Graeme	959.48HA	27km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 56' S Long: 122° 19' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2860	NEWCREST OPERATIONS LIMITED	182.44HA	15km NW'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 35' S Long: 122° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1324-6	STRATUM METALS LIMITED	524.28HA	85km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 13' S Long: 119° 27' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	57/1327 77/4179-81	COURTENAY, Jodie Michelle FITTON, Grant	21.01HA 556.74HA	5km NW'ly of Sandstone 119km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 27° 56' S Long: 119° 16' E Lat: 29° 44' S Long: 119° 29' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4183	MARSH, Leon James	9.60HA	66km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 46' S Long: 119° 36' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4185-7	JAYVEE RESOURCES PTY LTD	555.84HA	18 km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 22' S Long: 119° 24' E	YILGARN SHIRE
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Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Notification day: 16 January 2013

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Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 May 2013), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

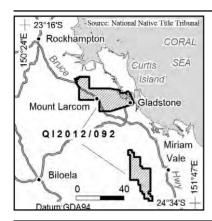
For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828. 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of QLD Notification day: 23 January 2013







QI2012/092 Arrow Energy and Port Curtis Coral Coast People Arrow LNG Project ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 1039 sq km over two areas in the Gladstone region. The first area is in the vicinity of Mount Larcom and the second covers Mining Tenements EPP679 and PL206 located west of Miriam Vale.

Relevant local government areas: Gladstone Regional Council and Bundaberg Regional Council.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd c/- Gilkerson Legal Level 10, 15 Adelaide Street Brisbane QLD 4003

State of Queensland **Executive Director** Level 11 Mineral House 41 George Street Brisbane QLD 4000

Kerry Blackman, Dean Sarra, Lurleen Blackman, Richard Johnson, Nathaniel Minniecon, Matthew Cook, Neville Johnson on behalf of the Port Curtis Coral Coast People c/- Dillon Lawyers 62 Blackwood Street Townsville QLD 4810

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

10.2 Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act (which relates to the right to negotiate), does not apply to any Project Activities covered by the Agreement.

14.1 For Native Title purposes, the Parties consent to all Project Activities included in the class specified [as

follows]: **Exploration and Production Related Activities**: [This is defined to include all future acts which are necessary, desirable for, or incidental to the exploration, extraction, collection, processing or production of, natural gas; or the water derived from the extraction of natural gas; agricultural activities that use the extracted water and anything permitting or requiring any of the things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]
Gas Transmission Related Project Activities:

[This is defined to include all future acts which are necessary or desirable for, or incidental to the collection, distribution, transmission or transportation of natural gas or the water derived from the extraction process for natural gas, any Looping Project and anything permitting or requiring any of these things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]

LNG Related Project Activities:

This is defined to include all future acts which are necessary or desirable for, or incidental to the planning, design, development, construction, operation and maintenance of LNG processing plant or plants and related facilities, wharves, jetties, loading facilities, terminals, berths, pipelines, construction docks, material off loading facilities, accommodation facilities, storage facilities, depots and transport facilities, any type of facilities for the loading of LNG onto ships and anything permitting or requiring any of these things. It includes grants and other dealings with tenements, tenures, statutory or regulatory approvals.]
["Looping Project" is defined to mean any activity which permits or requires or which consists of, the construction

and operation of any future main gas transmission pipeline which augments the capacity of any existing main gas transmission pipeline comprising part of the project or is located generally parallel to any existing main gas transmission pipeline comprising part of the project.]
[A further explanation of defined terms can be obtained by contacting the case manager on the number below]

14.2 ...for the purposes of section 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the Native Title Act any Future Acts that are necessary for, or incidental to, the Project (other than an intermediate period act) which:-

(a) have been done invalidly prior to the Registration Date;

(b) are included in the class specified in clause 14.1; (c) are attributable to Arrow Energy or the State; and

(d) are not attributable to the Commonwealth of Australia are validated as at the Registration Date. 15.1 Where:-

(a) it is determined by Arrow Energy to be reasonably required for the purposes of a Tenure Grant or otherwise to address the requirements of the State; and

(b) Arrow Energy has for a period of at least 3 calendar months made reasonable efforts to consult with the Corporate Entity, or the Native Title Party should there be no Corporate Entity appointed, about the location and extent of any Surrender Area,

the Parties agree to the Surrender to the State of Native Title over one or more areas comprising all or part of the Surrender Area within the area described as Zone 1 in Schedule 1 Part 8 and depicted as Zone 1 on the map in Schedule 2, any such area or areas to be determined by Arrow Energy and described in a written notice by Arrow Energy to the Corporate Entity or to the Native Title Party should there be no Corporate Entity appointed.

15.3 In respect of any Surrender under clause 15.1:-

(a) it takes effect on the date of the written notice referred to in clause 15.1 in respect of the Surrender Area, or that part of the Surrender Area, described in the notice;

(b) it is intended to extinguish Native Title and this provision constitutes a statement for purposes of s24EB(1)(d) of the Native Title Act; and

(c) the Non-Extinguishment Principle does not apply in respect of the Surrender,

the Surrender is intended to extinguish the Native Title and this provision constitutes a statement for purposes of s24EBA(4)(b) of the Native Title Act.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified: Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. The application must be made by 23 April 2013. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Team Leader

Grade 11/12 (HCS Admin) **Aboriginal Access & Assessment Team Location: Negotiable Permanent Full-Time** Requisition No. 00001EA9

Total remuneration package is valued up to \$96,180 per annum (Salary: \$80,424 pa -\$87,159 pa) includes annual leave loading and employers contribution to superannuation.

Job Description: The Team Leader will be responsible for managing a state wide network of Aboriginal Assessors, be highly motivated and committed to improving intake and assessment for Aboriginal communities accessing Aboriginal Home Care and HACC services

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated understanding of contemporary issues for Aboriginal people including an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal people.
- Demonstrated staff supervision skills including an ability to manage and monitor a geographically dispersed team.
- Excellent communication and problem solving skills, proven experience in a high volume customer service environment as well as knowledge of client rights issues including confidentiality, privacy and complaint handling.
- $\bullet\;$ Experience with Microsoft Office computer packages with the ability to produce data base and spread sheets and proficient use of automation technologies to deliver effective and efficient IT and over the phone customer support.
- An understanding of the Home Care (HACC) program context and its relationships with the broader community care and health services environment.
- · Current Driver's Licence and ability to travel

Job Notes: This is a Permanent Full-Time position. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applicants MUST obtain an information package, which contains complete details of the advertisement and information about Home Care Service of NSW.

Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to

For Enquiries: Lyall Gibbs (02) 4978 6207 or email: lyall.gibbs@facs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages and to apply online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Tuesday, 29 January 2013

Thank you for your interest in this position.



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Associate, Portfolio Management Canberra or Sydney

Salary: \$77,453 to \$85,872, plus superannuation of 15.4% p.a.

Are you:

- + Commercially focused with sound business analysis skills?
- + Passionate about achieving meaningful economic development outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?
- + A strong lateral thinker, with excellent stakeholder management, communication and organisational skills?

IBA's Investments program makes strategic investments in commercial enterprises with a view to creating wealth, employment and other opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and groups. Our portfolio comprises over \$200 million in investments across Australia in a variety of sectors, including tourism, property, manufacturing, energy & resources, primary industries and retail businesses

We seek a motivated professional with commercial acumen, sound business analysis skills and excellent oral and written communications skills to join the Investments branch in the portfolio management team.

The successful applicant will report to and support the managers of the IBA Investments commercial property and industrial portfolios. The commercial property portfolio comprises IBA's investments in commercial office, industrial and related properties. The industrials portfolio comprises IBA's investments in the mining services, manufacturing, agriculture and communication industries

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Applications close 5pm on Friday, 25 January 2013

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WELLINGTON LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

An application package can be obtained by contacting Donna Jeffries at email: djyindyamarra@bigpond.com or by calling 0439204125

NB All applicants must adequately address the selection criteria to be considered

Applications close:

4.00 pm on 24 January 2013

Those applicants selected for interview, interviews will be held in Wellington on 31 January 2013.





Administrative Support Officer - Identified

Clerk Grade 5/6

Governance, Leadership and Community Engagement - Safe Families **Bourke**

Temporary Full-Time Position No: 00001B3U

Total remuneration package valued up to \$87,961 per annum (Salary: \$72,242 pa -\$79,711 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The scope of the position of Safe Families Administration Officer includes the day to day functioning of the Safe Families office and coordination of the reporting of the program.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality is a requirement of this position.
- Knowledge of the policies, projects and programs of the NSW Government in relation to the Aboriginal people of NSW.
- Demonstrated understanding and sensitivity to Aboriginal culture and issues impacting on Aboriginal people, and an in-depth understanding of the local Aboriginal community.
- Experience in providing high quality administrative assistance in a complex working environment, including experience in the use of a range of Microsoft software applications.
- Highly organised with demonstrated high attention to detail and accuracy, problem solving and analytical skills and the ability to exercise initiative.
- Experienced in maintaining effective networks with key internal and external stakeholders
- Demonstrated time management skills related to planning, organisation of workload and
- · Sound written and oral communication skills with experience in providing concise reports and documents.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position for a period up to 30 June 2013. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Enquiries: Julie Blackhall (02) 5852 1063 Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Position Number: 00001B3U

Closing Date: 15th February 2013



Senior Project Officer (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 9/10 Community Inclusion - Ability Links Central Office, Sydney CBD Temporary Full-Time Job Reference No. 00001D4N

Total remuneration package valued up to \$113,802 per annum (Salary: \$93,586 pa \$103,128 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Project manage and undertake a range of specialised and complex projects in Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) related to the delivery of effective services and options to people with a disability and their carers.

Selection Criteria:

- 1. Aboriginality and a demonstrated experience and understanding of the issues affecting Aboriginal people with a disability and their carers.
- 2. Demonstrated experience building strategic partnerships with a wide range of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal human service organisations.
- 3. Demonstrated project management experience including planning, consultation, implementation and monitoring to ensure the achievement of agreed deadlines.
- 4. High level oral and written communication skills, including interpersonal and negotiation
- 5. Experience in research and analysis, and the use of word processing packages to support these activities.
- 6. Tertiary qualifications in a relevant discipline and/or equivalent knowledge, skills and

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position available for a period of up to 9 months under the terms of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. Further information about this position is available online and applicants must address the full selection criteria. In this position Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Enquiries: Rangan Sivapatham on (02) 9377 6162

Information Packages and to apply online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Position Number: 00001D4N

Closing Date: Friday, 1 February 2013



Government of Western Australia **Department of Regional Development and Lands**

Cancel Notice of Intention To Take Interests in Land **LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997**

I, the Honourable Brendon John Grylls MLA, Minister for Lands hereby give notice in accordance with Section 170(6) of the Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) that it is intended to cancel the following Notice of Intention.

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TO TAKE INTERESTS IN LAND TO CONFER INTERESTS UNDER WRITTEN LAW LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) SECTION 170
AND TO COMPULSORILY ACQUIRE NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

I, the Honourable Brendon John Grylls MLA, Minister for Lands HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 170 of the Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) that it is proposed to take those interests in the land described in the Schedule for the

AND for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (as amended) (NTA), that any native title rights and interests in the land described in the Schedule are to be compulsorily acquired for the purposes specified.

It is proposed to grant the estates, interests and rights specified in the Schedule in respect of the land described in the Schedule as authorised by Order(s) issued under Section 165 of the LAA.

SCHEDULE

LAND DESCRIPTION: Portion of Lot 12174 on Deposited Plan 39607 as shown on Deposited Plan 59875. Volume 3110 Folio 928 Area: 15.4024 hectares LAND SITUATED IN: Shire of Irwin NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading DESCRIPTION OF LAND other than interests of the Crown. PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: For inclusion into the adjoining private land by way of exchange. PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT: Inclusion into adjoining property by exchange REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: Land is suitable DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: 30th June 2009 FILE: 00639-2008-01RO REF.:073104

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: DPI, Midland Square, Midland, 6056. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Russell Barltrop, State Land Officer, Department for Planning and Infrastructure, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 or by telephoning (08)93475096

OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED: Persons having or claiming any interests in any parcel of land specified above may, under Section 175 of the LAA, lodge an objection in writing to the proposed taking with the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, PO Box 1575, Midland 6936 OR Midland Square, Midland no later than 10th September 2009.

MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE LAND: A person may not enter into a transaction in relation to the above land without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister for Lands, except as provided in Section 172(7) of the LAA. Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void in accordance with Section 172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in accordance with Section 172(5) of the LAA. Under Section 173 of the LAA, a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the land to be commenced or continued except with the approval in writing of the Minister for Lands. **NATURE OF THE ACT:** In respect of the land described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the interests in the land including any native title rights and described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the little land including any harve title rights and interests to grant estates, interests, rights, powers or privileges in, over, or in relation to that land under written law for the purpose specified and ancillary and incidental purposes. **NOTIFICATION DAY:** The notification day is 10th June 2009. **NATIVE TITLE PARTIES:** Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 10th September 2009. Any person who is or becomes a native title party is entitled to the negotiation and procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA. Enquiries regarding becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 1 Victoria Avenue Perth or GPO Box 9973 Perth WA 6001 telephone (08) 9268 7272. Dated this 14th Day of April 2009

BRENDON GRYLLS MLA MINISTER FOR LANDS

The notice of intention for the above proposal was issued under the Land Administration Act 1997 in accordance with the requirements of the Native Title Act 1993, and is being cancelled under the provisions of the Land Administration Act 1997. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Healy, A/Project Officer, State Land Services, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth WA 6872 or by telephone (08)65524595. Dated this 3rd day of December 2012

DIRECTOR GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LANDS For and on behalf of the Minister for Lands, under delegation.

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TO TAKE INTERESTS IN LAND TO CONFER INTERESTS UNDER WRITTEN LAW LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) SECTION 170
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It is proposed to grant the estates, interests and rights specified in the Schedule in respect of the land described in the Schedule as authorised by Order(s) issued under Section 165 of the LAA.

SCHEDULE

PARCEL OF LAND
LAND DESCRIPTION: Portion of Lot 12174 on Deposited Plan 39607 as shown on Deposited Plan 59875. Volume 3110

Folio 928 Area: 15.4024 hectares

PLAN/DIAGRAM: Deposited Plans 39607 and 59875. LAND SITUATED IN: Shire of Irwin

NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including any native title rights and interests) in the land under the heading DESCRIPTION OF LAND other than interests of the Crown.

PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: For inclusion into the

adjoining private land by way of exchange.

PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT: Inclusion into adjoining property by exchange

REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: Land is suitable DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: 30th June 2013 **RDL FILE:** 00639-2008-01RO **RDL REF.:**073104

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL. Level 2, 140 William Street, Perth. 6000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Healy, A/Project Officer, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth WA 6872 or by telephoning (08) 65524595

OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED: Persons having or claiming any interests in any parcel of land specified above may, under Section 175 of the LAA, lodge an objection in writing to the proposed taking with the Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth WA 6872 OR Level 2, 140 William Street, Perth no later than 30 April 2013. MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE LAND: A person may not enter as provided in Section 172(7) of the LAA. Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void in accordance with Section

172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in accordance with Section 172(5) of the LAA. Under Section 173 of the LAA, a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the land to be commenced

or continued except with the approval in writing of the Minister for Lands. NATURE OF THE ACT: In respect of the land described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the interests in the land including any native title rights and interests to grant estates, interests, rights, powers or privileges in, over, or in relation to that land under written law for the purpose specified and ancillary and incidental purposes.

NOTIFICATION DAY: The notification day is 30 January 2013

NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 30 April 2013. Any person who is or becomes a native title party is entitled to the negotiation and procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA. Enquiries regarding becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 1 Victoria Avenue Perth or GPO Box 9973 Perth WA 6001 telephone (08) 9268 7272. Dated this 3rd Day of December in the year 2012

DIRECTOR GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LANDS For and on behalf of the Minister for Lands, under delegation.



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	30/252	MACARTHUR IRON ORE PTY LTD	609.13HA	102km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 59' S Long: 119° 58' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	45/1232	MOBILE CONCRETING SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	320.21HA	50km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 45' S Long: 118° 31' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Mining Lease	47/1479	HAMILTON, John Leslie	24.76HA	74km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 48' S Long: 118° 7' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN, ROEBOURNE SHIRE
Mining Lease	77/1265	GLOBAL EXPLORATION PTY LTD QUARRY PARK PTY LTD	25.22HA	27km W'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 44' S Long: 119° 15' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years

Notification day: 16 January 2013

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For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

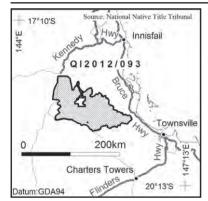
Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of OLD

Notification day: 23 January 2013







QI2012/093 Gugu Badhun People and Local Government ILUA

Description of the agreement area: About 8,845 sq km located approx 160 km southwest of the town of Innisfail.

Relevant LGAs: Charters Towers Regional Council; Hinchinbrook Shire Council; Tablelands Regional Council and Townsville City Council.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Natural Resources & Mines (Qld).

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Hinchinbrook Shire Council; Townsville City Council; Charters Towers Regional Council and Tablelands Regional Council

Harry Gertz, Ernie Hollihan, Hazel Illin, Narda Kennedy and Elsie Thompson as the Applicants for Native Title Determination Application QUD85/2005 (Gugu Badhun People #2)

Gugu Badhun Aboriginal Corporation (BC and RNTBC)

C/- Gilkerson Legal GPO Box 12543 Brisbane Qld 4003

C/- North Queensland Land Council PO Box 1717 Aitkenvale Qld 4814

49 Wynberg Drive Annandale Old 4814

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

33.2 Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act [...] does not apply [...].

39.1 The Parties consent to any Activity which has a Low Native Title Impact (they are described in Schedule 8)

39.3 Where the conditions in the immediately following sub-clause are satisfied, the Parties consent to any Activity which has a High Native Title Impact (they are described in Schedule 9).

39.4 The conditions are that the Local Government proposing the Activity satisfies one of the following:

(a) The Local Government: i) gives a Notice to the Native Title Party or the Native Title Party's Representative in accordance with paragraph 40.1(a); and ii) completes Consultation in accordance with

(b) Where the Activity involves a capital work dealt with at a Capital Works Forum (provisions about a Capital Works Forum are contained in clause 55), the Local Government: i) gives a list of capital works involving the Activity under paragraph 55.6(e); and ii) consensus is reached under paragraph 55.6(f) about

Definitions:

"Low Native Title Impact"[...] refers to [...] any of the classes of Activities contained in Schedule 8.

"High Native Title Impact" [...] refers to [...] any of the classes of Activities in Schedule 9.

"Activities" has the widest possible meaning and includes any activity (including any construction and $ground\ disturbing\ activity), action, undertaking, dealing, grant, approval, consent\ and\ agreement.$

[Copies of Schedules 8 and 9 of the agreement can be obtained from the Case Manager upon request]

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified: This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council Aboriginal Corporation, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act* 1993 (Cwlth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Cairns, Qld, 4870 by 23 April 2013. Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Case Manager Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH **NATIVE TITLE PARTIES** MINING ACT 1971 (SA) — SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that RENAISSANCE URANIUM PTY LTD ACN 135 531 341 of 36 North Terrace Kent Town in the state of South Australia and any of its successors and assigns (Renaissance) propose to undertake mining operations pursuant to Exploration Licences 5012 and 4721 (including any extensions, renewals, transfers, assignments or other dealings with those licences and any other authority or interest in an exploration or mining authority from time to time held over the area of one or both of those licences or any part of them) on the following land (Land):

EXPLORATION LICENCE 5012

CULTANA AREA – Approximately 50 km southwest of Port Augusta, bounded

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°39'S and longitude 137°23'E, thence east to longitude 137°26'E, south to latitude 32°44'S, west to longitude 137°25'E, south to latitude 32°58'S, west to longitude 137°24'E, south to a southern boundary of Proposed Cultana Expansion Area, thence generally westerly, northerly, westerly, northerly and northeasterly along the boundary of the said Proposed Area to longitude 137°23'E, and south to the point of commencement.

TOTAL AREA: approximately 854km2

EXPLORATION LICENCE 4721

IRON BARON AREA - Approximately 80km southwest of Port Augusta, bounded as follows:

AREA A

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°36;S and longitude 137°18'E, thence east to longitude 137°23'E, south to a northern boundary of Proposed Cultana Expansion Area, thence generally southwesterly along the boundary of the said Proposed Area to longitude 137°10'E, north to latitude 32°39'S, east to longitude 137°14'E, north to latitude 32°38'S, east to longitude 137°16'E, south to latitude 32°39'S, east to longitude 137°18'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°48'S and longitude 137°10'E, thence north to a northern boundary of Proposed Cultana Expansion Area, thence generally southerly and northwesterly along the boundary of the said Proposed Area to latitude 32°48'S, and east to the point of commencement.

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°48'S and longitude 137°08'E, thence east to a western boundary of Proposed Cultana Expansion Area, thence generally southerly along the boundary of the said Proposed Area to latitude 32°57'S, west to longitude 137°08'E, and north to the point of commencement.

AREA D

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°01'S and longitude 137°24'E, thence west to longitude 137°21'E, south to latitude 33°09'S, west to longitude 137°12'E, north to the southern boundary of BHP Indenture Act 1987 Area, thence generally easterly along the boundary of the said Area to a southern boundary of Proposed Cultana Expansion Area. thence generally easterly along the boundary of the said Proposed Area to longitude 137°24'E, and south to the point of commencement.

TOTAL AREA: approximately 326 km2

All the within latitudes and longitudes are geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of economic mineralization and/or water that may include but is not limited to any of the following: Geophysical surveys including airborne and ground surveys of magnetics, gravity, electrical and seismic methods. Geochemical sampling including radon surveys, soil, rock chip and drainage. Shallow trenching and various drilling methods including auger, rotary mud, percussion, aircore, sonic and diamond drilling.

The proposed operations are authorised by the following tenements under the Mining Act 1971:

Exploration Licences 5012 and 4721 held by Renaissance.

In this notice a reference to a tenement includes that tenement as substituted, extended or re—granted and a reference to a party currently holding or being an applicant for a tenement includes successors and assigns of the party's interest in the tenement.

Renaissance seek to negotiate a native title mining agreement for exploration under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

If, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the Land, Renaissance may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the proponents Renaissance for the purpose of:

- 1. negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on
- 2. requesting further information about this notice.

The proponents Renaissance can be contacted as follows:

C/— McDonald Steed McGrath Lawyers, 11—13 Gilbert Street, Adelaide SA 5000 Telephone: (08) 8161 5088 Facsimile: (08) 8410 7266, Contact: Abigail Steed

PUBLIC NOTICE OF A PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (AREA AGREEMENT) UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CWTH) FOR AN AREA AT THE PORT OF GLADSTONE

Gladstone Ports Corporation Limited ("GPC") manages and operates the Port of Gladstone

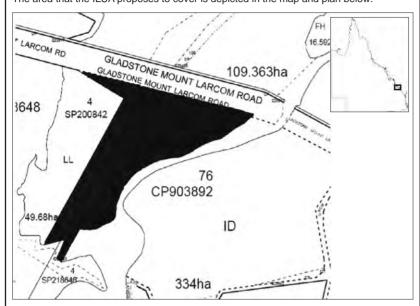
GPC proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) ("ILUA"), pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwth) ("NT Act") with the registered native title claim group for the Native Title Determination Application QUD6026/01 ("PCCC Claim"), being the Port Curtis Coral Coast ("PCCC").

The proposed area for the ILUA comprises land described as:

- a) Lot 5 on SP200840;
- b) Lot 110 on SP238409; and
- c) Lot 109 on SP238409,

("ILUA Area")

The area that the ILUA proposes to cover is depicted in the map and plan below:



The whole of the proposed IILUA Area is within the area claimed in the PCCC Claim.

The PCCC are described in the PCCC Claim as the descendants of: Dina, Jessie, Johnson Matemate and George Swain, Sandy and Fanny, Dulhu / Doolan, Buller Tolsen (Norman Buller), Alice Murray, Jane, Betsy, Rosie, Elsie Myers, Maggie Little, Rosie Blackman, Emma Jones, Mary Anne, John Hill ("Pig Pig") and Elizabeth Tan Watt/Daniels.

The ILUA is proposed to provide consent for GPC to undertake actions set out in the ILUA including the grant of all approvals and land tenure in relation to the ILUA Area. As the nature of the actions will be permanent, GPC will be seeking to permanently acquire native title rights in the ILUA Area

Persons who consider they are PCCC, or who otherwise may hold native title in the ILUA Area are invited to contact Andrew Bell on (07) 4976 1333 by 5pm on 15th February

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GPC proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) ("ILUA"), pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwth) ("NT Act"). The proposed ILUA area comprises of the areas marked in the map and plan below, which is part of Lot 212 on SP239707 ("ILUA Area"):



Parts of the ILUA Area may extend into the area claimed by the registered native title claim group for the Native Title Determination Application QUD6026/01 ("PCCC Claim"), being the Port Curtis Coral Coast ("PCCC"). The majority of the ILUA Area is outside the area claimed in the PCCC Claim. However, the majority of the ILUA Area is over waters adjacent to the outer boundaries of the PCCC Claim. GPC proposes to enter into an ILUA pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the NT Act with the PCCC in respect of

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The whole of the proposed ILUA Area is over land and waters within or adjacent to areas the subject of the PCCC Claim. The ILUA is proposed to provide consent for GPC to undertake actions set out in the ILUA including the grant of all approvals and land tenure in relation to the ILUA Area. As the nature of the actions will be permanent. GPC will be seeking to permanently acquire native title rights in the ILUA Area.

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Government of Western Australia **Department of Regional Development and Lands**

AMEND NOTICE OF INTENTION TO TAKE LAND (AS TO DEFECTS) LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993

I, the Honourable Brendon John Grylls MLA, Minister for Lands hereby give notice in accordance with Section 170(6) of the Land Administration Act 1997, and Section 27(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 that it is intended to amend defects in the following registered Notice(s) of Intention.

Notice Of Intention	Land Description	Volume	Folio	Variation
L910523	1. Part Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 68897 shown as inset Lot 362 on Deposited Plan 27359	3159	643	Description of Land 1 to now comprise of Part Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 68897 shown as inset Lot 362 on Deposited Plan 75530, being part of "Aerodrome" Reserve 26355 Volume 3159 Folio 643 Area 3.3889 hectares in lieu of Part Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 68897 shown as inset Lot 362 on Deposited Plan 27359, being part of "Aerodrome" Reserve 26355. Volume 3159 Folio 643 Area 9.3889 hectares.
	2. Part Lot 255 on Deposited Plan 220190 shown as inset Lot 345 on Deposited Plan 27359	3011	097	Description of Land 2 to now comprise of Part Lot 255 on Deposited Plan 220190 shown as inset Lot 345 on Deposited Plan 75530, being part of Pastoral Lease 359/1967 (Noonkanbah Station) Volume 3011 Folio 097 Area 20.2839 hectares in lieu of Part Lot 255 on Deposited Plan 220190 shown as inset Lot 345 on Deposited Plan 27359, being part of Pastoral Lease 359/1967 (Noonkanbah Station) Volume 3011 Folio 097 Area 9.9032 hectares.

NATURE OF ACT: The intended compulsory taking of the land remains for the public work specified in the original notice unless varied above

REASONS FOR VARYING NOTICE OF INTENTION: Areas quoted in original notice were incorrect and new survey created to

MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTION: Conditions relating to transactions or improvements on the amended area remain

COMMENCEMENT OF ACT: The taking of land remains subject to the procedural requirements of the Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) and Section 23(6) of the Native Title Act 1993 (NTA). The taking will proceed upon completion of the procedures provided by Section 175 of the LAA if the Minister for Lands decides to proceed.

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Gordon Stephenson House, 140 William Street, Perth, 6000. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leanne Shaw, Senior State Land Officer, Kimberley, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth 6872 or by telephoning (08) 6552 4615.

Dated this 25th day of October in the year 2012.

MANAGER

STATE LAND SERVICES, KIMBERLEY DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LANDS For and on behalf of the Minister for Lands, under delegation.



NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Exploration No	. Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
20/749	LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	410808	162.10HA	50km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 6' S Long: 117° 31' E	CUE SHIRE
38/1861	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) LIMITED	412038	14.23HA	17km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 122° 27' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1864	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) LIMITED	412036	82.52HA	17km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 29' S Long: 122° 28' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1988	DUKETON RESOURCES PTY LTD REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	409338	44.59HA	85km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 122° 18' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1990	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	409340	47.87HA	81km NW'ly of Cosmo	Lat: 27° 27' S	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1991	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	409341	73.42HA	Newberry Mission 81km NW'ly of Cosmo	Long: 122° 19' E Lat: 27° 30' S	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/1992	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	409342	73.40HA	Newberry Mission 73km NW'ly of Cosmo	Long: 122° 20' E Lat: 27° 32' S	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2005	FALCON MINERALS LIMITED	409339	72.64HA	Newberry Mission 85km NW'ly of Cosmo	Long: 122° 21' E Lat: 27° 27' S	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2203	DUKETON RESOURCES PTY LTD FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) LIMITED	412037	16.97HA	Newberry Mission 17km N'ly of Laverton	Long: 122° 17' E Lat: 28° 28' S	LAVERTON SHIRE
45/3641-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	412647	14.10HA	64km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Long: 122° 26' E Lat: 21° 27' S	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
46/739	PILBARA MANGANESE PTY LTD	412731	230.25HA	95km W'ly of Telfer	Long: 119° 13' E Lat: 21° 50' S	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
47/585-I	HAMERSLEY EXPLORATION PTY LTD	411863		77km N'ly of Tom Price	Long: 121° 14' E Lat: 21° 59' S	ASHBURTON SHIRE
59/1021-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	410677	20.66HA	69km W'ly of Paynes Find	Long: 117° 48' E Lat: 29° 6' S	PERENJORI SHIRE
59/1023-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	409545		72km W'ly of Paynes Find	Long: 116° 59' E Lat: 29° 4' S	PERENJORI SHIRE,
					Long: 117° 0' E	YALGOO SHIRE
59/1199-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	409534	44.40HA	60km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 116° 56' E	YALGOO SHIRE
59/1333-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	410678	20.65HA	69km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 6' S Long: 116° 59' E	PERENJORI SHIRE
59/887-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	409543	25.81HA	67km S'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 54' S Long: 116° 55' E	YALGOO SHIRE
59/985-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	409541	36.99HA	72km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 54' S Long: 117° 3' E	YALGOO SHIRE
77/1320-I	SOUTHERN CROSS GOLDFIELDS LTD	412894	146.70HA	62km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 119° 14' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/1535	ST BARBARA LIMITED MONTAGUE RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	412957	34.94HA	87km E'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 22' S Long: 119° 44' E	KONDININ SHIRE
77/1535	ST BARBARA LIMITED MONTAGUE RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	412958	9.72HA	87km E'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 21' S Long: 119° 45' E	KONDININ SHIRE
77/1535	ST BARBARA LIMITED MONTAGUE RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	412956	7.78HA	87km E'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 21' S Long: 119° 45' E	KONDININ SHIRE
77/1535	ST BARBARA LIMITED	412954	49.25HA	87km E'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 15' S	KONDININ SHIRE
77/1659-I	MONTAGUE RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD SOUTHERN CROSS GOLDFIELDS LTD	412893	123.33HA	73km N'ly of	Long: 119° 47' E Lat: 30° 12' S	YILGARN SHIRE
77/1921-I	SOUTHERN CROSS GOLDFIELDS LTD	412895	1.96HA	Koolyanobbing 73km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Long: 119° 14' E Lat: 30° 13' S Long: 119° 15' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals. Notification day: 16 January 2013

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Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 May 2013), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

Underwater hockey makes a splash



UNDERWATER hockey is making a splash in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara

Yankunytjatjara (APY) lands of South Australia.

The sport has made its debut in local pools at a number of communities in the APY lands.

In a project co-ordinated by the Australian Government's Active After-school Communities (AASC) program, a combination

of underwater hockey coaching courses and introductory pool sessions for children were conducted at Mimili APY communities.

The project was aimed at creating a sustainable way to

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increase the physical activity levels of primary school children, introduce a new sport at a time of year when the local pool becomes central to daily life, and provide effective training and support to local community members and staff to continue the introduction of the sport throughout the hotter

The project was supported by the Australian Underwater Federation, in providing two representatives to conduct the coaching courses and introductory sessions for local children.

Learning basics

AASC regional co-ordinator Greg Matthews said it was amazing to see how enthusiastic children of all ages were to learn how to snorkel and then progress on to learning the basics of underwater hockey.

"During the visits to Mimili and Pipalyatjara, more than 50 local children put on their snorkels for the first time and jumped head-first into a brand new experience," he said.

"After initial snorkelling instruction, it did not take long before duck-diving became natural and full-scale underwater hockey matches took place."

Following the visit to each community, there are now four community pool managers and staff who have completed accredited snorkelling and underwater hockey courses, along with a fifth pool manager who travelled from Walungurru (Kintore, NT).

These coaches will continue to teach local children the basics of underwater hockey throughout the hotter months of this year.

The program is being boosted by grants by the AASC program, enabling each community to acquire necessary equipment and pay coaches.

"It's great to see so many children at Mimili and Pipalyatjara enjoying physical activity and developing the basic skills needed to take up a sport on a regular basis," Matthews said.

"The AASC program aims to enhance the physical activity levels of children by providing them with positive, fun and free sporting experiences in a safe and inclusive environment."

It is hoped to conduct underwater hockey matches between these communities. spreading to other communities on the APY lands.

The AASC program is an Australian Government initiative delivered by the Australian Sports Commission in up to 3270 schools and outside school hours care services across Australia. Each term, as many as 190,000 children participate in up to 70 sports and 20 structured physical activities after school.

For more information about the AASC program visit www.ausport. gov.au/participating/aasc



What will they think of next? Pictured are underwater hockey players. The sport is making a splash in the APY lands.

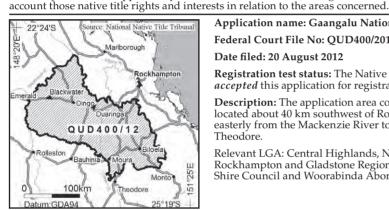
Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 30 January 2013



they hold native title in the areas described below. A person who wants to become a party to any of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 13084, Brisbane, QLD, 4003 **on or before 29 April 2013**. After 29 April 2013, the

Federal Court's permission to become a party is required. Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into



Application name: Gaangalu Nation

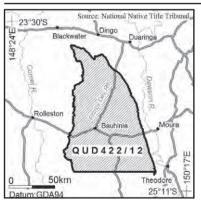
Federal Court File No: QUD400/2012

Date filed: 20 August 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 25,950 sq km, located about 40 km southwest of Rockhampton extending easterly from the Mackenzie River to Biloela and southerly to

Relevant LGA: Central Highlands, North Burnett, Rockhampton and Gladstone Regional Councils and Banana Shire Council and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council.



Application name: Wadja People Federal Court File No: QUD422/2012

Date filed: 22 August 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 8,700 sq km, located in the vicinity of the Fitzroy Developmental Road, situated between the Comet and Dawson Rivers

Relevant LGA: Central Highlands Regional Council and Banana Shire Council and Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire



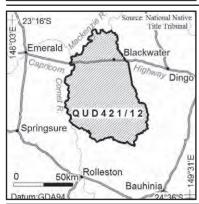
Application name: Kanolu People #1 Federal Court File No: QUD418/2012

Date filed: 23 August 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 3,120 sq km, located east of Rolleston to the Expedition Range and extending approx. 60 km to the south and 50 km to the north of the Dawson Highway

Relevant LGA: Central Highlands Regional Council and Banana Shire Council.



Application name: Kanolu People #2

Federal Court File No: QUD421/2012

Date filed: 23 August 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 4,450 sq km, located in the vicinity of Blackwater, extending south easterly from the Comet and Mackenzie Rivers.

Relevant LGA: Central Highlands Regional Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundaries compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland. For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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On the same day the Dragons

anointed Ben Creagh as the man to

replace the retired Ben Hornby as the

National Rugby League (NRL) club's

captain, Soward revealed he had told

coach Steve Price he wanted to take

And after a self-confessed 'shitty

year' in which he lost his NSW Origin

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spot and temporarily the Dragons

its toll, Soward has taken an

over Hornby's role as chief

playmaker.

Illawarra No 7 jumper.

Soward eyes new role

"Last year was a pretty shitty year after three good years so I had to

"I've always been around 90-91 (kilograms) when I've played and been able to carry it quite comfortably, but this year I'd like to be a little bit lighter.

"With my back, I have to look after it, so if I'm carrying those extra one or two kilos throughout the year it could impact on my back.

"I'm giving it a real crack.

"After three good years I had one disappointing year - it was time to reset the jets and get them firing

Aiding that is the challenge of proving himself as a halfback, having played primarily as a five-eighth since arriving at the Dragons mid-way through 2007. - AAP

loves - Coke. "Eight days ago - I'm drinking

Broncos bound for British Columbia



AN all-Indigenous Brisbane rugby league team has been invited to play in Canada in October.

The Bowen River Broncos, who play in All

Blacks carnivals, is made up of players with links to North Queensland. Most of them play in rugby league competitions based around Brisbane, but come together as the Broncos to contest All

They have received an invitation to tour British Columbia from 20-29 October and so far two matches have been organised.

British Columbia rugby development officer Paul O'Keefe issued the invitation to Bowen River Broncos manager Bill Fisher.

Fisher's father, Uncle Frank Fisher, is the Broncos coach.

Also touring with the Broncos will be team manager Phillip Saunders

and his brother Dean, a rugby league referee who has been invited to conduct a referee coaching clinic while in Canada

Meanwhile, the Broncos are looking for help in defraying their expenses.

Anyone who can help out can contact Phillip Saunders (email) phillip.saunders@atsichsbrisbane.org or (mobile) 0418 753 138 or Barry Fisher (mobile) 0413 190 161 or Uncle Frank Fisher (mobile) 0419 240 227.



Thaiday learning about NRL captaincy



BRISBANE forward Sam Thaiday has revealed the tough times as Darren Lockyer's successor last season tested his passion and love for rugby league to the limit.

Had Brisbane missed the finals for only the second time in 20 years, Thaiday says it would have been 'crushing'.

The early NRL pacesetters went into an end-of-year spiral. At one point late in the season, as losses piled up, it looked like the Broncos might not be involved in finals action.

Thaiday, 27, regards the experience as a massive learning curve, even though he has won a premiership and played a lot of State of Origin and Test football.

His goal is to be a better leader and a better person in 2013.

"I enjoyed it, but it was tough," admitted Thaiday as he continued his recovery from off-season shoulder surgery.

"You learn a lot of things about yourself and you ask a lot of questions of yourself.

"What it did for me, it tested my passion and my love for the game and I've come out of it alright.

"It's still there."

The losses, though, hurt more as captain and there were plenty of them towards the back end

"Ask my wife. She knows on a Saturday if we won or lost on Friday night – she doesn't even have to come to a game," he laughed.

"There's a little bit more passion and a little bit more feeling behind every game now." - AAP



SAM THAIDAY

Coach to be guest speaker

NSW Waratahs coach Michael Cheika will be the special guest speaker at the Lloyd McDermott Sydney fundraising dinner on 27

Officials say 2013 will be an exciting year at the Waratahs, with Cheika heading up the new

At the dinner he will share his views and



PROPOSAL TO GRANT PETROLEUM RETENTION LEASE

SECTION 29 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (COMMONWEALTH)

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following Retention Lease application/s applied for under section 48A of the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Resources Act 1967 (WA)

NUMBER	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	SHIRE
STP-RLA-0002	LATENT PETROLEUM PTY LTD & ALCOA OF AUSTRALIA LIMITED	222.27 km²	The application is located in the Perth Basin. The application occupies a total of 3 5'x5' blocks in the 1:1 000 000 mapsheet SH50 (Perth). It has a total area of 222.27 km². The south-west corner of the application is located approximately 20 kilometres north-north-east of the town of Badgingarra and the north-east corner approximately 29 kilometres south-west of the town of Coorow. The application commences at a point 115°45'5.16"E, 30°4'55.60"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°50'5.17"E, 30°4'55.60"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°50'5.20"E, 30°19'55.62"S and finally north along meridian to the starting point of 115°45'5.16"E, 30°4'55.60"S. All coordinates are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94).	Shire of Dandaragan (65.2%, Shire of Coorow (34.8%)
STP-RLA-0003	LATENT PETROLEUM PTY LTD & ALCOA OF AUSTRALIA LIMITED	222.28 km ²	The application is located in the Perth Basin. The application occupies a total of 3 5'x5' blocks in the 1:1 000 000 mapsheet SH50 (Perth). It has a total area of 222.28 km². The south-west corner of the application is located approximately 13 kilometres north-east of the town of Badgingarra, the north-east corner approximately 34 kilometres south-west of the town of Coorow and the north-west corner approximately 42 kilometres south-east of the town of Eneabba. The application commences at a point 115°40'5.16"E, 30°4'55.61"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°45'5.20'E, 30°19'55.62"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°45'5.20'E, 30°19'55.62"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°40'5.16"E, 30°4'55.61"S. All coordinates are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94).	Shire of Dandaragan (66.2%) Shire of Coorow (33.8%)

with the conditions to which the lease is subject, to explore for petroleum, and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the lease area for a term of 5 years from the date the grant becomes effective and may be renewed for a further 5 years

Notification Day: 16 January 2013

APPLICANT

AREA

LOCALITY

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to any of the land and/ or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on 16 April 2013. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993. Enquires in relation to filing an application for native title determination to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia. 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The retention lease may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 May 2013) there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 in relation to the area of the retention lease

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the application), contact the Petroleum Division, Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or free call 1800 628 767 (ask for extension 23813)



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PROPOSAL TO GRANT PETROLEUM EXPLORATION PERMIT

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-EPA-0065	SOUTHERN SKY ENERGY PTY LTD	1492.82 km²	The application is located in the Perth Basin. The application occupies a total of 20 5'x5' blocks in the 1:1 000 000 mapsheet SH50 (Perth). It has a total area of 1492.82 km². The application is straddled by The Midlands Road and the town of Three Springs is situated within it. The south-east corner of the application is located approximately 11 kilometres north-east of the town of Coorow and the north-west corner approximately 5 kilometres south of Wilacarra Hill. The application commences at a point 115°40'5.10"E, 29°9'55.55"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°50'5.10"E, 29°9'55.54"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°50'5.10"E, 29°14'55.55"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°50'5.15"E, 29°41'55.55"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°50'5.15"E, 29°44'55.56"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°50'5.15"E, 29°44'55.56"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°40'5.14"E, 29°49'55.59"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°40'5.12"E, 29°39'55.57"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°40'5.12"E, 29°39'55.57"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°40'5.12"E, 29°24'55.57"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°35'5.12"E, 29°39'55.56"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°40'5.11"E, 29°24'55.57"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°40'5.11"E, 29°19'55.56"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°40'5.11"E, 29°19'55.56"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°40'5.11"E, 29°19'55.56"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°40'5.10"E, 29°19'55.56"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°40'5.10"E, 29°19'55.56"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°40'5.10"E, 29°19'55.56"S, thence are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94).	Shire of Three Springs (57.3%) Shire of Carnamah (25.3%) Shire of Morawa (15.2%) Shire of Mingenew (2.2%) Shire of Perenjori (<0.1%)
-EPA-0066	SOUTHERN SKY ENERGY PTY LTD	2577.05 km ²	The application is located in the Perth Basin. The application occupies a total of 35 5'x5' blocks in the 1:1 000 000 mapsheet SH50 (Perth). It has a total area of 2577.05 km. The north-east corner of the application is located approximately 4 kilometres south-south-west of the town of Coorow and the south-west corner approximately 20	Shire of Moora (23.7%) Shire of Chittering (20.1%) Shire of Dandaragan (17.3%)

kilometres north-east of the City of Perth. The application commences at a point 115°50'5.15"E, 29°54'55.59"S. thence east along parallel to a point 116°0'5.16"E. 29°54'55.58"S. thence south along meridian to a point 116°0'5.25"E, 30°59'55.64"S, thence east along parallel to a point 116°10'5.26"E, 30°59'55.63"S, thence south along meridian to a point $116^{\circ}10'5.31"E$, $31^{\circ}29'55.69"S$, thence west along parallel to a point $116^{\circ}5'5.31"E$, $31^{\circ}29'55.69"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $116^{\circ}5'5.33"E$, $31^{\circ}49'55.71"S$, thence west along parallel to a point 116°0'5.33"E, 31°49'55.71"S, thence north along meridian to a point 116°0'5.30"E, 31°24'55.68"S, thence east along parallel to a point 116°5'5.30"E, 31°24'55.68"S, thence north along meridian to a point 116°5'5.26"E, 31°4'55.64"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°50'5.26"E, 31°4'55.65"S, thence north along meridian to a $point \ 115°50'5.24"E, \ 30°44'55.63"S, \ thence \ east \ along \ parallel \ to \ a \ point \ 115°55'5.24"E, \ 30°44'55.63"S, \ thence$ north along meridian to a point 115°55'5.22"E, 30°29'55.61"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°50'5.22"E 30°29'55.62"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°50'5.19"E, 30°14'55.61"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°55'5.19"E, 30°14'55.60"S, thence north along meridian to a point 115°55'5.17"E, 30°4'55.59"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°50'5.17"E, 30°4'55.60"S, thence finally north along meridian to the starting point of 115°50'5.15"E, 29°54'55.59"S. All coordinates are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94).

Shire of Moora (23.7%) Shire of Chittering (20.1%) Shire of Dandaragan (17.3%) Shire of Coorow (14.8%) Shire of Victoria Plains (10.8%) Shire of Swan (7.9%) Shire of Gingin (5.2%) Shire of Toodyay (0.2%)

Nature Of The Act: Grant of exploration permit/s, which authorises the applicant to explore for petroleum, and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the permit area for a term of 6 years from the date the grant becomes effective and may be renewed for a further two 5 year terms

Notification Day: 16 January 2013 Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on 16 April 2013. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993. Enquires in relation to filing an application for native title determination to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The exploration permit may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 May 2013), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 in relation to the area of the exploration permit.

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All Stars take on Tigers

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of **Indigenous Land Use Agreements**



Northern Territory

Notification day: 23 January 2013



Datum:GDA94

DI2012/002 Second Katherine Regional Cultural Precinct ILUA

Description of the agreement area: the agreement covers about 10 hectares over the whole of Lot 3287 in Survey Plan S2010/247 in the Town of Katherine and falls within the Katherine Municipality LGA.

The agreement contains the following statements: [Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title

 $3.1.3\,Subdivision$ P, Part 2 of Division 3 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Future Act described in Clause 4

4.2 Subject to this Clause and Clauses 5 and 6, the Native Title Party consents to: the grant of the Lease [a standard crown lease granted to the Lessee (Katherine Regional Cultural Precinct Limited) for 75 years] by the Northern Territory, and the doing of any actions by the Northern Territory for the purpose of, or in anticipation of the grant of the Lease, and in accordance with the Lease Purpose, and in accordance with the conditions of this Agreement.

'Lease Purpose': shall be for the Regional Cultural Precinct, being a cultural centre and surrounds used for the recognition, promotion, preservation and enhancement of the cultures and cultural diversity of the Katherine region, and related purposes

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses: [Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Northern Territory of Australia c/- Solicitor for the Northern Territory **GPO Box 1722** Darwin NT 0801

Northern Land Council GPO Box 1222 Darwin NT 0801

14°28'27"S

Mr Gary Manballoo, Ms Amy Marrapunyah, Ms Ivy Brumby, Ms Jessie Brown, [JW (deceased)], Ms Marie Dowling, [RB (deceased)] [being the persons comprising the registered native title claimant in DC99/2 on behalf of the Dagoman People];

Wardaman People; and Jawoyn People c/- Northern Land Council

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Northern Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar**, **National Native Title Tribunal**, **GPO Box 9973**, **Melbourne**, **VIC**, **3001 by 23 April 2013**. Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data Statement: agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Lands Planning and the Environment (NT). Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Carissa Kok on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

Facilitating timely and effective outcomes.



THE Indigenous All Stars will play Richmond in an Australian rules football match at Traeger Park, Alice

Springs, on Friday 8 February the night before rugby league's big All Stars match in Brisbane.

Michael O'Loughlin will coach the Indigenous All Stars, assisted by Roger Hayden, Troy Cook and Andrew McLeod.

The match will follow the Australian Football League Players' Association (AFLPA) Indigenous Player Camp in Alice Springs from 5-7 February,

AFL national community engagement manager Jason Mifsud said the biennial camp and match were an opportunity to bring all 67 Indigenous players together.

"Indigenous players look forward to the AFLPA camp and All Star match to reinforce, celebrate and strengthen cultural identity, create awareness of personal development opportunities and engage with the Aboriginal communities of central Australia,"

The players will conduct clinics and visits in Alice Springs and surrounding communities prior to

"In addition to the All Stars program, we are again inviting key staff from AFL clubs to attend to develop their capacity and cultural understanding of Indigenous people."

Richmond CEO Brendan Gale said the club was looking forward to playing the match at the conclusion of their Australia Post AFL Community Camp.

"We are proud to be involved in the Indigenous All-Stars match. It's important that we celebrate the outstanding contribution the Indigenous community has made to our game and the All-Stars game is a great way to do that," he said.

Richmond will be in Alice Springs from Wednesday 6 February and leave on Saturday 9 February.

The team will train, visit schools and remote Indigenous communities, and play against the Indigenous All Stars.

Tickets for the game can be purchased by calling (08) 8980 4801 or (08) 8952 1670, or from Centralian Sports, Ansett Building, Parsons Street, Alice Springs; Dymocks Book Shop, Alice Springs Plaza, Alice Springs: Hot Stuff 4 the Sporting Buff, Shop 6/10 Polana Centre, Alice Springs.

Bennell to front court

FTER a breakout year on the Affield, Gold Coast Australian Football League (AFL) midfielder Harley Bennell has ended 2012 on a sour note, charged with disorderly behaviour and failing to obey an order given by a police officer during New Year's Eve celebrations in Western Australia.

Bennell was one of several people arrested when fighting broke out in the nightclub district in Mandurah, south of Perth.

He was taken to Mandurah police station and released on bail in the morning.

SHIRE

The Suns have confirmed Bennell was charged and arrested. He will face court in a

Bennell was a junior footballer in Western Australia before being drafted by the Suns in 2010 with their No 2 pick.

He finished runner-up in the club's best and fairest last year, second only to champion Gary

The Suns said in a statement: "As this is a police matter the club is not in a position to make further comment.'



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NUMBER **APPLICANT AREA**

LOCALITY

STP-EPA-0028 Pangaea Resources Pty Limited 2706.52km² The application is located in the Canning Basin and borders the Indian Ocean. This application has a coastal boundary which is Shire of Broome (100%) defined by the AMBIS (Australian Maritime Boundaries Information System) Territorial Baseline – AMB v2 2006

which defines the LAT (Lowest Astronomical tide).
The Territorial Baseline is interpreted and defined by Geoscience Australia, the Federal Government's Mapping Agency.

AMB v2 2006 relates to the most current version of this boundary.

The application occupies a total of 43 5'x5' blocks in the 1:1 000 000 mapsheet SE51 (Broome); of which 24

are full blocks and 19 are part blocks. it has a total area of 2706.52 km

The north-east corner of the application is located approximately 64 kilometres south-west of the town of Broome and the south-west corner approximately 85 kilometres north-east of Wallal Downs Station. The application encompasses the settlement of Port Smith; and Frazier Downs, Nita Downs and Anna Plains

The application commences at a point 121°55'4.60"E, 18°27'11.16"S on the Territorial baseline, thence south along meridian to a point 121°55'4.60"E, 18°49'55.04"S, thence west along parallel to a point 121°45'4.60"E, $18^{\circ}49'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}45'4.61"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence east along parallel to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, thence south along meridian to a point $121^{\circ}50'4.60"E$, $19^{\circ}4'55.04"S$, $19^{$. 19°19'55.04"S, thence west along parallel to a point 121°18'4.56"E, 19°9'55.05"S on the Territorial baseline and thence finally in a north-north-easterly direction along the baseline to the starting point of 121°55'4.60"E, 18°49'55.04"S. All coordinates are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94)

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Notification Day: 16 January 2013

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Aaron Motlop is back at Thunder



THE Northern Territory Thunder has signed 2011 North East Australian Football League (NEAFL) premiership player and Wanderers star Aaron Motlop (pictured).

Motlop will rejoin the club after taking 12 months off in 2012 and said he was looking forward to building on the 34 games already recorded for the NT Thunder.

Head coach Daniel Archer comments: "I am

extremely pleased to have a person of such quality returning to the football club.

"Aaron is a wonderful footballer who has been in fantastic form for Wanderers during the NTFL season," he

"We are very lucky to have his leadership

and professionalism back at NT Thunder. I am hopeful we will see a few more players from 2011 follow his lead in returning to the club in what will be an exciting season."



Sport

Want a trip to **New York?**



THE Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) team is on the look-out for the next crop of marathon runners

to tackle the 2013 New York Marathon.

Rob de Castella's IMP team is looking for outstanding Indigenous men and women aged between 18 and 30 who have natural running ability and determination to take on the training required to run a marathon.

No formal running experience is required... just the right attitude and a commitment to achieving personal bests.

Began in 2010

The IMP started in 2010 when de Castella took four young men from remote Australia to New York for the world famous marathon.

The project has since expanded, with seven men and four women tackling the gruelling 42.195km race in 2011, and a team of six men and two women now preparing for the Tokyo Marathon after hurricane Sandy forced the cancellation of the 2012 New York Marathon.

De Castella said that while the main aim of the IMP was to get the athletes across the finish line of the New York Marathon, running a marathon showed the athletes that they could achieve anything that they put their minds to.

"To see the looks of joy and

self-belief on the faces of our athletes when they achieve what they once thought impossible is amazing, and for them to realise that they can in fact achieve anything they put their minds to is what the IMP is all about," he

"Being part of IMP and running a marathon will open many doors and present many opportunities that will change the lives of not only the athletes themselves, but of their families, friends and communities back home, and everyone here at IMP is excited to find and meet our next group of runners.'

The 2013 team will follow in the footsteps of IMP members before them and remain in their communities while training for the marathon, and will undertake a Certificate IV in health and leisure, that will help with employment opportunities in their chosen fields.

For details on the IMP, visit the IMP website www.imp.org.au and fill out an application form by following the links.

IMP soon will announce details of the annual tryout tour.

In their Christmas newsletter, the IMP said it had been another huge year, with the project going from strength to strength.

"This year we focused on remote Australia when selecting our squad of athletes, and have runners representing some of the most remote communities in the country,"

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of **Indigenous Land Use Agreements**

State of Western Australia Notification day: 23 January 2013







WI2012/011 RTIO and Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura People ILUA (Area Agreement)

Description of the agreement area: About 10,890 sq km located approx 175 km southwest of Dampier.

Relevant LGA: Shire of Ashburton

Agreement area boundary was compiled using data sourced from, and with permission of, Landgate, WA.



Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

- Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd; and

- Robe River Mining Co Pty Ltd on its own behalf as a Venturer and as Manager for and on behalf of the Robe River Iron Associates (comprising Robe River Mining Co Pty Ltd, Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty Ltd, Cape Lambert Iron Associates [a business carried on under that name by Nippon Steel Australia Pty Limited, Sumitomo Metal Australia Pty Ltd, and Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty Ltd], Pannawonica Iron Associates [a business carried on under that name by Nippon Steel Australia Pty Limited and Sumitomo Metal Australia Pty Ltd], and North Mining Limited); and

(each) c/- Ashurst Australia

Level 32, Exchange Plaza

2 The Esplanade

Perth WA 6000

-Angelina Cox, Angie Cox, Annabelle Stewart, Arness James, Charleston Cox, Darryl Hughes, Gary Hughes, Harold Ashburton, Maudie Dowton, Mitchell Drage and Maurice Daublin on their own behalf as Registered Native Title Claimants and on behalf of the Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura People

c/- Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation

Level 2, 16 St Georges Terrace

Perth WA 6000

-The PKKP Aboriginal Corporation ICN 7630 as the Local Aboriginal Corporation for the Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikua People

Subiaco WA 6904

The agreement contains the following statements: (unless described below, capitalised terms are otherwise defined in the agreement)

[Explanatory notes in brackets have been inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal. Where relevant, text in brackets may be a summary of the relevant clause (or part of a clause) of the agreement in accordance with section 24CH(2)(c)(ii) of the Native Title Act 1993. Further detail about those summaries or any of the following statements may be obtained from the NNTT (see freecall phone number at the bottom of this notice), or by contacting one or more of the parties to the agreement via the address details above.]

8.1(a) The Native Title Applicants agree with, consent to and support and continue to agree with, consent to and support the Existing Operations including all RTIO [Rio Tinto Iron Ore] Existing Titles.

(b) Subject to clause 11.11 of the Participation Agreement, the Native Title Applicants agree with, consent to and support, and continue to agree with, consent to and support: (i) the doing of every Future Act; (ii) the Grant or Modification of every: (A) Approval; and (B) Interest, and (iii) the Modification of every RTIO Existing Title,[;] that is for an Agreed Purpose.

8.2 Without limiting clause 8.1, the Native Title Applicants agree with, consent to and support and continue to agree with, consent to and support the reliance on and the conduct by RTIO Entities of all activities required, permitted or contemplated by each Agreed Act, including as Modified.

8.5(a) An "Agreed Purpose" means any of the following from time to time: (i) the Existing Operations; (ii) any Modification of any of the things comprising those operations provided they remain part of RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business; and (iii) the planning, development, operation and expansion, further expansion and decommissioning of any aspect of RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business from time to time, including new iron ore mines, borrow and ballast pits and necessary supporting infrastructure.

(b) Without limiting clause 8.5(a), the development, operation or expansion of each of the following is deemed to be an "Agreed Purpose" if a Substantial Reason for its development, operation or expansion is for RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business: [new power, water, rail and road infrastructure and associated infrastructure and works; iron ore processing infrastructure and works; construction camps; town infrastructure and accommodation infrastructure.]

(c) In this clause 8.5, "Substantial Reason" means, subject to clause 8.5(d), on the balance of probabilities, it would have been unlikely to be developed, constructed or operated were it not required for RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business, even though it may be used for other purposes.

(d) [Dwellings or commercial facilities within a town will be an Agreed Purpose if: (i) they are being established under a Government Agreement that requires not more than 20 per cent of the dwellings or facilities to be offered for sale or lease to the public; and those that do not need to be offered to the public would have been unlikely to be developed were they not required for RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business; or (ii), where (i) does not apply, if and insofar as each of the dwellings or facilities would have been unlikely to be developed were they not required for RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business.l

11.4 For the purposes of section 24 EB(1) of the Native Title Act, the parties consent to all Agreed Acts to the extent they involve Future Acts without conditions but in accordance with this document [Agreed Acts are those agreed to under clauses 8.1 and 8.2].

11.6 The process set out in Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act, known as the "right to negotiate" process, is not intended to apply to any Agreed Act.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5) (a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA, 6000 by 23 April 2013.

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501

Indigenous Rubies joined by Blaze



SO successful has been the Queensland Remote and Indigenous Hockey Program (RIHP), that it is to be

extended throughout the State and a boys' team is to be established.

This follows the success of the RIHP Rubies women's hockey team last year.

RIHP manager Julie McNeil said the Rubies and the boys' Blaze players would attend a training camp in Cairns from 20-24 January.

The Blaze team is for Indigenous boys between 15 and 19 from anywhere in Queensland.

Meanwhile the Rubies and the Blaze have been accepted into a tournament in Singapore and will leave on 26 February.

The Singapore six-a-side tournament is on 2-3 Match.

McNeil said the success of the Rubies in 2012 had paved the way for a bigger RIHP 'Leading the Way' program in 2013.

They also are promoting 'Get in the Game' programs to encourage young Indigenous people to take part in regular physical activity and to promote good health and well-being. McNeil said Wes Ferns, the

2012 Rubies coach, would coach the 2013 Blaze squad, while 19-year-old promising development coach Matt Cook would take over at the Rubies.

Alinta Williams and Clarrie Plummer will be the team managers

The success of the Rubies in such a short time has been

Carmon McPhee was selected in the Queensland under 18 team and became national champions in 2012. Carmon now is training for selection for the under 21 Queensland Team.

Kiona Jones was selected in the Queensland Country and Australian under 21 Country teams and represented Australia in Fiji in 2012.

Amber Mutch and Haylee Brodin are in the under 21 Queensland hockey squad training for selection in February to be part of the Queensland under 21 women's team.

Jasmine Cleland is in the under 18 Queensland squad training for selection in March 2013 to be part of Queensland under 18 team.

On the boys' side, Dylan Plummer and Ed Hamill are in Hockey Queensland's under 18 squad and will train for selection in the State team in March 2013.

NOTICE OF INTIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES **SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971 SECTION 63M**

TAKE NOTICE that DACTYLOI METALS PTY LTD (ACN 12 121 273) ("Dactyloi") of c/- GDA Corporate, 14 Emerald Terrace, West Perth, Western Australia proposes to undertake mineral exploration activities in an area located within Exploration Licence No. 4757 held by Dactyloi and described below.

WOORDLEMMIE AREA - Approximately 60 km southeast of Woomera, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°28'S and longitude 137°09'E, thence east to longitude 137o14'E, south to latitude 31°40'S, east to longitude 137o18'E, south to latitude 31°45'S, west to longitude 137009'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

AREA: 307 square kilometres approximately.

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is

Dactyloi proposes to carry out exploratory and drilling operations on the Land to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation. Those operations may include: reconnaissance; gridding; geological mapping; aerial photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical soil, calcrete and rock chip sampling; shallow trenching; auger, rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation or diamond core drilling and include all things necessarily incidental to any such operations.

The proposed operations are or will be authorised by the Exploration Licence No. 4757 (including any extensions or renewals of the exploration licence and any future exploration authority under the Mining Act over the Land or any part of it).

Dactyloi seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

TAKE NOTICE that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the Land, there are no native title parties in relation to the Land to which this notice relates, Dactyloi may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the

ANY PERSON who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the proponents, Dactyloi, for the purposes of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

TAKE NOTICE that if within four (4) months of the initiation of these negotiations, Dactyloi and any native title party or parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining

If you require further information, please contact:

Teneman Consulting PO Box 115 KENT TOWN SA 5071 Ph: 08 8342 4914 or 0415 397 870 Fax: 08 8342 4914

Contact person: Teena Coppin

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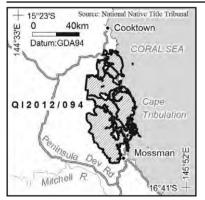
Contact person: Peter Andrews

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland Notification day: 23 January 2013







QI2012/094 Eastern Kuku Yalanji Aboriginal Land Dealing

Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 2,234 sq km and is located between Mossman and Cooktown in the vicinity of Cape Tribulation.

Relevant LGA's: Cairns Regional Council and Cook Shire Council

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses: Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC; and Jabalbina Yalanji Land Trust C/- Chief Executive Officer PO Box 1430 MOSSMAN, QLD, 4873

Francis Walker on behalf of the Eastern Kuku Yalanji People C/- Cape York Land Council PO Box 2496 CAIRNS, QLD, 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

[References below to JYLT are to the Jabalbina Yalanji Land Trust; References below to JYAC are to the Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation]

4.1 To the extent that each relevant act is a future act, the parties:

(a) consent to the doing of the relevant act; (b) agree not to challenge the validity of the relevant act at any time; and (c) acknowledge that the non-extinguishment principle as defined in section 238 of the NTA applies to the relevant act.

4.2 The right to negotiate provisions of part 2 division 3 subdivision P of the NTA do not apply to the doing of any or all of the relevant acts.

4.3 The parties agree that the statements and consents in this clause are statements and consents for the purpose of section 24EB(1) of the NTA.

'Relevant Act' means: (a) the grant of a lease or licence of Aboriginal land by the JYLT in the agreement area; or (b) the creation of an easement over Aboriginal land by the JYLT in the agreement area; or (c) an associated activity on Aboriginal land authorised by JYLT in the agreement area; or (d) an associated activity in the agreement area for which JYAC has given its written approval.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified: Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Bodies for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. The application must be made by 23 April 2013. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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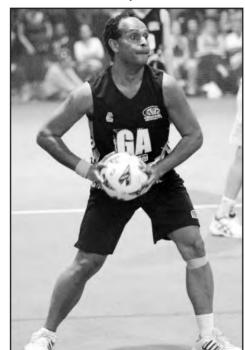
Mohnte makes his mark as a netball coach



Indigenous netballer is now making a name for himself in the sport's elite coaching ranks.

Mohnte Namok, originally from Cairns but now living in Brisbane, is preparing the Queensland under 19 men's outdoor team for another tilt at the Australian titles in Melbourne during Easter.

Namok coached the team at last year's titles on the Gold Coast, where they were



Mohnte Namok in his playing days.

beaten by Victoria in the final.

He was subsequently named coach of the inaugural Australian under 19 outdoor team, which played a three-test trans-Tasman series in New Zealand.

The Australians won the first two games by more than 30 goals, and thumped New Zealand 70-18 in the Third Test.

Based on these results, he should get the coaching job for an under 19 Australian tour to Malaysia in September-October.

Before the New Zealand tour, Namok was invited to coach the

English women's indoor netball team at the World Indoor Cup in Brisbane last June.

Namok, who turns 36 in a few days, was introduced to netball while growing up in Cairns.

He played indoor and outdoor netball.

Indoor netball is played in a smaller court and players can deflect the ball off nets that surround the court.

Namok moved to Brisbane in 1998 and continued to play indoor and outdoor netball. He represented his State in both disciplines.

Namok retired from playing about two years ago, and now he concentrates on coaching.

Reed raring to go



LAST year was one that Australian motocross star Chad Reed would prefer to forget.

But it ended on a high note after a

blistering finish to the Australian Supercross Championship.

The Kurri Kurri superstar is confident his horror crash is behind him and he's ready to be a contender in the 2013 US season after the 30-year-old blazed away from the outset to win the final race in Newcastle in November by almost 25 seconds from Jay Marmont in front of 10,000 home town fans.

It capped a super comeback from Reed.

His 2012 American season was ruined by injuries, including a torn ACL requiring surgery, sustained in a high impact crash in the seventh round of the AMA Supercross series in Dallas in February.

Former world and AMA champion Reed led every lap of the three rounds he contested in the fourevent Australian championship, at Phillip Island, Townsville and Newcastle.

But the four-time national champion feels his pace is back. Reed returned to the US in

November to prepare for the 2013 AMA series. In his first race on 5 January in

Anaheim, California, he finished fourth. He faces another 16 rounds of

racing over 18 weeks. "I've really found my feet this past week," Reed said after his

Newcastle win. "Coming back home and getting

settled in has made me really comfortable and I feel like I am back on track and ready for Anaheim in January." Back in the US for the opening

round of the 2013 Monster Energy AMA Supercross at Anaheim's Angel Stadium, the TwoTwo Motorsports rider started fifth in the 450 SX Main Event, keeping pace with the front-runners over the opening laps.

While the first four started to pull a gap, Reed continued to lap consistently and moved up into

Reed said it was important to start the season with a good point scoring result.

"There are 16 races ahead and tonight was about seeing where we all stacked up.

"I wanted to come away with some good points and we achieved that.'

A slice of history



THEY weren't expected to win and they didn't, but the four Aboriginal girls from Western

Australia with hardly any sailing experience left an indelible mark on the UON SB20 World Sailing Championships in December.

Landlubbers just five months earlier, the teenagers from Perth finished 40th from 42 crews at the SB20 regatta sailed off Hamilton Island, in the Queensland Whitsundays.

To finish anywhere other than at the bottom was a great achievement given that the girls were up against world-class and Olympic medallists.

Denika Hansen, Mary-Jo Coppin, Dulcie Ryder (all 17) and Olivia Smith, 13, were the first female Indigenous crew to contest a world sailing championship and made their own piece of history when they sailed Squalo Bianco on the first day of the regatta.

The girls were consistent with their strategy throughout the regatta and had a lot of fun.

Every morning they were one of the first teams to set up their boats at the marina to get to the course for more training or feel of the day's conditions.

No ambitions

Until last year, none of them even had ambitions to learn to sail. Under an initiative from the Role Models and Leaders Australia program, the four were chosen by their schools in Perth and sponsored by UON, also the major sponsor of the SB20 titles.

The girls took some convincing to throw caution to the wind.

Denika Hansen said her first thought when the idea was put to her was: "What the hell?" Raised at Broome, she was

familiar with the ocean, but only through 'fishing and crabbing'. Mary-Jo Coppin, from Port

Hedland, confessed she was initially reluctant because her only previous experience of sailing was of chronic seasickness on a trip around Rottnest Island.

"I didn't like it; when I got off that boat I said I would never do it again," she said.

So when she was approached to join a sailing crew, she said no.

"But my parents said it would be good to try something different and it was a chance to overcome my seasickness," she said.

In four months, Mary-Jo and her crewmates became old hands, sailing a 20-foot sports boat three times a week under the guidance of their skipper, Paris Stowell, niece of Olympic gold medallist Belinda Stowell, out of Fremantle Sailing Club.

Golden advice

And they have had advice from some of the best, with Belinda Stowell and dual Olympic gold medallist Malcolm Page providing support and encouragement.

"It's so much fun being out on the water," Mary-Jo said.

The four rotated in and out of the boat during competition, joining Stowell in a four-woman crew.

"I think it's going to be really hard because we are sailing against Olympic champions,' Hansen said.

Before their first race, Denika Hansen admitted she was nervous.

Once we went around the first top mark, everything settled down," she said.

"We are all really proud of the fact we are sailing in a world championship, there are some amazing sailors here and it's an honour to be racing with them."

Mary-Jo said they had 'never imagined' they would be ready to contest a world championship so

Olivia Smith last year was a grade 8 Atwell College student; the other three girls attend Clontarf Aboriginal College.

● PICTURES: The girls in action off Hamilton Island.







Williams at the helm



TEENAGER Lachlan McRae, a Nudgee College First XI player, is the only new face in the Queensland team that will

attempt to regain the Imparja Cup in Alice Springs next month.

Ipswich-Logan all-rounder Worrin Williams will captain the Queensland team from 17-23

It will be the second year in a row that the 26-year-old Williams has led Queensland in the titles.

A former Queensland Bulls rookie contracted player and Queensland 2nd XI player, Williams toured England with the Australian Indigenous side in 2009 along with fellow allrounders Cameron Trask (Wynnum-Manly) and Preston White (Toombul), who has also played 2nd XI cricket for Queensland.

Trask and Redlands paceman Jake Kubinek toured India recently with the National Indigenous Talent squad.

Teenage Gympie all-rounder Carlin Anderson, a member of the Queensland Under-17 team that this month played in the



national titles in Hobart, makes the Imparja Cup side for the second year in a row.

Lachlan McRae first came to their notice as an eight-year-old when he attended a 'come and

try' session at Allan Border Field as part of the long-running Eddie Gilbert Talent ID Program run by Queensland Cricket.

Experienced performers in the Queensland side include

Sunshine Coast paceman Ashley Renouf, one of the leading wicket-takers so far in the Premier Grade, evergreen Cairns all-rounder Glen Martin, and Townsville wicketkeeper-batsman Brad Stout, a Queensland Country Brahmans representative.

Former Queensland pace bowler Michael Mainhardt will again coach the side.

Hat-trick

Queensland finished second last season and won a hat-trick of titles in 2004, 2005 and 2006 and then back-to-back titles in 2008 and 2009.

The Queensland team: Worrin Williams (capt, Ipswich-Logan), Carlin Anderson (Ipswich-Logan), Hayden Busk (North's Tigers, Rockhampton), Jake Kubinek (Redlands), Dwayne Malone (Western Suburbs), Glen Martin (Rovers - Cairns), Lachlan McRae (Northern Suburbs), Robert Miller (Gold Coast Dolphins), Ashley Renoug (Sunshine Coast Scorchers), Bradley Stout (Saints -Townsville), Michael Strange (Northern Suburbs), Cameron Trask (Wynnum-Manly), Preston White (Toombul)

Coaches, Michael Mainhardt (Northern Suburbs), Joe Marsh (Queensland Cricket). Umpire, Murray Branch (Queensland

Focus on youth in NSW women's team





cricket team.

The team again will be led by St George-Sutherland player Julie Muir, with St George-Sutherland team-mate and former NSW Lend Lease Breakers squad member Sam Hinton her vice-captain.

SEVEN players

aged 19 and

Imparja Cup

the NSW

The women's competition at the Imparja Cup is starting to take hold, with other States now taking an interest in entering women's teams.

The NSW women have dominated the competition. winning the past five titles at the big Alice Springs tournament that this year will run from 17-23 February.

There are four debutantes in the NSW team.

The NSW team is: Julie Muir (St George-Sutherland – capt), Sam Hinton (St George-Sutherland - vice-capt), Jemma Astley (Central Coast), Ashleigh Gardner (Bankstown), Veronica Gordon (St George-Sutherland), Rheanna Lotter (St George-Sutherland), Ricki Lee Bell-Sloan (Parramatta-Blacktown), Madison McCooey (Penrith), Rhiannon McCooey (Penrith), Renae Melville (Parramatta-Blacktown), Roxsanne Van Veen (Western), Nicole Honeysett (Western).

Coach, Darren Beckett.

amont confident of another good carnival

By ALF WILSON



'LIFE begins at 40' is an old adage that the Imparja Cup's highest scorer Bernie Lamont hopes will hold him in good

stead for Tasmania at next month's carnival in Alice Springs.

Lamont told the Koori Mail that he turned 40 last May and was confident that he could play a leading role for Tasmania at the 17-23 February Indigenous carnival.

"I think we can go well as we have a couple of young fellows picked for Tasmania and also seasoned players such as Sean

Gower and fast bowler Nick Cashion returning after an

The all-rounder lives at East Devonport, in northern Tasmania, and will be one of a few cricketers to have played in every Imparja Cup since it began in 2001.

Tasmania won their only carnival in 2001 and Lamont is quietly confident of a good showing.

A punishing right-hand middle-order batsman, medium-pace seam bowler and quality fieldsman. Lamont is so versatile he can also be called upon to send down off-spinners.

He said Tasmania would again be coached by his

former team-mate, Guy Grey.

"Guy played Imparja Cup for Tasmania until two years ago and is now our coach," Lamont

Lamont has been in good form for his new club Spreyton that competes in the six-team Mersey Valley Cricket Association competition.

"I have made a couple of scores of 40 and have been hitting the ball well and taken four wickets in an innings on concrete pitches. The Imparja Cup matches will be on turf and that suits me even better," he

Last season Lamont played with the Riana club in the strong Tasmanian League and

performed well with bat and ball.

Spreyton Club is coached by his younger brother Colin, who also has been making consistent scores, but has again been overlooked by the Tasmanian Imparja Cup selectors.

Last year he lined up for Darwin which defeated Alkupitja in the Major Centres division of the carnival and was player of the final.

Before moving to Tasmania, Bernie Lamont had played A grade cricket in Townsville for Norths, and first grade for Balmain, in Sydney.

The Lamont brothers were born on the north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island.



BERNIE LAMONT

Josh Ross runs himself into history

By PETER ARGENT at the 2012 Bay Sheffield in Adelaide



IN a spine-tingling performance, 31-year-old Aboriginal sprinter Joshua Ross achieved what most thought was impossible.

Ross created history by being the first scratch marker to win in the 120-metre race's 126-year history.

The Bay Sheffield is run in the Adelaide beachside suburb of Glenelg.

The crowd was stunned by Ross' brilliant runs in the semi-final and the final.

"Having won the Stawell Gift and now the Bay Sheffield off scratch is really special," said Ross, who is 32 in early February.

He finished second in the Bay Sheffield in the middle of the last decade.

"I lot of people thought I was finished, so to do this has put eggs on some people's

"To achieve a win from scratch for the first time in the race's history confirms this

"Having raced the last semi-final meant I had the shortest break before the final.

"I only had 50 minutes to an hour to prepare for the final.

"After having a cold shower, I just sat in the warm-up area and didn't want

to waste any energy.

"All the warming up I did was in the run

"I knew I had to work extra hard in the first 30 to 40 metres.'

Ross ran with a mindset that illustrated he was 'switched on'.'

Pushing hard

He told the Koori Mail he had been pushing his body to the extremes during this preparation.

"A massive goal for me now is to break the tensecond barrier," Ross said.

"This means I can compete with the top guys in the world.

"I am now looking to make an Olympic or World championship final."

In 2003 Ross comfortably won

Australia's biggest professional foot race, the Stawell Gift, off seven metres.

In 2005, he again won the Stawell Gift this time from the scratch mark, becoming the first Australian and only the second



Josh Ross is congratulated after his Bay Sheffield win. Picture: Peter Argent

athlete to achieve this feat since the Gift started in 1878. He also became the third person to win the event twice.

Ross reached the semi-finals at the 2004 Summer Olympics and 2005 World championships. During this period he has won four consecutive Australian national 100-metre titles.

Ross was also a member of Australia's 4x100m relay team that finished sixth at the Athens Olympics in 2004.

He holds the fastest 100m time by an Australian in Australia – his personal best of 10.08 seconds, set in Brisbane in March 2007

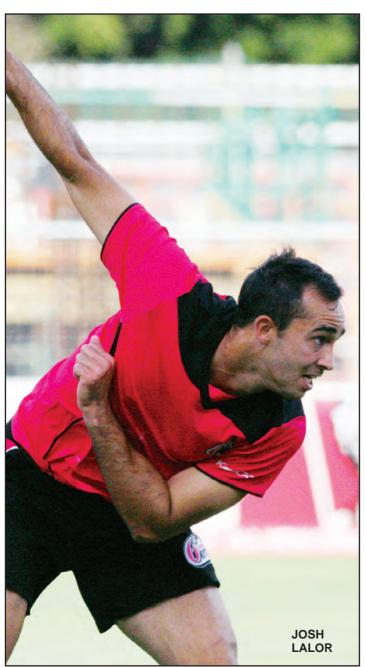
In March 2009, Ross won his fifth Australian national 100m title before retiring in the middle of the year.

Last year he returned to win his sixth national 100m

He was a member of the Australian 4x100m relay team that equalled the Australian record when they qualified for the finals

at the 2012 London Olympics. Ross, who will be 35 by the time the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Ólympics arrives, is still looking to be involved in that

The new generation



By PETER ARGENT



ABORIGINAL cricketers are making their mark in the latest form of Australian cricket - the KFC Big Bash

The Twenty20 format is hugely popular and has cemented its place in the summer sports calendar.

Aboriginal all-rounder with the Brisbane Heat Daniel Christian is seen as one of the stars of the Big Bash League, while the Sydney Sixers' left-arm quick Josh Lalor is developing as a young fast bowler. Christian's outstanding effort of the summer was a

five-wicket haul against the Sydney Thunder, one of only two five-wicket yields in the second season of the Big

His figures were 5-26 from his alloted four overs at ANZ Stadium, Sydney, on 28 December.

The round eight match for the Heat was to be Christian's 98th T20 match, and if they were able to engineer their way to the finals, he would become the seventh Australian after David Hussey, Dirk Nannes, Cameron While, Dave Warner, Adam Voges and Brad Hodge to participate in 100 elite games in this shortest

Amazingly, to this point of his career, Christian has played for five franchises in T20 cricket - New South Wales, South Australia, Hampshire, Deccan Charges in the India Premier League and the Heat – along with being the first Indigenous cricketer to play for his country in this form of the game.

He debuted in T20 cricket for Australia against the West Indies in February 2010, being noted for his ability to have an impact as a batsman, bowler and fieldsman.

NSW Blues contracted cricketer in the longer forms of the game, Lalor played three games for the defending champions, the Sixers, this summer.

His best effort during this year's Big Bash was in the 30 December cross-town clash against the Sydney Thunder, where he took 2-20 from four overs, including the scalp of Chris Gavle.

Twenty20 cricket was introduced to create a powerpacked form of the game that would be attractive to spectators at the ground and viewers on television. It has been very successful and since its inception, T20 has spread around the cricket world like wildfire.

T20 cricket is also part of the format at the premier Aboriginal carnival, the Imparja Cup.



Now the Aust Open



AUSTRALIAN Open wildcard entrant Ashleigh Barty lost her first-round clash with defending

champion and world No 32 Mona Barthel at the Hobart International tennis tournament last week.

Her early exit came hard on the heels of stunning performances by the Indigenous teenager at the Hopman Cup a few days earlier.

In Hobart, German ninth seed Barthel recovered from a slow start to beat Barty 2-6 6-0 6-1 in

The 16-year-old Barty will still head to Melbourne for this week's Australian Open, where she was granted a wildcard, with plenty of confidence.

Improved ranking

After improving her ranking in 2012 from No 669 to 175, Barty earlier scored the biggest victory of her career at the Hopman Cup in Perth when she beat former French Open champion Francesca Schiavone in straight

The 55-minute rout of Schiavone capped a dream week for Barty, who was also handed a wildcard into this month's Australian Open.

The right-hander was only playing at the Hopman Cup following the withdrawal of Casey Dellacqua (foot injury).

Barty showed glimpses of her talent in a 6-2 6-3 loss to former world No 1 Ana Ivanovic in front of 13,509 fans at a packed Perth

And she displayed no fear when she took on the might of



Ashleigh Barty and Francesca Schiavone shake hands after the 16-year-old Barty beat the former French Open champion 6-0 6-3 in a Hopman Cup match in Perth on 3 January. (AFP picture)

Serbia's world No 1 Novak Diokovic in the mixed doubles.

But it was her win over Schiavone that has fuelled her belief of greater success down the track, with Barty rating it more satisfying than her 2011 juniors triumph at Wimbledon.

"I think this trumps everything," Barty said.

"It has to be close to one of the best performances I've ever played."

Barty's coach Jason Stoltenberg was equally ecstatic after the win, and was confident a bright future lay ahead for his pupil, who is also coached by Jim

"Most 25-year-old men would have been scared (playing Djokovic)," Stoltenberg said.

"And to have a 16-year-old girl out there playing Novak in the

mixed doubles and Ana in the singles, just to see how she handled that was pretty special.

"I'm really proud of her and happy for her, because I know it's not an easy road for any player.

"And although she looks like she does it easy and she's kind of relaxed and casual, I know she's like every player.

'She still feels the bumps like everyone else. I'm relieved for her and proud of her.

To see someone go out there and grow in a week like I've seen this week, that's what I'm most happy about.'

Stoltenberg said Barty possessed deceptive power despite her small stature.

But he said it was her variety that would bring her future

"She's not going to win matches by going out there and overpowering a lot of girls," Stoltenberg said.

'She's got to use her variety and her slice.

"She's not really using her net game that much anymore, but she volleys very well.

"The good thing is there's a lot of variety in her game, and she's pretty tough under pressure.

"There's a lot of upside."

Schiavone committed ten unforced errors in the first set, with two of her double faults handing Barty crucial breaks.

The 32-year-old veteran won the first two games of the second

But it was all Barty from that point on as the Queensland teenager broke Schiavone three more times to secure victory.

Bateman a WAFL Demon

By CHRIS PIKE in Perth



TWO of the Australian Football League's (AFL's) most successful Indigenous players this century will be

playing together in the WAFL for 2013 with Chance Bateman signing on to join Leon Davis at the Perth

Bateman and Davis came through the ranks of Perth and were drafted out of the colts premiership team of 1999 to Hawthorn and Collingwood respectively.

The pair went on to have outstanding AFL careers over the next decade-plus and now will be teaming up again in the red-andblack of Perth in the WAFL with their careers at the top level behind them.

Davis was drafted to Collingwood and went on to play 225 AFL games, be named in the All-Australian teams of 2009 and 2011, and played in the drawn grand final against St Kilda in 2010 and still received his premiership medallion despite not playing the winning decider the following week.

Davis elected to retire from the Magpies after the 2011 losing grand final to Geelong and spent 2012 back with his original club Perth.

The 31-year-old had a good season for the Demons, playing 17 games and averaging 21.5 possessions, and kicking 19 goals.

He will be joined in 2013 by the hard-running midfielder Bateman who retired from Hawthorn during 2012.

Bateman amassed 177 games for Hawthorn between 2000-2012 and that was highlighted by being a key contributor in the 2008 premiership

Trailblazer

Along the way, Bateman became the first Hawthorn Indigenous player since Willie Rioli in the early 1990s, and helped to set the platform for the likes of Mark Williams, Buddy Franklin and Cyril Rioli to join him with the Hawks.

Bateman became Hawthorn's first Indigenous player to reach 100 games, the first Indigenous life member at the club and is also the Hawks' longest-serving WA recruit although Franklin soon looks to surpass him in that achievement.

Hawthorn captain Luke Hodge couldn't help but hide his admiration for Bateman upon his retirement.

"He's been the first Indigenous

player to reach 50, 100 and 150 games for the club and the first Indigenous life member of this footy club," Hodge said at Hawthorn's 2012 best and fairest count.

"But if it wasn't for 'Changa', it probably wouldn't have opened our eyes to how good the Indigenous players are and we've probably got the best list of Indigenous players in the AFL now."

Bateman was an outstanding contributor to Hawthorn after being drafted with the 48th pick in the 1999 draft, but with his AFL career behind him, it was an easy decision for him to return to the WAFL club that gave him the opportunity to progress to the top level.

Perth chief executive Marty Atkins has long had a close association with Indigenous players dating back to his time with South Fremantle, and working with Davis last year with the Demons, and couldn't be happier that Bateman is now on board for 2013 as well.

"Chance started his career a long time ago in Perth colours, went away and had a fantastic career with Hawthorn," Atkins said.

"For him to return and finish his football career where it all started is a big coup for us."



Chance Bateman celebrates a goal for the Hawthorn Hawks against Geelong in April 2011. (Getty image)

Sport



The world's biggest!

Story and pictures by ALF WILSON



HUNDREDS of Indigenous cricketers from around North Queensland will converge on Charters Towers for the world's biggest cricket carnival - the Goldfield Ashes from 26-28 January.

Aboriginal side Black Bream will be back to defend their title as champion women's team of 2012.

Carnival official Kerri Forno told the Koori Mail that more than 230 teams had already nominated for the six grades.

"That is not finalised either," Forno said. Last year the Ashes featured 226 teams playing on 72 fields throughout the north Queensland city, 110km from Townsville.

The grades contested will be men's A-1, A-2, B-I, B-2, social and the women's

Games in the top three men's grades are played under the 50-overs format, with bowlers restricted to ten overs.

In the B-2 and social men's and women's grades, games will be limited to 35 overs, with bowlers allowed seven overs and batsmen retiring at the end of the over in which they reach 50.

While the women's division is traditionally hotly contested, some women opt to compete in the men's grades.

It was estimated that as many as 500 Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander cricketers competed at the 65th Ashes last year. The event started in 1948 with just six

Indigenous cricketers will come from as far afield as Normanton, Bamaga, Mackay



Black Bream, winners of the women's division in 2012.

Cape York, Mount Isa district, the Atherton Tablelands, Burdekin, Rockhampton, and as far away as Brisbane and Western Australia.

Some have been coming for decades, including 49-year-old Ricky Ross, who will play for Tropix XI in B-2.

This will be my 33rd Ashes and I started playing as a 16-year-old which was the youngest age you could play," he told the Koori Mail while attending a wedding in Townsville.

Some famous sportsmen lined up at the Ashes last year, including former champion Indigenous footballers Gorden Tallis and Wendell Sailor, and retired

Test cricketer Andrew Symonds.

Symonds is expected to make an appearance again for Hidden Talent XI while Tallis usually has at least one game with family team NACL.

The carnival has grown steadily over the past two decades, overtaking one held in India as the biggest in the world.

A large number of Indigenous cricketers from Townsville and home venue Charters Towers will be there.

Last year Black Bream finished undefeated in their three games, scoring 892 runs and taking 28 wickets for a points tally of 23.52.

It was the second win in three years for

the Black Bream women. They last won in 2010 however didn't compete in 2011.

Just about every school ground and park in Charters Towers will host games and there are concrete pitches on private properties, including the famous Drinkastubbie Downs 13km from the city.



Ricky Ross will be lining up for his 33rd Ashes at age 49.

Touch footy, music to come together



SPORT and live music will come together in Canberra on Saturday 2 March at the United Community Touch Knockout Carnival at Boomanulla Oval,

Narrabundah.

Performers will include Brothablack. Johnny Huckle, Dale Huddleston and the Riverbank Band, Lexine Solomon, and Hung Parliament.

Competition is open to mixed and men's teams of all levels. It will cost teams \$200 to enter and nominations close on Friday 22 February. For more information or to register contact Ian Bateman (0428 787 717) or Scott Knight (02 6295 2463).

Indigenous swimming camp a first for NSW

SWIMMING NSW will blaze a trial when they hosts its first Indigenous Development Camp in Sydney in March.

It will be held from 1-3 March at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Redfern.

The camp is designed to promote swimming and a healthy lifestyle amongst Indigenous children throughout NSW.

It will involve practical pool sessions with experienced swimming coaches from across NSW, as well as a swimming carnival for swimmers to try out their new skills.

The camp's main objectives are:

- To promote swimming and water safety amongst Indigenous vouth from across NSW.
- To encourage a healthy, drug free lifestyle, and
- To promote and share cultural aspects, and for the swimmers to gain new friends.

There will be 30 positions available on the camp for swimmers aged 12-16 years old.

For more information about the Indigenous Development Camp or to register, contact Kerrie-Anne Anstis email kerrieanne.anstis@nsw. swimming.org.au or phone (02)9763

Walker returns

CHANNON WALKER has been named in Ocoach Michael O'Connor's Aussie Thunderbolts development team for the Uprising Fiji International Sevens tournament in Suva from 18-19 January.

The Thunderbolts provide O'Connor an opportunity to develop the experience of his players prior to the resumption of the HSBC Sevens World Series, which kicks off in 2013 in Wellington, New Zealand on 1-2 February.

The Uprising Fiji International Sevens will be the first action for members of the Qantas Men's Sevens since their Bowl championship win in the Nelson Mandela Bay Sevens in Port Elizabeth in December 2012. Walker did not play in Port Elizabeth.

O'Connor will use the Uprising tournament to return several players from injury and build a platform for Wellington in February.

There's just no stopping Craig

By ROBYN BURROWS



HE may be confined to a wheelchair, but there's no stopping young Nambucca Valley Indigenous student Craig Jarrett.

Craig is a Year 12 student at Nambucca Heads High School and is in a wheelchair because he has spina bifida.

He first became aware of his possible athletic ability when he attended a talented athlete search for possible future Paralympians at Coffs Harbour in August

After completing various physical assessments, including throwing an indoor shot put, discus and javelin, selectors identified Craig's potential and invited him to attend the North Coast Academy of Sport

This was Craig's introduction to these disciplines.

Following that weekend, Craig researched shot put, discus and javelin on the internet using YouTube and other sites.

So began his journey into these sports.

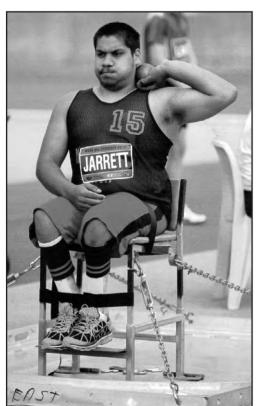
Set himself goals

With input from the NCAS and the local Valley Gym, along with Craig's focus and determination, he quickly grasped the throwing techniques and set himself the goals of trying to get as close to the Australian records as possible.

He embraced his gym program with enthusiasm and perseverance, sometimes pushing his chair three kilometres there and

His ongoing athletic training paid off for him at zone, regional and State meets, where he won gold medals in all three events.

At the Combined High School Carnival, Craig broke the Australian record in shot put by 2cm.



Craig in action in the shot put at the 2012 Athletics With a Disability (AWD) All-School meet. Picture: In a Flash



Craig and his family at the Junior AWD National Championships in Canberra in November 2012.

At the Kombat All Schools, he broke his Australian record in this event by 15cm.

At the junior Athletes with a Disability (AWD) National Championships in Canberra in November 2012, Craig won the gold medal in shot put and discus, and the silver medal in

Craig doesn't let the fact that he is in a wheelchair stop him from doing what he sets

He will push himself all over his local, very hilly, town and joins with his mates swimming in the river and throwing a football around.

When he was young, he would join with the other boys at the local football game at half-time when they all ran on to the field to have a quick game. He would be in the middle of them all - crawling on the ground and tackling and passing the ball.

Willingness to learn

It is his 'never say die' attitude, his quiet presence which never misses a thing, and his willingness to learn and strive to do better that have contributed to his new-found success in athletics and wheelchair basketball.

In recognition of his great athletics achievements in 2012, he was awarded a North Coast Sporting Blue followed by the ultimate honour of being awarded a NSW State Sporting Blue – the highest awards presented for sporting excellence.

There is speculation that Craig will be announced the Nambucca Valley Junior Citizen of the Year despite only being nominated for Junior Sportsperson of the

As well as athletics, Craig is an accomplished basketballer and was selected in the NSW junior wheelchair basketball team that won the the national Kevin Coombs Cup tournament in Perth in April 2012.

If Craig had the time he would love to try other sports.



Craig with his State Sporting Blue award.

Jade North heads south



DEFENDING A-League champions **Brisbane** have signed experienced

Japanese-based Indigenous Socceroo Jade North.

Roar officials last Tuesday confirmed they had secured North's signature on a three-and-a-half-year deal.

He was to arrive with his wife and young children this

Brisbane managed to do what both Ange Postecoglou (Melbourne Victory) and Frank Farina (Sydney FC) failed to recently by securing North's services.

North, who has been playing for Consadole Sappora in the Japanese J League, has been signed as a defender as the two-time champions undergo a shake-up under new mentor Mike Mulvey, who recently replaced head coach Rado

'Jade has an excellent footballing pedigree and will bring a great deal of experience and knowledge to our squad," Mulvey said.

"He is a proven winner and has a great appetite for future success.'

At the time of the A-League approaches, North was encouraged by national coach Holger Osieck to remain in Japan.

However, his club Sappora are heading for relegation and he was keen to come home.

Having started his professional career at the Brisbane Strikers in the **National Soccer League in** 1998, North said he was excited to be returning to where it all started.

"I'm looking forward to putting one foot forward and contributing to the legacy **Brisbane Roar has created** over the past two seasons and doing all I can to help add to the trophy cabinet," North said.

"It's exciting to know I will be playing in front of family and friends, but most importantly for the city which groomed me as a player.

Brisbane can squeeze North under its salary cap as a marquee player with financial assistance from the

Winners of the last two grand finals. Brisbane have been struggling for wins this season. - AAP

Teams shine in NZ



A MURRI v Koori oztag tournament could be one of the spin-offs from the sport's

just-completed World Cup tournament in Auckland, New Zealand.

A number of Australian Indigenous players took part.

Now, two prominant Indigenous oztag organisers -Jeff Hardy and Brendan Powell - are hoping to organise the Murri v Koori oztag tournament in 2014, leading to the selection of a Australian Indigenous team to compete in the 2015 World Cup, possibly in Sydney or Hawaii.

The Auckland World Cup tournament was played in atrocious conditions.

It opened on 5 December and competition followed for the next three days at North Harbour Stadium, Auckland.

There were 105 teams and 1680 players, including Australian Indigenous teams in the men's 40, senior mixed, open mixed, men's U18, men's U21, open men's and men's 30.

Two titles

Australian Indigenous teams returned with two World Cup titles - the men's 40s and the senior mixed.

The Indigenous men's 40s beat Australia in a semi-final and then beat New Zealand in the

The Indigenous mixed senior team beat Australia in the final.

The Indigenous teams were organised by Jeff Hardy and featured Murri and Koori players from between Townsville and southern NSW.



The Indigenous men's 30s oztag team.

Indigenous players from the Queensland Sunshine Coast in the men's 30s division were Matt Kellert, Toby Adams and Brendan Powell, while in the 21s division, Sunshine Coast Indigenous players were Coen Anderson, Jackson Shearer and Brody Ward.

Coen received players player (MVP) for the 21s, while Michael Dotti received the players' player award for the mens 30s division.

All told, Indigenous teams took part in seven divisions:

Men's 40s, senior mixed, open mixed, men's U18, men's U21, open mens and 30s mens.

For many Indigenous players, it was their first overseas trip.

Spokesman Brendan Powell said the trip was a great experience and there was wonderful team unity.

'We all stayed together at the same hotel and our team gear was the most popular... everyone wanted to swap gear with us," he said.

"The team totem was the

black cockatoo - deadly, black and proud."

Powell said the open mixed final was the single best sporting experience of his life... and he wasn't even playing.

"Just to be there and cheering on - didges and clapsticks, the whole stadium cheering, lads out the front shakin a leg, all our mob charging the field and swamping the players when the final hooter sounded... I get goose bumps thinking about it," he said.

Rugby league legends who took part included Jeff Hardy, Rod Silva and John Simon (all in the men's 40s) and actor Luke Carroll (senior mixed).

Powell said the tournament was well run despite the weather.

A tornado came within three kilometres of the stadium and play was abandoned because of the severity of the weather.

"The weather was horrible for the entire time we were there rainy and windy," Powell said.

- FAR LEFT: Toby Adams in action for Indigenous Australia against Australia.
- LEFT: Brendan Powell playing against Niue.
- BELOW: Matt Kellert in action in the game against the **New Zealand Barbarians.**







All Stars battle looms

OVER the past 12 months, I have been constantly asked whether I have regretted retiring or do I miss the game.

They are too separate questions.

As I watch the boys go through another arduous off-season, my body certainly does not regret the pain and suffering it was put through.

I have still enjoyed playing the game with the Southport Tigers and will continue to have the occasional run for the pure enjoyment of the game.

But I must admit to the odd twinge of regret as the sense of anticipation builds for the next All Stars clash.

As all the boys will tell you, this is a special experience and I would willingly lace up the

boots to play in this game any time.

I think Benny Barba, Matt Bowen and Greg Inglis might have a different opinion if I put my hand up for the number one

One indicator of the passion for the game has been Jamie Soward coming out and expressing his disappointment at missing last year's game and being desperate to gain another jersey.

Key role

I will always remember Jamie's key role in winning the Welcome to Country match against the New Zealand Maori and how this was part of a shared journey to the All Stars match.

Jamie is hopeful of securing a third appearance for the team as they prepare for the match at Suncorp Stadium on 9 February.

He spoke with strong emotion when saying how much making the team and representing his people would mean to him and why he was hopeful that all fans would vote for him.

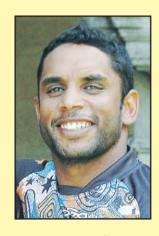
Jamie is in a three-way battle for the halfback position with Scott Prince and Chris Sandow

The victor will join Johnathan Thurston as starting halves for the clash against the NRL All Stars.

I am also pleased to see my good mate Princey polling so well after his move to

As a fellow Learn Earn Legend!

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Ambassador, Princey helps ensure that the week focuses on sending key messages to our communities.

The other thing I am looking forward to is the young player or players who will be given their first opportunity on the big stage.

I remember Jamal Idris as an 18-year-old in the Dreamtime team and who can forget Blake Ferguson's performance in the first All Stars

It is great to see that Laurie Daley and his selectors have been doing their research, and with the likes of Canberra recruit Jake Foster emerging as a shock contender for the Indigenous All Stars next month.

Despite Foster playing just ten NRL games in five years for

Canterbury, coach Daley said the unheralded forward was a serious chance of selection.

It means Raiders supporters could receive an unexpected glimpse of what the Guildford Owls product has to offer before he begins his two-year deal at the club.

Not bad for a player who remains absent from the Raiders' player profiles on their official website.

"I think all players on the fringe who haven't played a lot of first grade are a chance because we don't have a lot of depth in the back row, and the forwards in particular will come into consideration.' Daley said.

"He would be someone you may look at to have involved in that squad. We've got plenty of backs; we just need a few forwards.

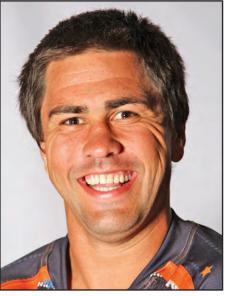
"You need to look at what 17 has been delivered by the fans before you start looking at other people.'

Boom Raiders rookie Jack Wighton also remains a possibility, and would likely play a utility role off the bench should he get the nod.

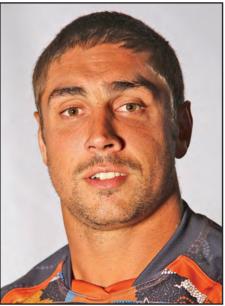
Canberra forwards Tom Learoyd-Lahrs and Joel Thompson, mainstays of the Indigenous side in the concept's first three years, will retain their spots and are fourth and tenth respectively in voting

Raiders' team-mate Blake Ferguson is 14th in voting, and is tipped to claim a wing spot alongside Souths flyer Nathan Merritt.

Ferguson moved to the centres with



JAMIE SOWARD



TOM LEAROYD-LAHRS

great success for Canberra last year, but Greg Inglis and Justin Hodges are pencilled in to play there for the Indigenous

After his big game against the NRL All Stars last year, Daley said Learoyd-Lahrs would be 'one of the first front-rowers picked' if Daley became NSW coach.

Those comments bode well for the 27-year-old, as Daley takes over from former Raiders team-mate Ricky Stuart as Blues coach this year.

"Most definitely he can play Origin, I've always admired Tommy and think he's a wonderful player, he's a big body and has been there before," Daley said.

"Hopefully, he's injury-free and if he's in the right frame of mind and starts off well, he'll be a big show."

This just reinforces the depth of Indigenous talent at the Raiders as well as some of the great emerging talent coming through the game.

Imposing opposition

The depth of talent for the opposition side is even more imposing and the fans had to make some difficult decisions with only one player from each of the 16 clubs being eligible.

The lounge chair experts out there may think the job of a selector couldn't be easier, but what do you do when you've got to pick between Jamie Lyon, Brett Stewart and Glenn Stewart?

Or Sam Kasiano, Josh Morris and Krisnan Inu?

Not to mention the biggest headache of them all - Billy Slater or Cooper Cronk?

And not only do you have to pick your favourite player from each club - you've got to make sure each position is covered

Both teams will assemble an array of superstars from across the game.

I might still put up my hand to be ball-bov!

Whatever the case, I will be there cheering on the boys.

See you at the game.

Beau is back at the **Bunnies**



GREG Inglis' sublime form at fullback for South Sydney has opened the door for the return of the player whose centre position he initially took

at the National Rugby League (NRL) club - Beau Champion.

Last Tuesday Souths announced Champion would join the club on a two-year deal after being granted an immediate release from his Gold Coast

The former representative centre was pushed out of the Rabbitohs due to salarv cap pressure when Inglis joined the club prior to the 2011 season, in a move from Melbourne after negotiations with Brisbane broke down.

Inglis has been a revelation at

Redfern, but at fullback rather than centre after coach Michael Maguire moved him into the No 1 jersey in his first year in charge last season.

Despite last year enjoying their best season since



BEAU CHAMPION

1989, centre became a problem area for Maguire upon Queensland and Australian representative Inglis' shift to the back.

Maguire said Champion would add some much-needed depth to the Rabbitohs' ranks. - AAP

Bird to stay with Titans

OLD Coast has re-signed NSW rugby Gleague Origin forward Greg Bird on a four-year deal reportedly worth \$550,000 a season.

Bird knocked back several lucrative offers from rival NRL clubs to remain at the Titans until the end of the 2017

Titans CEO David May paid tribute to Bird's loyalty.

"I think the fact that Greg has committed to the club long-term when he

had big money offers from elsewhere says a lot about the type of character he is and also how much the Titans mean to him," May said.

Bird, 28, has played 164 NRL matches, including 58 for the Titans.



GREG BIRD

Calm before the storm

MAGIGIS MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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THERE is hardly an off-season these days as the public interest in Australian football creates a continuing soap opera of issues and controversies.

But in a true football sense, this is the time of year when all sides are basically equal.

Nevertheless, the Christmas-New Year window is perhaps the only period that supporters can switch off from the never-ending sporting news cycle and dream a little football dream.

The new recruits are on board and, of course, training the house

The players have already broken the back of the physical pre-season load.

The holes in the game plan are being addressed and there's been no practice matches to puncture the balloon of optimism.

Everyone can feel like a winner heading into a new football year.

And the beauty of the modern game with the draft and the salary cap is that this feeling is justified.

Every year I find it harder to predict the top eight.

And this is not based on who will not be a threat – it is more based on the difficulty of who to leave out.

Even this year, with the Suns and GWS in establishment phase, I find the task of eliminating sides almost impossible.

I've never approached the task of compiling a predicted ladder for the season ahead with anything less than caution, but this year it's shaping more as an exercise where I could end up looking as if I know nothing about the game.

There's no reason the top teams won't stay up; of likely improvers we have more than a handful, and even a couple of the popular also-rans have compelling cases for something more than mediocrity.

So how do you put 12 or 13 teams into a top eight?

Richmond has already built a big enough bandwagon about its 2013 prospects that it can hardly be called a potential bolter.

We've seen it before with the Tigers, of course, hence the accompanying cynicism, but this time all the signs really are there.

Foremost is the scope for small improvements through further experience.

Of which, bearing in mind in 2012 they lost six games by just 12 points or less, they don't need a lot to be aiming seriously at the top four, let alone the eight.

Logically, then, the three sides that finished above Richmond on the ladder yet still shy of the eight should have claims as sound.

And they do

Particularly Carlton, which clearly offended some or other football god given the range of injuries it copped to key players in every part of the ground last season.

You wouldn't expect a repeat of that, but you would of the traditional 'new coach bounce', particularly when that coach has an aura as intimidating as does Mick Malthouse.

Don't forget, the Blues were at odds of 5-1 and second on the ladder a quarter of the way through the season.

Essendon was 8-1 and equal top close to half-way, before crashing and burning, or more appropriately limping home, even more spectacularly.

Sorted out

The soft tissue shambles has been sorted out, claims the club, which, in Brendon Goddard, has also landed a big fish in building its playing strength.

While there will be increasing pressure on the coaching of James Hird this year, the Bombers' best in 2012 spoke

St Kilda, too, should be factored into serious finals talk despite having lost Goddard.

The Saints under Scott Watters have spruced up their game style with a more attacking bent, but also, importantly, expanded their repertoire of key contributors, reducing some of the load on Nick Riewoldt, Lenny Hayes and

The Saints' 12 wins and very healthy percentage would have been good enough to get them into the eight in any of the five previous seasons to 2012.

It may well be again this year,

If historical perspectives are your guide, here's another genuine roughie you might want to ponder.

The Brisbane Lions finished 13th with ten wins last year.

Only one other side has ever matched that – Richmond in 1997 - and the Tigers would miss the eight the following year by percentage only.

Every potential riser up the ladder needs an accompanying slider to make room.

But unlike some, I can't see any obvious teams headed for the scrap heap.

Anyone forecasting Adelaide's demise in a whirlwind of fines and draft sanctions over-estimates the distance between the scandal come next March, and the extent of the influence the departed Kurt Tippett had on the Crows' fortunes last season.

Fremantle has perennial sceptics, but the foundations laid by coach Ross Lyon in his first season were as solid as the Dockers have known.

The scope for further improvement - evidenced in a more fluid style and greater potency the longer last year went – was ominous indeed.

A recruit in Danyle Pearce and a virtual one in Anthony Morabito certainly won't hurt, either.

Geelong, too, knows plenty about serial doubters.

As abrupt as their exit from last September was, the Cats have prepared themselves for generational change better than

Their roll call of debutants in 2012 was as long as any reigning premier for 40 years and the post-season acquisition of Hamish McIntosh, Jared Rivers and highly-regarded Josh Caddy indicates a side that still has its eye firmly on the here and now.

The rest? I can't see a lot to get hugely excited about with the Western Bulldogs and Port

I wouldn't be nearly as surprised to see Melbourne improve substantially on its measly four wins, the additions of Chris Dawes, Shannon Byrnes and David Rodan having the potential to make as pronounced a cultural impact as purely one on

Logic suggests, too, that the young turks at Gold Coast and Greater Western Sydney should be thrashed less often and competitive more often.

All of which would lend itself to a top-eight traffic jam the likes of which even Melbourne's CBD at peak hour has seldom seen.

As I said, the 2013 season promises to be one of the most competitive ever.

Every fan can believe their team is capable of winning on any

That said, I'll be backing the Swans to complete a rare double. I can hardly wait! Until next time... Keep

Dreaming!

AFL pre-season to start at night



opening-round triple-headers Australian Football

League's (AFL's) 2013 pre-season Cup will be played as twilight or night fixtures.

The first round again will feature six triple-headers involving mini matches of 20-minute halves.

The games will be spread over the last two weekends in February, with late kick-offs to avoid the worst of the summer heat.

All clubs will then play two full-scale matches, with the top two advancing to the NAB Cup final on 15 or 16 March.

Collingwood, Essendon and the Western Bulldogs will take part in the first of the triple headers at Etihad Stadium on 15 February.

"The shortened format enables clubs to use their senior players as they see fit for the opening to the season, as well as offering the flexibility to provide opportunities for new players and rookies that is such

a key feature of the NAB Cup," said AFL broadcasting and scheduling head Simon Lethlean.

"As we introduced for the 2012 competition, we have now fixtured each club's matches for both rounds two and three of the NAB Cup, so clubs are aware of their travel schedule and can fully plan their preparation and training workload as they build up to the start of the premiership season.

"In rounds two and three, we will mix matches across regional venues and our major AFL venues."

Townsville, Wagga Wagga, Renmark, Alice Springs, Northam and Wangaratta are among the regional venues to have been allocated pre-season games.

Essendon will take on Richmond in Wangaratta on 2 March.

The Bombers' pre-season match against St Kilda in the Victorian city did not go ahead this year after their chartered flight was unable to land due to adverse weather conditions.

-AAP

AFL up with the world's biggest

THE Australian Football League (AFL) was the fourth-best attended professional sporting league on the planet in 2012, amazingly beating out the likes of Major League Baseball and Spain's La Liga.

According to a report from Sportingintelligence.com, an average 32,748 fans attended AFL matches, which actually represented a decline from the 36,428 the code attracted in

The decrease resulted in the AFL dropping from third in 2011 to fourth in the rankings behind the English Premier League, which attracted an average 34,602 fans per game in the 2011-12 season.

The (US) National Football League took out top spot with an average 67,591 spectators per game, up from 67,394 a year earlier.

Germany's Bundesliga surprisingly came in second with 45,116 average fans per game in 2011-12 - the highest average ever for that league up from 42,673 during the prior season.

The National Hockey League – which is in danger of having no season in 2012-13 due to a labour dispute attracts the largest crowds of the indoor sports, with an attendance of 17,455 in 2011-12.

It finished just ahead of the National Basketball Association (17,274).

Two sports that have seen increases in average attendance year-on-year are Major League Baseball and the Canadian Football

MLB came in fifth with an average attendance of 30,895, up from 30,366 a year earlier. The CFL sits seventh with an average of 27,882, compared with 27,192 previously.

Sixth place went to Spain's La Liga, with an average attendance of 28,462, down from 29,128 the year before.

Origin rules changed



THE eligibility rules for rugby league State of Origin selection have been changed.

From now on, no player will be eligible to play for NSW or Queensland unless he has lived in that State before the age of 13. or unless he is the son of an Origin player.

The player must also be eligible to play for Australia.

State of Origin is an incredibly important part of the game and the heart of the concept is a person's state of origin," ARL Commission Chairman John Grant said.

"It is fundamental therefore that the concept is preserved on that basis, simply because it is so unique."

Sport – Rugby League All Stars

Focus on West End



TROY Cassar-Daley, local Indigenous dance groups, DJs and musicians, more than 60 exhibitors,

rugby league matches and the Indigenous All Stars jersey presentation will feature in a free community festival and careers expo at Brisbane's West End on the eve of next month's 2013 Harvey Norman Rugby League All Stars

The 2013 DEEWR Learn Earn Legend! Careers and Employment Expo and All Stars Community Festival will run from 10am to 5pm at the Southern Suburbs Rugby League Football Club and Precinct on Friday 8 February, closing with the Indigenous All Stars jersey presentation.

Cassar-Daley will then perform at Davies Park at 6pm to warm-up the crowd before the best of NSW and Queensland Indigenous rugby league talent go head to head in the second annual NACCHO Deadly Choices Interstate Challenge between the Newcastle Yowies and Tores Strait Island team Argun Warriors

The NRL and Federal Government have again joined forces with more than 60 leading Queensland businesses to host the annual Employment Expo, where Queensland students and young job-seekers will be presented with real job opportunities and career

Universities, TAFE colleges,

building and corporate businesses will be in attendance with community and government organisations showcasing their products and handing out information and health organisations offering advice and free health checks.

The All Stars Community Festival will coincide with the Jobs Expo and feature junior rugby league clinics Indigenous games, children's entertainment, local music acts, One Community Ambassador appearances and Indigenous cultural art and crafts. It will culminate with the jersey presentation to the Indigenous All

Hosted by Luke Carroll

Indigenous Australian television and film actor Luke Carroll will MC the festival with on-stage performances including Mununjali Banam Yilgahm Dancers, the Aboriginal College of the Performing Arts, Nunukul Dancers, Nguinwarrup group and performers and DJs from Redfern Records.

Rugby league matches will kickoff from noon with the Indigenous Schoolboys game, followed by the Brisbane men's games.

The second annual NACCHO Deadly Choices Interstate Challenge will start at 7pm.

The Argun Warriors and Newcastle Yowies will play for the title of Australian Indigenous champions, won last year by NSW side Mindaribba Warriors.

The Hunter Valley team beat the Southern Dingoes (Qld) 40-18.



Flashback to 2011: Matt Bowen and Ryan James are welcomed to the Bumehla Festival on the Queensland Gold Coast, where they were presented with their Indigenous All Stars iumpers for the game against the NRL All Stars the following night at Skilled Park, Robina.

Teams to be named today

THE public has had its say on who should be in the Indigenous All Stars and National Rugby League (NRL) All Stars teams that will clash at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, on Saturday 9 February.

Voting for the two teams closed on Monday and now it is up to coaches Laurie Daley (Indigenous All Stars) and Wayne Bennett (NRL All Stars) to fill in the gaps.

In a complicated process, there were 16 positions open for public choice in each team's 20-man squad.

Only one player from each club was eligible for Bennett's NRL All Stars, while fans could choose from all of rugby league's best Indigenous talent for Daley's All Stars.

The final squads for the two teams will be announced today in Brisbane.

A week out from the closing of public voting, Greg Inglis (South Sydney) was the most popular choice for the Indigenous All Stars, followed by Greg Bird (Gold Coast), Ben Barba (Bulldogs), Tom Learoyd-Lahyrs (Raiders), Jamal Idris (Gold Coast), George Rose (Sea Eagles), Andrew Fifita (Sharks), Justin Hodges (Broncos), Nathan Merritt (Souths), and Joel Thompson (Raiders).

The ten most popular choices for the NRL All Stars were Jarryd Hayne (Eels), James Tamou (Cowboys), Brett Morris (Dragons), Paul Gallen (Sharks), Akuila Uate

(Knights), Billy Slater (Storm), Michael Jennings (Panthers), Josh Morris (Bulldogs), David Taylor (Titans), Adam Reynolds (Rabbitohs)

Bennett will select two extra players alongside automatic selections Benji Marshall (New Zealand captain) and Cameron Smith (Australian

Daley will pick three extra players in addition to automatic selection and Indigenous All Stars captain Johnathan Thurston.

Bennett said the public had always delivered an excellent team for him to work with.

He said the key was to think about the key positions first - halfback, five-eighth, hooker and fullback.

Koori, Murri under 16 rugby league squads to be trimmed

Admission prices

ICKETS for the 2013 Harvey Norman All Stars match are available through

www.ticketek.com.au
Prices: Adults \$90 (category 1), \$50
(category 2), \$20 (category 3).
Pensioners (Aged, War, TPI, Invalid and Disability): \$80, \$45, \$18.

Family (two adults and two juniors): \$265, \$150, \$60.

Ticketek outlets on 132 849 or

RUGBY league's most exciting young Indigenous players have been named in the NSW and Queensland under 16 training squads to play the curtain-raiser at the 2013 Harvey Norman Rugby League All Štars in Brisbane on 9 February.

The final teams will be selected this month and given the

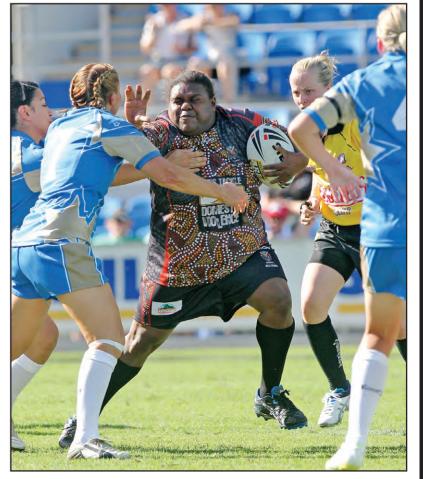
opportunity to showcase their skills at Suncorp

The young players who hail from areas as far as Tully, in North Queensland, and as remote as Goodooga (NSW) have been chosen for their commitment to their education and future as well as their skills on the field.

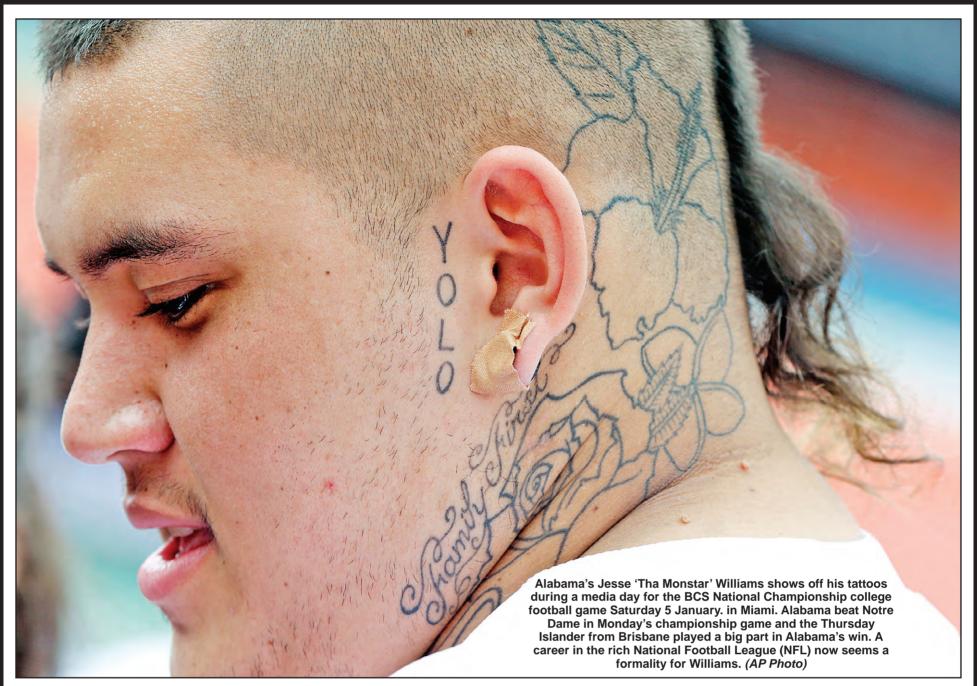
The NSW Koori squad: Ngangarra Barker (Raworth), Adam Campbell (Thirlmere), Phillip Combridge (Dubbo), Kiah Cooper (Raymond Terrace), Michael Doolan (Casula), Djanni Dowd (Matraville), Dylan Grant (Leichhardt), Troy Dargan (Cabramatta), James Ferguson

(Waterloo), Keeden Kelly (Kempsey), Robert Lane (Goodooga), Jayden Merritt (Dubbo), Travden Mundine (Redfern), Ryan Milgate (Garden Suburb), Ethan Roberts (South Grafton), Jesse Ramien (Coonamble), Reimis Smith (Hurstville), Tyler Terare (Doonside), Jessie Thompson (Wagga Wagga), Cody Walker (Yamba).

The Murri squad: Jarman Chong (Townsville), Matty Gibuma (Cairns), Bradley Frith (Brisbane), Bernard Lewis (Cairns), Keith Doi (Cairns), Sheldon Smith (Brisbane), Adrian Elder (Ipswich), Kyle Seckington (Tully) Keenan Yorston (Brisbane), Dai Saub (Cairns), Edward Hill (Brisbane), Christian Power (Bowen), William Dix (Brisbane), Kein Blackman (Brisbane), Denzel Briscoe (Brisbane), Eli McGuire (Brisbane), Robert Lammermoor (Rockhampton), Tyler Shannon (Brisbane), Daniel Kirk (Bundaberg), Jermaine Willett (Rockhampton).



Action from the 2011 game between the Indigenous women's team and the Australian women's team.



Big pay day beckons



AUSTRALIAN man mountain Jesse Williams has booked himself a multi-milliondollar contract in the NFL after a brutally

dominant performance on American college football's grandest stage.

Williams' University of Alabama crushed number-one-ranked Notre Dame 42-14 in the BCS Championship game in Miami, Florida, on Monday.

It was Alabama and Williams second successive BCS title after upsetting Louisiana State University 21-0 last year, and appeared as though it would be the perfect send-off for the Queenslander after two years with the team known as the Crimson Tide.

However, midway through the final quarter, Williams - known as 'Tha Monstar' – suffered a leg injury.

It was not immediately clear how serious the injury was, but Williams' performance before he was helped off

the field received rave reviews.

"Jesse can play in the NFL," ESPN commentator Brent Musburger said to the estimated 25 million Americans tuning into the TV telecast after Williams' versatility sealed Notre Dame's fate late in the first half.

The 193cm, 145kg 22-year-old plays nose tackle, the most physically demanding position on the Tide's defensive line, but close to the end zone head coach Nick Saban tosses Williams into the offensive as a battering ram.

It worked perfectly in the second quarter, with Williams opening a hole for running back T J Yeldon to stroll through for a touchdown and give Alabama a 21-0 lead.

Williams is expected to be snapped up by the Pittsburgh Steelers or Indianapolis Colts in the first round of the NFL draft in New York on 25 April.

Williams, born on Thursday Island and raised in Brisbane, played basketball and rugby before trying gridiron as a 14-year-old with Brisbane's Bayside Ravens.

Huge US college interest

University of Hawaii scouts spotted him at 16, but he eventually moved to the US in 2011 to play for Arizona Western College, a stint that caught the eye of Alabama and more than 20 other major college programs.

They had called this game a national championship, a title clash for the ages, epic, monumental, historic. But then Notre Dame kicked the ball off.

Alabama drove down the field, unimpeded, as if out for a night-time stroll.

It all went downhill from there for Notre Dame and for those interested in the most overhyped college football game in years. The championship ended early, in a flurry of Alabama touchdowns that allowed the Crimson Tide to seize their third title in four seasons, with all the ease predicted by the oddsmakers, sapping this game of all competitiveness or drama

Williams' former coach, Brisbane's Bayside Ravens mentor Steve Box, said the sky was the limit for the talented nose tackle.

"He'll be absolutely rapt with being able to finish things the way he wants, and he's a guy who's a competitor and winning football games is what he's all about," Box said.

William's proud mum Sonia gathered with about 40 family and supporters at the family's Camp Hill home to cheer him on while relatives in Cairns, Thursday Island and Mount Isa were also glued to their screens.

Mrs Williams said the former Cavendish Road State High student was regularly mobbed by fans in the

He had to close his Facebook account after attracting too many followers, while his Twitter account was overloaded with admirers after he bench-pressed over 250kg in July.

"When we went to visit him, everywhere we went it was like walking with a movie star; he tends to not go shopping until midnight so he doesn't get mobbed," Mrs Williams

"It's been a real ride, he's loved it, he's excited about the next phase.

"He's a gentle giant except when he's on the football field: I wouldn't want to come up against him."

His father Arthur is in the US and is helping him navigate the competitive system of NFL drafting. - AAP, NY Times, News Ltd



Flashback to Brisbane on 17 January 2012 -Arthur and Sonia Williams get tattooed with Alabama University's logo and the playing number 54 after their 21-year-old son Jesse Williams won the university college football championship in the US for the first time. (Image: Newspix)

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James' fame spreads like wildfire



JAMES GALLAUGHER Picture: Milton Ulladulla Times

By GRAHAM HUNT



MORE than two million hits on YouTube, requests for interviews from all sorts of media, an appearance on the NBC Today Show in New York, approaches from

global sports clothing giants Nike and Lonsdale... it's been a hectic few weeks for 12-year-old James Gallaugher.

"It's been absolutely crazy," James' mother Samara Williams told the Koori Mail since we reported in our final edition of 2012 on James' amazing feats.

We reported how James had become an overnight sensation and declared the fastest 12-year-old in Australia and one of the fastest in the world for his age.

It all started when a video clip was posted on YouTube. It showed James mowing down the race leader in the final of

the 4x100m boys' relay at the NSW Public Schools Sports Association State championships in Sydney.

James, running the anchor leg for Ulladulla Public School, came from nowhere to win the event for his small NSW South Coast school.

Global interest

James' mum Samara told the Koori Mail that since we broke the story on James, all kinds of offers had come in

"We had several offers for interviews – Channels 10, 9, 7, Barefoot Sport, a news network in London and more," she said.

"He was on the NBC Today Show in New York and has been televised in so many countries... I can't count.

'James now has had more than two million 'hits' on YouTube.

"He has been offered a meeting with Nike and Lonsdale have also shown interest.'

But a cautious and concerned mum said it was 'one thing at a time as he is only 12'.

"We only agreed to two interviews - with Channel 9's Erin Molan that was shown on Wide World of Sports, The Today Show and Nine News and the other with the Daily Telegraph," Samara said.

"James heads off to Western Australia in a week, so back to training for him as he competes in March for the Australian athletics championship in Perth in March."

Samara said James was unaware of most of the publicity 'as I have tried to hide it from him. I want to keep his feet firmly on the ground'.

James is about to enter secondary school and is moving to Perth where he will link with the West Australian Institute of

He also is to attend a four-week camp in July at the Michael Johnson Spire Athletic Institute in Ohio, in the United States.

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All set for big fight showdown



DANIEL Geale and Anthony Mundine have taken opposite paths to prepare for their

eagerly-awaited boxing world title rematch, one man staying at home and the other heading interstate.

Mundine claims he has received a timely boost ahead of his 30 January bout with International Boxing Federation (IBF) middleweight champion Geale, by returning to the city where he last defeated his rival -

Conversely, Geale has stayed at his western Sydney base and has no plans to go elsewhere before their Sydney Entertainment Centre bout.

Mundine earlier this month completed a month-long training stint in the Queensland capital

where he was awarded the controversial 2009 victory - Geale's only professional loss.

He claimed there was 'something special' about Brisbane and believed the four-week camp had provided the fine-tuning needed ahead of his rematch with Geale in Sydney.

"I always feel different when I leave this joint. I always feel a lot fitter and stronger," Mundine said.

"Moving to a different climate, it's like altitude training for me.

"Now I am ready to shake the world up again.'

Geale lost his International Boxing Organisation (IBO) middleweight title to Mundine in a split-points

decision in Brisbane in May 2009. He went on to win the IBF and World Boxing Association (WBA) super titles, although he was stripped of the latter for choosing to fight Mundine.

Tasmanian-born Geale relocated to Sydney several years ago and saw no reason to change his usual routine and follow Sydneysider Mundine out of town.



Anthony Mundine cools down during a sparring session in Brisbane on 4 January anead of his IBF middleweight world title clash against fellow Australian Daniel Geale in Sydney on 30 January. AAP image

"Everybody to their own – I'm getting the best out of what I need to do right where I am. It definitely works for me," Geale said.

"We pretty much do everything we need (to) here in Sydney.

"We're very happy - we've got good sparring partners. Everything has fallen into place perfectly for us."

Geale, who has sparred with Trent Broadhurst and former

Mundine victim Rob Medley, said he kept working throughout the holiday season.

The 37-year-old Mundine, is a \$3.36 outsider with bookies against hot favourite Geale (\$1.30)

Geale lost his IBO middleweight title to Mundine on a split points decision in Brisbane in May 2009, but Mundine declined to give him a rematch.

The softly spoken Geale, 31, (28-1 record, 15 KOs) has uncharacteristically claimed he will knock out Mundine (44-4 record, 26 KOs).

Mundine agreed it would not go the distance – but for very different reasons.

"I want to end him and I can do it many ways," said Mundine, who has won 21 of his past 22

"In my head, it is not going to go the distance. I am going to hurt him and

'They say he is a better fighter because he went to Germany and came back with a title, but he was up against guys who suited him style-wise.

"I know he has a lot of heart, he is a great fighter but he is not on my level.

'They can't doubt me now, but once I win this fight, it will take my legacy to another stratosphere.

"Age doesn't mean a thing. There are guys like Bernard Hopkins and George Foreman who were going in their 40s – I am a young boy in the sport." - AAP

Queensland out to regain Imparja Cup