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Pictured at Redfern after Friday's hearing are relieved uncles and aunties of murder victim Kristy Scholes, from left, Alison Morris, David Welsh, Kerry Welsh, Tony Scholes, Rae Moylan, Natalie Roberts and Pamela Morris. Photo by KIRSTIE PARKER

# Naden guilty



EXACTLY a year to the day after he was captured following a massive police hunt across New South Wales bushland, Malcolm John Naden has pleaded guilty to the raft of charges against him.

Formerly one of Australia's most wanted fugitives, Naden appeared in the NSW Supreme Court in Sydney on Friday and entered guilty pleas to 18 charges including the assault of a 12-year-old girl in May 2004, and the 2005 murders of his 24-year-old cousin Lateesha Nolan (whose body has never been found) and his cousin's 24-year-old partner Kristy Scholes, all at Dubbo, western NSW.

The former shearer and abattoir worker also admitted to the attempted murder of a police officer at Nowandoc in northern NSW in December 2011, along with break-and-enter and theft offences from his almost seven years on the run.

## Family relief as fugitive admits to 18 charges

In the preceding months, there'd been questions about the now 39-year-old's mental fitness to plead. It had been reported that Naden was suffering from a mental illness exacerbated during the years he spent evading capture. However, after he was examined by psychiatrists for both the defence and the prosecution, his lawyers said his mental fitness was no longer an issue.

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Naden will be sentenced on 24 April.

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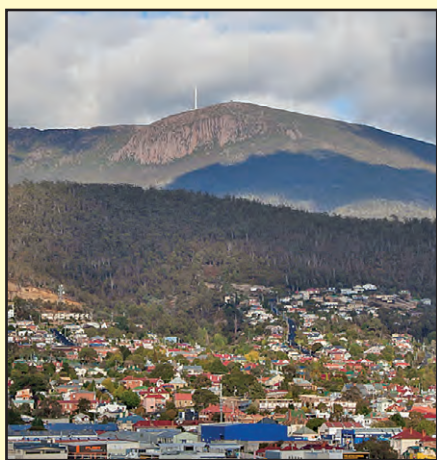


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# My FAMILY BRENDAN CARR – Redfern, NSW



**T**HIS is me at Redfern with my partner Latoya Roberts, daughter Laquaelah Carr, who is 20 months old, and son BJ Carr, who is just two months old.

I'm 22 and Latoya is 21. I'm Wiradjuri and Latoya is Bundjalung.

We've been together for about three years, after meeting at the NSW Rugby League Knockout held in Lismore during 2009.

Latoya was living in Wollongong at the time but went up for the Knockout and I was there playing for the Redfern All Blacks. We didn't win that year, but it was still good.

I've given the footy up for a while so I can concentrate on my studies for work in the warehousing industry.

We both come from big families who we generally see at Christmas and during the holidays.

We both have two brothers and two sisters each.

My mum and dad are Karla Carr and Sean Weatherall, and Latoya's mum and dad are Michelle Roberts and Lee Murphy.

Me, Latoya and the kids are a pretty tight little family and we like going on outings together.

The kids keep us pretty busy. Laquaelah can be playful and demanding at the same time, a bit sooky for her mum and dad, while BJ is quiet but nosy – he loves having a look around.

We want to give them opportunities that we didn't get when we were young. Education is going to be important for them.

We like living in Sydney; there's opportunities here so it's good for now.

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Young Martina Close, Learrah Wilkes and Shineea Walker paint a picture for Harmony Day celebrations at Jarjum Centre Preschool in Lismore, in northern NSW, last week. Photo by Rudi Maxwell.

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# Goodooga kids hit the big smoke



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Layne Beachley, mixing with the NRL South Sydney Rabbitohs, visiting The Block at Redfern, and taking in the sights at Taronga Zoo. Last week was a whirlwind of activity for ten 11-to-14-year-olds from the tiny northern NSW community of Goodooga who got to say 'yaama' (hello) to the big smoke of Sydney. Their seven-day excursion was reward for good attendance and behaviour at school, as part of a joint initiative between Castlereagh Local Area Command and Goodooga Central School. See our next edition for more on the kids' excellent adventure. In the main photo, Goodooga's Delia Jackson enjoys the waves at Bondi Beach. And the inset shows the Goodooga kids at Redfern last Friday with their chaperones including teacher Melinda Gibbs and Detective Snr Constable Dane Poole, from Walgett.

Main photo courtesy of Chris Allen Photography. Inset photo by Kirstie Parker

## Our CEOs 'earn less on average'



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of Aboriginal and  
Torres Strait  
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corporations earn less, on average, than their counterparts in similar-sized organisations in the not-for-profit sector, according to new research.

The Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven recently released 'Remuneration: A report benchmarking the salaries of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations', which he said found no major systemic concerns.

It was commissioned after high-profile cases in 2010 and 2011 raised concerns involving payments to CEOs and directors.

**'The data in this report will be another tool to help corporations to make informed decisions about appropriate levels of remuneration'**

**– Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven**

More than 330 corporations that had income in excess of \$500,000 responded to a survey conducted in October 2012. The report found in 2012 that payment to CEOs in

Indigenous corporations averaged \$122,448 and ranged between \$44,084 and \$382,770.

"The positions of CEO and director in any organisation naturally come with great responsibility and scrutiny," Mr Beven said.

"The data in this report will be another tool to help corporations to make informed decisions about appropriate levels of remuneration."

The average CEO remuneration was highest in Western Australia, South Australia and NSW.

In 2012 10.6 per cent of CEOs received bonuses and the highest amount of remuneration paid to a director in 2012 was \$142,940, although the majority of remunerated directors received less than \$10,000.



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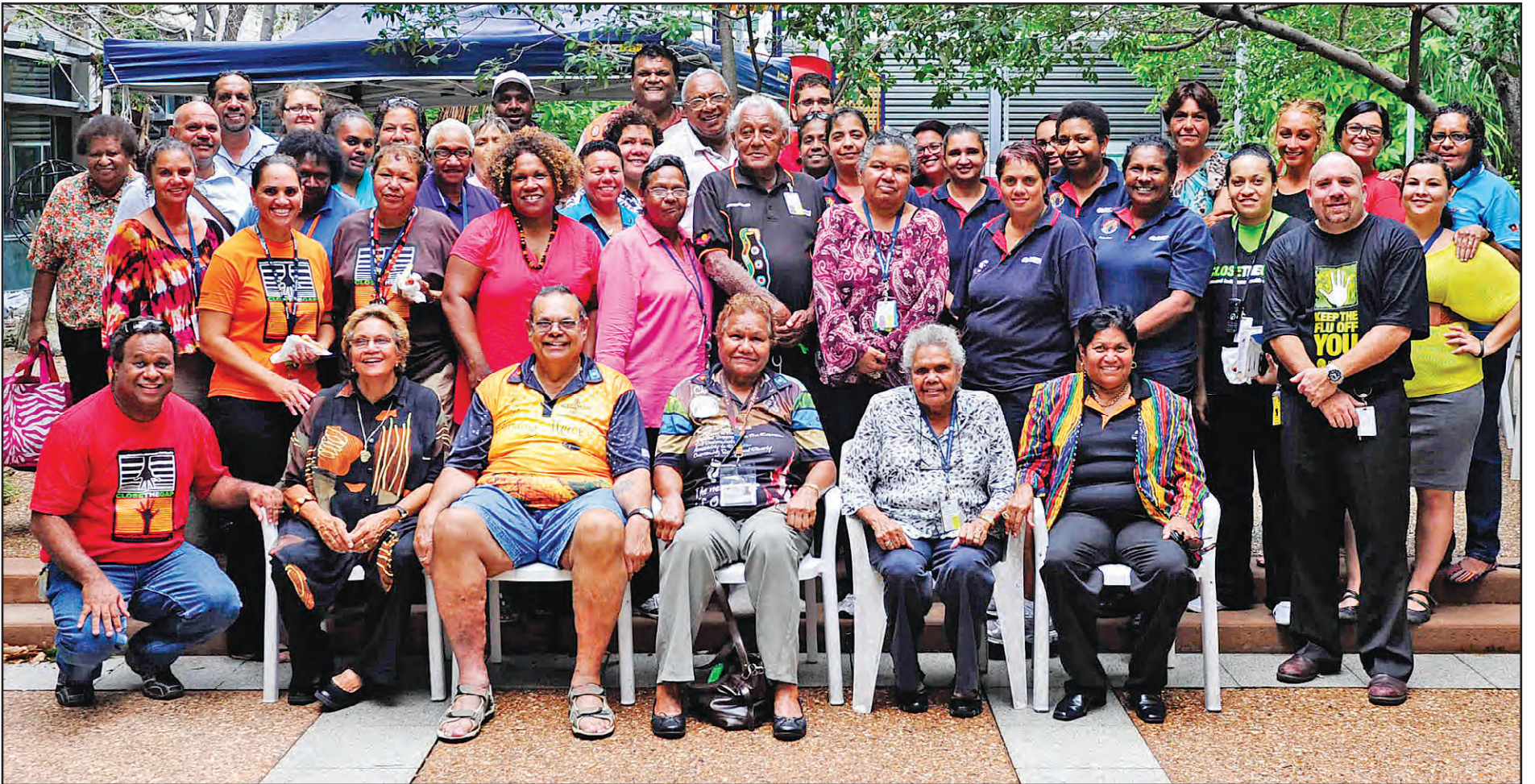
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# Closing the gap in Townsville



THE Townsville Hospital and Health Service celebrated its achievements in improving Indigenous health care with a conference and lunch for Close the Gap Day last Thursday. Nursing director (Indigenous Health) Roianne West said the health service had employed Indigenous liaison officers in surgical, renal and emergency departments, employed a clinical nurse consultant for Indigenous cardiac health, and improved the Indigenous midwifery program. "One of the most effective ways to improve Indigenous health is to get more Indigenous health workers in our hospitals to ensure we are practising in a culturally appropriate way," she said. See Page 38 and our next edition for more on Close the Gap Day 2013.

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# Abbott says the Coalition will 'engage'



FEDERAL Opposition Leader Tony Abbott says a Coalition government will

have a 'new engagement' with Indigenous affairs, including constitutional recognition of Aboriginal people as the First Australians.

Speaking in Sydney on 15 March, Mr Abbott said Indigenous affairs would be a priority and focus for a Coalition government if it's elected to govern at the planned September federal election.

"I want a new engagement with Aboriginal people to be one of the hallmarks of an incoming Coalition government – and this will start from day one," he told a Sydney Institute function.

Mr Abbott said that in the first 12 months of taking office the Coalition would seek bipartisan support to amend the Constitution to acknowledge Indigenous Australians.

"An acknowledgement of Aboriginal people as the First Australians would complete our Constitution rather than change it," he told the audience, which included NSW Premier Barry O'Farrell and Indigenous leader Warren Mundine.

Mr Abbott said a constitutional amendment meant people would know that Aboriginal people "will never be regarded as just a historical footnote to modern Australia".

#### 'Unifying'

"Done well, such an amendment could be a unifying and liberating moment," he said.

The Opposition Leader also said a Coalition government would handle Indigenous affairs within the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

"This means that along with Nigel Scullion as minister, there will be, in effect, a prime minister for Aboriginal affairs," Mr Abbott said.

He committed to address 'deep disadvantage' in Indigenous Australia by visiting remote Aboriginal communities each year, as well as by getting doctors and teachers to take longer postings in communities.

The Coalition would also expand an Indigenous job program to fund training trials developed by (multi-millionaire miner) Andrew Forrest and Warren Mundine, he said.

Mr Abbott promised there were 'better days to come' for Indigenous affairs. "Should the Coalition win the election, Aboriginal people will be at the heart of a new government, in word and in deed," he said.

Earlier the same day, Mr Abbott adopted the words of former Labor prime minister Paul Keating, saying the state of Indigenous Australians constitutes a 'stain on our soul'.

"We certainly have to do it better in the future than we have done it in the past," he told ABC radio. – AAP



# Naden pleads guilty, faces life sentence

By KIRSTIE PARKER



FOR the families of murder victims, peace-of-mind never comes easy.

It is inevitably traumatic to hear the details surrounding their loved one's passing, but many have expressed a view that it is better to know than to wonder; that certainty brings them a step closer to closure.

And so it will be for the families of two young Aboriginal mothers who died at the hands of a man they knew and reportedly trusted, Malcolm John Naden.

On 24 April, some of the women's family members will be in court to see Naden finally face justice – mandatory life imprisonment – for his crimes.

In the NSW Supreme Court on Friday, a year to the day since he was captured at Gloucester in northern NSW after a massive police hunt spanning years, Naden pleaded guilty to murder, attempted murder, assault, and numerous break-and-enters and thefts.

Earlier, there had been questions about the former shearer and abattoir worker's mental fitness to plead. It had been reported that 39-year-old Naden was suffering from a mental illness exacerbated during the years he spent evading capture, but the court determined on Friday that was no longer an issue.

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NSW's former most-wanted fugitive also admitted to the attempted murder of a police officer who tried to capture him at Nowendoc in December 2011, along with break-and-enter and theft charges at Dubbo, Bellbrook, Birdwood, Nowendoc and other locations during his almost seven years on the run.

In the dock, a slim-to-gaunt, bearded and shaven-headed Naden, dressed in prison greens, fidgeted and mostly looked straight ahead, but glanced briefly towards Kristy Scholes' family members seated in court.

He then stood as the charges against him were read out, answering 'guilty' in a loud, clear voice to each.

Afterwards, Kristy's uncle Tony Scholes said his family was relieved at the outcome, which came after a 'terrible' eight-year wait for justice.

"We're all emotional. I'm a strong person and this has affected us in a big way and we're just hoping that things don't get any worse," he told reporters outside court.

"Sitting around waiting for this man to be captured... It's been a big ordeal for all our family. It was



Tony Scholes, uncle of murder victim Kristy Scholes, speaks to media outside the NSW Supreme Court on Friday. Photo by Kirstie Parker



Kristy Scholes' aunts Rae Moylan and Pamela Morris hold hands as they leave the court building, flanked by family and supporters. Photo by Kirstie Parker

difficult for me (to see Naden in court). I don't mind saying that I felt anger."

He said a subsequent discussion with Crown Prosecutor Mark Tedeschi about the process ahead had put he and his sisters more at ease but declined to go into detail.

Mr Scholes told the *Koori Mail* later that Naden had looked directly at him in court, 'and I looked daggers right back at him'.

Kristy's aunts said they felt a mixture of anger, hatred and shock at seeing their niece's killer in the flesh. "I couldn't stop shaking," said one.

Lateesha Nolan's father Mick Peet was not in court for Naden's pleas. However, he said he was shocked but relieved that a potentially drawn-out court case had been avoided.

"But we still want to know what happened, what the motive was for what (Naden) has done,"



Lateesha Nolan's dad, Mick Peet, at the Gold Coast on Friday. Photo by Rudi Maxwell

Mr Peet told the *Koori Mail* from his home in southern Queensland.

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I will be there when (Naden) gets sentenced. I wish capital punishment was allowed in Australia. My daughter is never coming back and I hope he gets life without parole; that's what I'm hoping for."

Absent, too, from the court on Friday was Lateesha's mother Joan Nolan, who is also Malcolm Naden's aunt. She and Mr Peet are estranged.

Before Naden's pleas, Tony Scholes was at pains to emphasise that Malcolm Naden's family were not at fault for what had happened to his niece.

"One person caused this for himself and he's standing accountable for that now," Mr Scholes told the *Koori Mail*.

"I want people to recognise that the Scholes, Donovan and Morris family do not have an issue with the Nadens."

Malcolm Naden will be sentenced on 24 April.



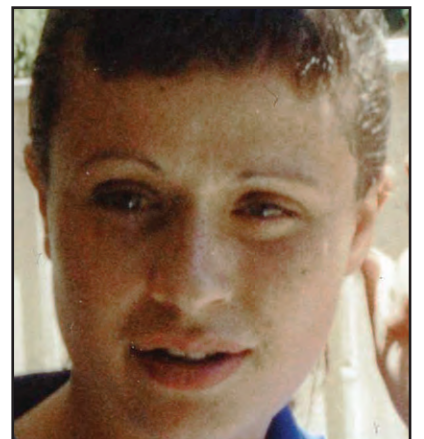
Malcolm John Naden, in an undated photo taken before he went on the run.

AFP Photo/NSW Police



At the time of her murder, Kristy Scholes (pictured) was living in the same house as Malcolm Naden – that of his grandparents – while her own house next door was being painted. She was found strangled in Naden's locked bedroom in June 2005, days before Naden went on the run.

AAP Image/NSW Police Media



Mother-of-four Lateesha Nolan, whose body has never been found. She went missing on 4 January 2005, after ducking out to a nearby shop. Her wallet was later found on a riverbank at Dubbo. Soon after his capture last year, Malcolm Naden led police to another site upstream, but no trace was found of Ms Nolan's remains.

AAP Image/NSW Police



# Cleared Jurrah keen to resume football career



**NT** FORMER AFL player Liam Jurrah wants to rekindle his football career, after a jury found him not guilty of assaulting his cousin during a brawl last year.

After nearly eight hours of deliberations in the Alice Springs Supreme Court, a jury of seven women and five men unanimously decided the former Melbourne Football Club player was not guilty of the crime, which carried a maximum of 14 years' jail.

Mr Jurrah did not react when the verdict was read out, but he triumphantly walked out of the court surrounded by supporters from his home centre of Yuendumu.

"I am feeling happy at the moment," he said.

Mr Jurrah said he was not sure whether he would celebrate the verdict.

"I will probably just lay low with my family and take it easy," he said.

The footballer, who was Melbourne's leading goalkicker in 2011 and won the award for the AFL's mark of the year in 2010, said he wanted to return to playing AFL football.

"It is going to take a long journey to get back to where I want to be," he said.

## Legal issues

Jurrah, who has been living in Adelaide since being delisted by Melbourne last year, still has legal issues in South Australia, where he is facing separate charges of drink-driving and aggravated assault.

He has trained with the Port Adelaide Football Club but manager Peter Rohde was noncommittal about whether the club would rekindle its interest in Jurrah.

"We'd have to sit down and have a chat about it," Rohde said. "He hasn't done any training, so he'd be a long way behind the eight ball this year."

The earliest Jurrah could get back into the AFL system is 2014 and he would need to be picked in the national or pre-season drafts for that to happen.

The most likely path for Jurrah is to join a state league club and play well enough to demand attention in the draft – which is what Andrew Krakouer did in Western Australia on his release from prison when Collingwood drafted him after starring for Swan Districts in the WAFL in 2010.

Jurrah said it was his dream to play AFL and a return to the game was very important to make his family



Former AFL player Liam Jurrah addresses the media outside the Alice Springs Supreme Court last Thursday after a jury of seven women and five men unanimously found him not guilty of assaulting his cousin Basil Jurrah in a fight at an Alice Springs town camp in March last year. AAP Image

happy again.

Jurrah claimed he was innocent of attacking his cousin Basil Jurrah during a brawl at the Little Sisters town camp on the edge of Alice Springs last year.

## Injuries

Basil Jurrah sustained multiple cuts to his skull and face, including injuries to his eye socket and nose.

Two other men (originally arrested with Liam Jurrah) who were at the fight – Christopher Walker and Josiah Fry – had already pleaded guilty, although the jury did not learn of that during the trial.

During the eight-day trial, five witnesses said they saw

Jurrah attack Basil Jurrah with a machete at the camp on 7 March.

Defence counsel Jon Tippett, QC, argued that many of the witnesses who gave evidence had been drunk, couldn't see because it was so dark, may have convinced themselves of Liam Jurrah's guilt, or had a motive to lie.

The trial heard that two family groups, the Walker/Granites and the Watsons, clashed at Little Sisters as part of an ongoing feud that related to an earlier death at Yuendumu.

Jurrah said he hoped all the problems between the feuding families would now end. – AAP

# PM gives another apology



PRIME Minister Julia Gillard has told victims of forced adoption practices, "We apologise."

Ms Gillard made the long-awaited national apology at a special ceremony in Canberra attended by hundreds, including mothers betrayed by a system that decided their children were better off elsewhere.

"We acknowledge your loss and grief," the Prime Minister said on Thursday.

From the 1950s to the 1970s an estimated 150,000 unwed Australian mothers had their babies forcibly adopted under a practice sanctioned by governments, churches, hospitals, charities and bureaucrats.

Some women were tricked into signing adoption papers, drugged and physically shackled to hospital beds.

Ms Gillard was speaking ahead of parallel motions being moved in the House of Representatives and the Senate later on Thursday to formalise the apology.

The motions said that 'the Parliament, on behalf of the Australian people, took responsibility and apologises for the policies and practices that forced the separation of mothers from their babies'.

## 'Deep humility'

"This apology is extended in good faith and deep humility," Ms Gillard said. "It will be a profound act of moral insight by a nation searching its conscience."

Ms Gillard said it took courage to say sorry. "What we see in that mirror is deeply shameful and distressing," she said. "A story of suffering and unbearable loss."

The Prime Minister spoke of young and vulnerable women who lost their children under pressure and sometimes the influence of drugs.

"Most common of all was the bullying arrogance of a society that presumed to know what was best," she said.

"For decades, young mothers grew old haunted by loss."

Ms Gillard also spoke of the children who were adopted, some of whom suffered sexual abuse at the hands of their adoptive parents or in state institutions.

"Many others identified the paralysing effect of self-doubt and a fear of abandonment," she said.

But Australia could not forget the fathers, who were often ignored at the time of the births and whose names were not included on birth certificates.

"No collection of words alone can undo all this damage," Ms Gillard said.

"But by saying sorry we can correct the historical record. We can declare that these mothers did nothing wrong."

"That you loved your children and you always will."

## Ovation

Ms Gillard received a standing ovation after her speech in the Great Hall of Parliament House.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott told the story of his former girlfriend Kathy Donnelly, who in 1977 gave birth out of wedlock to a son, whom for years Mr Abbott believed was his.

"There is no stronger bond than that between mother and child," he said.

"There are no first- or second-class mothers ... and every mother has the right to raise her child – we know it now and we should have known it then."

We were hard-hearted and we were judgmental; that's why we should apologise. We did inflict pain on those we loved."

The parliamentary motions moved on Thursday also acknowledged the profound effects of forced adoption on fathers. – AAP

# Corporates 'have a long way to go'



THE corporate sector has a long way to go to help close the employment gap for Indigenous people, a new report shows.

Indigenous leaders across a range of sectors surveyed by the Diversity Council of Australia have scored corporates 5.1 out of ten on average for Indigenous engagement.

While most participants said there had been improvement over the past five to ten years, they said there was a long way to go. "It's terrifying that corporates still don't get it's not okay to speak on our behalf," one of the 27 interviewees said.

Another respondent stressed the importance of building respectful relationships over time rather than

thinking there was a quick fix.

"Corporates often get to the end of an engagement process and wonder why they're being criticised by community when they only met them once for 10 minutes over a morning tea," the interviewee said.

At 16 per cent, the Indigenous unemployment rate is more than triple that for non-Indigenous people, according to the report.

More than 71,000 new jobs need to be created by 2016 to meet the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) target of halving the gap in Indigenous unemployment rates, according to the report.

The research was an initiative by the Diversity Council, Reconciliation Australia and construction company Lend Lease. – AAP



# Giles first Indigenous head of government

## Aboriginal man new NT Chief Minister

By KIRSTIE PARKER, with additional reporting from AAP



LEADERS on both sides of the main political fence may have welcomed the swearing in of Australia's first Indigenous head of government, but the man at the centre of all the fuss just wants to get on with the job.

Adam Giles, a Kamilaroi man from New South Wales, was elevated to Northern Territory Chief Minister on 13 March, after rolling Terry Mills in the second Country Liberal Party leadership challenge within a week.

There had been ongoing instability in the party for weeks, partly blamed on unpopular in the electorate of recent spending cuts and price rises, and Mr Giles claimed the top job with as many as 11 votes of the CLP's 16 MPs.

Mr Mills was in Japan on government business at the time and returned to Australia, having learned of his fate by phone.

In another leadership challenge less than a week earlier, then Indigenous Advancement Minister Alison Anderson reportedly threatened that she and three new Aboriginal MLAs, Larissa Lee, Francis Xavier and Bess Price, would sit on the cross benches if Mr Giles became leader. Mr Mills hung on that time and swiftly promoted all four, with Ms Anderson adding to her portfolios and the other three Aboriginal MPs appointed as parliamentary secretaries.

Mr Giles – previously the Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Local Government – was sworn in as Chief Minister on 14 March, with Dave Tollner as his deputy.

Reaction was swift at the federal level, with Shadow Indigenous Affairs Minister and Country Liberals' senator for the NT Nigel Scullion amongst the first to extend congratulations.

Senator Scullion said Mr Giles already had the skills and acumen of an accomplished leader.

"This is an historic move by the Country Liberals, and Aboriginal people all over Australia can rightly feel proud on this day," he said, declaring the switch from Mr Mills to Mr Giles 'a consequence of a search for stability'.

Opposition Leader Tony Abbott also congratulated Mr Giles.

"I welcome the fact that the first Indigenous head of government anywhere in Australia is a member of the Country Liberal Party," he said in a statement.

Prime Minister Julia Gillard



The new Northern Territory Chief Minister, Adam Giles (centre) and his Cabinet minister prepare to be sworn in during a ceremony at Government House in Darwin on 14 March. Alison Anderson, on the far right, held her Cabinet position but her previous Indigenous Advancement portfolio has been scrapped. *NewsPix image*

welcomed the fact that Mr Giles was Australia's first Indigenous head of government and said she looked forward to working with him.

"I will seek to work with Mr Giles and his new team in the interests of all Territorians," Ms Gillard said in a statement.

But the PM's collegiate approach didn't stop Federal Labor MP Warren Snowdon from having a dig and describing the rolling of Mr Mills while he was overseas as 'the lowest political act' he could think of.

"What's embarrassing is that we've had a Chief Minister who is overseas doing trade business with a major investor in the NT and had his throat cut while he's away," Mr Snowdon said in Sydney. "That's unprecedented in Australian history."

"The issue is about government here. The fact that Adam Giles is an Aboriginal person is largely irrelevant."

"What's important to understand is that we've now had a coup in the Northern Territory. It's the lowest act in my memory. I can't think of another incident in recent Australian history that comes anywhere near it."

Ironically, it was Mr Snowdon's observations about Mr Giles' cultural heritage that aligned most with the latter's thoughts on the matter.

The married father-of-one moved to downplay the significance of his heritage, urging all Territorians to judge him on his performance.

"It's something that's important to me, it's who I am," Mr Giles said. "(But) I'm in this position now as the Chief Minister of the Northern Territory, not the Indigenous Chief Minister."

"I expect all Territorians to hold



Senator Nigel Scullion said the Country Liberals could now focus on the delivery of services to Territorians.

me to account in my position and not judge me on what my heritage may be."

Mr Giles further told the *Koori Mail* that he had never relied on his heritage for anything other than his own personal spirituality.

"I know who I am but, in the professional and mainstream worlds, I'm an Australian, a Territorian ... I get on and do my job," he said.

After his swearing in, Mr Giles promised a 'new order' from the Government he leads and apologised to Territorians for 'the position that we have put you in'. He said the previous administration had lost its way.

"We are now a united team," he told reporters in Darwin. "It will be a new order. It will be a new regime of change that we will start leading immediately."



Federal Indigenous Health Minister and Labor MP for the Northern Territory seat of Lingiari Warren Snowdon.

Mr Giles said his Government had also moved to cut the 30 per cent hikes in power and water charges that were imposed from January to just 20 per cent, in response to concerns over cost of living pressures. Five per cent increases would then be imposed in 2014 and 2015.

And he also walked away from CLP promises to balance the NT Budget by 2015-16.

Mr Giles said the Government now believed there was no point in trying to pay down government debt as quickly as possible if it was causing pain to people. The Government will now seek to be back in the black by 2017-18.

He also scrapped the Indigenous Advancement portfolio previously held by Alison Anderson, declaring Indigenous issues as 'everyone's business'.

"I want everyone to focus on Indigenous affairs," he said.

"That's how we do business in the Northern Territory. We're unique. It is a large part of our population, our base and how we work and how we receive funding from the Federal Government."

Mr Giles said his rise should be welcomed by families across the Territory.

"It is a sign that anyone can make it in this game," he said. "It is a sign that anyone can achieve anything in Australia, anyone can achieve anything in the Northern Territory."

"Today is a day when mums and dads can put their kids to bed at night and when they say what do you want to do when you grow up, then mums and dads can say 'you can do anything'."

"Look at Gilesy, if he can do it, you can do it."

Amongst Indigenous leaders welcoming Mr Giles' elevation was the head of the Secretariat of Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC), Sharron Williams, who said she hoped to see the NT Government reverse its recent decision to slash the budget of Strong Aboriginal Families, Together (SAFT), the peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families in the NT.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are entitled to feel proud about Mr Giles' rise to leader of the government," Ms Williams said. "Indigenous voters in the NT – so instrumental in the Country Liberals' election win – are also entitled to expect more from his government for their children and families."

● See our next edition for more on Adam Giles' plans for the NT.



# Stopping violence a priority, says Macklin



ENSURING Aboriginal women and children in remote communities no longer have to endure alcohol-induced violence is a Federal Government priority, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said. Independent MP Bob Katter asked the minister if she was aware of reports that police armed with guns and tasers had

lined up First Australians during searches for alcohol and contraband in Queensland. The minister told Parliament Question Time she was aware of the issue. "It is a very serious matter," she said. Mr Katter asked if she would agree that Indigenous Australians had been failed. "A failure, albeit exacerbated by provocation from the Queensland Government?" he asked.

"A continued imposition of discriminatory intervention and a refusal of both to provide a perpetual freehold title – a right enjoyed by every other Australian and most people on Earth." Ms Macklin said there was "horrific damage being done in Indigenous communities as a result of alcohol abuse". She said there was significant debate in Queensland about the issue of alcohol

management plans. "I made the point very clearly ... our priority is to make sure that we reduce harm. That is what we're on about," the minister said. "That is the priority of this Government: to make sure that Aboriginal women and children living in remote communities are no longer subject to the level of alcohol-induced violence that they have been." – AAP

## Test case family returns to court

By LIZ MURRAY



THE civil trial relating to one Western Australian family's experiences with past removal policies has been adjourned for several months so the family can provide more detail to the court.

Plaintiffs in the WA Supreme Court case reopened pleadings, and the hearing will resume on 7 June.

Donald and Sylvia Collard, together with seven of their children, are pursuing the WA Government for compensation over their alleged treatment and removals in 1958 and 1961. The matter is considered a test case for Australia for Stolen Generations compensation.

Glenys Collard said that while the trial so far had been emotionally draining, her parents were more determined than ever to get answers about the State's actions.

"My mum and dad, who are in their eighties, were in court every day for five weeks," she said.

Ms Collard said the State wanted to know how long the Collards had been trying to get their case to court, so an application was made to clarify that with additional documentation.

She said that through the Aboriginal Legal Service of WA, the late Rob Riley started cataloguing experiences of the Stolen Generations in 1989. Hundreds of people's stories had been collected.

Cultural and language differences seemed to hinder the court process, Ms Collard said, where an Aboriginal context of life and expression was still 'out of reach' among most non-Aboriginal people.

Ms Collard has worked with linguists and other language experts to support Aboriginal people across WA and interstate.

"I know ... what our mob are saying when we've done 25 years of research on Aboriginal English – our English words are not the same words the wadjelas (non-Aboriginal people) are using," she said.

Such interpretations on culture and language can affect what and how things can be said in court, how a court's questions can be interpreted by witnesses, and how non-Aboriginal parties may



Glenys Collard pictured at home in Perth during 2008. She says the court case has been emotionally draining on her family, but they're more determined than ever to get answers about the State's actions. *NewsPix image*

misinterpret responses.

Ms Collard said the State's defence had been hard to listen to and the process had re-traumatised the family as they were forced to recount the distress of removal and then abuse suffered in government childhood institutions.

"I actually thought (former Chief Protector of Aboriginals) A O Neville was in the room talking," she said.

### 'Don't understand'

"One thing they don't understand is that none of us have ever sat around and talked about this with each other ... it is not something you do, not us, not us blackfellas here, anyway.

"When we sit around and tell yarns, we tell yarns about aunties, uncles, grannies, old grannies, little grannies – whatever's happening, we don't harp constantly on the past."

Ms Collard said Donald and Sylvia had taken Glenys' sister to hospital with 'gastro' in 1957, and Donald's boss was calling daily to check on the baby's progress.

But, she said, five days later the couple had been told by the hospital matron that their daughter had been taken away, sent to 'a nice, good, white family'.

Ms Collard said the baby was removed after being given the racist label of 'quadroon', a term the Government also applied to her father, but not to any of her other siblings, or her mother.

She said the term had been used to justify rules and restrictions on freedom of movement and participation in society.

"It (the label) says you are this, this, this, and you can do this, this, this – and you know what you can do? Nothing, because you aren't black, so you can't go on the reserve and you aren't white so you can't go into white society," Ms Collard said.

"All these years after, I wouldn't even let my dad come in the court room because I had to talk about child sexual abuse (while in care).

"I just keep saying to myself that the judge has to make decisions on this, and rulings, not the lawyers."

## Congress funding, COAG bid



THE National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has called on the Federal Government for longer-term funding, with its current allocation due to run out by the end of the year. The Congress has also asked for a seat at the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) and the adoption of key justice targets as part of the Closing the Gap campaign.

A spokesperson for Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin told the *Australian* newspaper that the Government would not afford Congress COAG status, and would not comment on future funding before the Budget process.

The Federal Government allocated \$29.2 million to the setting up of the Congress and its initial operation until December 2013.

In its 2013-2014 Budget submission, the Congress outlined proposals related to health, education and language maintenance, along with strengthening governance in community-controlled organisations.

Congress co-chair Jody Broun said achieving the best outcomes was not just about the amount of funding.

"There are now several critical reports that identify duplication of services, complexity of grant administration and poor accountability by the states and territories as obstacles to addressing disadvantage for our peoples," she said.

"Congress will work with governments of the day to help address these problems.

"Better bilateral arrangements with the states and territories, including reviewing their reporting frameworks, are a potential game-changer for delivering better services.

"Some programs like the multi-billion-dollar National Health Partnership (NHP) are also dependent on the commitment of funds by the states for the agreements to continue past this year.

"The NHP goals are long term – halving child mortality rates in 10 years and closing the gap in life expectancy in 25 years – and therefore require long-term funding that remains secure through election and budget cycles."

As well as calling for a seat at COAG, co-chair Les Malezer also called for an investment in justice reinvestment pilot programs to combat high incarceration rates.

"Our submission also calls for new



JODY BROUN



LES MALEZER

measures for more transparent funding of education (following) the Gonski report, as well as community-based and led governance and leadership initiatives," he said.

Ms Macklin's office did not return a call from the *Koori Mail*.



# Aboriginal WA MP the third in row

By GEOFF VIVIAN



FORMER Halls Creek shire president Josie Farrer has become the third Aboriginal person in a row to win the Western Australian seat of Kimberley.

She won the seat for Labor, as did her predecessors Ernie Bridge and Carol Martin.

Ms Farrer relied heavily on preferences from the Greens, who made opposition to the proposed Kimberley gas hub their main policy platform and claimed a large proportion of the primary vote.

As Ms Farrer refused to take a firm position on the gas hub, her primary vote was low in Broome, where the development will arguably have a considerable impact.

Ms Farrer said it was important for Kimberley people to be heard and involved in any development that affected their community.

"I will only support the gas hub if it receives full environmental approval following a proper process, if there is proper management of the cost of living



JOSIE FARRER

pressures in Broome and the Kimberley, if local people and business benefit from the opportunities (and) the companies are able to make a decision on a commercial basis as to what they wish to do without interference from (re-elected WA Premier Colin) Barnett," she said.

Greens candidate Chris Maher was popular in Broome, where he topped the poll in three of the four polling places.

There was an overall swing to the Greens of 12 per cent, and Mr Maher won more than 23 per cent of voters' first preferences across the electorate.

Bardi-Jawi woman Rohanna

Angus said it would be of great benefit for a traditional law woman like Ms Farrer to represent the Kimberley.

"A person with very strong instinct about country is very passionate," she said.

"With things like ruining country ... she's a traditional owner of her country so she'll stand strong to stop anything that goes on in that country. She'll also do that for the Kimberley as well; she'll be that voice for the Kimberley.

"She will do wonders for everyone."

"(But) she can't speak on behalf of the people of Broome ... because (of) cultural protocols and respect. She can't really talk on behalf of them unless she gets invited by Yawuru people."

Ms Farrer was most popular in the remote Aboriginal communities, where she campaigned extensively, and the smaller towns of Wyndham, Halls Creek and Fitzroy Crossing.

She is a member of the Ngarrawanji native title claim and played a key role in setting up the Kimberley Language Resource Centre and the Puranyangu-Rangka Kerrem Aboriginal radio station in Halls Creek.



Sue Gordon and ILC deputy chair Mr Ian Trust sign a handover parchment at the Sister Kate's grant ceremony.

## 'Sister Kate's land return is celebrated



FORMER residents of 'Sister Kate's' home for Aboriginal children in Perth have celebrated the return of a section of the land they grew up on. The Sister Kate's Children 1934-1953 Aboriginal Corporation chairperson Sue Gordon told the *Koori Mail* that former residents (all members of the Stolen Generations) had been fighting for the return of the land since the 1980s.

"It was the only home that most of the children ever knew," Dr Gordon said.

Eight hectares of the property in Queens Park were bought by the Indigenous Land Corporation and handed over to the former residents to manage.

The handover took place on 14 March and was attended by about 60 people.

Ms Gordon said the land was being used to provide accommodation and care for former residents.

"The Sister Kate's Children 1934-1953 Aboriginal Corporation first started negotiations to get some or all of the land in 1988, became a corporation in 2001, and as a charitable organisation has managed the site extremely well," Dr Gordon said.

"We had the divestment



Jeanette Okely and Mary Pearson ring the bell they were never allowed to ring as children at the home.

ceremony (this month) which gives us title to the property, with the absolute caveat that it can't be sold.

"It was a brilliant day. The girls put on a lovely spread and there was a lot of reminiscing going on."



PORTRAITS of Aboriginal boxer Anthony Mundine and Western Australian Elder Wilfred Hicks were among the finalists in this year's Archibald Prize, which was won by Sydney-based artist Del Kathryn Barton with a portrait of actor Hugo Weaving.

The Mundine painting, by WA artist Abdul Abdullah, portrays the boxer with a crown on his head.

Abdullah said he had been a fan of Mundine's since he started boxing but it was before the 2006 fight with Danny Green that he became convinced there was more to 'The Man' than sport.

"Mundine was represented as the bad guy who talked too much, while his opponent was the working-class hero who was going to shut him up," Abdullah explained in his artist statement.

"But when Mundine visited Perth he was down-to-earth, well spoken, and generous with his time.

"He proved himself to be a people's champion and I believe he won the hearts and minds of everyone he met."

Abdullah said he didn't want to portray Mundine as a boxer.



The Man by Abdul Abdullah, a portrait of Anthony Mundine.

"I wanted to show the earnest, deep-thinking person I believe he is. I wanted to show the warrior who fights for a cause bigger than himself," he said.

"The crown is a nod to Basquiat's portrayal of Sugar Ray Robinson and Muhammad Ali."

The other portrait was by Julie Dowling, a WA artist who was a finalist in the Archibald Prize in 2001 and 2002.

She chose Wilfred Hicks, an Elder of the Wong-goo-tt-oo people of the West Pilbara, because "he is a mentor to me



Wilfred Hicks by Julie Dowling.

because he fights for cultural knowledge".

Mr Hicks has been the leading Elder fighting to protect the Burrup rock art, directing the global Stand Up for the Burrup campaign.

Dowling said in her artist's statement, "I paint because my Badimia family does or tried to for about four generations."

"I started portraits as a child so that I could paint the distinctive features of my family and recognise lost family members on public transport," she said.





Some of Crown's Indigenous employees at the RAP launch.



Directors and staff from the Sydney-based National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) Kyle Vander-Kuyp, Shelley Reys, Rohan Tobler, Ros Morgan, Jason Glanville, Emily Scivetti, Carla McGrath and Mickey Kovari at the launch.

# Crown pledge for 2000 jobs

By JILLIAN MUNDY



CROWN Resorts has committed to offering 2000 'job opportunities' to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by 2021, but chairman James Packer admits the company has a long way to go.

The first employer to sign the Australian Employment Covenant (AEC), Crown currently has 104 Indigenous employees, 70 of them working at Crown Perth and the rest at Crown Melbourne. All up, these two resorts employ 14,400 people.

Launching Crown's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) in Melbourne last week, Mr Packer described the company's Indigenous employment programs as a potential 'instrument of change'.

He said the company was in a privileged position in Australian society.

"We acknowledge we have a very real responsibility to the communities we serve," Mr Packer said. "Our board believes, our staff believe and I believe that because of our size and resources we can make our biggest difference to society by providing employment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people."



Crown chairman James Packer with artist Riki Salam and his artwork, which was commissioned for Crown's RAP.

"We know having a job is more than just putting food on the table. It helps define who you are, as a person and as an individual."

"There are few prouder days than when someone gets their first job – it changes their own life, and the people around them. They become a role model for their kids, their brothers, their sisters and their friends. Too many Indigenous Australians miss out on that opportunity."

Mr Packer said the key to Crown's employment programs was to treat every Indigenous worker as an individual and give them the mentoring, respect and support they needed to stay in the job and

reach their full potential.

"But it's only a start, and we are the first to admit we have a long way to go to meet our goals," he said.

The RAP was unveiled at Crown's own college by Mr Packer and Victoria's new Premier, Denis Napthine, in front of guests from across Australia and many of Crown's Indigenous employees.

## Important

Sean Armistead, who heads Crown's Indigenous employment program, told the *Koori Mail* the RAP would engage Crown's entire workforce and management, helping everyone to understand how important the employment

goals are. He said he was building relationships with Indigenous communities, and is 'passionate about matching people to careers they will love'.

"Our chairman James Packer has a passion for Indigenous Australia and wants to give something back," Mr Armistead said.

"This whole commitment is really about how we can help the community. There is no other motive here; it's about the positive impact and opportunity we can make inside our community."

Reconciliation Australia CEO Leah Armstrong said research showed that Indigenous employees and workers in organisations with RAPs had much higher levels of trust than the general population.

"Significantly, 95 per cent of surveyed employees in RAP organisations believe the relationship between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and non-Indigenous staff is good, compared to 46 per cent in the general community," she said.

Last year, Crown announced a partnership with Redfern's National Centre for Indigenous Excellence to develop an Indigenous Hospitality college to train staff for Crown's proposed Sydney six-star resort and high-roller casino.



Crown Indigenous croupier Markus Melville and security officer Kyle Bamblett show what's in a day's work.



Recruitment adviser Linda Loo and mentor adviser Sharon Ninyette from Crown Perth's Aboriginal employment program.



Crown's Sean Armistead and Emma McNeill, an attendant at the Crystal Club Exclusive Lounge, were at the launch.



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# Art project is welcome



**THEY'RE** young, black and not lacking in confidence, which is good given the attention their latest artistic efforts is likely to garner. Internationally celebrated artist Reko Rennie and a group of local young Aboriginal people have transformed an entire Victorian-era terrace house on The Block in Redfern with vibrant graphic designs and murals of inspiring Aboriginal leaders. *Welcome to Redfern*, as the artwork is called, is part of the City of Sydney's visionary Eora Journey program and was launched at the weekend. Eora Journey will comprise seven major public art projects that create a trail that takes people to a range of sites around Sydney that are significant to Aboriginal peoples. The *Welcome to Redfern* terrace at 36 Caroline Street is the first of those seven projects and will eventually house a living museum of Redfern and The Block, a landmark and monument to the neighbourhood's Aboriginal history, activism, community and culture. See our next edition for more. Pictured the week before the launch of *Welcome to Redfern* are artist and mentor Reko Rennie with some of the young artists who helped to transform the terrace, from left, Thea Perkins, Tyrrelle McGrath and Maddy Madden. *Photo by Kirstie Parker*

# Parlt backs recognition



THE South Australian Parliament has passed legislation to officially recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the state's constitution.

Aboriginal leaders welcomed the move, with Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda saying the Parliament had 'joined the groundswell of people around Australia who see constitutional recognition... as a necessary and overdue piece of our national identity'.

The amendments recognise Aboriginal people as the traditional owners and occupants of the land and waters in South Australia and acknowledge past injustices and dispossession.

Premier Jay Weatherill told Parliament it was an Act that had the capacity to reach across generations and was a 'powerful symbol of respect'.

Mr Gooda said the amendments did more than just recognise Aboriginal people as the state's first peoples.

"The (Bill) not only acknowledges and respects Aboriginal peoples as the state's First Peoples but also acknowledges that South Australia's laws were developed without proper recognition, consultation or authorisation of South Australia's Aboriginal peoples," he said.

He said the SA legislation marked another significant step towards the ultimate goal of recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution.

Queensland, NSW and Victoria's constitutions already recognise Indigenous people.

Aboriginal leader and convener of an advisory panel on the bill, Professor Peter Buckskin, told ABC radio the amendment acknowledged that Indigenous people were dispossessed of their land.

"There is now a new respect for our culture that has survived the 175 years of that dispossession," he said.

"This process has really been one of continuing the reconciliation journey."

# Concern over Hakea Prison

By LIZ MURRAY in Perth



**TEENAGE** prisoners are being abused by officers, seeing family and lawyers less, and losing weight because of a lack of food, the inquiry into the riot that wrecked Western Australia's only juvenile prison has been told. Submissions to the Custodial Inspectorate inquiry expressed grave concerns about how young prisoners were being treated in Hakea Prison under the arrangement, which Amnesty International says could go on for up to a year.

Parents of some of the juvenile detainees are readying themselves for legal action, following government inaction over the alleged conditions.

Head of Shine Lawyers' social justice team George Newhouse said legal action could be launched as early as this week, pending responses over a request to intervene sent to the state's Commissioner for Children and Young People (CCYP), and a request for a meeting with Corrective Services Minister Joe Francis.

"The new minister has said he is interested in meeting with the parents of boys in Hakea and we have written to him to take up that offer," Mr Newhouse said, but added that the families needed urgent action, not words.

Court should be an option of

last resort, he said, adding that he would prefer families to engage with the minister to resolve the matter amicably.

The CCYP declined to comment on the complaint from the parents' legal team.

The Department for Corrective Services (DCS WA) has rejected allegations of poor conditions, with a spokesperson saying Hakea is the best option available for the detention of juveniles. The spokesperson said complaints about a lack of food and long lock-downs related to conditions which had been addressed.

## Failures

Inquiry submissions expressed concerns over failures by Hakea Prison to meet Australian and United Nations obligations to separate juvenile detainees from adult inmates, and juveniles convicted of criminal offences from those on remand.

Amnesty International's submission stated "...the existing separation between these young people and the rest of the adult population at Hakea Prison consists only of a wire fence. This leaves children extremely vulnerable".

Scales Community Legal Centre's submission states 'detainees have to be driven through the adult prison for visits each day... have spoken about the adult prisoners yelling and making threatening gestures at

them, leading to a sense of fear and intimidation.'

Allegations of degrading treatment and physical abuse reported in one submission included the use of a restraint jacket on one child, who then had his head 'pushed down the toilet'.

Scales lawyers questioned whether prison staff knew torture was prohibited and were trained to work with juveniles. Legal Aid observed one child being 'handled by Hakea staff and attended at court with cuts and bruises'. Submissions noted parents and lawyers reported difficulties getting contact with the detainees.

One advocate complained 'rolling lock-downs' occurred three to six months before the riot and a blanket approach was applied to all detainees, though relatively few were involved in the January skirmish.

CCYP advised the inquiry 60 per cent of juvenile detainees were on remand and of those, only 20 per cent would ultimately draw a custodial sentence. Its submission said DCS WA had yet to respond the list of concerns. The submission said that at the time of the riot, 135 of the 200 juvenile detainees were Aboriginal.

DCS WA said there were 141 juvenile detainees at Hakea Prison, almost double the number originally transferred in January. — **With additional reporting by AAP**

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# Bowraville mob calls for royal commission

# Still dignified – still waiting



Elijah Duroux, Clinton Speedy's nephew (son of Clinton's late brother Marbuk).

By KIRSTIE PARKER



AFTER 23 years of waiting, they were still dignified. And unfailingly grateful for the support they had received from within the Aboriginal community.

But tears and anger were never far from the surface as one family member after another spoke at a rally in Sydney earlier this month about the 1990 murders of three Aboriginal children at Bowraville on the NSW mid-north coast.

About 300 people joined the protest on 14 March, marching upon the NSW Parliament calling for a royal commission into handling of the deaths of 16-year-olds Colleen Walker (whose body has still not been found) and Clinton Speedy-Duroux, and four-year-old Evelyn Greenup.

Backed by senior lawyers, the children's families have insisted that witness statements not followed up by police soon after Clinton's murder were fresh and/or compelling enough to warrant all three cases being referred to the Court of Criminal Appeal for consideration of a single trial.

But they were further devastated when NSW Attorney-General Greg Smith decided last month not to pursue the retrial of a man previously acquitted of Clinton's and Evelyn's murders. That man is reportedly now working, under another name, with Aboriginal children around Newcastle.

The Bowraville families are now petitioning for a royal commission into the original police investigation, the committals, inquests, two failed trials, and what they say has been a total lack of concern shown to them by the NSW Government.

## Vocal crowd

At the rally, Evelyn Greenup's aunt Barbara Greenup-Davies told the vocal crowd that the police failed to do their job but "under both laws (L-A-W and L-O-R-E), murder is murder, and justice is justice and that's what we're asking for – nothing more, nothing less".

"What happened here is a crime against our family, a crime against our community and a crime against society. It was murder and the murder of children should be everybody's concern – not just some of us, ALL of us. These were children, praise God, children."

Evelyn Greenup's aunt Michelle Jarrett said police needed to be held accountable for their "mess-up" at the beginning of the investigations.



Clinton Speedy's aunt Ronella Jerome led the march from Hyde Park to Parliament House. "We want justice and we're going to fight for it until we get it," she told the crowd outside Parliament House.



Lynda Coe and Angela Coe, both from Cowra, at the march.



Barbara Greenup-Davis addresses the crowd, flanked by her uncle Martin Ballangarry, nephew Blake Greenup-Walker, and sister Patricia Greenup. Seated behind them is Bo Hickey.



The protest on Macquarie Street, Sydney, outside NSW Parliament.



● Left: Evelyn Greenup's mum Rebecca Stadhams is comforted by Evelyn's aunt Michelle Jarrett.

"They should have had this man behind bars. They should have listened when Colleen first went missing ... if they had listened at Colleen, maybe Clinton and Evelyn would have still been here," she said.

Clinton's aunt Helen Duroux asked, "Why the hell are we here, 23 years on, still looking for justice?"

"I'm sure that if it had been three little white kids that were murdered by a black man, they would have had him the next bloody day," she said. "I want to know why haven't we been afforded the same luxury of justice

for our babies ... I hope this time, for once, somebody's going to listen to us."

Elijah Duroux, 15, said it had been the dying wish of his late father Marbuk, Clinton's brother, to see justice done.

"To see that not happen hurts me ... I would love for nothing else than to see this case solved and to seek closure for all three families and extended families of Evelyn, Colleen and Uncle Bubby (Clinton)," Elijah said. "All I want to see is one of Dad's final wishes come true; to see the heartless man who done this put away forever."

Members of Colleen's family also spoke.

"All this family needs is justice, closure, and bring my aunty home," said one of Colleen's nephews.

Outside Parliament, Greens MP David Shoebridge pledged support for a royal commission or, at the very least, a parliamentary inquiry.

"I respect you and your government needs to respect you, far more than it has done for the last 20 years ... Colleen, Evelyn and Clinton deserve justice ... you deserve justice," he said.

The protesters had hoped that

Attorney General Greg Smith would come down from his office to receive a petition calling for a royal commission. However, after an hour of waiting, they had to be content with passing the document on to one of the minister's staffers.

An electronic version of the petition had close to 2000 signatures by Sunday afternoon but the family needs 10,000 to get a parliamentary debate happening on the issue. It can be viewed at [www.change.org/petitions/the-nsw-government-to-grant-a-royal-commission-into-the-bowraville-murders](http://www.change.org/petitions/the-nsw-government-to-grant-a-royal-commission-into-the-bowraville-murders)



# Group looks at native title tax

## Parliament to consider settlement

By DARREN COYNE



A TREASURY-LED working group will examine the tax treatment of native title

payments and look at ways to ensure those payments will be of benefit to future generations.

The formation of the group follows the passing in the House of Representatives of the *Tax Laws Amendment (2012 Measures No.6) Bill* on 18 March.

The bill allows for the payments and non-monetary benefits that are made under a native title agreement to be exempt from tax.

National Native Title Council (NNTC) chief executive Brian Wyatt welcomed the legislation, saying native title payments were used to facilitate greater economic development for current and future generations.

"Having legislative measures in place to enable native title groups and their communities to participate in the economy not only benefits Indigenous people, but also the broader Australian community," he said.

"An appropriate tax treatment on benefits from agreements means that native title groups can invest money for the benefits of future generations and ensure families can use funds to establish businesses, undertake community development projects and facilitate greater employment into the future".

Attorney-General Mark Dreyfus said the amendment provided certainty for native title holders and their partners in minerals and other industries.

"The Government is committed to ensuring native title payments provide real benefit to native title holders now and into the future," he said.

"That is why we will establish a working group to explore how to strengthen governance and promote sustainability in the management of native title payments."

Mr Dreyfus said the working group would include native title and taxation experts and industry stakeholders and it would report to government on options by 1 July.

Assistant Treasurer David Bradbury said the working group would consider a range of options to help hold, manage and distribute native title benefits.

"This will include the Indigenous community development corporation model, which has been the product of significant work by the National Native Title Council, the MCA and leaders



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**— NNTC chief executive Brian Wyatt**



**Greens senator Rachel Siewert: "The extremely high hurdle for Aboriginal people to prove their ongoing connection to the land means that some native title claimants are dying before seeing their claims settled."**

like (academic) Marcia Langton," he said.

"The model focuses on the management of benefits for the future and the application of robust governance standards."

Mr Wyatt said the NNTC looked forward to working over coming months with the Government to "explore the benefits of the model".

### Advisory report

Meanwhile, in an advisory report on the bill, the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs recommended that it pass both Houses.

The report said reforms proposed in the bill would allow parties to agree to set aside

the historical extinguishment of native title in areas for the preservation of the natural environment, such as parks and reserves.

They would also clarify the meaning of negotiating in 'good faith' in future act negotiations and broaden the scope and streamline processes for voluntary Indigenous land use agreements.

Committee chair Shayne Neumann said the Government needed to "build on the dialogue the committee had initiated to develop a more robust and equitable system that delivered sustainable benefits to Indigenous communities and certainty to industry".

Not everyone was happy with the amendment, however, with Shadow Treasurer Joe Hockey telling Parliament the changes would act as a disincentive for an individual to invest native title benefits to provide wealth for future generations.

"Tax will be part of the investment income earned and the distribution of monies to future generations," he said.

The Greens said the legislative changes did not go far enough.

Senator Rachel Siewert said the Greens were supportive of reforms but wanted to see a reversal of the onus of proof requirement that disadvantaged those who had been dispossessed.

"The extremely high hurdle for Aboriginal people to prove their ongoing connection to the land means that some native title claimants are dying before seeing their claims settled," the senator said. — **With AAP**



LEGISLATION enshrining the settlement of the longest running native title claim in the Northern Territory has been introduced to Federal Parliament.

The bill amends Aboriginal land rights laws to acknowledge a landmark agreement struck in November 2009 to resolve the Jabiru native title claim in the Top End.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin told Parliament on Thursday the bill recognised the Mirarr people's traditional ownership of Jabiru. The ownership of land will be transferred from National Parks to the Kakadu Aboriginal Land Trust.

Ms Macklin said the bill would provide for long-term certainty and security of land tenure for the Jabiru town, which services the tourist destination of Kakadu National Park as well as the nearby Ranger uranium mine.

The minister said business operators in the town had expressed concerns about the expiration of the current lease in 2021.

"This has resulted in a reluctance to invest in the town," she told the House of Representatives.

Since 2007, the Federal Government has handed back 42,225 square kilometres of land to traditional owners.

Debate on the *Aboriginal Land Rights and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2013* was adjourned. — **AAP**



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### What will be funded?

The Department will provide funding for:

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### Where can I get further information?

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### How do I apply?

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Cape York traditional owners, former Cape York Land Council chairman Michael Ross, former Wujal Wujal mayor Arnold Wallis and Desmond Tayley of Laura, front the media at Parliament House in Canberra last Wednesday. *Photo by Kerry Trapnell*

# Cape York protection is their goal

By **DARREN COYNE**



**SENIOR** traditional owners from Cape York travelled to Canberra last week to lobby for bipartisan support

for the nomination of their country for World Heritage listing.

The delegation included former Cape York Land Council (CYLC) chairman Michael Ross, former Wujal Wujal mayor Arnold Wallis and Desmond Tayley of Laura.

They want Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke to put a nomination in by July and for Opposition environment spokesman Greg Hunt to support it.

Mr Wallis told the *Koori Mail* that the delegation received a good reception and the TOs had been able to 'lay our cards on the table'.

"Each of them will see our position from their own perspective but hopefully they'll listen because we're the people who have to live with this forever," he said.

Mr Wallis said UNESCO (United Nations Educational,

Scientific and Cultural Organisation) would not consider any nomination until next year.

"So we're calling on both of the major parties to commit to seeing the nomination process through to declaration, should they be elected on September 14," he said.

### Extraordinary

He described Cape York as a vast, intact, landscape of extraordinary natural beauty where natural and Indigenous cultural values were interwoven, diverse and abundant. The area has been managed for tens of thousands of years by its traditional owners, he said, and was one of the last great culturally significant wilderness areas on earth.

"With endorsement from UNESCO, World Heritage listing guarantees that Australians must commit resources to enable the Cape's traditional custodians and residents to care for the region, and that we can all benefit from the protection and preservation of this amazing place," Mr Wallis said.

"It will assist Indigenous

traditional custodians to protect and manage their country, and will support other landholders managing these areas.

"It will bring a source of income and economic opportunity where they are needed most – on the Aboriginal homelands and in the Indigenous communities of Cape York Peninsula."

The delegation also called on the Federal and Queensland Governments to resolve land tenure issues and governance and management arrangements to ensure that TOs were in control of country, with adequate resources to manage it for all Australians.

Former CYLC chairman Michael Ross said it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to advance one of Australia's most significant environmental outcomes.

"We call on Tony Burke to submit a World Heritage nomination over areas of Cape York Peninsula for which we have provided consent by July this year," Mr Ross said.

"There is so much broad support on my lands now that it would break our Elders' hearts if we did not get World Heritage protection."



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By JILLIAN MUNDY



A NEW official dual naming policy to call Tasmanian places by both their original Aboriginal name and introduced

English name appears to have been embraced, but the actions of one developer have annoyed local Aboriginal people.

Under the policy, introduced names will be phased out in favour of palawa kani (Aboriginal language) names as and when they are absorbed into the wider consciousness – much the way that 'Ayers Rock' has reverted to 'Uluru'.

Within days of the announcement at Hobart's most prominent geographical feature, Mt Wellington (kunanyi), several weeks ago, non-Aboriginal developer Adrian Bold – who is pushing for a cable car on the 1271-metre high mountain – registered the domain name kunanyi.org and several variations and linked them to his proposal's website.

There's been vocal opposition, official and community, against Mr Bold's cable car proposal, including from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC).

The developer hoped his actions would secure a meeting with the TAC, saying he would give the domain names to the TAC if they wished in 'due course'.

Mr Bold told the *Koori Mail* it



● Above: Interpretation panels that were installed on top of kunanyi in 2005.

● Right: Heather Sculthorpe considers Adrian Bold's bold move fantastic publicity.

would be 'preferable' to get the Aboriginal community onside, especially to get his proposed interpretation centre running.

"We're trying to change to the Wellington Park Trust Management Plan, which prohibits transport infrastructure," he said, referring to the other structures on the mountain as 'rubbish'.

The plan is under review.

While Aboriginal Affairs Minister Cassy O'Connor has labelled the domain registration disrespectful, TAC CEO Heather Sculthorpe called it a fantastic bonus.

"It's fantastic publicity for us," Ms



Sculthorpe said. "Him ripping us off to get on page one (of the local newspaper), when the actual launch of the policy only made it to page three, it's a fantastic bonus, spreading the word that kunanyi will be the new name of Mt Wellington.

"We think it is an attention-grabbing exercise."

Ms Sculthorpe said people had been saying they could challenge his domain registrations but she dismissed those suggestions as a waste of effort.

"He's also just trying to get attention to himself by causing an argument with us," she said of Mr

Bold. "After he'd done all that, he sent us an email and rang.

"There's no point; we are opposed to the cable car. It's not his mountain and any interpretation of the mountain will be done by the Aboriginal community, not by a cable car proponent.

"We've already got palawa kani written on the mountain on interpretation panels.

"He doesn't own the mountain. There's nothing he can do for us by way of interpretation or giving us a domain name we don't want. It's quite funny."

Palawa kani, the language

revival program for Tasmanian Aboriginal languages, began in the early 1990s.

Aboriginal people who survived the attempted genocide, were sent to concentration camps and taught white man's ways and English.

Ms Sculthorpe said it was at these camps in the 1850s that languages from the different groups that were brought together started to evolve into a composite language, as in other places in Australia.

It has been a 'sleeping language' in many respects, until recently.

For the past two decades, it has been meticulously researched and taught in the Aboriginal community. Songs have been written and welcomes to country spoken proudly in palawa kani. Many words are used by Aboriginal people in everyday conversation.

Where possible, words are from the North East language group, from whom most of Tasmania's Aboriginal people are descended. Where this is not possible, words from other language groups in Tasmania are used.

Research has been extensive with Aboriginal people studying linguistics to obtain the correct pronunciation of word lists recorded by people from England, Germany, Holland, Scotland and France, using their many dialects.

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# Reconciliation Aust 'Elevates' NAB



RECONCILIATION Australia (RA) has recognised the work of the National Australia Bank (NAB) by

awarding it the first ever 'Elevate' status for its commitment to reconciliation.

As the bank last week released its fifth annual Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), RA chief executive Leah Armstrong said the Elevate status was the new gold standard for RAPs, and is reserved for organisations that have demonstrated a long-term commitment to addressing Indigenous disadvantage.

Ms Armstrong said the award followed NAB's 'consistently outstanding' five-year performance.

She also praised the bank's decision to appoint Ernst & Young to audit its RAP performance, saying it was a 'progressive step towards ensuring RAP actions were delivering sustainable outcomes'.

"Reconciliation Australia is confident our people will see this as a positive step towards building trust and strengthening



A didgeridoo player welcomed guests in the foyer at the National Australia Bank RAP launch and, right, NAB Indigenous trainees Thomas Franklin and Luke Wilson at the launch ceremony.



relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," Ms Armstrong said.

While launching the RAP, NAB Group chief executive Cameron Clyne said the RAP was just one way the bank could contribute to creating a wealthier Australia for all.

"We are now five consecutive years into our commitment to address Indigenous disadvantage and build opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and 2013 unveils

some really rewarding progress," he said.

The bank's strategy has been to provide greater access to financial services to promote inclusion, delivering real jobs, promoting an organisational understanding of Indigenous culture, and supporting traditional owners to take advantage of emerging native title opportunities.

Mr Clyne spoke of an Aboriginal couple raising seven foster children, who could

not afford repairs to their van.

"The vehicle was a veritable lifeline for the family – it got the kids to school, enabled groceries to be delivered for such a large family, and kept daily life on track," he said. "Through the NAB No Interest Loans Scheme (NILS), they were able to access a microfinance loan and keep their foster family running, without having to turn to payday lenders."

"The couple not only paid back their loan, but went on to apply for a second so that they could

purchase a fridge and freezer."

Mr Clyne said more than 5000 other Indigenous people had also accessed no-interest loans during 2012.

As well, the bank's Indigenous Money Mentors program had helped more than 5400 people since its inception in 2009.

Mr Clyne said the bank had employed 142 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as well as using Indigenous suppliers in its procurement process.

# Stolen pay compo call



KATTER'S Australian Party (KAP) is calling on the Queensland Government to pay more than \$20 million in compensation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for unpaid wages. The

issue is the first campaign raised by the minor party's so-called 'shadow cabinet'.

Earlier in March, KAP announced

volunteers from outside of the Parliament would speak on behalf of the party on a range of topics to complement its three sitting MPs and form a 'real opposition' in Queensland.

KAP state leader Ray Hopper has called on the Government to pay \$21.2 million in compensation for wages that were routinely withheld from Indigenous people in the early 1900s.

"We've got a government that is going to pay rent on a parliamentary penthouse worth \$650 million that doesn't have to be built," he said, referencing the controversial 1 William Street development.

"And they can't pay these people \$21 million that's owed to them."

The party's 'shadow' health spokesman, Les Muckan, says the Government's lack of support shows what it thinks of Indigenous

people. "The boat people that come here get a lot better deals than what our people are getting here," he said.

"The First Nation people, we're lost. We're still struggling and it's about time this Government wakes up to itself."

Mr Hopper said the party planned to table letters in the Queensland Parliament and closely follow the issue until it was resolved. — AAP



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**Favourite artist?**  
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Lawn bowls. I haven't played for a while because the club closed, but they're putting new greens in soon.

**Favourite holiday destination?**  
Anywhere I can fish but especially the old Barwon River out this way and the Diamantina Lakes in Qld.

**What are you reading?**  
Murder mysteries.

**What are you watching?**  
Football, especially NRL's Panthers and Rabbitohs.

**What is your greatest highlight in life so far?**  
Watching my kids achieving things and finishing their education.

**What do you like in life?**  
Having my family around, especially my five grandkids.

**What do you dislike?**  
People who won't have a go at something, even though they could do it if they tried.

**If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?**  
I would get rid of drugs and I would make our people more confident.

## Quote



**'It is going to take a long journey to get back to where I want to be'**

— Former AFL champion  
Liam Jurrah after being  
cleared by a jury of a serious  
assault in Alice Springs

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## Unquote

## Elevation cause for celebration

THE fact that an Indigenous Australian has become a head of government in Australia IS cause for celebration.

Some people will take issue with new NT Chief Minister Adam Giles' haste to declare himself an Australian and Territorian first and foremost. But this should not be taken to mean he's not proud of his Aboriginal (Kamilaroi) heritage. What he appears to be saying, and he's entitled to do so, is that it was his ability – not his Aboriginality – that won him the top job, and it is his ability that he should be judged on.

Giles' scrapping of the Indigenous Advancement portfolio may reflect a heartfelt view that Indigenous affairs should be the business of every MP in a jurisdiction where nearly 30 per cent of the population is Aboriginal.

But it is difficult to believe that Giles wouldn't have gleaned at least some satisfaction from the move, given that it did fellow Aboriginal Country Liberal MP Alison Anderson – who worked against him in an earlier leadership challenge – out of one of her ministerial gigs.

Ironically, Giles was largely credited with wooing Anderson away from the cross benches and into the CLP's embrace before last year's Territory election. Watch this space.

Meanwhile, the mortgage Labor once had on being the party most receptive to Indigenous political aspirations is dwindling. Despite Prime Minister Julia Gillard's 'captain's pick' of Nova Peris for an NT Senate seat at the next election, Labor is yet to get an Indigenous Australian into the Federal Parliament. Contrast this to the Coalition's two (the



## OUR SAY

late Senator Neville Bonner and current MP Ken Wyatt) and the Greens' one (former Senator Aden Ridgeway). Of course, Labor still has Linda Burney in NSW and Ben Wyatt and now Josie Farrer in WA, but they're outnumbered by the NT's Indigenous CLP members alone.

On another important topic, the justice system has dealt two very different hands to the families of Aboriginal murder victims in NSW in recent times.

In one, the Bowraville families of murdered teens Colleen Walker and Clinton Speedy-Duroux and four-year-old Evelyn Greenup were told that the man they're convinced murdered their children 23 years ago would not be pursued for a single, combined trial. The families are asking for public support for a royal commission into the police handling of the deaths.

Contrast that with the sense of relief that the families of two murdered young Aboriginal mothers – Lateesha Nolan and Kristy Scholes – are now feeling, given Malcolm John Naden's guilty pleas in the NSW Supreme Court last week.

The circumstances of these various murder cases are, of course, quite different. But common to them all has been the dignity shown by all of the families.

**Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned**



By JILLIAN MUNDY

**S** EVEN billion stories and counting... Well, maybe that's an exaggeration, but there's no doubt John Harding has plenty of stories to tell.

The 52-year-old loud and proud Meriam/Ku Ku man, born and bred in Melbourne, is a mover and shaker in his local community.

A natural-born humorous and passionate storyteller, Harding has spent a great deal of his life telling stories – to students as a teacher of history and politics, as a playwright of award-winning theatre productions, as a creator of radio shows and documentaries, as a poet, an actor, a reporter on ABC and SBS, to politicians as a ministerial adviser and – just as importantly – to his mates.

Born to the late Eleanor Harding, who like many Aboriginal people had moved south to Melbourne to escape the oppressive *Queensland (Protection) Act*, politics and struggle were part of life.

"The apartheid (law) in South Africa was based on the *Queensland Act*. It's a true story; she had to get out of there," Mr Harding explained.

It was in Melbourne that the family made new roots, and Harding credits his upbringing there for the direction his life has taken.

"Mum met my father (the late Jack Harding) in Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. You can't get much more Melbourne than that. The only thing I can't do is put in a native title claim," he joked.

What life lacked in economic privilege was made up for in the sense of compassion, empathy and social justice his mother instilled in him and his siblings.

Eleanor was involved in politics and the betterment of Aboriginal people, taking in foster kids, promoting the 1967 referendum, starting the first Aboriginal women's shelter in Australia and encouraging her seven children to gain an education.

"They used to call her the Mum Shirl of Fitzroy," Harding said.

"It affected all our lives. I have the same compassion I was bought up with. Mum would say you treat a prime minister the same way as a beggar in the street.

"I've had a lucky life. I have three beautiful children and I consider myself very fortunate to make it to 52. I've outlived a lot of my friends by 12 or 15 years. Look at the average life expectancy of black men.

"I played in the Fitzroy Stars Aboriginal premiership side in 1986. Eight of them are dead. You show me any white football side in Melbourne from that generation where a third of them has died, not from car accidents, but from life.

"It makes you realise how lucky you are, and you've got to share it, investing in the kids, giving them the same crack at life you had. The Great Spirit extended my luck for a reason. I have an innate desire to ensure that the next generation of our black kids have more of an opportunity than we ever did to reflect their culture in modern-day society. This is what motivates me."

## Achievements

Amongst Harding's proudest achievements is co-founding Australia's longest-running Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander theatre company, Ilbjerri, with Kylie Belling in 1991.

"We returned from the second Black National Playwrights Conference in 1989. It was a turning point, a very political conference. When Kylie and I came back it really inspired us," he said.

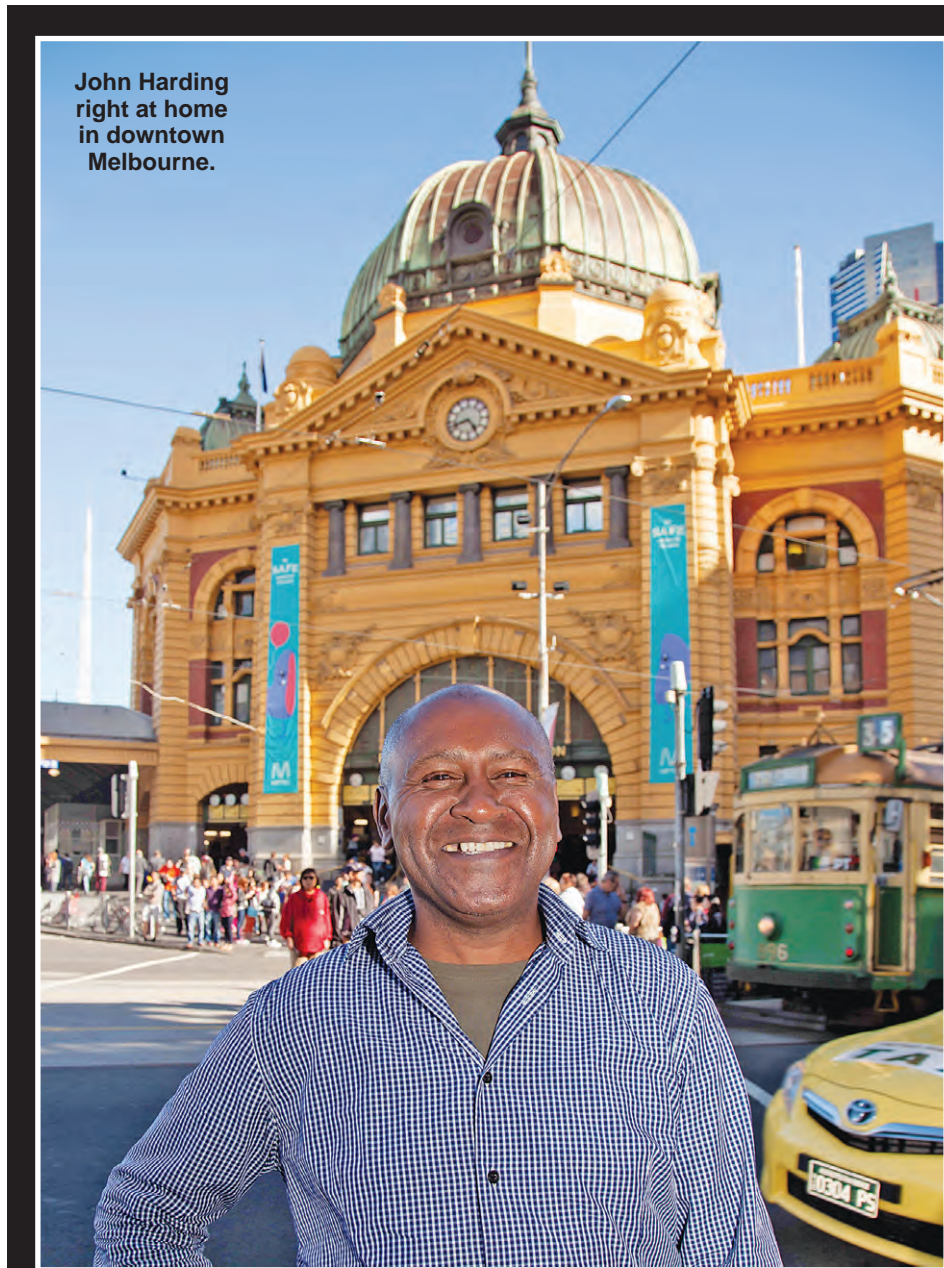
"We wanted to change the stereotypes of Aboriginal people. There were very few black people on stage or in television. Kylie was the only black actress in Melbourne and if you're not visible, you're invisible.

"There was a niche waiting to be filled – not all Koori kids want to play football."

Realising the theatre company which they had worked so hard to create had no material, Harding wrote *Up the Road* which premiered at the Aborigines Advancement League and played in Melbourne for four weeks. It went on to be further workshopped, touring festivals and mainstream theatre.

"The regional tour finished in Canberra. It had gained notoriety; there were about 300 blackfellas there. It received a standing ovation – it was all about them," Harding said.

"One of the premises is if you're a black



# Proud, loud, lucky!

public servant you've always got two bosses, and if one's happy the other one's going to be upset."

In 1997, *Up the Road* won the Australian Human Rights Art award.

Only this month Ilbjerri won the \$80,000 Sidney Myer Arts Award.

Like three of his siblings, Harding has cemented a place in Australia's black arts scene.

He moved to Sydney for six years, helping to set up the Australian Film Commission's Indigenous Unit, and worked as a reporter on SBS's ICAM and ABC. He also wrote the radio show-cum-play *Enuff*, with the

assistance of an Australia Council for the Arts fellowship.

Harding's other playwright credits include *No Parking*, *Black and Tran 2* (with comedian Hung Le in which he also acted) and *Second Helping*.

When talking to Harding it seems with every achievement and involvement across the years there's always an interesting yarn attached.

When Harding heard about Crown Resorts' commitment last week to offer 2000 jobs to Aboriginal people, there was a story to be told dating back 20 years.

"I was working for the trade union

movement in '93 when the Crown Casino was getting built. Probably midway through construction one of my jobs was to approach the casino general manager and ask her to basically have an Aboriginal employment program, so I went over and met with this woman," he said.

"I explained what we wanted, which amounted to about 60 Aboriginal staff. She just laughed and scoffed.

"I had to report to (the late) John Halfpenny, the then secretary of the Victorian Trades Hall Council, and tell him how I went with Crown Casino.

"He rings her up and says, 'You just met with Comrade Harding, I want a meeting with you now'.

"John Halfpenny walks in, puts down his walking cane. She says the Aboriginal Employment Program idea has to go through the board and is a bigger decision than she can make as general manager.

"John Halfpenny says, 'Do you want this built or not?' She says, 'Of course I do, John'.

"There were construction workers everywhere; he would have pulled them all off the site. He says, 'Well that's not much to ask' and just pushed the list across the table. We got them."

Harding is also passionate about seeing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people get access to a good education.

With a Bachelor of Arts degree under his belt at age 21, his working life started with the Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency, which successfully campaigned to get the files of Stolen Generations children released.

Harding went on to help set up the Victorian Aboriginal Education Association, giving Aboriginal families a voice in their children's education for the first time, before returning to Melbourne University to complete a Diploma in Education.

"I was the 12th Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander graduate from Melbourne Uni. I'm quite proud of that," he said.

"At that point there were 30,000 students there."

Harding taught at three high schools during his Diploma of Education.

"I told (the students) I was Ku Ku (pronouncing it 'cookoo')," he said.

"It was great fun; the kids loved me. I was easily the first Aboriginal person nearly all of those kids would have met."

## Inspirational

It's not hard to imagine that Harding would have been an inspirational teacher, but the classroom couldn't hold him.

From 1989 to 1992, he ran the student centre at Melbourne University, along with the late Lisa Bellear.

"Dr Ian Anderson, the first Aboriginal doctor in Australia, was one of my students," Harding said.

"We also had Tony Birch who's a famous author. Cathy Freeman was there, but she dropped out because she got too involved in athletics... probably a good thing. Imagine if she'd stayed. She would have never been in the Olympic Games," he said, laughing.

There was also a stint heading up economic development for Aboriginal Affairs Victoria.

"We were trying to get black organisations to think past welfare, to think about setting up business and to get them things like an office in the main street," he said.

"It was fantastic. I drive around Victoria and look at some of the communities and think, wow, I remember when you were operating out of a lounge room."

If luck stays on his side, Harding's story is far from ending. The latest project he's turned his hand to, 'Yarnin – A history of land rights in Victoria', documenting history while training a new generation of Indigenous filmmakers and journalists, has just won a SheppARTon award.

And there's more excitement brewing, this time with a touch of Hollywood.

Three weeks ago Harding met with Film Victoria after being approached by an international director interested in turning *Up the Road* into a film, 16 years after the curtains were drawn in Canberra.

"I was approached by Biju Viswanath. He is a Hollywood director who has worked with (US actor) Denzel Washington," Harding said. "I want Denzel Washington to play me – he'll just have to shrink by a foot though."

Personally, this writer would prefer to see Harding play himself.



# We need more singles events

**T**HE other day I got a flyer for a singles event down in Albury next month.

It looks very interesting! It's for single Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged over 25.

The tickets are \$30 and, bless, they've got no refunds! So if you turn up there and don't find a man you can't ask for a refund, okay?

Check out the National Calendar section in this edition (Page 33) – the details about it are in there.

I hosted a singles event once. I had it in Redfern and a busload of aunties came down from Newcastle, bless them!

I would have preferred a busload of fullas but, hey, what can you do?

I think in the end there would have been three ladies to every fulla that turned up. Everyone still had a nice night though.

I had a deadly DJ spinning some mad tunes, got the kitchen to knock up some lovely gourmet blackfulla food that I never eat normally – like kangaroo burgers and lilli pilli drinks.

True as God, I really need to be getting myself some of this real food instead of 'modern food' like rice and mince gravy! After midnight when the

party was winding down and the bar people were wild 'cos they hardly sold any grog (apparently most were on the fizzy drinks), all this other mob were just turning up wanting to get in.

Seems like midnight is just when people wanna get out and party while I'm looking for some tea, toast and bed.

I wasn't lucky enough to meet my lubba but, gee, I had a lovely nite.

It's a lot of hard work to organise an event, let alone a singles event, but it's deadly when some mob organises them.

We need more of them 'cos

it's hard to meet people but it's also great fun. Sure, we have sports events and the mob might go out afterwards to the pub, but there are no regular events for partying and socialising for the sake of just meeting other people.

For this reason alone, all you single fullas should head out and support the locals taking time out to do stuff us little fullas are too slack to do!

I hope the organisers of the singles event in Albury make me a special spot 'cos you never know... Ms Koori Love might have to catch the Countrylink XPT down to Albury and put her face in!



**Ms KOORI LOVE**

[mkskoorilove@koorimail.com](mailto:mkskoorilove@koorimail.com)

## Answers to our Edition 546 Crossword. How did you go?

<b>ACROSS</b>	16. Darwin	4. Griffith
1. Compensation	18. Kangaroo	7. Commissioner
5. Dhari	19. Cowboys	8. Qantas
6. Solar	20. Surgeon	11. Netball
9. Johnny	<b>DOWN</b>	12. Bangarra
10. Lightning	2. O'Farrell	14. Lionel
13. Ballarat	3. Tasmania	15. Bombers
		17. ACON

# Our brain-teasers

## Edition 547 Koori Mail Word Search

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## Applications invited for 2013 NAIDOC Funding

The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, the Hon Victor Dominello MP, recently announced funding of \$80,000 to support 2013 NAIDOC events.

Applications for funding are invited from now until 19 April 2013.

As part of the NSW Government's commitment to fairness and transparency, this year we are delivering an improved process to assess NAIDOC funding applications that is more open and equitable.

Interested organisations should download the application form and selection criteria from the Aboriginal Affairs website at [www.daa.nsw.gov.au](http://www.daa.nsw.gov.au), or obtain copies from any office of Aboriginal Affairs. Call 9219 0700 to find the location of your nearest office.

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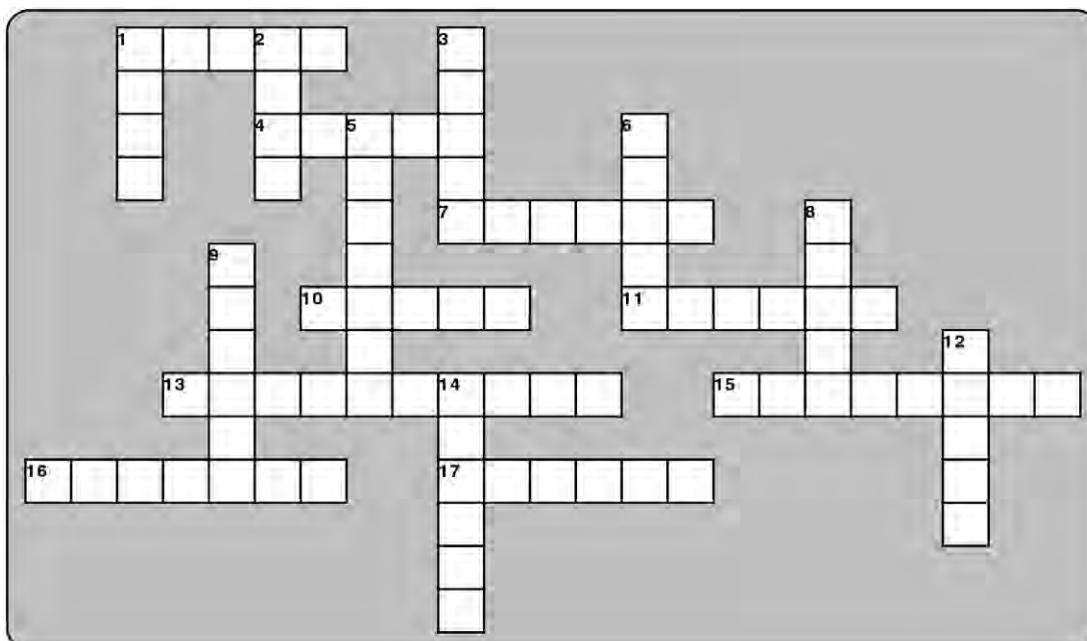
SOLUTIONS IN OUR NEXT EDITION

### ACROSS:

- City on land of the Noongar people.
- Major Adelaide festival held this month.
- Christian festival celebrated this coming weekend.
- New NT Chief Minister Adam ...
- Nickname of Melbourne AFL Club.
- Place of higher learning.
- Medal awarded to best and fairest in AFL.
- Midnight Oil front man and now minister. Peter ...
- Sea animal used in Kup Murri feast.

### DOWN:

- Leader of the



Roman Catholic church.

2. Islands north of Darwin.

3. Person who presides in court

case.

5. Health professional who helps to deliver babies.

6. Goal worth one

point in rugby league.

8. Native Australian dog.

9. Medal for third place at Olympics.

12. Large sacred rock in central Australia.

14. Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras is held in this city.





## Qld logging confusion

PEOPLE I speak to are confused about the nature of the logging proposed to restart in far north Queensland.

It is neither rainforest nor selective. The State Government proposal, with no Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service participation in the five-year harvest plans, is targeted at the clear-felling of sensitive ecotone forests in the Herberton, Ravenshoe and Kuranda areas.

These are mostly wet sclerophyll habitat, which is our rarest regional type of forest, wedged between rainforest and dry sclerophyll.

As well as devastating significant habitat for native wildlife, including cassowaries, there are far better timber alternatives to destroying fragile, native forests – the sustainable plantation industry.

To propose systematic logging of our precious forests without proper process or public consultation is extraordinary in the modern age where, more and more, we place value on these precious, diminishing habitats that are also a rich source of income and employment in the tourism sector.

**STEVE BRECH**  
Far North Qld Greens  
media spokesperson  
Manunda, Qld

## It IS time for a true voice

I AM writing regarding the story 'The time for a true Indigenous voice' (Your Say, 27 February 2013). Deadly! Serious, thank you guys.

And like my Gomeri cousin Alice Haines was saying in the article 'Opponents warn of hunger strike' (also 27 February), it is a sleight of hand by Government to encourage constitutional aspiration among the Indigenous community ahead of political and representative (democratic) aspirations.

They is just cookin' the books, guys, and want your Koori name on it!

Hey, we're boomerangs and we're coming back.

**CAROL A MORGAN**  
Kamilaroi from Tamworth, NSW



Dingoes frolic on a Queensland beach. Photo by Jennifer Parkhurst

## Baiting of dingoes

THE lefty/vegetarians (posing as greenies) are planning some demos for Prime Minister Julia Gillard's benefit on live exports, which they claim are cruel.

As if they care.

If they were really concerned about cruelty, they'd be screaming "bloody murder" over 1080 baiting of dingoes!

If someone died and made me king and I decided all people involved in organised religions were neither useful nor ornament

and decided to poison them using a poison that made them scream their lungs out in agony for about an hour before they died, there'd be hell to pay. Yet that's exactly the type of death 1080 deals out to dingoes.

Do these lefty/vegetarians give a damn? Not on your life.

**FRANK BROWN**  
Wetherby Station  
Richmond, Qld

## Original NAIDOC theme support

THIS is an open letter to the National NAIDOC Committee.

While I have appreciated, since 1972, your commitment in coming up with a variety of catchy themes over the years for NAIDOC, I would like to draw your attention to the original theme of NAIDOC – to work towards establishing a national public holiday in the

Australian public holiday calendar that celebrates the survival and ongoing culture of we Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Over the years, it appears we have let this key original theme slip away along the roadside, collecting dust and left unattended.

So next year can we forgo

the catchy themes and return to the original theme, and keep it until we achieve what our Elders had first set out to achieve when they proclaimed and formed the NAIDOC Committee in 1957.

**WALHA UDI MARVYN**  
McKENZIE  
South Australia

## Keeping Your Say short and sweet

A BIG thanks to all of our readers for sending letters, poems and other feedback; we love hearing from you.

You can help us by keeping your letters to 400 words or less and poems generally no more than 25 medium-length lines. This will increase your chances of being published.

Even if sent via email, all letters and

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– EDITOR



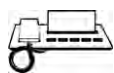
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## POETRY

### My Black Queen

I'm a walking on this road,  
I'm a travelling all alone  
So I could see you.  
You're my heart, my soul  
and you mean so much to me.

Koorie Girl, you know that I  
love you,  
100% that's true  
How could I go on living,  
no I can't do without you.  
My angel, you mean the  
world to me.

You're my love, my life, my  
sweet dreams.  
Deadly, my Indigenous  
Black Queen.  
My precious pearl,  
I love you with all my  
heart.

I will reach my destiny, you  
then will realise how  
determined I was to travel,  
for you and me to be.  
I could still picture your  
gorgeous looks with curly  
blonde hair and your  
glowing smile and your  
beautiful sparkling eyes.

Happiness and great times  
with no regrets  
In Grafton on the mid north  
coast, we both never will  
forget.

You're my love, my life, my  
sweet dreams.  
Deadly, my Indigenous  
Black Queen.  
My precious pearl,  
I love you with all my heart.

**CRAIG LARDNER**  
Dunghutti from  
Kempsey, NSW

PS: I would like to thank all  
the deadly crew at the  
Koori Mail in Lismore for  
doing very good work for  
all Indigenous people  
out there who enjoy  
buying and reading the  
newspaper. I'm definitely  
one of them. Thank you,  
my deadly brothers and  
sisters. Be strong, stay  
strong.





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Expressions of Interest sought from Indigenous groups

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69 AND 71 HAGGUP STREET, CLEVELAND

The Indigenous Land Corporation is seeking expressions of interest from Indigenous organisations to lease one or two properties in Brisbane for the conduct of services, business activities, or programs that benefit Indigenous people.

The properties, are at 69 and 71 Haggup Street, in Cleveland, Brisbane, Qld.

Proposals from Indigenous organisations will need to demonstrate that services and programs are financially sustainable and land holding costs can be met under a lease agreement.

Expressions of interest will be assessed against the following criteria:

- Ability to achieve benefits for Indigenous people;
- Financial viability/sustainability of the proposed services and land use;
- Capacity of the organisation to deliver the proposed land use including its track-record in delivering services to Indigenous people; and
- Compliance with local government zoning/laws for the proposed land use.

Proposals must include information on how the intended land use or proposed services will be accommodated at either property and specify any contributions that the organisation/s will be making to enable the intended land use.

Both properties will be open for inspection on 9 April 2013 between 12.00pm and 2.00pm

The term of the lease will be subject to negotiations with the successful applicant/s.

Expressions of Interest close

16 April 2013

For further information please contact:

Sonia Hayes  
Indigenous Land Corporation,  
Brisbane on (07) 3854 4600  
easternoffice@ilc.gov.au

## Tribute

# Senior artist was one of the greats

By GEOFF VIVIAN

SENIOR Balgo artist Eubena Nampitjin passed away earlier this month.

Nampitjin was a senior law woman and respected traditional healer at Wirrimanu community, a former Balgo mission in the Tanami Desert of the south-east Kimberley.

She was born in the 1920s at Tjinndjaldpa, south of Jupiter Well near the Canning Stock Route, and did not see white men until she was married.

These men were drovers. She and her first husband followed them north to Billiluna station in the 1950s before moving to the Catholic mission.

One of the original Balgo artists, she started painting in the mid-1980s, but visited her own desert country far to the south of Balgo for increasing periods, eventually spending weeks and months at a time away from the community.

When in the community, she painted every day at Balgo's Warlayirti Art Centre.

Art centre coordinator Tracey Grigg described Nampitjin as *the* senior artist.

"She was the one that set the bar as to how high the standard was and she



● Pictured: *Kinyu* by Nampitjin (Image courtesy Warlayirti Artists). Here, Nampitjin has painted some of her country south-west of Balgo along the middle stretches of the Canning Stock Route. The majority of the painting shows the tali (sandhills) that dominate this country. This is the country where Kinyu the spirit dog lives.

continually forged that standard and made it higher and higher," Ms Grigg said.

"She was in here every single day painting from nine o'clock in the morning till usually about two o'clock in the afternoon. Just by being in here and also being so dedicated to painting and dedicated to the art centre, I think that kind of set the bar as to what you needed to be and what you needed to do to become a good painter.

"Her work was continually evolving."

A Wankatjungka speaker, Nampitjin also had an extensive knowledge

of the Kukatja language which is the main language spoken at Balgo. She was an important contributor to the Kukatja dictionary.

Nampitjin's works have fetched an average price of more than \$13,000 since 1995, and brought a total of more than \$1.2 million.

She is represented in many high-profile private and public collections in Australia and overseas. *Australian Art Collector* magazine rated her as one of Australia's 50 most collectible artists.

She was a great-great-grandmother.



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Natalie Russell, Reema Franks and Josh Campton at the launch of the Goonellabah Youth Protocol.

# Project promotes respect



THE Lismore City Council in northern NSW has launched a project aimed at promoting respect between young people and authority figures.

The Goonellabah Youth Protocol sets out a series of guidelines for those using public and private spaces around Goonellabah, a suburb of Lismore with a high percentage of Aboriginal residents.

Those guidelines are in a series of posters, brochures and pocket-sized cards which detail what is and isn't appropriate behaviour.

Youth and community development officer Lizette Twisleton said the protocol was developed during a series of consultations involving schools, local businesses, police and youth workers. "The protocol gives teachers and youth workers the tools to start a respectful conversation about how to treat others," she said.

Kadina High School student Reema Franks said the protocol was "really good for kids to read" so they would know their rights.

"It shows what they can and can't do," she said. "It's like a tiny, cool book of laws for the community."

Ms Twisleton said the idea behind the protocol was to "really discern between anti-social behaviour and criminal behaviour".

"When anti-social behaviour is displayed a heavy-handed approach does not always help the situation and this really looks at how to communicate respectfully to young people in those scenarios," she said.

"It also clearly identifies for young people different behaviours, reasonable expectations of community members and what are fair consequences.

"We want to bring everyone to a place where they can all be respectful of each other, and make our community safer and happier."

Richmond Local Area Command police youth liaison officer Straun Presgrave said police had been involved in the preparation of the protocol, with Aboriginal community liaison officers having input. He said anything that could help curb anti-social behaviour while promoting respect was welcome.

## On board in Mildura



MICHAEL GILBY and Rob Connelly have been elected to the board of management of the Mildura Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) and will serve until the organisation's annual general meeting in November.

Mr Gilby is a Barkindji man from Mildura who works as a policy officer for the Department of Primary Industries in Victoria.

Mr Connelly is a descendent of the Wiradjuri people in central NSW who was born in Swan Hill. He works for the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations on parental and community engagement.

## NSW NAIDOC funding applications invited



NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello has invited schools, local

Aboriginal land councils and community groups to apply for funding to help finance NAIDOC Week events.

"This year marks the 30th anniversary of the *NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act*, which established an elected network of land councils across the state and provided a framework for compensation for land taken as a result of colonisation," the minister said.

The NSW Government is providing \$80,000 for NAIDOC Week events.

This year's theme is 'We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963', which celebrates the 50th anniversary of the presentation of petitions to the Federal Parliament by the Yolngu people of Arnhem Land.

Selection criteria and application forms are available at [www.daa.nsw.gov.au](http://www.daa.nsw.gov.au) and at local offices of NSW Aboriginal Affairs. Telephone (02) 9219 0700 for details.

Applications must be lodged before 19 April.

## Ex-Hawthorn player scores Ngarda role



FORMER Hawthorn AFL midfielder Chance Bateman has joined Ngarda Civil and

Mining to help run outreach and health programs for children living in Western Australia. Mr Bateman was the first Indigenous player to reach 100 games at Hawthorn. His family, of Noongar heritage, are from York in the Wheatbelt.

In addition to promoting Ngarda, Mr Bateman will visit schools throughout the

Pilbara region as part of the Kicks4Kidz program, which uses sport as an incentive for Indigenous children to attend school, understand the importance of education, health, and the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

It provides sporting equipment to kids through a rewards-based system.

"I'm passionate about footy, so to be able to use sport to help inspire kids to have fun but also learn about healthy life choices is something I am looking forward to," Mr Bateman said.

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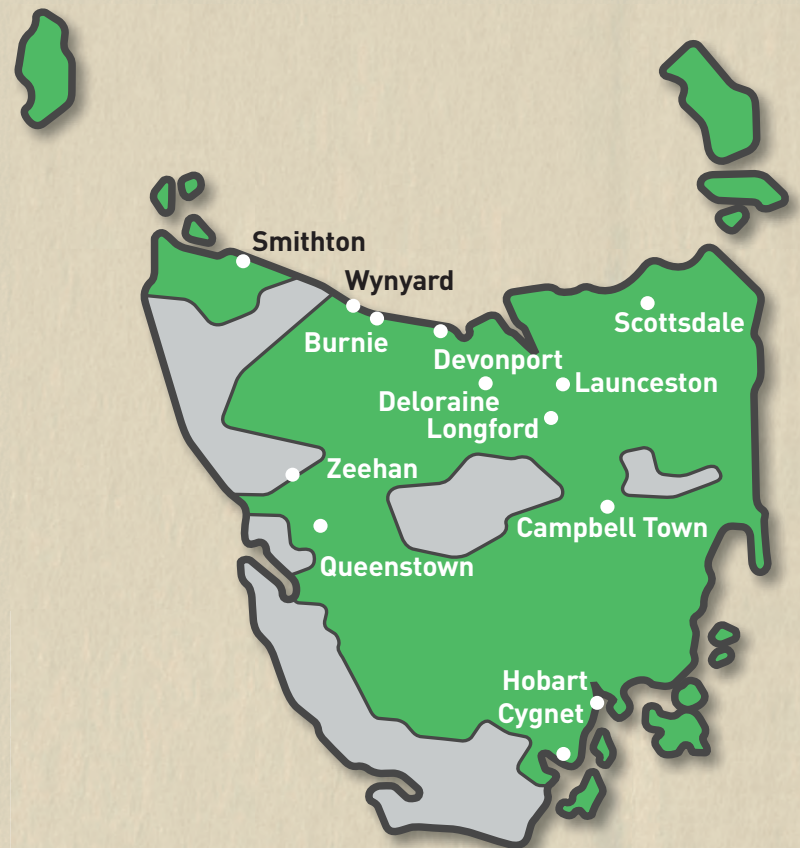
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# Policy aids languages



**PRESERVING** languages and promoting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures are central goals of the

Federal Government's new Creative Australia policy.

Then Federal Arts Minister Simon Crean said last week that \$54 million would be spent over four years on preserving and encouraging the use of Indigenous languages.

As well, the new policy gives a \$613,000 boost to Bangarra Dance Company, provides ongoing funding for NITV, and provides \$12.8 million to the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) for the digitisation of its collections.

Mr Crean said the Creative Australia policy recognised the central role of Indigenous cultures in national life.

"One of the five goals of the national cultural policy is to recognise, respect and celebrate the centrality of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures to the uniqueness of Australian identity," he said.

"As one of the oldest living cultures in the world, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are producing some of the most exciting and dynamic artforms on Earth.

Other Indigenous features of the package include:

- About \$14 million in new funding over four years to develop community-driven language resources and activities, as an extension of the Indigenous Languages Support program.

- Renewal of funding of more than \$11 million over four years to continue the Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support Program.

- Using the 2012 Indigenous Art Centre Plan to provide a framework aimed at strengthening the Indigenous visual arts industry.

- Updating the National Indigenous Languages Policy in response to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Inquiry into language learning in Indigenous communities.

- Developing a nationally accredited training package to enhance the knowledge, flexibility and skills base of people working in Indigenous visual arts.

- \$1.1 million to establish the

2012 Screen Australia Media RING Indigenous Employment Strategy, funded by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations to create 40 new jobs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the media and screen industries over two years.

- Continuing the Resale Royalty for Visual Artists Scheme with \$700,000 in 2012 to ensure visual artists continue to benefit from the commercial sale of their works on the secondary art market.

- Developing a policy framework to respect and protect Indigenous people's traditional cultural expressions.

- \$30 million for the new Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledge and Education at Charles Darwin University, including a new gallery space.

- Building on the National Arts and Disability Strategy to improve access to culture for people with disability and apply arts-led approaches to increasing a culture of tolerance and inclusion for people with disability in line with the National Disability Strategy.

First Languages Australia coordinator Faith Baisden welcomed funding for languages, saying it reflected other significant outcomes for community language programs.

## Recognition

"This policy now gives due recognition to traditional languages as a cultural anchor, rather than a lesser arm of broader cultural programs," she said.

"On top of the funding for languages, it also sees additional funding being made available for the digitisation of materials held in AIATSIS, which has been a major concern for people working with languages for many years."

Bangarra executive director Catherine Baldwin said the Government's increased investment in Bangarra would be 'repaid exponentially in cultural returns'.

"By building our capacity, more Australians will be inspired by our performances and experience our community outreach programs," she said.

"Public funding gives us a strong foundation on which to build our corporate and philanthropic support, to achieve sustainable artistic and business success."



● Above: A Bangarra Dance Company female ensemble with Kathy Balngayngu Marika during a performance of *Spirit* at the Hanoi Opera House in Vietnam on 2 March. Photo by Roger Stonehouse



● Left: First Languages Australia committee members Bridget Priman and Faith Baisden at the Brisbane hearing of the Inquiry into Language Learning in Indigenous Communities.



## The NSW Environmental Trust invites applications to the Protecting our Places Aboriginal Grants Program

This program supports Aboriginal community groups and organisations to protect land that is significant to Aboriginal people and run education projects about the environment and its importance in Aboriginal life.

Grants of between \$2,000 and \$35,000 are available  
(Total program \$500,000)

For more information about the program contact the  
Aboriginal Programs Officer on (02) 8837 6399

Applications open on 16 March 2013 and close at 5pm on 31 May 2013

### Workshops and Webinars

Available to help you prepare a quality grant application.

#### Webinar dates

22 April, 23 April, 24 April and 20 May at 10am - 11am

#### Workshop dates and locations

**Tweed** (21 March) **Batemans Bay** (26 March) **Sydney - Penrith** (4 April)  
**Coonabarabran** (9 April) **Bourke** (11 April) **Condobolin** (30 April)  
**Balranald** (2 May) **Deniliquin** (7 May) **Bowraville** (14 May) **Newcastle** (16 May)

To register please contact the Trust on (02) 8837 6093 or  
email [info@environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au](mailto:info@environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au)

Guidelines and application forms are available on the Trust website:

[www.environment.nsw.gov.au](http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au)



**Family & Community Services**  
Community Services

## NSW Domestic and Family Violence Council Applicants Sought

Applicants are sought for membership of the newly formed NSW Domestic and Family Violence Council, an expert alliance between government and non-government service providers that respond to Domestic and Family Violence in NSW.

The Council will provide advice on current and emerging issues to the Domestic and Family Violence Ministerial Group, as well as influence and direct reforms proposed under the NSW Domestic and Family Violence Reforms program.

Fifteen members will represent their individual organisations: eight from non-government organisations and seven from government agencies including Family and Community Services; NSW Police Force; Health; Attorney General and Justice; Department of Premier and Cabinet; Education; and Aboriginal Affairs.

Applicants must demonstrate expertise in matters relating to domestic and family violence, as well as excellent communication and networking skills. Service provider or academic experience in the following domestic and family violence areas will be highly regarded - prevention; service provision; child protection; men's behavioural change; mental health and research.

Members will be required to work within the Council's work plan, including research, community consultation, workshop facilitation, critical analysis and report writing. They will be appointed for a three-year term and reimbursed under the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet's *Guidelines for NSW Board and Committee Members: Appointments and Remuneration*.

#### How to Apply

For more information please go to 'Applicants Sought' on the Violence Prevention menu at [www.women.nsw.gov.au](http://www.women.nsw.gov.au)

Applications close at close of business 17 April 2013.

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### Does Your Group Need More Funding? Ashfield ClubGRANTS 2013

*applications are opening soon*

Last year the Clubs in the Ashfield area supported over 80 groups and organisations to deliver projects directly benefitting the Ashfield community. Eligible groups must be local, non-profit and incorporated. Your proposed project must benefit the residents of the Ashfield local government area.

**You can apply online at:**

<http://clubgrants-ashfieldcouncil.smartygrants.com.au/category12013>

Applications will open at 9am, Monday 25 March  
and close at 12 midnight, Tuesday 30 April 2013.  
Successful applicants will be notified by late August.

**Interested ?** Then come to one of the following Information Sessions

• **Thursday 4th April at 10am – 11am at The Civic Centre**

• **Thursday 4th April at 5.30pm – 6.30pm at The Civic Centre**

Register with Christina on 9716 1842 or email: [christinao@ashfield.nsw.gov.au](mailto:christinao@ashfield.nsw.gov.au)

**Customer Service Centre** 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield NSW 2131

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Royal Commission into  
Institutional Responses to  
Child Sexual Abuse

### THE FIRST SITTING OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION

The Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse will hold its first sitting at 10.00 am on Wednesday 3 April 2013 at the County Court of Victoria, 250 William Street, Melbourne.

All Commissioners will be present. The Chair, Justice McClellan AM, will provide information on the work of the Royal Commission including the future conduct of public and private hearings. Senior Counsel assisting will also deliver an opening statement. There will be no evidence taken at this first sitting and there will be no appearances for the purpose of seeking leave to appear.

The sitting will be streamed live to the public via webcast on the Commission's website at [www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au](http://www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au). The County Court has limited capacity for public viewing and interested individuals and organisations are therefore encouraged to view the proceedings via the webcast.

A transcript of the sitting will also be available on the Commission's website as soon as possible following the sitting. Further information is available on the Commission's website, or via the call centre on 1800 099 340.

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**Australian Government**

Department of Families, Housing,  
Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

### PERSONAL HELPERS AND MENTORS REMOTE SERVICES

#### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Australian Government Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) invites eligible organisations to apply for funding to establish Personal Helpers and Mentors Remote services under the Targeted Community Care (Mental Health) Program.

Non-government organisations can apply for funding to establish new PHaMs remote services in one or more of the following sites: Cunnamulla and Palm Island (Queensland), Halls Creek and Pilbara (Western Australia) and Ceduna in South Australia.

In addition to supporting individual participants, PHaMs remote service organisations will build local capacity to respond to mental health issues.

Key objectives of the PHaMs remote services include:

- Using a community development approach – support the individual as well as their support network
- Using innovative models that build on existing infrastructure and services
- Training local people to undertake PHaMs team roles and encourage the development of activities to strengthen family and community relationships for participants.

Further information on how to apply is available on the FaHCSIA website at [www.fahcsia.gov.au/funding](http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/funding)

Applications close at 5.00pm (Australian Eastern Standard Time)  
Thursday 18 April 2013.

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[WWW.FAHCSIA.GOV.AU](http://WWW.FAHCSIA.GOV.AU)



Marianne Headland Mackay, holding a wanning stick, speaks about Noongar cultural practices in Forest Chase, central Perth.

# Day of action held in Perth

By LIZ MURRAY in Perth



LAST week's autumnal equinox coincided with a national day of action in aid of Idle No More.

The Perth event last Wednesday was held in Forest Chase, with a

two-hour smoking ceremony to clear and heal, in unity, Noongars and wadjelas (non-Aboriginal people) alike.

Many onlookers talked to organisers from the Noongar Tent Embassy and the Black Action Group and found out more about traditional Noongar culture.

Aunty Maureen Culbong oversaw the ceremony, which included about 30 local community members.

People watched and interacted with the proceedings, having the traditional ceremony explained to them and getting healing and cleansing in the smoke.

Marianne Headland Mackay gave an address about Noongar rights to perform cultural activities "wherever we want and need to".

Similar events were held at other locations over three days last week to reclaim cultural rights and practices in public places.



Aunty Maureen Culbong holding Blanche Headland Mackay, at the Idle No More day in Perth.



Painting an Idle No More banner were, from left, Donna Cross, Aunty Maureen Culbong and Rhonda Harmon.



# Looking to the future for media



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander communities know well the value of Indigenous media throughout the country.

Our radio stations, TV and print outlets are regarded as an essential service, providing community information, public safety messages, information in Indigenous languages, supporting talent, strengthening culture, and generally giving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people a voice often ignored by mainstream media.

Despite this, funding for the sector has gone backwards in the past few years.

The Australian Indigenous Communications Association (AICA) has been lobbying government for additional resources for the sector, particularly the establishment of a First Australians Media Foundation to help fund facilities and equipment, content development, training, multi-platform delivery, and supporting pipelines of Indigenous talent.

This month, AICA held 'Future of Indigenous Media' focus groups for its members and others working in Indigenous media and broadcasting. The meetings in Sydney, Brisbane, Cairns, Perth and Broome discussed the sector's funding priorities in the lead-up to this year's federal election.

● Koori Mail editor Kirstie Parker is a director of AICA.



Attendees at AICA's Brisbane focus group meeting. At back, from left, Harold Chapman, from Cherbourg, NIRS general manager and AICA director Brett Leavy, Trisha Collins, Greg Harris, from AICA, Karen Scott and Mike Scott, from BIMA, and BIMA general manager and AICA chairman Tige Bayles. Front, from left, Cherbourg Elder Lillian Gray, Koori Mail editor and AICA director Kirstie Parker, Jeanette Brown and Sandra Morgan, from Cherbourg, and Karen Dorante, from BIMA.

# Justice accord signed



THE Victorian Government has signed the third Aboriginal Justice Agreement, designed to address Indigenous disadvantage in the justice system. Under the agreement, government agencies have committed to achieve improved justice outcomes for Aboriginal Victorians.

It sets out a five-year 'roadmap' aimed at reducing the levels of incarceration, offences and victims in the Koori community. It also details 82 separate points of action to close the gap in the justice system for the Koori community.

The agreement features six key strategic objectives:

- crime prevention and early intervention;
- strengthening diversion programs and other alternatives to imprisonment;
- reducing the rate of re-offending;
- reducing conflict, violence and victimisation;
- responsive and inclusive services; and
- strengthening community justice responses and increasing community safety.

State Attorney-General Robert Clark welcomed the latest developments.

"The collaborative nature of the agreement is vital to ensuring a unified vision from the Government and Koori community to deliver in specific ways for Aboriginal people," he said.

"Independent analysis on the second Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) conducted by the Nous Group found the agreement had resulted in 70 fewer Aboriginal people in prison, 200 fewer Aboriginal offenders and 1300 fewer Aboriginal offences than otherwise expected in 2011."

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## Preschoolers share spirit



THE preschoolers at Jarjum Centre in Lismore, northern NSW, welcomed students from Lismore Preschool for a Harmony Day celebration last week. Sharon Blundell read the children a Bundjalung story and a barbecue was held.

Federal Multicultural Affairs Minister Kate Lundy said the theme for this year was 'Many Stories – One Australia', emphasising that each of Australia's 22 million citizens has a unique story to tell.

"Australia is a vibrant multicultural nation with different cultural experiences weaving rich stories into our everyday work," Senator Lundy said.

● **Pictured:** Jarjum Centre preschoolers, back from left, Elsie-Lee Patch, Martina Close, Roman Blundell, Bodina Extton-Roberts, Ariyah Farrel-Slade, Isaac Alpine-King and Learrah Wilkes and, front from left, Kieren Stephenson-Bolt, Shineea Walker and Keith Yuke.

# All in harmony at USQ



Lauren McLeod and Laura Archer learn how to make traditional emu feather skirts with workshop host, USQ Fraser Coast Indigenous student relationship officer Linda Wondunna-Foley.



ABORIGINAL dancers swung their hips with the Nefertiti Middle Eastern belly dancers at the University of

Southern Queensland's (USQ) Harmony Day celebration last week.

USQ Indigenous student relationship officer Linda Wondunna-Foley said one of the many highlights of the day was the coming together of Indigenous service providers, community workers and departmental officers for the annual Close the Gap Summit, coordinated by Leon Nehow from the Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs.

"We had a huge variety of people from the community coming together on campus at USQ Fraser Coast and going through our learning journey together," Ms Wondunna-Foley said.

"The traditional dancers from Glendyne Education and



Colin Matthais with 17-month-old Deinma George explore their artistic talents at last week's University of Southern Queensland Harmony Day celebration.

Training Centre were particularly good. It was the first time those boys have performed in public."

Ms Wondunna-Foley ran a workshop on making traditional emu feather skirts. Other activities included origami,

Japanese calligraphy and artwork sessions as well as a story writing competition.

Harmony Day is an initiative of the Federal Government to encourage people to say no to racism.

## | 5th SNAICC National Conference |

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- researchers
- government and others working in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services.

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- Displays, poster presentations, exhibitors
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entertainment from far north Qld.





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# Are you **READY** for digital TV?

## Analog TV signals are being switched off in areas of regional and remote WA on 25 June 2013\*

\*Some towns may switch off earlier and will be informed of the date. See the website for more information.

After this date, you need to be ready for digital TV or you won't see your favourite TV shows.

If you can see ABC2, SBS TWO, GO!, 7TWO or Eleven, you are digital ready and don't need to do anything.

### To make sure you get digital TV signals:

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If you live in the area shaded green on the map, your TV is switching to digital-only signals.

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Call: **1800 20 10 13** or visit: **[www.australia.gov.au/digitalready](http://www.australia.gov.au/digitalready)**  
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27TH MARCH TO 9TH APRIL



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## WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH

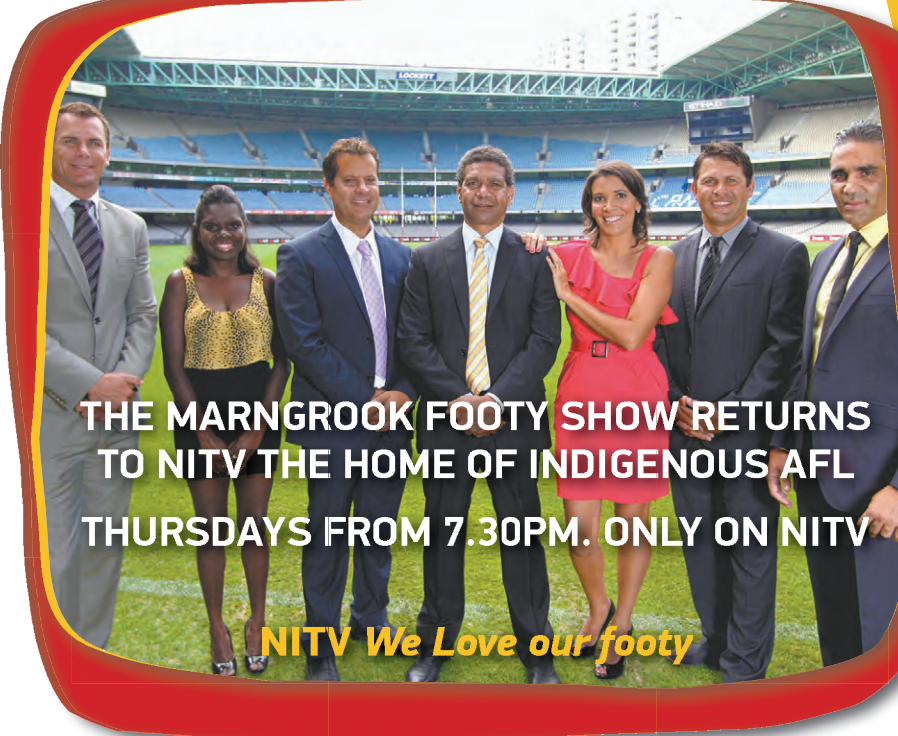
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10:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)  
11:30 The Making Of Muymgambi PG (Documentary)  
12:00 Muddy Waters G (Documentary)  
1:00 Among Us PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Rural Health Education PG (Series)  
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6:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Among Us PG (Documentary)  
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Series)  
9:30 This Is Our Country Too M (Documentary)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)

## THURSDAY 28TH MARCH

12:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
1:00 Queensland Murri Carnival NC (Sport)  
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)  
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)  
4:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
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10:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)  
11:00 Wanjia PG (Documentary)  
11:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Series)  
12:00 The Coolbaroo Club G (Documentary)  
1:00 This Is Our Country Too M (Documentary)  
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6:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
8:30 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
9:30 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
10:00 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)  
10:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! PG (Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)

## FRIDAY 29TH MARCH

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
1:00 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)  
3:00 The 42nd Koori Knockout G (Sport)  
3:30 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
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4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
6:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
8:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
9:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
9:30 By The Rapids PG (Kids)  
9:00 Freedom Riders PG (Documentary)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)



## SATURDAY 30TH MARCH

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
4:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)  
5:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
6:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
10:00 The Golden Cord G (Documentary)  
11:00 Thanks For All The Fish G (Documentary)  
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
12:30 On Sacred Ground G (Documentary)  
1:30 Rural Health Education PG (Series)  
2:30 The Making Of Muymgambi PG (Doc)  
3:00 Among Us PG (Documentary)  
3:30 Grounded G (Kids)  
4:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
7:30 Ravens And Eagles PG (Series)  
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (DocSeries)  
8:30 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
9:30 Yolngu Boy M (Entertainment)  
11:00 Larger Than Life PG (Series)  
11:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)

## SUNDAY 31ST MARCH

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
4:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)  
5:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
6:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
10:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
12:30 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
2:00 The 42nd Koori Knockout G (Sport)  
2:30 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Te Kaea NC (News)  
6:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
7:00 Where Maori PG (Series)  
7:30 Jazz PG (Series)  
8:30 Rose Against The Odds PG (Series)  
9:30 I Am Slave M (Entertainment)  
11:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)

## MONDAY 1ST APRIL

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
4:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)  
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6:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Series)  
8:00 Love Patrol PG (drama)  
8:30 Roads To Memphis PG (Documentary)  
10:00 Mataka M (Series)  
10:30 Moccasin Flats MA (drama)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## TUESDAY 2ND APRIL

12:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
1:00 Queensland Murri Carnival NC (Sport)  
2:30 Ella 7's G (Sport)  
4:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
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11:00 Down 2 Earth PG (Series)  
11:30 Love Patrol PG (drama)  
12:00 Roads To Memphis PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Strong In The City PG (Documentary)  
2:00 A Thousand Suns PG (Documentary)  
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5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Turn Back G (Documentary)  
7:42 Where We Come From (Documentary)  
7:48 Billabongs With Ben Flick G (Documentary)  
7:51 Djamban Band (Documentary)  
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Series)  
8:30 Museum Of The World PG (Documentary)  
9:30 River Of No Return PG (Documentary)  
10:30 Yamaji Man PG (Documentary)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL

12:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
1:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)  
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)  
4:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
7:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
7:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
10:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
11:30 Sisters Inside PG (Documentary)  
12:00 The Human Race PG (Documentary)  
1:00 Pomurraw Art PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Rural Health Education PG (Series)  
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
3:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
4:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Turn Back G (Documentary)  
7:42 Where We Come From (Documentary)  
7:48 Billabongs With Ben Flick G (Documentary)  
7:51 Djamban Band (Documentary)  
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Series)  
8:30 Museum Of The World PG (Documentary)  
9:30 River Of No Return PG (Documentary)  
10:30 Yamaji Man PG (Documentary)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## THURSDAY 4TH APRIL

12:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
1:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)  
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)  
4:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
7:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
7:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
10:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
11:21 Djamban Band (Documentary)  
11:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Series)  
12:00 Museum Of The World PG (Documentary)  
1:00 River Of No Return PG (Documentary)  
2:00 Yamaji Man PG (Documentary)  
3:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
3:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
3:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
4:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
8:30 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
9:30 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
10:00 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)  
10:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! PG (Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## FRIDAY 5TH APRIL

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
1:00 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)  
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)  
4:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
7:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
7:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
10:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
12:00 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
1:00 Blackfellas, Bulls And Bucking G (Doc)  
2:00 Dream It Do It Deadly! PG (Series)  
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
3:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
4:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
6:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
8:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Kids)  
9:00 Roads To Memphis PG (Documentary)  
10:30 Green Bush MA (Documentary)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## SATURDAY 6TH APRIL

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
4:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)  
5:00 Yekertye PG (Series)  
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
12:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
1:30 Rural Health Education PG (Series)  
2:30 Beyond The Dreamtime G (Documentary)  
3:30 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
4:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)  
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)  
7:30 Ravens And Eagles PG (Series)  
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Series)  
8:30 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
9:30 Shifting Sands M (Documentary)  
11:00 Larger Than Life PG (Series)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## SUNDAY 7TH APRIL

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
4:00 Roots Music M (Entertainment)  
5:00 Yekertye PG (Series)  
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)  
12:30 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Te Kaea NC (News)  
6:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
7:00 Where Maori PG (Series)  
7:30 Jazz PG (Series)  
8:30 Rose Against The Odds PG (Series)  
9:30 One Night The Moon M (Documentary)  
10:30 The Widower M (Documentary)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## MONDAY 8TH APRIL

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
1:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
4:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)  
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
7:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
7:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
10:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
10:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
11:00 Te Kaea NC (News)  
11:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)  
12:00 Where Maori (Series)  
12:30 Jazz PG (Series)  
1:30 Rose Against The Odds PG (Series)  
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
3:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
4:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Series)  
8:00 Love Patrol PG (drama)  
8:30 The Long Walk Of Nelson Mandela PG (Doc)  
10:30 Moccasin Flats MA (drama)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

## TUESDAY 9TH APRIL

12:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
1:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
2:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)  
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)  
4:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Ent)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
7:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
7:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
10:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
11:00 Down 2 Earth PG (Series)  
11:30 Love Patrol PG (drama)  
12:00 The Long Walk Of Nelson Mandela PG (Doc)  
2:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)  
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)  
3:55 P-Culture G (Kids)  
4:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)  
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Grounded G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Everyday Brave PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
8:00 Bush Plum G (Documentary)  
8:30 Proppanow M (Documentary)  
9:00 Harold PG (Documentary)  
10:00 Rural Health Education PG (Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)

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# NATIONAL CALENDAR



**We welcome items for our National Calendar of Events. Please make them to the point and include all relevant contact details. Send submissions to any of the addresses in the panel on Page 23.**

## National

Carer Line is a free telephone information and support service for and about careers that provides access to information, emotional support and referrals to a range of services. Call 1800 242 636 Monday to Friday 9am-5pm.

**Until 29 March:** 2013 National NAIDOC Poster Competition. The theme for NAIDOC Week 2013 is 'We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963'. Indigenous artists are invited to submit an artwork based on this year's theme. Forms available online at [www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au) or from nearest Indigenous Coordination Centres.

**29 March-7 April:** Radioactive Exposure Tour 2013. Travelling to places such as Melbourne, Adelaide, Port August, Roxby Down, Lake Ere, the Gammon Ranges, the Flinders National Park and more. For details, contact [radexposuretour@gmail.com](mailto:radexposuretour@gmail.com) or call Gem on 0421 955 066.

**28-29 August:** Puliima 2013 National Indigenous Language and Technology Forum. Proposals for presenting and/or exhibiting at Puliima 2013 are being sought. Held at the William Angliss Institute, 555 La Trobe St, Melbourne. Details: [www.puliima.com](http://www.puliima.com) or (02) 4927 8222.

## NSW-ACT

**Every Sunday:** Family barbecue at the National Aboriginal Embassy, opposite Old Parliament House, 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 Japanunga (TJ) or telephone 0412 712 513.

**Until 28 March:** Indigenous Peoples, Human Rights and Advocacy Training Program, for young community advocates interested in learning about rights and how to advocate more effectively. No course fees. Details: (02) 9385 2807 or send an application email to [l.savage@unsw.edu.au](mailto:l.savage@unsw.edu.au)

**Until 30 March:** The Classic Period – Arnhem Land Barks from the 1960s-2000. A special exhibition of bark paintings to coincide with the events of Art Month Sydney, featuring artists Wally Mandark, Bininyuwui, David Milaybuma, Crusoe Kuningbal and more. Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St, Waterloo from Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 9699 2211 or visit [www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au](http://www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au)

**Until 5 April:** Boomalli Annual Members' Show 2013. Featuring artists Shirley Amos, Bronwyn Bancroft, Euphemia Bostock, Lewis Burns, Danny Eastwood, Euraba Paper Company artists and many more. Held at Boomalli, 55-59 Flood Street, Leichhardt from Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or email [boomalliarthgallery@gmail.com](mailto:boomalliarthgallery@gmail.com) or visit [www.boomalli.com.au](http://www.boomalli.com.au)

**Until 6 April:** The Good, The Bad and The In-Between Exhibition, by Thaya Giwiirr (Jake Soewardie) and Yatama Nigimali (Danny Eastwood). Held at Blacktown Arts Centre, 78 Flushcombe Rd, Blacktown from Tues-Sat, 10am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 9839 6558 or email [artscentre@blacktown.nsw.gov.au](mailto:artscentre@blacktown.nsw.gov.au) or visit [www.artscentre.blacktown.nsw.gov.au](http://www.artscentre.blacktown.nsw.gov.au)

**Until 22 April:** Straight Talk 2013 applications sought. Straight Talk connects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women with the political systems and builds the capacity of women as change makers. For more information or to apply go to [www.oxfam.org.au/straight-talk](http://www.oxfam.org.au/straight-talk) or call 1800 088 110.

**Until 12 May:** Sense of Place Exhibition. Featuring artist Danielle Gorogo, includes

artists talk at 10.30am, official opening and barbecue at 11am on 6 April. Held at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton from Tues-Sun, 10am-4pm. Free gallery entry. RSVP by 3 April. Details: (02) 6643 3177 or visit [www.garftongallery.nsw.gov.au](http://www.garftongallery.nsw.gov.au)

**Until 12 May:** League of Legends Exhibition. A photographic exhibition celebrating 100 years of rugby league in Australia. Includes official opening and barbecue at 11am, 6 April. Free event. RSVP by 3 April. Details: (02) 6643 3177 or visit [www.garftongallery.nsw.gov.au](http://www.garftongallery.nsw.gov.au)

**Until 16 June:** First Ladies – Significant Australian Women 1913 to 2013 exhibition, profiling the achievements of Australian women in the course of the past 100 years across fields of endeavour including politics, academe, the arts, literature, sport, science, business and medicine. Held at the National Portrait Gallery, King Edward Terrace, Parkes, Canberra from Mon-Sun, 10am-5pm. Details: (02) 6102 7000 or visit [www.portrait.gov.au](http://www.portrait.gov.au)

**Until 14 September:** Bipotaim: Stories from the Torres Strait Exhibition. This is an exhibition of striking photographs, stories and objects about the lives, culture and identity of Torres Strait Islanders. Held at the National Museum of Australia, Torres Strait Islander Gallery, Lawson Cres, Acton, ACT from 9am-5pm daily. Free entry. Details: 1800 026 132 or visit [www.nma.gov.au](http://www.nma.gov.au)

**Until 3 November:** 'Warakurna – All the Stories Got Into Our Minds and Eyes'. An exhibition of works documenting a new art movement emerging from the Western Desert community of Warakurna. Held at the National Museum Australia, Lawson Cres, Acton, ACT. 9am-5pm daily. Free and all welcome. Details: 1800 026 967 or visit [www.nma.gov.au](http://www.nma.gov.au)

**Until 10 December:** Redfern Wrap Around. Connecting community to services all under one roof, including Centrelink, Medicare, Child Support, RTA, Office of State Revenue, Aboriginal Legal Service to name a few. Held once a month at the Redfern Community Centre, 29-53 Hugo St, Redfern from 10am-2.30pm. Details: (02) 9288 5713.

**28 March-14 April:** *I Do Have a Belief – A Tribute to Kevin Gilbert*. A tribute to the Aboriginal artist and activist Kevin Gilbert (1933-1993). This retrospective exhibition includes oil paintings, linoprints, poetry manuscripts, political works and photographic murals. Held at the Belconnen Arts Centre, 118 Emu Bank, Belconnen, ACT from Tues-Sun, 10am-6pm. Free gallery entry. Details phone (02) 6173 3300 or visit [www.belconnenartscentre.com.au](http://www.belconnenartscentre.com.au)

**28 March:** A performance titled *Boxman*. It's about Ringo, displaced from an African homeland and disconnected from his new one, he lives in a local park. Held at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, Casula, at 11am and 8pm. Cost: \$35 adult, \$30 conc, \$15 student, \$28 group booking (10-plus). Details and bookings on (02) 9824 1121 or visit [www.casulapowerhouse.com](http://www.casulapowerhouse.com)

**6-14 April:** *I Do Have a Belief – Kevin Gilbert (1933-1993) art retrospective*. A tribute to Wiradjuri artist, poet, political activist and playwright Kevin Gilbert, featuring oil paintings, linoprints, photographic murals and more. Also a free community event starting at 6pm on 6 April, featuring Aboriginal musicians Buddy and Roger Knox, Dale Huddleston and Bart Willoughby. Exhibition open until 14 April. Held at Belconnen Arts Centre, 118 Emu Bank, Belconnen, ACT. Details: RSVP to [info@belconnenartscentre.com.au](mailto:info@belconnenartscentre.com.au) or call (02) 6173 3300.

**8 April:** Movie Show. Screening of *The Secret Country – the First Australians Fight Back* by John Pilger. Includes speaker Sue Gillett. Held at NSW Action Centre, Level 1, 79 Myrtle St, Chippendale. Free and all welcome. Details on (02) 8396 7658 or email [aiansw@amnesty.org.au](mailto:aiansw@amnesty.org.au) or visit [www.amnesty.org.au/nsw/events](http://www.amnesty.org.au/nsw/events)

**12 April:** Bobby Huddleston Memorial Golf Day. Includes four-person ambrose, prizes for longest and nearest pins, presentation and entertainment. Held at the Queanbeyan Golf Course, Brown St, Queanbeyan from 7.30am. Cost: \$55 (includes barbecue, green fees and shirt). Details: Mal Towney on (0427) 492 417 or

Mark Huddleston on (0401) 147 551 or email [Malcolm.Towney@dhs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Malcolm.Towney@dhs.nsw.gov.au)

**20 April:** Black & Single Dance. Includes games and prizes (bring gold coins). Held at the SS&A Club, 570-582 Olive St, Albury, from 6.30pm-midnight. Cost: (25 years+) \$30. Limited tickets. Details: Janine on (0478) 658 877, ticket sales contact Joy on (0438) 477 603.

**27-28 April:** Corroboree – First Nations Gathering. Includes workshops, men's, women's and youth circles. Free and all welcome. Held at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, Canberra. Details: Wayne Wharton on 0408 064 900 or Alice Haines on 0447 097 659.

**11 May:** Tribal Warrior Mother's Day cruise. The event includes finger food, karaoke, dancing and raffles, from 3-7pm. Be at the Man of War Steps (next to opera House) at 2.45pm for a 3pm departure. Cost: \$40 a person. Details: (02) 9699 3491 or visit [www.tribalwarrior.org](http://www.tribalwarrior.org)

**8-10 June:** Talbott-Tighe Family Reunion. At Gunnedah, RSVP by 4 May. Details: 0413 131 983 or email [talbott.tighereunion@hotmail.com](mailto:talbott.tighereunion@hotmail.com)

**25-26 June:** Building Partnerships & Pathways for Indigenous Employment Conference. Details on 1300 316 882 or visit [www.indigemployment.com](http://www.indigemployment.com)

**29 June:** Tjupi Band performance. Tjupi (honey ant) come from Papunya, 250km north-west of Alice Springs. The band plays desert reggae, singing in Luritja, as well as English. Held at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, Casula, from 6pm. Cost is \$15 a person. Details: (02) 9824 1121 or visit [www.casulapowerhouse.com](http://www.casulapowerhouse.com)

## Queensland

**21 June:** Indigenous State of Origin Golf Challenge 2013. Seeking Indigenous players to take part in the inaugural Indigenous State of Origin Challenge. Forty players from NSW and 40 players from Qld will compete in a four-person ambrose competition over 18 holes. Held at the Nudgee Club, 1207 Nudgee Rd, Nudgee. Details: Lance Manton on (02) 6683 2510 or 0400 119 873 or email [bogallalc@bigpond.com](mailto:bogallalc@bigpond.com) or Gene Blow on 0422 268 277 or [geneblow@live.com](mailto:geneblow@live.com)

## Western Australia

**30-31 March:** Bunuru Culture and Corroboree Festival 2013. Activities will include an evening corroboree with dancing and music, hunting and gathering food for the evening corroboree, spear and boomerang throwing, toolmaking, a bush story trail tour and more. Held at Warden Aboriginal Centre, 55 Injup Spring Rd, Yallingup, Warden Aboriginal Centre from 10am-8pm. Cost: Family \$50, Adult \$20, Child \$10. Details: (08) 9756 6566 or visit [www.warden.com.au](http://www.warden.com.au)

**23 May:** SupplyNation Annual Connect Conference and Tradeshow. Bringing together corporate and government buyers with certified Indigenous suppliers solely focused on growing and developing business opportunities and relationships. Held at Hyatt Regency, Perth. To register visit [www.supplynation.org.au/connect](http://www.supplynation.org.au/connect) or call 1300 055 298

## Northern Territory

**16-17 April:** Bridging the Gap seminar. Held at the Darwin Crowne Plaza, NT. Cost is \$840 a person with group and early discounts. Details: Justine Speed on 1300 501 795 or email [training@whywarriors.com.au](mailto:training@whywarriors.com.au) or visit [www.whywarriors.com.au](http://www.whywarriors.com.au)

**21 April:** Indigenous Knowledges in a Changing World. Traditional Indigenous knowledge systems and how they are being used to create and develop business enterprises and employment opportunities will be the focus of the 2013 Charles Darwin Symposium. It includes discussions, displays, presentation and demonstrations. Held at Charles Darwin University's Casuarina campus, Ellengowan Drive. Free event. Details: (08) 8946 6082 or email [cdss@cdu.edu.au](mailto:cdss@cdu.edu.au) or visit [www.cdu.edu.au/cdss2013](http://www.cdu.edu.au/cdss2013)  
**26-31 May:** World Indigenous Network

Conference 2013. The three-day conference program includes ceremonies, plenaries, workshops and dedicated women's and youth side streams. Includes *Twilight* star Chaske Spencer as Master of Ceremonies and Professor James Anaya, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as the keynote speaker. Held in Darwin. To register visit the website [www.worldindigenousnetwork.net](http://www.worldindigenousnetwork.net) or contact (02) 6274 1016

**7-10 June:** Barunga Festival 2013. Held at Barunga, south of Katherine, NT Cost: Adults \$30, Children 12-18 yrs \$10 (under 12 free). Details: (08) 8941 8066 or email [info@barungafestival.com.au](mailto:info@barungafestival.com.au) or visit [www.barungafestival.com.au](http://www.barungafestival.com.au)

**9-13 October:** Mbantua Festival – Awakening the Desert 2013. This Indigenous cultural festival will feature exhibitions, stories told through song and dance, arts and crafts, foods, music, healing and harmony, tours, exhibitions, environment and sustainable desert living projects and more. Held at the Old Telegraph Station and Todd Riverbed, Alice Springs. Cost: Tickets available now. Details: (08) 8953 4000 or visit [www.mbantuafestival.com.au](http://www.mbantuafestival.com.au)

## Tasmania

**5-7 April:** NAYRI NIARA Good Spirit Festival. The three-day gathering explores and promotes the cultural diversity, innovation and creativity of Bruny Island, Lunawanna, and its people. Held at Bruny Island, Tasmania. Cost is \$40 (tickets sold at gate), kids under 16 free. Gates open for camping on the Friday at 3pm. Sat/Sun events starting from 10am. Details: 0481 120 880 or email [nayriniafestival@gmail.com](mailto:nayriniafestival@gmail.com)

## Victoria

**Until 12 May:** Lajamanu – Early Paintings Exhibition. An exhibition of paintings by Warlpiri men and women from the Aboriginal community of Lagmanu, 500km north-west of Alice Springs. Held at the Burrinja Gallery, cnr Glenern Rd and Matson Dr, Upwey from Tues-Sun, 10.30am-4pm. Free event. Details: (03) 9754 8723 or email [events@burrinja.org.au](mailto:events@burrinja.org.au) or visit [www.burrinja.org.au](http://www.burrinja.org.au)

**28-31 March:** Marxism 2013 conference. Featuring a range of speakers including activists Gary Foley, Diane Fields, Allyson Hose and Kim Bullimore, among others. Held at the University of Melbourne, Gratton St, Parkville. Details: [www.marxismconference.com](http://www.marxismconference.com)

**14-15 May:** SupplyNation Annual Connect Conference & Tradeshow. Bringing together corporate and government buyers with certified Indigenous suppliers solely focused on growing and developing business opportunities and relationships. Held at the Eithad Stadium, Docklands, Melbourne. To register visit [www.supplynation.org.au/connect](http://www.supplynation.org.au/connect) or call 1300 055 298

## South Australia

**Until 21 April:** Good Strong Powerful Exhibition. It includes artists from Ngaruwananjirri on Bathurst (Tiwi) Island, Mwerre, Anthurre Artists based at Bindi Inc in Alice Springs and Julalikari in Tennant Creek. Held at Tandanya, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide, open daily from 10am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or visit [www.tandanya.com.au](http://www.tandanya.com.au)

**Until 21 April:** *In Our Lifetime*, by Burthurmarr Christopher Crebbin. Burthurmarr returns to Tandanya with a selection of works including painting and artefacts. Held at Tandanya, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide, open daily from 10am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or visit [www.tandanya.com.au](http://www.tandanya.com.au)

**5 April:** 147th Justice and Peace Candle Walk, to call for a treaty and bill of rights and to support the Ngarrinjeri and other Aboriginal people and the Stolen Generations, their families and communities left behind. Held at Government House, Adelaide, from dusk. Free. Details: (08) 8227 0171 or visit [antarsa.ausoics.org.au](http://antarsa.ausoics.org.au)



# Sean's 50 Shades of Black

**H**E'S the guest headliner at the 'Deadly Funny National Showcase' (see main story below), but Sean Choolburra – that's him at the right – also has his own show as part of the Melbourne International Comedy Festival (MICF) next month.

Choolburra will launch his new production, '50 Shades of Black', at the festival, with shows from 28 March to 26 April in the prime location of Melbourne Town Hall at the coveted time of 7.15pm.

The show's title takes off the controversial book *50 Shades of Grey*, while the show itself is a reflection of 'the many journeys one must take to find their true love with numerous comparisons between black and white relationships and ways of life'.

Using his unique brand of comedy (not to mention his improvised non-stop dance moves), Choolburra explores relationships and families. He's one of the few comedians who

choose not to use profanity, making his shows suitable for audiences of all ages.

Choolburra will also be a featured performer at the MICF Gala for Oxfam, to be presented in front of more than 1500 people and filmed and televised by Channel Ten, and he'll also perform a televised event for ABC2 and a live broadcast for ABC Radio 774.

When asked what else is on the cards for him, Choolburra replied, 'Stand up comedy remains my primary passion, that is, until I achieve my goal of having my own television comedy show'.

Fingers crossed that won't be long now.

'50 Shades of Black' is on at Melbourne Town Hall from 28 March to 26 April 2013. Tickets are \$18 and are available through Ticketmaster at [www.ticketmaster.com.au](http://www.ticketmaster.com.au) or tel 1300 660 013, or purchased on the nights from Melbourne Town Hall ticket office.



KEVIN KROPINYERI

## Kevin is ready for busy festival

**F**RESH from sold-out shows at Adelaide Fringe Festival, Kevin Kropinyeri is hitting the Melbourne International Comedy Festival (MICF) with his new show, 'Welcome to My World'.

Kropinyeri, who won the 2008 MICF Deadly Funny competition, has been touring non-stop for the past year, performing at events from the Sydney Opera House to remote Aboriginal communities and everywhere in between.

He'll perform his new high-energy show 22 times throughout this year's festival.

"This new show is really punchy, it reveals more 'me' than the previous shows, I'm talking about my life and sharing it in a funny, comedic way," Kropinyeri says.

"I reckon this is my best show yet, opening the door to our mob, and our humour and I've been getting great feedback from whitefellas as well as blackfellas – so that's a good sign!"

'Welcome to My World' opens at the Melbourne Town Hall (Lunch Room) at 7.15pm this Thursday 28 March and will then run Tuesdays to Saturdays at 7.15pm and Sundays at 6.15pm until 21 April.

Tickets are \$15-22 and available through Ticketmaster at [www.ticketmaster.com.au](http://www.ticketmaster.com.au) or tel 1300 660 013, or at the door.

Kropinyeri then hits the road to tour on the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow, with the crew working their way through regional NSW to Wollongong, Nowra, Goulburn and Dubbo.

### MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN NATIVE TITLE GROUP AUTHORISATION MEETING

Monero Ngarigo/Yuin People Native Title Claim Group is those people who descended from the following apical ancestors of Solomon, McLeod, Thomas, Rutherford, Dixon, Cooley, Page, Stewart, Andy, Walker and all clans and people who identify as Monero Ngarigo/Yuin., as well as, all people who are ancestors of this group or who have connection, are invited to attend. List of apical ancestors include, but not limited to, Solomon Mondebyerer, McLeod, Black Harry Bradshaw, Andy, Agnes Patterson, Cooley, Mongta and ALL other apical ancestors.



The purpose of the authorisation meeting, is as follows:

1. Authorise the Applicants to make and lodge a MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN Native Title Claim application on behalf of the MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN People.
2. Authorise a Boundary description to make a MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN Native Title Claim application on behalf of the MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN People.
3. Authorise a description of native title rights and interest claimed on behalf of the MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN People's in relation to mineral, land and water.
4. Authorise applicants to carry out all other matters that constitute apart of the MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN People's native title claim application.

This notice invites all descendants of the MONERO NGARIGO/YUIN Native Title claim group to an authorisation meeting at the time and location below:

**Time:** 12.00 noon (sharp)  
**Venue:** Montague Room, Narooma Bowling/RSL Club, 98 Princes Highway, NAROOMA. N.S.W.  
**Date:** Saturday, 4th May 2013.  
**Contact:** Uncle Lionel Mongta 0405 216 690  
 Uncle Alex Mongta Snr  
 c/- email [aileen\\_blackburn@hotmail.com](mailto:aileen_blackburn@hotmail.com)

Regretfully, we are presently unable to assist with any associated costs, however, there is are camping, toilet, shopping and shower facilities closely located nearby.

# Laughter is guaranteed



FEEL like some black laughs? Well they're guaranteed at next month's 'Deadly Funny

National Showcase' as part of the Melbourne International Comedy Festival (MICF).

The organisers say the event at Melbourne Town Hall on 7 April will bring together the best of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander jokesters from around the country on the one stage for 'an afternoon of cheeky and loud, black and proud wisecracks and yarns'.

This year, the talent will include special guest headliner Sean Choolburra and Ngarrindgeri funnyman Kevin Kropinyeri (see separate stories) and, as MC, Constantina Bush (artist and performer Kamahi King's

sassy, sultry, hilarious and seven-foot-tall alter ego).

MICF associate producer of Indigenous development programs Nancy Bates says humour has often been the foundation for resilience, because of the history of this country.

"(Our people) are surviving

**'(Our people) are surviving through humour. It's pivotal to maintaining culture and coping, family connections and strengths, dreams and hope' – MICF's Nancy Bates**

through humour. It's pivotal to maintaining culture and coping, family connections and strengths, dreams and hope," she said.

The festival makes it an aim to promote the development and appreciation of comedy across Australia, and its various partnerships and initiatives with Indigenous

communities have contributed to the success of many Indigenous comics including those in this year's showcase, which has been sponsored by the City of Melbourne.

In previous years, Deadly Funny took the form of a competition, unearthing comic talents such as Tristan

Savage, Shiralee Hood, Mia Stanford and Denise McGuinness.

The MICF's Deadly Funny National Showcase is on at Melbourne Town Hall (Lower Town Hall) from 3pm on Sunday 7 April. Tickets are \$23.50 (full price), and \$15 per person for concessions and groups of more than four people.

For bookings, go to [comedyfestival.com.au](http://comedyfestival.com.au) or call Ticketmaster 1300 660 013 or get tickets at the door (first in).



# Straight Talking women wanted



STRAIGHT Talk is seeking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women who want to connect with the political system for a conference in Canberra from 16-21 June.

Straight Talk is a program run by Oxfam Australia that focuses on practical tools. It includes opportunities for relationship-building between Indigenous women and

parliamentarians, information sharing and developing strategies for change in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Oxfam Australia will select 60 Indigenous women to participate. The organisation says it's looking for women who represent the strength and diversity of their communities, and it wants participants from all parts of Australia, of all ages over

18, different backgrounds and education and employment levels.

Participants do not need political experience or an understanding of parliament, but Oxfam says they should be active in making change and learning new skills.

Travel, accommodation, meals and registration will be provided by Straight Talk.

For more information and to apply, go to [www.oxfam.org.au/explore/indigenous-australia/straight-talk/](http://www.oxfam.org.au/explore/indigenous-australia/straight-talk/)

People needing support with completing an application should contact Lisa Wojciechowski on (03) 9289 9236.

Applications close 22 April.

In order to support the involvement of a diversity of women, previous participants are not eligible to re-apply.



Youngsters run to their heroes after the Tiwi Islands football grand final.

## Footy feast in Top End

By PETER ARGENT



THE festivities for the culmination of the Top End 2013 football season, the Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) and Tiwi Islands grand finals, were marked by excitement and flair.

On the field, the participants were daring and courageous, while spectators gave voice to their impassioned support. An estimated 12,000 people watched the NTFL grand final on the Saturday.

Sunday, 17 March, was the Tiwi Islands' biggest day of the year, with many flights taking football tragiocs and other interested parties

to Nguu for a unique brand of football and the magnificent art sale that is critical to the economy of the islands.

During the week, a new large community-owned shop managed by Outback Stores was also opened on Bathurst Island.

The *Koori Mail* captured a few of the many people at both events.



Young fellas enjoying the 2012-13 NTFL grand final, from left, Leslie Maroney, Koko Niki, Ezekiel Frank, Quinton Hartog and Iziah Bell.



The Tiwi Islands welcome to country.



Blue hair and all, Darwin Buffaloes fans Talyia and Jade Russell at the NTFL grand final.



Passionate Tiwi Bombers supporters Dianna 'Tic Tac' Moore and Sarafina Stassi.



Tiwi artists Janie Pipumanitmirri and Ken Wayne Kantilla on home country.



Tiwi Designs artists Praxedes Tipungwuti and Douglas Vivian Warlapinni.

See our sports section for coverage of both Top End football grand finals



# Thousands pack out



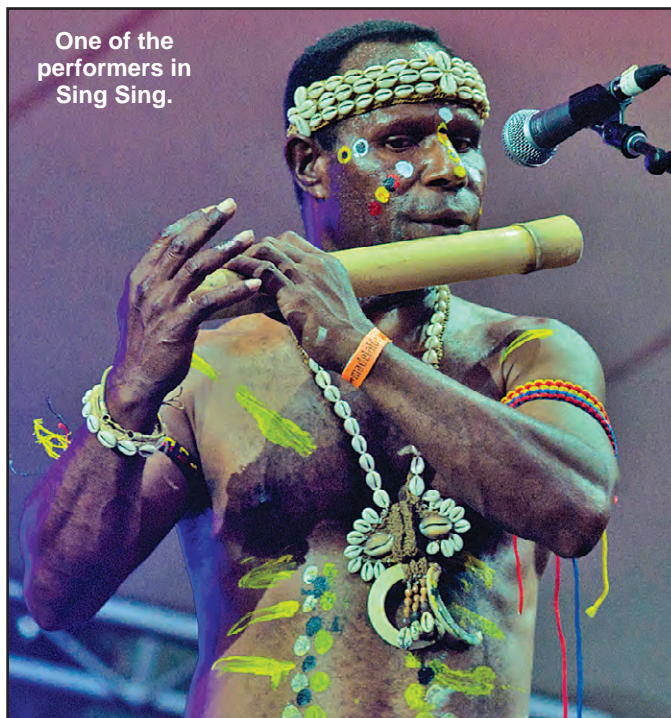
Performers during Sing Sing.



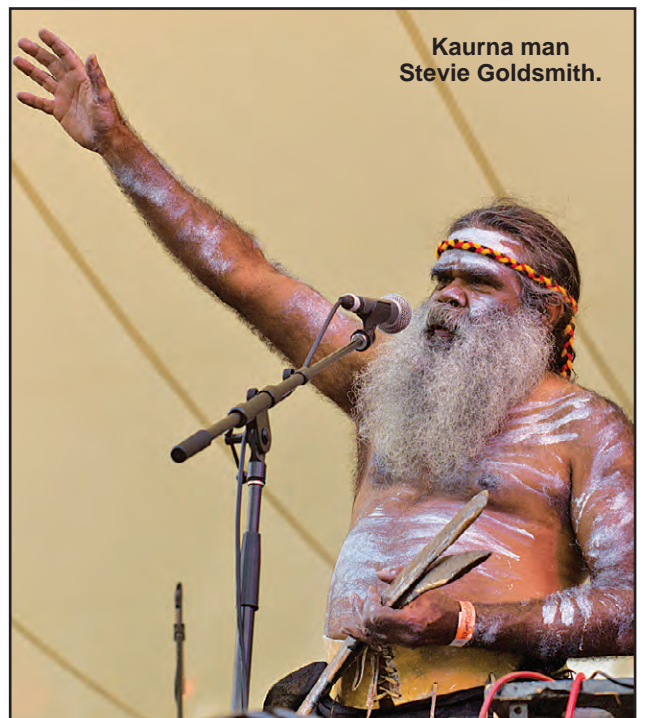
A playful exchange on stage by East Journey.



Leitha Assan and her nephew Bellau Kris were down from the Torres Strait.



One of the performers in Sing Sing.



Kaurna man Stevie Goldsmith.



Government of South Australia  
Department of the Premier and Cabinet

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ABORIGINAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation, Ian Hunter MLC, is calling for nominations to the South Australian Aboriginal Advisory Council.

The Council comprises ten members appointed by the Minister and meets quarterly.

The role of the South Australian Aboriginal Advisory Council is to:

- provide the Government with advice on existing programs and policies as they affect Aboriginal people;
- identify and inform the Government of emerging issues that will affect Aboriginal people from both metropolitan and regional perspectives;
- provide the Government with advice on the development and implementation of future policies and services concerning Aboriginal people;
- provide advice to Government agencies about appropriate consultation processes with Aboriginal communities;
- maintain links with other relevant advisory bodies.

The Minister will be considering the following criteria; Aboriginal people who possess a strong understanding of Aboriginal culture, who have standing within the Aboriginal community, who have policy and service delivery experience and who are able to strongly contribute to the Council.

All Aboriginal people who fit the criteria are invited to apply. Younger Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Application packs are available from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Division by telephoning (08) 8226 8900 during office hours. Alternatively, you may contact Ms Kathryn Stone on email: [kathryn.stone@sa.gov.au](mailto:kathryn.stone@sa.gov.au)

NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM FRIDAY 5 APRIL 2013.

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## HEY YOU MOB!

Come along with your family and friends and join Melton's Indigenous Community, Djerriwarrh Community Health Centre and Partners for a Deadly afternoon of;

**FREE**

**Fun, food and cultural activities**

**Date:** Thursday 11 April 2013  
**Time:** 11am-3pm  
**Held at:** Melton Community Hall, 232 High St, Melton, Victoria

**For more information contact:**

Gail Radford on (03) 9017 5843  
or email: [gail.radford@healthwest.org.au](mailto:gail.radford@healthwest.org.au)



Booroongen Djugun  
Aboriginal Corporation

## Public Notices

Booroongen Djugun Aboriginal Corporation (BDAC) hereby gives notice to all our creditors of our intention to transfer our registration from the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 to The Corporations Act 2001.

Creditors will not be materially prejudiced by our transfer to The Corporations Act 2001.

**Authorised by;**

Gary Morris OAM, Chief Executive Officer  
on behalf of the Board of Directors.

## STRAIGHT TALK 2013 ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER WOMEN'S PROGRAM – NATIONAL SUMMIT



16 – 21 June 2013, Canberra

**APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN**

Straight Talk connects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women with the political system and builds the capacity of women as change makers. With a focus on practical tools and confidence, Straight Talk brings people together to share, learn and be effective in making a difference.

Applications close 22 April 2013.

For more information and an application form, go to  
[www.oxfam.org.au/straight-talk](http://www.oxfam.org.au/straight-talk)



# huge WOMADelaide

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A WHOLE lot of work goes into a festival like WOMADelaide, but the organisers insist that the praise and thanks for this year's event should really go to the hundreds of artists who performed over the weekend. More than 88,000 people descended on Adelaide's Botanic Park between 8 and 11 March to celebrate the 21st offering of WOMADelaide. The Saturday and Sunday featured capacity crowds.

WOMADelaide director Ian Scobie said he was thrilled with the response of festival audiences to the 2013 program, including 'standouts' The Correspondents, Hugh Masekela, Jordi Savall and Jimmy Cliff. "Now 21 years on from the staging of the first event, WOMADelaide is firmly established as a must-see event on Australia's festival calendar and a highlight of Adelaide's festival season," Mr Scobie said.

The Aboriginal turnout included energetic Yolngu band East Journey, from north-east Arnhem Land, and the Arpaka Dance Company from the Torres Strait.

Arpaka performs traditional songs and dances sung in Kala Lagau Ya and Miriam Mir languages. The group's name is Western Island language for the 'dawning of a new day'.

Another highlight was Sing Sing, a one-off collaborative performance by a mix of artists from Tonga, Pacific islands, Fiji and Australia performing a range of styles – from traditional ceremonies to krumpy hip-hop.



Yolngu band East Journey from Arnhem Land blended saltwater reggae, rock 'n' roll and traditional music, complete with electric guitars, yidaki and clapping sticks.



Arpaka's Dennis Newie on guitar and George Newie on warup (drum).



South African trumpet master and two-time Grammy Award winner Hugh Masekela was among the headliners for WOMAD 2013.



A Sing Sing performer.



● Above: Sing Sing, with Frank Yamma on the far right.



Hans Ahwang, from the Arpaka Dance Company.

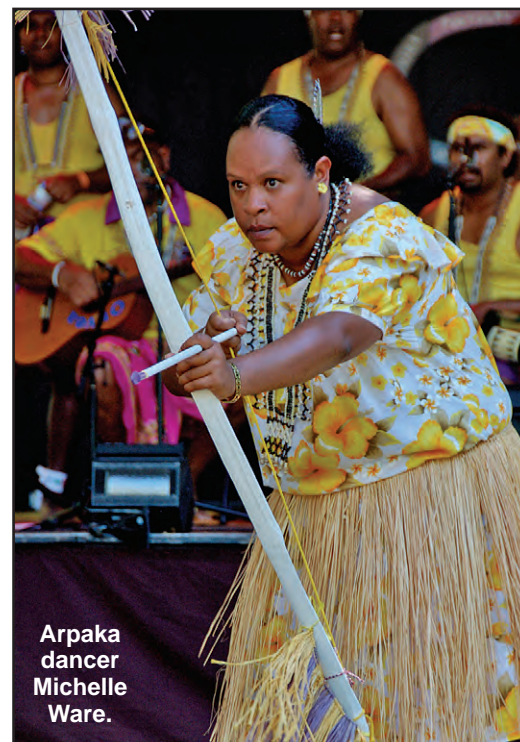
● Right: The Arpaka Dance Company performs.



● Bottom right: Dwight McKenzie, Dre Ngatokorua and Lavene Ngatokorua, all from Port Augusta, enjoyed the festival.



All photos by Jack Grieve, Nathan Parker and Douglas Clarke



Arpaka dancer Michelle Ware.



Tongan sisters Vika and Linda Bull performed as part of Sing Sing.



# Ray tells how he beat the smokes habit



**RAY ROBINSON** smoked for more than 40 years and gave up only when he realised it was the smokes or his life. "As a kid I used to go out and get smokes for my granny," he said.

"I didn't pick up a smoke myself until I was 15, but lots of my family smoked; it was what everyone did."

"In 2004, I found out I had heart problems and they told me I needed to quit, but it wasn't until my fifth time in the hospital that I realised I had to give them away."

"I haven't smoked since

2009. I am a lot healthier now and hopefully will live a lot longer with my kids and grandkids."

Mr Robinson recently shared his story with national

coordinator of Tackling Indigenous Smoking Tom Calma, when Dr Calma paid a visit to the NSW/ACT Quitline to celebrate the launch of the dedicated Aboriginal Quitline Service.

Dr Calma also met with Aboriginal Quitline adviser John Braddick and artist Carissa Paglino, who won a competition to design the Aboriginal Quitline logo.

Smoking rates in the Aboriginal community are double the national average.

"A culture of smoking has been developed across many generations and Aboriginal peoples were conditioned to use tobacco," Dr Calma said.

"Young people see their parents smoking and so they take it up. What we really need to change is that role-modelling."

"Smoking contributes to many chronic diseases and those chronic diseases contribute to the deaths of 20 per cent of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people."

Dr Calma said that giving up smoking was not only good for health but also for the hip pocket.

"Someone who smokes an average of a pack a day spends about \$5000-6000 a year," he said. "That is \$5000-6000 that families are being denied or

that people are denying themselves. Most smokers don't even appreciate that until you sit down and go through all the numbers with them."

The Aboriginal Quitline gives people an option."

Mr Braddick said many people had been struggling to conquer their addiction by themselves.

"Many Aboriginal people find it more comforting speaking to another Aboriginal person," he said.

"It is a huge deal for me to be able to be helping my community."

Since the introduction of the dedicated Aboriginal Quitline service, there have been four times as many calls to the Quitline from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

People can speak to an Aboriginal Quitline advisor by calling 13 7848 (13 QUIT).



The Aboriginal Quitline logo, designed by artist Carissa Paglino.

# BEN unveiled at Darwin gap charity breakfast



**MENZIES** School of Health Research and the Rioli Fund held a charity breakfast at the Darwin Convention Centre for 200 guests on Close the Gap Day, 21 March.

NITV's North Australia correspondent, Craig Quartermaine, MCed the event, and speakers included Menzies ear health research team leader Professor Amanda Leach, Aboriginal male health worker Joe Daby, and Menzies ear health nurses who frequently travel to remote NT communities.

The event also featured the unveiling of the Big Ear and Nose (BEN), an interactive learning aid about the length of a stretch limousine and made by SA artists Evelyn and John Roth from parachute material.

Children are able to walk through BEN's ear canal and learn about the components and functionality of the ear with hands-on activities.

● Pictured left: Christopher and Henrique Thomas explore the Big Ear and Nose (BEN), an interactive learning aid. Photo courtesy Menzies School of Health Research

# 140,000 at gap events



AN estimated 140,000 people attended a record 950 events held around the country last Thursday as part of the seventh national Close the Gap Day – proof that a growing number of people are concerned about the appalling health and life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

The Close the Gap Campaign used the occasion to call on governments to renew Closing the Gap funding, which is due to expire at the end of June.

Campaign co-chairs Mick Gooda and Jody Broun said related programs were beginning to have an impact and it would be tragic if they lost momentum.

"The \$1.6 billion funding package underpinning current Closing the Gap health programs expires in June, and we've had no solid commitment that it will be renewed," Mr Gooda said.

"This Council of Australian Governments (COAG) funding, from Federal, State and Territory governments, is making a real difference to people's lives and must continue."

Mr Gooda said mortality rates for Indigenous people under five were starting to fall, and smoking and chronic disease initiatives were beginning to have an impact.

Ms Broun said the COAG health funding had a strong focus on chronic disease and had led to more Aboriginal health workers, doctors, nurses, health promotion workers and healthy lifestyle programs, more affordable

medicines, as well as better access to smoking programs by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

"Continued investment is essential if we are to build on this excellent work and be the generation to end the national disgrace that sees Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples die more than 10 years younger than the broader Australian community," she said.

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) chair Justin Mohamed said it was widely acknowledged that culturally appropriate healthcare services made a real difference.

## Health equality

"Healthcare services provided by Aboriginal people for Aboriginal people must continue to be supported and invested in if governments are serious about achieving health equality," he said.

"Any genuine effort to close the gap on Aboriginal health must have Aboriginal community controlled health organisations at its core."

The Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (VACCHO) commended the Federal and Victorian governments' commitment to Aboriginal health, but said racism remained a 'significant barrier to achieving equality of health outcomes' for Indigenous people and should be addressed by all levels of government.

Meanwhile, the National Mental Health Commission

renewed its call for mental health to be included as an additional target in governments' Closing the Gap program.

Commission chair Professor Allan Fels said mental illness was second only to cardiovascular disease as the leading driver for the observed health gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said significant progress had been made towards addressing Indigenous disadvantage.

"For instance, there are now more Indigenous children than ever before with access to preschool or kindergarten programs and the Closing the Gap target that all Indigenous four year olds living in remote communities have access to early childhood education by 2013 will be met this year," she said.

Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the target of halving the gap in mortality rates for Indigenous children under five by 2018 was on track to be met.

Opposition spokesman on Indigenous Affairs Nigel Scullion said there was a 'long, long way to go to close the gap in education, health and employment'.

"This momentous nation building endeavour cannot be left just to governments and Indigenous people – all Australians need to come on board and help," he said.

"The best way out of poverty is through getting a job. If you are an employer with jobs to fill, and there are Aboriginal people willing to work, hire them."



Dr Tom Calma, Quitline adviser John Braddick and former smoker Ray Robinson. Photo by Jess Husband





The Solid Futures class of 2013 pictured after their recent hand and power tool induction. Back, from left, Christopher Yarran, Lewis Joseph, Aaron Garlett, Dylan Farmer, Mitchell Farmer, Kane Farmer, Leroy Stevens, Richard Yappo and Thomas Betts. Front, from left, Robert Ryder, Jemma Hayward and Andrea Barnes. Photo by Nan Richards, Central Institute of Technology

## This crew's Solid



THEY say the best things are built to last. And that's as true for the education being acquired by students in

one Perth adult education course as the practical works of art they're producing.

Thirty new students have enrolled in the first semester of the Central Institute of Technology's 2013 Solid Futures course, in pursuit of a dual qualification in Certificate II in Business, and Certificate II in Resource and Infrastructure.

They recently completed their hand and power tool induction and have begun making wooden tables, outdoor furniture and sculptures hand crafted from recycled and renewable timber.

Their creations are



"We built that!" Some of the tables constructed by the Solid Futures students.

increasingly sought after, especially the tables – each of which is embossed with designs burnt by the students, thereby continuing an enduring form of Aboriginal cultural

expression. Tables have already been commissioned by many Aboriginal organisations throughout the state, including Curtin University's Centre for Aboriginal Studies, the University of WA's School of Indigenous Studies, Murdoch University's Kulbarri Centre, Edith Cowan University's Kurrongkurl Katitjin, Marr Mooditj Foundation, Aboriginal Legal Service of WA, the Aboriginal Workforce Development Centre, Dumbartung Aboriginal Corporation, as well as local government bodies.

Solid Futures lecturer Peter Dooley said the course was a culturally affirming and safe place to study and reconnect with training and education, and the students were proud of their achievement so far.

## Bridge takes legal action



FORMER Western Australian Labor MP Ernie Bridge is suing the State Government and companies owned by two of

Australia's richest women after being diagnosed with asbestos-related diseases.

Mr Bridge claims he was exposed to asbestos fibres and dust when he was the minister in charge of withdrawing government services from Wittenoom, in the Pilbara region, in the late 1980s.

The 76-year-old is also suing the Shire of Ashburton, CSR Limited, Midalco, Gina Rinehart's Hancock Prospecting and Angela Bennett's Wright Prospecting.

Mr Bridge, who was the Member for the Kimberley from

1980 to 2001, lodged a writ in the WA Supreme Court last week seeking damages for contracting malignant mesothelioma, asbestosis, pleural disease and respiratory degeneration.

The father of four was WA's first Aboriginal MP and the first Indigenous cabinet minister in any Australian government.

Premier Colin Barnett said that although the case could be fast-tracked given Mr Bridge's age, it would be looked at in the same way as anyone's.

### 'Distressed'

"I was very distressed to hear Ernie is so unwell," Mr Barnett said last Wednesday.

"He is a terrific guy, and he might be from the opposite side of politics but Ernie has a huge following around the state."

Former WA premier Peter Dowding said Mr Bridge had visited asbestos-affected areas such as Point Samson, Roebourne and Wittenoom many times while he was an MP.

"Even the Point Samson school camp building had asbestos in it because it used to be used for storing the asbestos before it was shipped out," Mr Dowding told Fairfax Radio.

He said that when he recently visited Mr Bridge he did not look "flash", but was "surprisingly chipper".

Lawyer Simon Millman, who is representing Mr Bridge, said his firm had run hundreds of cases for asbestos victims from the area.

The number of people filing for compensation showed no sign of dropping off, Mr Millman said. — AAP

## Help in fight for better literacy and numeracy



TRAINING organisation The Learning Workshop has launched a new interactive resource to improve the literacy and numeracy skills of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in regional and remote Australia who want to establish a small business.

The resource, called Natural Born Fighter has a film, multi-media DVD and a handbook that are designed to break down barriers to entrepreneurship in Indigenous communities.

The resource is built on three elements: a documentary that follows the journey of Cairns-based Indigenous man Brian Gray as he establishes his boxing and fitness business Natural Born

Fighters; a 3D animation of Mr Gray and his Indigenous mentor Elverina Johnson as they navigate their way through the personal, family and cultural issues faced by Indigenous people when starting a small business; and interactive literacy, language and numeracy activities that support the building of the knowledge and skills Indigenous people need to establish a small business.

Natural Born Fighter was launched by Australia's 2013 Local Hero Shane Phillips, The Learning Workshop's Cathrena McRae, small business owner and star of the video Brian Gray and Maori soul singer Jess Harlen, whose music features on the production.

For more information go to [www.thelearningworkshop.com.au](http://www.thelearningworkshop.com.au)



Natural Born Fighters' Brian Gray with Cathrena McRae of The Learning Workshop.



Shane Phillips, employment services provider mentor Ian Ludwick and filmmaker Victor Steffensen at the launch.



Jess Harlen and Camilla Charlesworth perform at the launch.



# Centre for homeless opens in Townsville

By ALF WILSON



A NEW centre has been opened in Townsville, bringing together a range of agencies working to end homelessness in the north Queensland region. The Homelessness Hub (the Hub) is a front-line service for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Situated in Wickham Street, it was officially opened on 13 March by Queensland Communities Minister Tracy Davis. About 100 people attended.

The many services working collaboratively on homelessness include the Women's Centre, Coast to Country Housing, Yumba Meta Housing Association, Centrelink, Queensland Youth Services, Family Emergency Accommodation Townsville, Seras Women's Shelter, The Drop In Centre, Murri Watch Community Patrol, Ozcare, Anglicare, Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Health Services, Salvation Army and St Vincent De Paul Society.

Guests were welcomed to country by Elder David Smallwood and many, like Police



Police Liaison Officer coordinator Linda Janetzki prepares to place her painted handprint on a board during the opening of the Homelessness Hub in Townsville. Photo by Alf Wilson

Liaison Officer coordinator Linda Janetzki, joined in placing their painted handprints on a board to commemorate the occasion.

"This will be a good facility and hand printing on the board makes it a part of history for the Hub," PLO Janetzki said.

The Homelessness Hub is operated by the Red Cross and has had 558 people come through its doors since opening on 2 January.

Of these people, 203 were Indigenous and 355 non-Indigenous. They were 257 males

and 301 females. The majority of people were aged between 26 and 45.

Red Cross North Queensland regional manager James Harmon said the two major groups the Hub helped were households with children headed by single women,

and single males – many of them young men.

The Hub provides face-to-face or telephone help so people in crisis get integrated support when dealing with pressing needs, including crisis or emergency accommodation, and then referral to ongoing support, with a focus on long-term stability.

"This innovative model has been found to be successful elsewhere in the world," Mr Harmon said. "It's more efficient, with people who are homeless or at risk only needing to tell their story once, instead of having to repeat it to each link in the chain, and providing the practical help to get their lives back in control."

"This can include anything from short-term storage for their possessions, assistance with budgeting, and access to a wide range of information. We stay in contact with them until they are on their way and linked up with the ongoing support they need."

Mr Harmon said another strength of the Hub was the commitment of its trained and dedicated volunteers, who come from a wide background within the community to carry out a range of activities including reception and administration.

# Bolt wins seniors award for helping young people

By RUDI MAXWELL



BUNDJALUNG Elder Christy Bolt has received a NSW Seniors Week Achievement Award for intergenerational understanding, which he says really means looking after other people.

Mr Bolt, 67, lives in Lismore and has served as a director on a number of Aboriginal organisation management boards, including the *Koori Mail*.

In the past, he was active in Southern Cross Learn About Driving Skills (LADS), which aims to educate and develop the skills of drivers to permanently reduce deaths from motor vehicle crashes.

He's also active within the sporting community, particularly with Aboriginal-based rugby league club Northern United, where he helps mentor young players and is a club director.

"It's a wonderful club, I love it. I'm a rugby league man; I just can't stay away from it and I hope it keeps on being successful," Mr Bolt said last week.

"The young people want to hear what the old people say about rugby league, what they can achieve, where they can go. We explain about other old players, who played for NSW or Australia; that there's a future for them besides doing things that get them into trouble."

"We're there to help them, to try and get them on the right track. It's up to them after that."

"A lot of young kids want to be a part of the club. They like us old fellas talking to them. It gives them that edge to get out there, playing for their club and they love it."

Mr Bolt said 'intergenerational understanding' involved "checking everybody was up to date on what's been happening".

"It's trying to help the young people, trying to



From left, 2013 NSW Seniors Week ambassador Steve Widders, intergenerational understanding award winner Christy Bolt and James Wilson-Miller. Picture by Pardalote

help young kids to stay out of trouble, put them on the right track, where they should go in life," he said. "Sometimes you worry when you see some of our young kids wandering the streets. I go walking early in the morning and I see a lot of things, especially on Saturday and Friday mornings. I see kids around the street, and sometimes I ask them why."

"They call me Uncle, and I tell them they should be home, shouldn't be out, and I say to them 'Stay out of trouble, don't get yourself in

trouble, get home to your family'.

"If you see anyone in trouble doing things wrong, you've got to try and talk to them. Plenty of times I've gone down and stopped assaults with women and men fighting."

Mr Bolt thanked local woman Dianne Creighton for nominating him for the award and said it was a shock when he won.

"I didn't know what it really was about, but I was excited and I enjoyed myself. I met that many people. I loved it. It was good," he said.

## More Vic Aboriginal children abused



VICTORIAN Aboriginal children are almost 10 times more

likely than their non-Indigenous counterparts to have suffered neglect or abuse.

More than 960 Aboriginal children and young people experienced substantiated neglect or abuse in 2011/12, which equated to 62.5 cases per 1000 children, according to a Victorian government report.

The rate was at its highest level since 2006/07 and was higher than the national Aboriginal rate of 41.9 per 1000.

It means Victorian Indigenous children are almost 10 times more likely to suffer abuse or neglect than their non-Indigenous counterparts.

"Factors contributing to the increase in substantiation rates include family violence, alcohol and drug misuse, mental health issues and intellectual disability," the report, which was tabled to state parliament, said.

— AAP



# FOGS employment expos kick off



THE fourth season of the Former Origin Greats (FOGS) expos designed to promote job opportunities for young Indigenous people in Queensland is under way. The expos are run by FOGS,

an organisation made up of former players in the rugby league State of Origin competition between NSW and Queensland.

The first expo was held this month in Cairns. Expos will be held on the Sunshine Coast on 24 April, in Mount Isa on 29 May, Townsville on 23 July,

Rockhampton on 14 August, Toowoomba on 11 September and Brisbane on 17 October.

Federal Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Julie Collins said the expos were a great opportunity for young Indigenous Australians to connect with employers and

trainers and mentors to help decide on a career path.

The expos are a key part of the Learn Earn Legend! campaign aimed at increasing the number of Indigenous people in long-term employment by encouraging young people to stay in school or training.

"The Government-FOGS

partnership through these expos is about encouraging young people to stay in school, find a job and become leaders in their communities," Ms Collins said.

"These expos build on the outstanding results from 2012 where more than 16,000 young Indigenous job seekers attended the seven FOGS events."



Marleena McIntosh, Connie Yarran and Maddison Fitzgerald-McIntosh, from the Young Leaders program, volunteered to help out at the Keela Dreaming Festival. Their program was funded by You Me Unity (Recognise).



Kids with members of the Nyoongar Sports Association. Photo by Tash Nannup



Static Crew performing. Photo by Tash Nannup



Local singer/songwriters who performed their healing songs at the festival. Photo by Tash Nannup



The stage at sunset. Photo by Michelle White



Hip-hop workshops and performances by Urban Youth Crew were popular at the festival. Photo by Tash Nannup

## Hundreds pack Keela Festival



HUNDREDS of people celebrated Noongar art, music, sport and culture at the eighth Keela Dreaming Festival

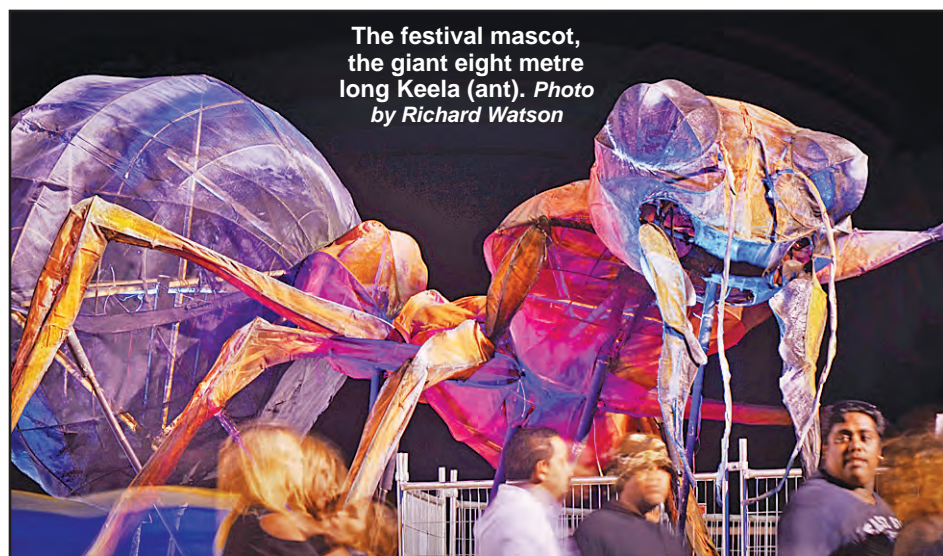
in the Western Australian Wheatbelt centre of Kellerberrin earlier this month. Keela Dreaming, held every two years, is the biggest and longest-running Noongar festival in the Wheatbelt. It is organised by the Kellerberrin Aboriginal Progress Association (KAPA) and supported by CAN WA and the Shire of Kellerberrin.

Balladong culture was a major focus of this year's festival, on 2 March, with an all-Noongar line-up of performers including Gina Williams, Phil Walley Stack, the Wadumbah Dance Group and country rock bands Bad Influence and Patch Up.

Local singer/songwriters from Kellerberrin and Quairading showcased their musical talents in CAN WA's Healing Songs performance, backed by Gina Williams, Guy Ghouse and David Hyams.

Organisers said local dance outfit Static Crew and Lil Sparks were among the highlights of the festival.

They said local kids also had plenty to keep them entertained, with sport and hip-hop workshops as well as a range of free activities including a climbing tower, obstacle course and dunk tank.



The festival mascot, the giant eight metre long Keela (ant). Photo by Richard Watson



A group of happy festival-goers in Kellerberrin. Photo by Tash Nannup





DEBORAH MAILMAN  
Photo by Joseph Mayers

# Our mob up for Logies



THE countdown is on for the nation's premier annual television awards, and three Indigenous actors have been nominated in big-ticket categories. The winners of the 55th Logie Awards will be named during a televised ceremony at Crown Casino, Melbourne, on 7 April.

Deborah Mailman, who starred in the movie *Mabo*, the ABC TV series *Redfern Now* and *Offspring* on Network Ten, has been nominated in the Most Popular Actress and peer-voted Most Outstanding Actress categories. Leah Purcell of *Redfern Now* has also been nominated for Most Outstanding Actress. *Mabo*'s Jimi Bani has been nominated in the

peer-voted Most Outstanding Actor category.

The TV Week Gold Logie for Most Popular Personality on TV will be contested by ABC comedian Adam Hills, 2012 winner Hamish Blake and his sidekick Andy Lee, *Offspring* star Asher Keddie, *The Project*'s Carrie Bickmore and *Home and Away* actor Steve Peacocke.



A file photo of Logie nominee Leah Purcell.

# Clean Slate wins funds

By MARGARET SMITH



THE dedicated team behind Redfern's inspiring Clean Slate Without Prejudice program has received some good news.

Earlier this month, Tribal Warrior CEO and 2013 National Local Hero Shane Phillips expressed fears for the future of the program due to funding shortfalls.

Within three days, the Federal Government had granted Clean Slate \$50,000, which together with anonymous donations will keep the program running for the next year. But, despite NSW Attorney-General Greg Smith conceding that the program was having a massive effect on keeping young Kooris out of trouble and out of detention centres, the State Government says it has no funds to contribute.

Word of the program is spreading. Recently, Mr Phillips and Tribal Warrior youth worker Roy Smith addressed the Mona Vale Aboriginal Support Group, speaking about youth programs that target young offenders referred by police and the Department of Juvenile Justice.

The teenagers learn life skills, how to increase their sense of worth, and are encouraged to draw on basic family values to prepare them for work.

Mr Phillips told the group that he was once an angry young man before he met people who helped him and showed him alternatives. He said that in 1998 he was invited on to a boat that sailed round Australia and it changed his life.

He recalled incredible events such as "dolphins swimming up to our boat, and two whales near Coffs Harbour checking us out".

"We were looking at each other in the eye. On Mutton Island, the local people made two lines to welcome us, one black and one white. For the first time I felt I was part of Australia, and it helped me focus on the positive," he said.

Coming back to Redfern, Mr Phillips set about turning his life around.

"I've seen some terrible



Shane Phillips and Redfern youth worker Roy Smith.

Photo by Barbara McGrady



Shane Phillips and Roy Walker speaking at the Mona Vale Aboriginal Support Group.

Photo by Sabine Kacha

things in Redfern. Some people were dying from heroin overdoses. I realised we had to take responsibility for our community," he said.

"We've diluted the power of the drug dealers. We've started a family and culture day once a month. We have a 6am exercise program for youth in the local gym, and 50 or 60 people turn up for training sessions. Children have regained the parks, and Elders can sit out there with the kids."

## Enormous

Mr Phillips emphasised that those programs have come out of the community, in complete contrast to initiatives such as the Northern Territory Intervention. The outcomes have been enormous, he said, with robbery rates reduced by 82 per cent,

and many young people finding jobs.

Youth worker Roy Smith spoke of Tribal Warrior's cultural tours to Sydney's national parks to show youth sacred sites and rock carvings. "Many of the kids know more about America than they do about their own culture," he said. "(But) when they're involved in our cultural programs, they can help educate their families at home."

Mr Smith said Shane Phillips, who he calls Uncle, had been an invaluable mentor. Now a mentor himself, Mr Smith added that local kids' confidence had really increased; one girl now wanted to become a pilot.

"We've had people come in from television stations, and kids who couldn't talk to anyone are now talking to TV reporters," he said with obvious pride.



From left, GenerationOne CEO Warren Mundine, Darien Torrens, a Pearls MiiHome employee who has completed her training, and Pearls MiiHome CEO Mark Winfield following the signing of an employment covenant at Yatala.

# Firm aiming to build jobs



HOUSING company Pearls MiiHome recently signed an employment covenant,

promising 100 jobs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Gold Coast region of Queensland.

Pearls MiiHome CEO Mark Winfield signed the covenant, along with GenerationOne CEO Warren Mundine, whose organisation brokers such commitments. Initially Pearls MiiHome will join with Mission Australia, targeting 60 jobs as part of a workforce expansion to meet contracts.

Mr Winfield said the

company had set a target to have at least 50 per cent Indigenous employment in its manufacturing factories at Yatala and Coomera.

"The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities are very important to Pearls MiiHome and we are grateful for the relationships we have developed," he said.

"We want to give back to these communities and help them in the future. We do this by empowering Indigenous people through giving them jobs and capability whether that be building in their own communities, in other communities or in our factories."



# 'Lingo' helps learning



Jason Munro, Jay Palese and Roy Smith check out the new program.



A NEW program combining modern technology and traditional language is helping young Aboriginal people from Redfern, in Sydney, reconnect with their community and education.

Redfern's Augustinian Volunteers Australia (AVA), a not-for-profit

organisation, recently celebrated the success of the inaugural 'Lingo from the Block' project at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE).

Telecommunications company Optus provided \$8760 towards the development of an electronic colloquial language guide specific to the Indigenous

community of Redfern. 'Lingo from the Block' uses volunteer mentors and iPads for the students to collect words, phrases and terms from Redfern Elders and families to put into a digital compendium to present and share in class.

Paul Wilson, from AVA, said the program was encouraging Redfern's young people to learn

more about their traditional culture and re-engage with their education.

"Already we're starting to see an improvement, with more kids now participating in the program," he said.

"We hope to see this result in better employment opportunities down the track."

# Directory is in business



THE NSW Government says more than 200 NSW Aboriginal businesses have registered with its online Aboriginal Business Directory. The directory, run by NSW Trade and Investment, is a central database holding information on Aboriginal enterprises across the state.

"The Aboriginal Business Directory is a one-stop shop for those seeking to do business with Aboriginal enterprises," NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said.

"This easy-to-use online tool can also help promote Aboriginal businesses' goods and services.

"Types of businesses listed in the directory include builders, caterers, computer repairs and IT services, restaurants, retail outlets and security companies."

Mr Dominello encouraged Aboriginal business operators to register their enterprise on the directory to improve their accessibility to potential customers.

"The NSW Government is committed to empowering Aboriginal people and communities, in partnership with Aboriginal people, to achieve economic self-sufficiency," he said.

"Aboriginal economic development and economic independence are key priorities for the NSW Government."

The online Aboriginal Business Directory is available at [www.aboriginalbiz.nsw.gov.au](http://www.aboriginalbiz.nsw.gov.au)

# Submissions wanted on 'living areas'



THE Federal Government has called for submissions on reforming community living area land in the Northern Territory.

A community living area is a small portion of land in a pastoral lease granted as conditional freehold to an

Aboriginal community or family for residential purposes where Aboriginal people did not benefit from land granted under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*.

There are more than 100 Aboriginal communities on community living area land in the NT, including Alpururulam, Atitjere, Binjari, Bulla, Engawala, Imangara, Imanpa, Jilkminggan, Laramba, Minyerri, Rittarangu, Tara, Titjikala, Wilora, Wutunugurra (Epenarra) and Yarralin.

Under Territory legislation there are restrictions on how community living area land can be used, even when there is agreement with the landowner.

Commercial development, private home ownership and some government services are not permitted on such sites.

Community living area land owners cannot use their land for an arts centre or a community store, or allow for investment in police stations.

Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said reforms to community living areas would aim to extend opportunities for voluntary leasing to help promote economic development and home ownership.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the Stronger Futures legislation provided the Federal Government with the ability to remove barriers in NT legislation for voluntary community living area land use.

She said any reforms to community living areas would be done in consultation with the land owners, land councils, the NT Government and relevant stakeholders, including the NT Cattlemen's Association.

Written submissions close on 12 April.

The Government says it will then hold consultations in communities.

Community living area land owners and residents can provide input through written submissions, Government engagement coordinators, Indigenous engagement officers and community consultations.

The discussion paper is available at <http://www.fahcsia.gov.au/community-living-area-land-reform-in-the-northern-territory>

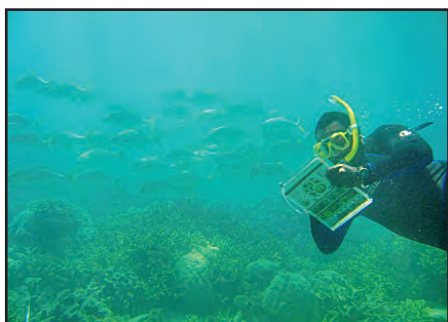
# Sea rangers take plunge



SPECIALLY trained sea rangers are now on the job monitoring the health of thousands of square kilometres of coral reefs in the Torres Strait region.

The six sea rangers were among Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) staff who completed the monitoring training with the Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS) and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA).

TSRA staff involved included project manager Frank Loban, natural resource management officer Ron Fujii and rangers David Baragud (Iama Island), Laura Pearson (Warraber), Troy Stow (Badu) and Aaron Ketchell and Amos Sipi (Erub).



Ranger supervisor on Badu Troy Stow marks up a check sheet as part of a Torres Strait reef health survey.

TSRA chairperson Joseph Elu said AIMS staff had been monitoring the health of Torres Strait coral reefs since July 2011, and could now look forward to

ongoing support from the TSRA rangers.

"The rangers were shown how to conduct reef health and impact surveys, how to safely snorkel over the reefs and assess reef health to determine the severity and extent of impacts from coral disease and bleaching, crown of thorns starfish and cyclone damage," Mr Elu said.

"It was an important capacity-building exercise helping the TSRA staff including rangers to learn how to better predict, prepare for and respond to major impacts on coral reefs."

Mr Elu said the training was an important part of a broader project to establish an early warning system for coral bleaching which included setting up a network of water temperature sensors to record readings.



# Blak Nite proves a



ADELAIDE'S Blak Nite 2013 has been hailed as a huge success after more than 4000 people turned out for the biennial youth

performing arts event on 2 March.

Organised by Kurruru Youth Performing Arts for Carclew Youth Arts and held for the first time at the Living Kaurna Cultural Centre at Warriparinga, Blak Nite featured more than 150 young people from throughout the state and beyond, including participants in Kurruru's extensive regional workshop program and dancers from Cairns, Cape York and the Torres Strait.

Highlights included a large group dance by more than 50 dancers, choreographed especially for Blak Nite by Kurruru artistic director Deon Hastie, who said he was honoured to be involved.

"Blak Nite has always been about providing a stage for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to feel free to express their creativity through music and dance," he said.

"And since last year we have been working on a new direction



Nunga Rhythm Dancers 2013 from Riverland Youth Theatre, from left, Shakena Wilson, Oshay Everuss, Chloe Fletcher, Tristan Karpny and Tyra Motto.

and vision for Blak Nite while still upholding the integrity of the festival."

Dance groups Taikurtinna, Paitya, Kuma Karro, and Kurruru's Binnanendi Boys

performed a Kaurna ceremony, followed by dances and songs led by Ngarrindjeri Elder Uncle Moogie Sumner with his group Tal-kin-Jeri.

Funny man Josh Warrior was

MC for the packed program of performances that also featured the Wabunan Dance Group of the Kaurareg nation in far north Queensland, the Iwantja Band from Indulkana, Sekun2none from

Cairns, Big Sexy, CASM Soul Band, Matty Johnson, Kurruru Dance Ensemble, Riverland Nunga Rhythm Dancers, Yalata Djembe Group, Marree Drummers, Kaurna Plains School Choir, Port Lincoln dancers, Ceduna's Crossways Elite Dance Crew, Wiltja Young Mob and their giant serpent, Move2Mujik, Trill Crew, Ngarrindjeri Rritjarukar Choir performing with 26 dancers, dancer Damien Ralphs and musicians Corey Theatre, Kai Ellis and Hanna Yates.

After the performances, workshops on comedy, choir, visual arts, crafts, traditional weaving, circus skills, dance and traditional stone tool-making took up the rest of the day.

Bush tucker was on the menu, provided by Warren Miller and his team, with the Jimmy Little Foundation and the Aboriginal Health Council providing an array of other meals.

Kurruru's primary partners for the event were the Living Kaurna Cultural Centre and the Marion City Council. Regional and remote participants were accommodated at the Marion Holiday Park, next to the event site.



Clifford Tom dances with the Wabunan Dance Group from the Kaurareg Nation.



Wiltja Young Mob member Clinton Woodforde, from Oodnadatta, backflips while Liam Stewart, Morris Kenny, Ringo Drover and Conn Ken watch on.



Tkay on stage during the festival.



Kaurna Elder and Kurruru staff member Aunty Josie Agius enjoying the day with Leonard Lester.



Sekun2none front man Josh D-Blood Duffin.



# sparkling success



The Rritjarukar (Willy Wagtails) dancers.



Beat-box champion Kai Ellis.



Torres Strait Islander dancer and choreographer Sani Townsen ran a workshop.



The Iwantja Band with front man Jeremy Whiskey, Jacob Baker on drums and bass player Keenan Singer.



Kirsten Hartman performing with the Rritjarukar (Willy Wagtails) dancers.



Damien Ralphs and Jessie Wilson from Kurruru's Dance Ensemble.



Big Sexy had the audience asking for more.



The Kurna ceremony led by Jack Buckskin, Jamie Goldsmith, Robert Taylor and Karl Telfer.



Kusa Wasaga from the Wabunan Dance Group.





Talesha Sweeney holding her niece Jara-lee Beckett Roberts.

# Talesha takes leading role in education



RED Cross worker Talesha Sweeney is passionate about education and making sure that children have the best start in life. That passion was rewarded recently when she was chosen to be one of 25 people from across Australia taking part in a leadership course through the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AIRC) in Cairns.

The 24-year-old works as a family partnerships worker in the central Queensland Woorabinda Aboriginal community.

She recently attended her first residential in Cairns as part of an intensive six-month Certificate IV in Indigenous leadership through the AIRC.

"It was intense – running from 8am to 9.30pm for seven days – but it was absolutely brilliant," she said.

"The course is really opening my eyes to seeing better ways to work with Indigenous people.

"I think it will really set me up for what I can do with my future and will help with my longer term plans for my own career."

As one of three Red Cross workers in her community, Ms Sweeney's work is specifically with families of young children, in early intervention and education.

"I'm passionate about young children and about my work in stabilising families," she said.

"It's heartbreaking to see a family losing a child and so far I've had several successes in working with families, in partnership with other agencies, to get family counselling and ultimately see the parents in employment and caring for their children. It's just so rewarding to see the stable outcomes."

Ms Sweeney has been working in childcare centres in Cairns since she was 18.

"Education is in my blood," she said. "My mother is in education, my sister is doing her diploma in education and my father has been a university lecturer."

"I want to set a positive example in the community; that you can be Indigenous and you can do anything if you set your mind to it."

"If people say you can't live in a community and be successful, I say look at me. If I can do it, you can too."

## Nyaarla wins international social service award for programs that help youth



INDIGENOUS training organisation Nyaarla Projects and MADALAH Ltd have won an

international social service award through the Asia Pacific Enterprise Corporation (AP-EC).

The award acknowledges organisations that identify the problems and needs of their community and take measures to solve them.

Nyaarla/MADALAH CEO Alan Beattie said the award was recognition for his team's hard work and dedication.

"This is testament to our supportive team of mentors and youth workers and our young Indigenous participants, who have been empowered by our programs, giving them self-confidence to realise their dreams," he said.

Nyaarla Projects is a for-profit organisation based in Western Australia that specialises in Indigenous training, employment, youth services, education, community consultation and consulting. MADALAH is Nyaarla's sister organisation; it is a not-for-profit youth organisation.



Nyaarla program graduates Jahved Cox and Scotty Ugle with Nyaarla Projects CEO and co-founder Alan Beattie.



From left: Zaina Elemam, Qasim Elemam and Shaun Gould.

## Sorry Day marked with working bee at Mission



PEAK Hill Aboriginal Landcare Group and Central West Lachlan Landcare recently held a National Sorry

Day working bee at the Bulgandramine Mission site in central NSW.

Peak Hill Aboriginal Landcare Group chair and Bulgandramine project officer Shaun Gould said the

day provided an opportunity for the community to contribute to the rehabilitation work being done at the site and to learn more about local Indigenous culture, the connections that the local Indigenous community has to the Bulgandramine Mission site and the relevance of the Federal Government's 2007 apology to the Stolen Generation to members of that community.





Mawul Rom board co-chair Patrick McIntyre, CDU vice-chancellor Professor Barney Glover and Mawul Rom Board co-chair Reverend Dr Djiniyini Gondarra and Rose Guywanga formalise the Mawul Rom Agreement in Darwin.

## Agreement establishes degree



AN agreement has been signed in Darwin to formally establish a higher degree program that involves cross-cultural training in conflict resolution, decision-making and leadership.

The agreement follows a decade of negotiations between the Yolngu peoples of East Arnhem Land and senior academics at Charles Darwin University (CDU).

Members of the Mawul Rom board, which oversees the Masters of Indigenous Knowledges course, signed the agreement in the new Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE) on the Casuarina campus at CDU.

CDU vice-chancellor Professor Barney Glover and co-chairs of the Mawul Rom board Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra and Patrick McIntyre signed the agreement.

Mr McIntyre said that through the agreement CDU would become the first Western academy to embrace the dignity and mutual status of an Indigenous academy, according to their own legal system.

### Recognition

"We have here mutual recognition by two academies according to their own laws, Madayin Law of the Dhurili Nation and Australian Law," Mr McIntyre said.

Associate head of CDU's School of Indigenous Knowledges and Public Policy (SIKPP), the CDU School responsible for the administration of the Mawul Rom Masters, Greg Williams, agreed.

He said the historic agreement was a testament to the 'mutuality of recognition and esteem of the two academies'.

"Mawul Rom is distinctive in that it seeks to formalise the

relationship so that the equality and mutual recognition of the legitimacy of the two parties as academic traditions in their own right stand out," Mr Williams said.

The program has already more than 20 graduates, and this year more than 100 students are enrolled.

Mr Williams said the graduates would be well placed to become accredited mediators and leaders in cross-cultural contexts.

## More finish Year 12



THE number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students staying on to finish Year 12 exceeded 50 per cent for the first time in 2012, according to new figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) last week.

ABS National Centre for Education and Training Statistics director Alan Herning said 51.1 per cent of Indigenous students completed Year 12 in 2012, up from 48.7 per cent in 2011 and 38 per cent in 2002.

"South Australia recorded the highest Indigenous retention rate with nearly 70 per cent staying on to Year 12, whilst Northern Territory has the lowest, at 32 per cent," he said.

In 2012, there were 176,057 school students in Australia who identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander at enrolment, an increase of 7254 (4.3 per cent) from 2011. These students now make up almost five per cent of all school students. The highest proportion of students identifying as Indigenous was in the Northern Territory (40.8 per cent) while the lowest was in Victoria (1.3 per cent).

**'Under the Government's National Plan for School Improvement, every Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student will be entitled to extra funding, whichever school they attend' – Minister Peter Garrett**



NSW had the largest number of Indigenous students (55,056), while the ACT had the smallest (1502).

NSW and Queensland accounted for almost 61 per cent of the nation's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, with a total of 107,116.

In all states and territories most Indigenous students attended government schools, ranging from 57.3 per cent in the ACT to 71.2 per cent in the NT.

Across Australia, 65.2 per cent of

Indigenous students attended government schools.

School Education Minister Peter Garrett said the Federal Government was investing in programs that were improving the education of Indigenous students.

He said the Government had allocated \$128.6 million for its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Action Plan. This included funding to boost school attendance, literacy and numeracy skills, strengthen the education workforce and

provide extra resources to schools in most need of help, as well as \$70 million for 385 focus schools.

Mr Garrett said participating schools had established 'Next Steps Plans' that emphasised school and community partnership agreements, personalised learning plans, and whole school literacy and numeracy strategies.

"We have some innovative and successful programs including the Parental and Community Engagement (PaCE) program, Sporting Chance and Indigenous Ranger Cadetships," he said.

"Under the Government's National Plan for School Improvement, every Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student will be entitled to extra funding, whichever school they attend. Every Indigenous student will also have a personalised learning plan to help them achieve their best."

The ABS said that when interpreting the figures, it was important to note they could be influenced by factors such as improvements in school enrolment practices and the propensity of students to self-identify.





Warruwi School students ready for a ride with Darren Whitaker.

## Riding high on Goulburn Island



Warruwi School student Devon Austral does bike maintenance.



WARRUWI School on Goulburn Island in the Gulf of Carpentaria has won a national award for a cycling program that has not only seen children exercise more

but has also helped with literacy. Senior teacher Trish Whitaker said the program had also contributed to an increase in enrolments and better school attendance in the past five years.

"We started with a small number of bikes thanks to the help of the NT Police, while the Lions Club provided us with helmets," she said.

"Once Darren Whitaker, who has been the driving force behind the program, started teaching the kids how to maintain the bikes and organising after-school bike excursions, the whole

community saw the value and it took off.

"Something that has also surprised us is that our literacy is improving – our kids are writing manuals for bike maintenance and safety."

Warruwi School took out the Australian Bicycling Achievement Award for an Educational Institution.

"In 2008, we were down to three teachers and 80 kids but I am proud to say that we are now an eight-teacher school with 130 students," Ms Whitaker said.

"Bicycles have permeated every aspect of our school in a positive way for the benefit of both the kids and the whole community.

"It's been great for the school, it's been great for the kids."

Warruwi School is about 300km north-east of Darwin in the Arnhem region.



Students Frank Dadboko and Devon Austral with one of the school's bikes.

## Marine biology is Jacob's love



JACOB Tapp's love of the marine environment began when he was a baby.

"When I was born I was given a stuffed toy penguin and my interest just escalated massively over the last 20 years," he said.

"We'd go on holidays to Philip Island (Victoria), to the aquarium, and it grew from there – marine biology was something I wanted to do."

This month Mr Tapp, a Worimi man who grew up in Sydney, graduated with an honours degree in marine biology from James Cook University (JCU) in Townsville.

He completed his honours thesis on the role of mangrove crabs living in different zones of mangrove forests.

"I really like crabs. They're cool," he said. "Little girls like

ponies; I just really like crabs and crustaceans."

JCU Indigenous student support officer Lyn Reed said that since starting his degree in 2009, Mr Tapp had been an outstanding student who worked consistently and conscientiously during the past four years.

### Commitment

"I believe his determination and commitment will continue to encourage other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to reach their goals, fulfil their dreams for themselves and the next generation," she said.

Mr Tapp was a student ambassador, visiting schools and helping with presentations of the science and engineering programs to JCU's Indigenous students.

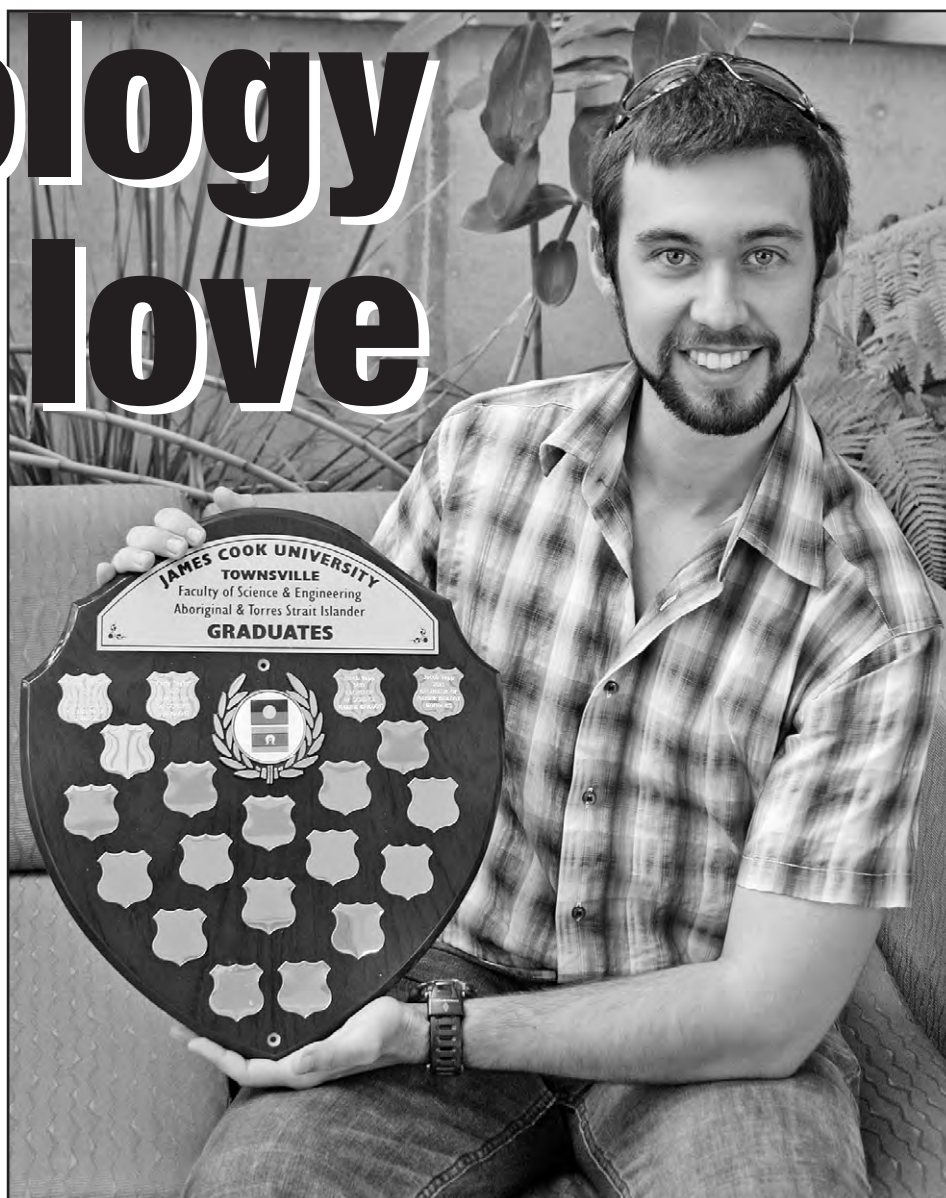
"As a student ambassador, you're trying to encourage high school and

younger kids to go to uni, get a degree, and be productive in their community in Australia or elsewhere," he said.

Having recently graduated, Mr Tapp is in the process of trying to find a job where he can use the skills and knowledge he learned at university.

He said the most enjoyable part of studying marine biology at JCU was working in "a fascinating environment. There are lots of pretty fish and coral and crustaceans, and doing it in Townsville, you have the Barrier Reef, mangrove forests – it was just brilliant," he said.

In 2011, Mr Tapp received a JCU NAIDOC award for academic excellence as an undergraduate, and was also involved in a 10-day project with Earth Watch at the Daintree River in North Queensland.



Jacob Tapp recently graduated with a Bachelor of Marine Biology (Honours) from James Cook University in north Queensland.



# Workshop is first for writers' group



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander writers have garnered plenty of attention in recent years,

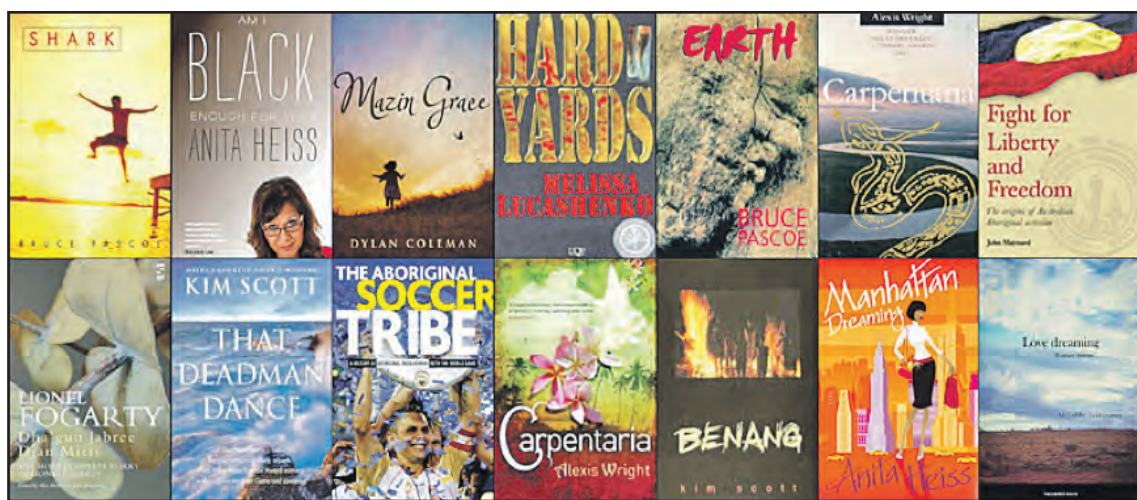
collecting a string of major awards and accolades.

Soon, our literary types – some of their works are pictured at right – will have a chance to build on their strengths collectively, with the First Nations Australia Writers' Network holding its inaugural workshop in Brisbane in May.

The network's national coordinator, Cathy Craigie, said the depth of talent and experience of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander writers was 'extraordinary'.

"Our writers have won some of the most prestigious Literary awards in Australia. Two Aboriginal authors have won the Miles Franklin Award – Alexis Wright with *Carpentaria* in 2007 and Kim Scott with *That Deadman Dance* in 2011," she said. "It must also be noted that Qld writer Herb Wharton's was awarded the 2012 Australia Council Award for Lifetime Achievement in Literature.

"Aboriginal writers play an important role in cultural



transference. They tell the stories of our people and the events that shape our existence... It is now time for us to work together to strengthen our future."

Among those confirmed for the workshop, to be held at the State Library of Queensland on 9 and 10 May, are Alexis Wright, Kim Scott, Dr Anita Heiss, Herb Wharton and Dr Sandra Phillips.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander writers from across Australia are encouraged to attend the workshop.

"This is a great opportunity for all our mob, who are committed

to writing their stories and strengthening the understanding of our cultures to come together," Ms Craigie said.

"It is about sharing and celebrating but also about getting down to doing the work and developing a national infrastructure for our literature."

## Poor cousin

A lot of the spotlight and resourcing in the arts was directed to other artforms, Ms Craigie said, while literature had been the poor cousin.

The First Nations Australia Writers Network was started in

2012 and has a national working group that oversees a three-year strategy to develop, promote and sustain Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander literature.

The network's vision is 'to foster a vibrant Indigenous writing sector that offers greater opportunities to participate in, share and strengthen the arts practice, and to develop careers and businesses for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander writers'.

For more information and to register for the workshop, go to <http://fnaworkshop.com> or contact Tony on 0429 848 236.

**"Aboriginal writers play an important role in cultural transference. They tell the stories of our people and the events that shape our existence... It is now time for us to work together to strengthen our future." – National coordinator Cathy Craigie**

## Tamworth centre hosting live show



THE Cultural Centre in Tamworth is staging a live dinner show of *Little Birung*, a story of the Sarmardin, Hoolihan and Gertz families on 29 April.

In *Little Birung*, Megan Sarmardin sings the stories of six generations of women of her family, stories shared by her great grandmother, 97-year-old Flora Hoolihan, including recollections of Flora's North Queensland Ngadjon-Jii mother and grandmother.

Ms Sarmardin reflects about how she came to understand Flora and to understand the gift of freedom and its cost.

In this theatrical song cycle, written and composed by John Rodgers, Ms Sarmardin's singing is accompanied by guitarist Jamie Clark and ranges across styles and genres.

The storytelling is assisted by the audio-visual presence of Flora, who witnessed all six generations.

Tickets are on sale through the Ticket Shop for \$55 a person and include buffet dinner and dessert. Content is suitable to all ages.

For more information go to [www.townsville.qld.gov.au](http://www.townsville.qld.gov.au)

# Boomerang set to fly



A NEW festival celebrating Indigenous culture will be launched at

the 2013 Byron Bluesfest, starting this week. The Boomerang festival will be held at the Tyagarah Tea Farm site in October 2013.

The festival is an initiative of Bluesfest director Peter Noble and Bundjalung woman Rhoda Roberts.

They said Boomerang would be an experience of living cultures through traditional and contemporary music, featuring some of the world's oldest instruments, dance and rituals along with traditional arts practices and workshops that focused on mother tongues and first instruments.

"The Boomerang Festival has the desired aim of ending the disparity in life expectancy between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australia by providing an



Thelma Plum, who will play at the Boomerang Festival launch, with a canine friend.

annual creative event that builds strong partnerships and showcases First Nations to their advantage, quite simply their

culture," they said.

The festival launch, this Saturday, will be held in a new venue at the Bluesfest, called the Lotus Palace.

There will be special performances by Indigenous acts, including Christine Anu, Thelma Plum, Tjupurru, Leah Flanagan and Airileke.



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# Ilbjerri's excellence rewarded



INDIGENOUS theatre company Ilbjerri has taken out a prestigious national award. The Melbourne-

based company won the \$80,000 Group Award in this year's Sidney Myer Performing Arts Awards, which pay tribute to outstanding excellence in drama, comedy, dance, music, opera, circus and puppetry throughout Australia.

Ilbjerri produces original works and offers training and professional development to Indigenous artists and theatre workers.

During the past 22 years, it has staged 30 new works to more than 150,000 people.

Artistic director Rachael Maza accepted the award on behalf of the company, while her sister Lisa sang at the ceremony.

Composer Iain Grandage, who has worked with many Indigenous artists including members of the Black Arm Band, won the individual award, taking home \$50,000. Producer Philip Rolfe won the Facilitator's Prize of \$20,000. Sydney Myer Trust Fund



Rachael Maza accepts the Group Award on behalf of Ilbjerri Theatre Company.

Trustees chairman Carrillo Gantner described the winners as an inspiration.

"The 2012 winners are all outstanding in their field and have inspired us not just through their individual and collective achievements, but through their constant imaginative striving to challenge what is possible," he said.

"Their dedication and creative genius have been a gift to us all."



Lisa Maza sings *Life of an Aborigine* at the awards ceremony.



Joyce Graham and Michelle Bedford before the event. Photos by Sean Davey

# Lightning strikes

By MARGARET SMITH



A NEW play about the Stolen Generations has premiered in the Blue Mountains, west of Sydney. *Welcome Home Lightning Stone* will also be performed in Redfern tomorrow (Thursday, 28 March).

The multi-media presentation using theatre, song, live music, art, video projection and storytelling was three years in the making.

Supported by the Australia Council for the Arts and the Blue Mountains City Council, it tells the story of three cousins coming to the terms with past child removals and the hurt of children being taken away today.

The performance, attended by the *Koori Mail*, drew a crowd who sat wrapped in blankets under a starry night.

Afterwards, play co-creator Elise Anthony revealed the work was inspired by Auntie Loretta Schuler, from Lightning Ridge, who recently campaigned with others to have 40 children removed by the Department of Family and Community Services returned to their families.

Ms Anthony has worked for Link Up and comes from "a family of multi-generations removal".



Billy McPherson (Lightning Stone), Maurial Spearim (Nellie), Dave Yamandirra Newton (Lennie) in *Welcome Home Lightning Stone*.

"Most Australians know about the past but they don't know how it continues to affect us, and that the removals haven't stopped," she said.

"This isn't my story, as at least five

nations of Aboriginal Australia have been involved in the process of writing this play. Five thousand Aboriginal children are in care right now in NSW."

The play was co-created by Nigel

Glassey, with Uncle Thom Brown and Richard Green playing the parts of family members who have passed on. It stars author and actor Billy McPherson as Lightning Stone, a man whose Aboriginal heritage has been hidden by his grandfather. His cousin Nellie (played by award-winning actor, dancer and singer Maurial Spearim), is a peacemaker who is trying to bring distant relatives together.

"Nellie is a strong-willed woman with a desire to make everything right – she brings it all together," Ms Spearim said.

The third cousin, Lennie, is played by Dave Yamandirra Newton, an artist and discovery ranger. His charismatic character was inspired by a young (activist) Billy Craigie.

"It's a privilege to have the responsibility to be part of this play. It's a strong Aboriginal story told by Aboriginal people," Newton told the *Koori Mail*.

Elise Anthony hopes the play will help create more awareness that there are solutions to taking children away, "and that families can be assisted to care for children at home".

For bookings, phone 0468 424 000 or see [www.welcomehomelightingstone.net.au](http://www.welcomehomelightingstone.net.au)





Breast cancer survivor and cancer care advocate Margaret Lawton, left, with Assoc Prof Gail Garvey at the DISCOVER TT launch in Brisbane.

## Spotlight on men's issue



HEALTH professionals are being encouraged to broach a sensitive subject with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island men – the link between chronic diseases, including coronary heart disease

and type 2 diabetes, and erectile dysfunction (ED). Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon has launched an educational DVD aimed at assisting health professionals in Indigenous communities to take a more holistic approach to men's health, highlighting how the management of chronic disease may be improved when ED is also considered.

According to Andrology Australia (the Australian Centre of Excellence in Male Reproductive Health), there is increasing evidence of a link between ED and chronic disease. Studies have also demonstrated links between ED and depression, highlighting the effect of living with erectile problems on quality of life.

A recent study in the *Medical Journal of Australia* reported low numbers of Indigenous men seeking help for reproductive health disorders, due to cultural and geographical barriers.

Andrology Australia director Professor David de Kretser said one in five Australian men over the age of 40 reported a problem getting or maintaining an erection but few sought help from a health professional.

"And that's a tragedy as two per cent of men will have a stroke or heart attack in the first year after onset of ED, and this increases to 11 per cent by five years," he said.

"Failing to act could have disastrous consequences."

The DVD includes interviews with health professionals working with Indigenous men and medical specialists with expertise in reproductive health, and covers male-friendly health services and strategies when starting to work with and talk about sexual health.

# New centre is nation's first



AUSTRALIA now has its first Indigenous cancer research centre. Menzies School of Health Research hosts the Centre of Research Excellence (CRE), titled DISCOVER-TT, or Discovering Indigenous Strategies to improve Cancer Outcomes Via Engagement, Research Translation and Training, launched this month in Brisbane.

Menzies says the centre is set to improve the diagnosis, treatment and survival rates for Indigenous people with cancer, which is the second leading cause of death among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Menzies senior researcher Associate Professor Gail Garvey said the launch of DISCOVER-TT represented a huge step forward for Indigenous cancer patients.

"Until now cancer has been a low priority on the Indigenous health agenda, despite the disease accounting for a greater number of deaths each year than diabetes and kidney disease," Prof Garvey said.

"There is a clear need to improve health services for people with cancer by using the information we do have and by identifying knowledge gaps.

"DISCOVER-TT will allow us to bring

## Some cancer facts

- Cancer survival is lower for Indigenous people than for other Australians. It is the second leading cause of death among Indigenous people, accounting for a greater number of deaths each year than diabetes and kidney disease.

- The death rate for all cancers combined and for most individual cancers is significantly higher for Indigenous than other Australians: cervical cancer (4.4 times), lung cancer (1.8), pancreatic cancer (1.3) and breast cancer in females (1.3).

- Indigenous Australians have a much lower incidence of some cancers compared to other Australians (breast, prostate, testicular, colorectal and brain cancer, melanoma of skin, lymphoma and leukaemia) but they have a much higher incidence of others (lung and other smoking-related cancers, cervix, uterus and liver cancer).

together key researchers, health professionals and consumer advocacy groups from across Australia, and actively

promote the translation of research knowledge into Australian public health policy and practice."

Prof Garvey said that with Federal Government funding of \$2.5 million over five years, DISCOVER-TT would support existing and new researchers, including Indigenous early-career researchers, in cancer control and ensure work is relevant and applicable.

She said staff from DISCOVER-TT would work alongside health researcher and former Australasian Epidemiological Association president Prof Joan Cunningham and with researchers from several centres across Australia.

Indigenous breast cancer survivor and cancer care advocate Margaret Lawton, from Brisbane, praised DISCOVER-TT.

"I think DISCOVER-TT is a wonderful initiative because it will bring together some of the brightest minds across a range of disciplines to improve the knowledge base about Indigenous cancer and help people with cancer," she said.

Cancer Australia CEO Professor Helen Zorbas said DISCOVER-TT represented an important initiative to improve cancer outcomes for Indigenous people.

## Lung cancer in Govt sights



A LUNG cancer awareness campaign in NSW will target communities with high smoking rates to improve early detection and survival rates.

Lung cancer is the state's fourth most common cancer, but is the leading cause of death, killing 2600 people in NSW each year.

The \$1 million Listen Out for Lung Cancer campaign will include ads on television and radio and in newspapers. It will focus on the Arabic-speaking, Vietnamese, Chinese and Aboriginal communities, which have higher than average smoking rates.

"This is an Australian-first campaign, and we can do something about it," Health Minister Jillian Skinner said. "If you have a persistent cough that has lasted longer than three weeks, a changed cough, or are coughing up blood, ask your GP for referral for a chest X-ray."

Cancer Institute NSW chief executive Professor David Currow said lung cancer didn't respect age – and it didn't only affect smokers.

The treatment for the disease had improved significantly over the past 30 years, Prof Currow said, and the aim was to increase the survival rate beyond five years.

"We need to have this discussion to change the attitudes of the community, but also that of general practitioners," he said.

Sue McCullough, a life-long non-smoker, was admitted to hospital with serious flu in 2002. After a number of tests, a 2cm malignant tumour was discovered and removed.

Five years later she received the all-clear.

Ms McCullough said it was important people were aware lung cancer could be treated and controlled. – AAP

## Figures show lower screening rate



FIGURES released by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW)

show that, while many women in regional and remote regions are being screened for breast cancer, the percentage of Indigenous women having a check is considerably lower

than the rest of the population.

BreastScreen Australia targets women aged 50-69 to detect early signs of unsuspected cancer, enabling treatment.

Finding breast cancer early often means the cancer is small, which is associated with increased treatment options and improved survival.

Breast cancer was

estimated to be the most common cancer diagnosed in Australian women in 2012, and was the second most common cause of cancer-related death in 2010.

Just over half (55 per cent) of targeted women in Australia – almost 1.4 million people – had a screening mammogram through BreastScreen Australia in

2010 or 2011. Participation by Indigenous women was just 36.2 per cent.

AIHW spokesperson Justin Harvey said that in 2010 and 2011, participation rates for mammograms were highest in outer regional areas, at 59 per cent. "But BreastScreen Australia also reached 46 per cent of women in very remote areas," he said.



# Mental health staff praised



ABORIGINAL mental health workers in NSW have been praised

for their efforts in promoting strength and resilience in Aboriginal communities across the State.

Speaking at this year's Aboriginal Mental Health Worker Forum in Wagga Wagga, NSW Mental Health Minister Kevin Humphries said the State Government would continue to work with the Aboriginal community to develop a skilled and professional Aboriginal mental health workforce.

"It is the drive, passion and determination of our Aboriginal mental health workforce that is needed to meet the mental health and social and emotional wellbeing challenges many Aboriginal communities face," Mr

**'It is the drive, passion and determination of our Aboriginal mental health workforce that is needed to meet the mental health and social and emotional well-being challenges many Aboriginal communities face'**  
— Minister Kevin Humphries



Humphries said. "Closing the gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal health and life expectancy will continue to take a concerted effort by the state and commonwealth governments, including initiatives like the Aboriginal Mental Health Workforce Program.

"Since its inception, the program has seen an increase in the number of qualified Aboriginal mental health workers in the workforce and the number of Aboriginal people accessing mental health services."

The two-day Aboriginal Mental Health Workers Forum

provides an opportunity for Aboriginal mental health workers in NSW to come together for training, skill development and networking.

The theme of this year's forum was 'Looking after Ourselves, Looking after Our Communities', with a focus on the support and further development of the Aboriginal mental health workforce.

Sessions ranged from mental health and drug and alcohol issues and child and adult services and programs, to the development of a grief and loss training program for Aboriginal mental health workers.

"The NSW Government is committed to continue working with our Aboriginal mental health workforce, their families and communities to achieve better outcomes and positive change," Mr Humphries said.

## Rheumatic fever rates are among world's highest



A NEW report has found that the rate of acute rheumatic fever among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people continues to be among the highest in the world. Rheumatic heart disease is

a result of acute rheumatic fever and causes permanent damage to heart muscles or valves.

In severe cases, it can result in serious disability or death.

The report, released by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW), found that in the Northern Territory in 2010, the rate of rheumatic heart disease among Indigenous people was 26 times the rate for other people.

AIHW spokesperson Lynelle Moon said almost all cases of acute rheumatic fever recorded in the NT between 2005 and 2010 were for Indigenous people (98 per cent), with 58 per cent of cases occurring in children aged five to 14.

"What is clear is that large inequalities exist between Indigenous and other Australians when it comes to acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease," she said.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are considerably more likely to be hospitalised with acute rheumatic fever or rheumatic heart disease, and to die from rheumatic heart disease.

"The death rate from rheumatic heart disease among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people was five times that of non-Indigenous Australians between 2004 and 2007."

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# Scrymgour new NT service CEO



**FORMER** Northern Territory Deputy Chief Minister Marion Scrymgour has

been named as the new chief executive officer of Katherine's Wurli-Wurlinjang Health Service.

It's a new direction for Ms Scrymgour who briefly headed up Indigenous strategies and programs at the Red Cross last year before attempting a return to politics.

Ms Scrymgour's hopes to be pre-selected for Labor senator Trish McCrossin's seat at the next Federal election were scuttled by Prime Minister Julia Gillard's backing of former Olympian Nova Peris.

But Ms Scrymgour said she was now looking forward to building on the strengths of the

work done by the health service's previous CEO and working with the board, staff and community to achieve better health outcomes for the people of Katherine.

Established almost 40 years ago, Wurli-Wurlinjang Health Service is an independent Aboriginal community controlled health organisation with almost 100 staff.

It provides comprehensive primary health care services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Katherine and surrounding areas.

Wurli-Wurlinjang chairperson Ian Woods said the organisation's board was confident it had made the right decision.

"The board looks forward to a productive working relationship with Ms Scrymgour as we move into a new era of

health service delivery," he said.

Mr Woods and the board paid tribute to former chief executive John Fletcher, who passed away from illness.

"Fletch's legacy will not be forgotten. He had a passion for the work, and the people he worked with. It is no exaggeration to say that Fletch's leading-edge work in electronic health records will continue to improve and save lives throughout Australia for many decades to come.

"His was a life that made a real difference – a life shared with Aboriginal people across the NT."

Mr Woods also thanked acting chief executive Suzi Berto for her work during the previous few months, and for providing support to the board in the selection process.



MARION SCRYMGOUR

## Health clinic at Murri School



**FEDERAL** Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon has opened the revamped health clinic at the Murri School in Acacia Ridge, south Brisbane.

The clinic will serve the school's students and will also be available to the wider Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Mr Snowdon said the \$517,000 project had transformed the previously cramped and ill-equipped clinic.

"We now have a fully functioning healthcare facility with three consultation rooms, a treatment room, an admission office and a kitchen," he said.

The renovation was overseen by the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health (IUIH) and the clinic is being run by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service Brisbane.

Mr Snowdon praised the institute for establishing a model of care for chronic disease to support quality services to Indigenous clients through the full spectrum of health care.

"As a result, the total number of health checks made by institute members almost doubled in the last financial year, from 2487 to 4595," he said.

"The institute and its members' services are playing a key role in the Government's efforts to close the gap in Indigenous health disadvantage."

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# Employment

## INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Hannah Nelson, left, is one of seven Aboriginal trainees in a new program run by Challenger Institute and the South Western Metropolitan Health Service. Here she's with Challenger Institute business and management lecturer Ann O'Neil.



**HANNAH NELSON** has recently secured a business traineeship at Rockingham General Hospital, south of Fremantle in Western Australia.

Ms Nelson, 23, is one of seven Aboriginal trainees to join a pilot program as part of an innovative new partnership between Challenger Institute and the South Metropolitan Health Service (SMHS). The group was selected to complete the 12-month Certificate III in Business traineeship by SMHS.

Ms Nelson, a former childcare worker and mother of two, is currently working in the hospital's Patient Information Management Service, maintaining and updating medical records, liaising with patients in the wards and general administrative duties.

# Hannah in business

"I really enjoy the diversity of the role," she said.

"It's great that I'm supported to move into the different sections of the hospital and spend time learning about these areas. No day is ever the same.

"The hospital has been very

accommodating and flexible with my shifts so I can come in and leave work early to drop off and pick up my children.

"It is a huge help, and it means I can spend quality time in the evenings with my kids."

Challenger Institute business

and management lecturer Ann O'Neil said the traineeship was a combination of on-the-job training, workshops and class work.

"We set a realistic and individualised training plan for each trainee and involve their

supervisor in this process so that all parties can work together towards the same goal," she said.

SMHS Aboriginal health coordinator Nola Naylor said the partnership between Challenger and SMHS would provide opportunities for new business trainees.

"This program is proving to be very beneficial and worthwhile for both trainees and the healthcare centres where they have been placed," she said.

"There are already plans in place to run the program next year as well as look at allied health traineeships in partnership with Challenger in the very near future."

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The Aboriginal Children's Healing Team is based on theories of trauma and attachment as well as recognising the ongoing intergenerational trauma, racism and other forms of cultural abuse that Aboriginal children and their families have suffered. The program aims to provide therapeutic practice advice, support and coaching to Out of Home Care teams for Aboriginal children & young people that VACCA works with.

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## Therapeutic Healing Specialist

The successful applicant will be expected to provide therapeutic practice leadership in developing trauma informed therapeutic responses to children and maintaining sound theoretical input to all aspects of planning for each child in the program.

The position is full time.

For a copy of the job description and key selection criteria, which applicants must address in their written applications, please contact Adela Holmes, Manager Aboriginal Children's Healing Team/Senior Clinical Practitioner on (03) 9480 7300.

**Applications close:**

**Monday, April 8th, 2013**



## Exciting new role now on offer at the University of Tasmania.

**PROFESSIONAL**

## Trainee Administration Officer

Centre for Pathways and Partnerships

Vacancy No 177

**For information on this position and other career opportunities:**

[www.utas.edu.au/jobs](http://www.utas.edu.au/jobs)

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Central Australian  
**Aboriginal Congress**  
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION | ICN 7823

## Aboriginal health in Aboriginal hands

## Call for applicants: Specialist Non-Member Directors

For 40 years, Central Australian Aboriginal Congress has been a voice for Aboriginal people in Central Australia. Today, the organisation provides comprehensive primary health care to Aboriginal people living in Alice Springs and five remote communities in Central Australia.

As part of the process of strengthening corporate governance, the Board of Directors of Central Australian Aboriginal Congress Aboriginal Corporation invites suitably qualified and skilled applicants to apply for the following Non-Member Director positions:

- **Specialist in Primary Health Care**
- **Specialist in Financial Management**
- **Specialist in Governance and Administration**

Applicants must state their skills, experience and expertise relevant to the position, against the selection criteria. The responsibilities and duty of care for Non-Member Directors is equal to that of Member Directors. As a Non-Member Director, it is not a requirement that you reside in Central Australia.

**These are Aboriginal-identified positions.**

**For further information on these positions, please contact**  
Donna Ah Chee, CEO Ph: 08 8951 4401

**For selection criteria and application process, please ph: 08 8951 4401**  
or email: [director@execsec@caac.org.au](mailto:director@execsec@caac.org.au)

**Applications close Friday 5 April 2013**

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EXECUTIVE SEARCH

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE MEANINGFUL SOCIALLY CONSCIOUS LEADERSHIP**



- **Brisbane based position**
- **Community controlled health sector**
- **Organisational growth anticipated**

Heralding from humble beginnings in the 1970's, ATSICHS (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service) now proudly services a twelve-thousand strong client base and is recognised as one of the largest indigenous community controlled Organisations in Queensland. Currently providing primary health care services across five clinics in Brisbane, along with services across Youth, Child Safety and Aged Care, ATSICHS is committed to creating a model of best practice based on sustainability and equal access.

The successful CEO for this position will implement the vision and objectives of the Board of Directors through harnessing the talent of the current management team and incorporating innovation into workplace practice and partnership working. An ability to bring an insightful understanding of the sector challenges, manage funding requirements and revenue streams and remain abreast of treatment interventions and developments will be core competencies for this position.

**Standard, primary responsibilities associated with this position will include:**

- Integration of leadership priorities across staffing, community and organisational strategies
- Alignment of services across the Organisation, and maximisation of new funding and revenue alternatives
- Intuitive management of financial sustainability and performance of Organisation
- Capacity building of community Organisations through robust partnership building
- Oversight of effective governance and accountability measures including contemporary Accreditation requirements

This rare opportunity will attract those candidates seeking a fresh and challenging role that will provide scope to demonstrate their innovative leadership qualities and evidenced senior management experience. Requisite expertise working with the medical community along with a strong knowledge base in terms of primary health care and clinical intervention for the Indigenous communities would be well regarded.

To discuss this opportunity and obtain a copy of the position description, please contact Selena O'Neill at [selenaoneill@canvassearch.com.au](mailto:selenaoneill@canvassearch.com.au) or 0412263480

Imagine the possibilities...





Attorney General  
& Justice

COURT SERVICES, LOCAL COURTS

## Client Service Officer (Aboriginal Targeted)

Clerk Grade 1-2

Dubbo Magistrate's Circuit, Permanent Full-time  
Salary range: \$54,742 - \$59,512  
Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$65,671

Provide a range of general, clerical, administrative support and client services to meet the needs of clients on the Lismore Magistrate's Circuit. Services may include routine customer enquiries, daily correspondence data entry and records management. In Local Courts, position holders are primarily involved in assisting in the operation of court rooms.

### Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Well developed clerical and computer skills including data entry, process documentation and follow procedures;
- Strong commitment to client service with demonstrated interpersonal and communication skills to communicate effectively with a wide range of people;
- Ability to apply initiative to quickly solve problems;
- Willingness to carry out different activities in a variety of work environments;
- Ability to work effectively in a team environment and the ability to organise and complete high volumes of work within set time standards;
- Knowledge and understanding of ethical practice as it relates to the Court environment;
- Current NSW Driver's Licence.

This is a Permanent Full-time position at Dubbo on the Magistrate's Circuit (the position holder is required to travel as court sits on circuit at locations in the Dubbo Area, overnight stays may be required).

Applications addressing the selection criteria should be lodged online at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or click on the "Apply Online" button by **11.59pm on Sunday 7 April 2013**.

**Inquiries:** Holly Smith (02) 6885 7666 [holly\\_smith@agd.nsw.gov.au](mailto:holly_smith@agd.nsw.gov.au)

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Mission Australia

## Case Worker Indigenous Support - Newcastle

Mission Australia is a community service organisation that has been transforming the lives of Australians in need for more than 150 years. Today our 550 community and employment services assist more than 300,000 Australians by providing a hand up, a way forward and hope for the future.

Working as a Case Worker with a focus on supporting Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal participants, this programme is unique in that it acknowledges the required flexibility to develop recovery plans around participants, recognising their undulating path of recovery!

As an integral member, the objective of the role is to work under general supervision and within a team to provide practical assistance, support, advocacy, living skills, encouragement and mentoring to participants of the program in order for them to move towards independent living and the achievement of personal goals relevant to their mental wellbeing.

For further information please visit our careers page at [www.transformlives.com.au](http://www.transformlives.com.au) Enquiries can be directed to Helen Marquez on (02) 4033 4917

We support closing the gap in living standards and opportunities between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples and other Australians. Full details of Mission Australia's Reconciliation Action Plan can be located on our Mission Australia website at <http://www.missionaustralia.com.au/community-services/aboriginal-torres-strait-island>

Transform your career at [www.transformlives.com.au](http://www.transformlives.com.au)



TRANSFORM

## Men's Healing Support Worker (full time)

Eastern Metropolitan Region, Victoria

**We are looking for a creative and passionate male worker to fit into our small team who will help to:**

- Reduce the impact of family violence & trauma
- Empower Indigenous men & families

Boorndawan Willam Aboriginal Healing Service (BWAHS) is a partnership between the Eastern Metropolitan Region (EMR) Aboriginal Family Violence Action Group and Eastern Access Community Health (EACH). We are committed to playing an essential role in developing healing services for Aboriginal men, women and children in the EMR who have been impacted by intergenerational trauma and violence.

This is an excellent opportunity to facilitate the healing journey for Aboriginal men, youth and families helping them stabilize their lives, establish responsibility and reconnect to Aboriginal culture, community and family.

An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the EO Act 1995 (No.A78/2011).

**Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply**

For further information please  
contact: **Elke Smirl,**  
Manager 0467 716 260



For a full position description and/or to apply on line  
please visit our Careers Centre at  
<https://www.each.currentjobs.com.au/>  
Vacancy closes 5pm Monday 8th April 2013



Australian Government  
Aboriginal Hostels Limited

## Darwin

### Darwin Regional Office

#### Regional Manager

PN2000  
Executive Level 2  
\$108,424 - \$111,274 pa, plus  
superannuation  
Full-Time, 37.50 hours per week  
Non-ongoing, up to 18 April 2014

\*No Relocation Assistance Available\*

#### Duties

- Provide strategic leadership and direction in line with AHLs purpose.
- Develop business plans for the region.
- Provide advice and support to senior management associated with the management and delivery of operations, capital works and special initiated project outputs within the region.
- Actively contribute to regional planning and management issues, ensuring the effective delivery of sustainable outcomes.
- Lead and support engagement with communities, client groups and other government agencies and stakeholders, to identify issues and opportunities.
- Negotiate innovative solutions in response to identified issues and/or where more complex program responses are required.

- Prepare high level reports, briefs, submissions, reviews, contractual documentation and correspondence with regard to legislative requirements, and AHL policies and procedures.
- Be accountable for financial and personnel delegations within the region.
- Be accountable for staff complying with legislative requirements, and AHL policies and procedures.
- Be responsible for the internal capability of all staff within the region.
- Ensure all staff are aware of practical working knowledge of Workplace Health and Safety legislation and practices.
- Regular travel.

#### Benefits

- Company vehicle - which can be used for private use.
- Allocated car park.
- Mobile Phone
- Laptop

#### Essential Qualifications

- A valid Working With Children Check
- A current Drivers Licence

#### Want to know more?

Contact Katrina Fanning on  
02 6212 2001

## Katherine

### Fordimail Student Hostel

#### Senior Houseparent

PN2066  
APS Level 3  
\$53,214 - \$56,469 pa, plus  
superannuation  
Full-Time, 37.50 hours per week

#### Houseparent

PN2068  
APS Level 3  
\$52,090 - \$52,169 pa,  
plus superannuation  
Full-Time, 37.50 hours per week

#### Duties

- Responsible for the 24-hour operation of the hostel whilst on duty.
- Ensure that appropriate recreational, educational and other support facilities are available to the students.
- Experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander teenagers in a residential setting would be an advantage.

#### Essential Qualifications

- A valid Working With Children Check.
- A current Drivers Licence.

#### Desirable Qualification

- A current licence to drive a 22-seater-bus.

#### Want to know more?

Contact Tim Wolfgang on  
08 8981 4388.

### Activites/Recreation Officer

PN2133  
APS Level 3  
\$52,090 - \$52,800 pa, plus  
superannuation  
Full-Time, 37.50 hours per week

#### Duties

- Design and implement vibrant social, cultural, recreational or other programs for Indigenous students.
- Coordinate, participate in and support student activities and programs.
- Transport students to and from activities.
- Develop and maintain healthy community liaison groups.
- Assist with administrative documents and procedures.

#### Essential Qualifications

- A valid Working With Children Check.
- A current Drivers Licence.

#### Desirable Qualification

- A current licence to drive a 22-seater-bus.

#### Want to know more?

Contact Tim Wolfgang on  
08 8981 4388.

## Nhulunbuy

### Nhulunbuy Hostel

#### Domestic

PN2063  
APS Level 1  
\$541.97 - \$575.14 per week, plus  
superannuation  
Part-Time, 30 hours per week

#### Duties

- Ensure a high level of cleanliness is maintained throughout the hostel.
- Preparation of rooms.
- Stock control of linen, including the changing and washing.
- Food preparation, cooking and service.

#### Essential Qualification

- A valid Working With Children Check.

#### Want to know more?

Contact Peter Vearncombe on  
08 8987 2553.

#### How to Apply

Selection Documentation outlining the Selection Criteria can be found on our website at [www.ahl.gov.au](http://www.ahl.gov.au) (under the jobs section).

#### Eligibility

Applicants must be an Australian citizen. Satisfactory completion of a Police Records Check and Medical Assessment during the six month probationary period is also required.

#### Closing Date

By 5pm, Friday 05 April 2013.

### Working with Indigenous people for Indigenous people

Aboriginal Hostels Limited improves Indigenous quality of life through the delivery of hostel accommodation to enable access to education, employment, health and other services.

### Conditions of Employment

The successful applicant is required to be an Australian citizen and to satisfactorily complete a medical assessment and police records check.

A probationary period applies.

These are identified positions.

One APS Career ... Thousands of Opportunities







## BIRIPI ABORIGINAL CORPORATION MEDICAL CENTRE

### Permanent Full-Time Caseworker

**Great Lakes/Manning Aboriginal Childrens Service  
(salary commencing from \$56.5 k)**

Biripi AMS is seeking applications from experienced and qualified persons for the above position. The successful person will be a part of the Out of Home Care Team with the aim of supporting and case-managing children in our foster care program. This will involve the supervision and support of foster carers and keeping children connected with their natural family.

In return we are willing to negotiate an attractive salary package with up to \$16,000 tax free.

All applicants must contact Cheryl Holden on 1800 422 555 or email [cheryl.holden@glmacs.org.au](mailto:cheryl.holden@glmacs.org.au) for an application package, and address the selection criteria outlined in the package.

For further enquiries about the positions please contact Amanda Bridge on (0414) 897 565.

**Applications Close: 3pm Friday 5th April 2013.**



*Charity gives, justice changes.*

**Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service is a community service organisation that has been helping people battle poverty and disadvantage since 1976.**

As an organisation committed to social justice, Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service, is working towards reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

We employ direct services, administrative and management staff in the following areas:

- women and girls
- young people
- families and children
- financial inclusion
- business and finance
- marketing and fundraising
- organisational development
- social policy and research

We advertise all our positions at [www.goodshepvc.org.au](http://www.goodshepvc.org.au) where you can also register to receive job updates via email for all Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service's vacancies.

Please remember to follow the application process outlined in the position description and address the **key selection criteria** if you wish your application to be considered.

*Employment is subject to a current Working with Children Check (E) & Police Record Check.*

### ABORIGINAL SOCIAL SUPPORT WORKER

Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, caring & understanding and are able to work independently and within a team?

Kurranulla Aboriginal Corporation has a casual position for a casual "Social Support Worker" within the Gnarra HACC Program.

#### SELECTION CRITERIA

- The position is an identified aboriginal position. Aboriginality is a genuine qualification authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Worked successfully with Aboriginal / Torres Strait Islander communities and or service providers
- Demonstrated high level oral & written skills
- Basic computer skills
- Demonstrated ability to work part of a team
- Excellent communication & interpersonal skills
- Current drivers license essential
- Able to engage with the aged, people with disabilities

The successful applicant will be required to undergo National Police & Working with Children Checks

To apply please forward your current resume to [manager@kurranulla.org.au](mailto:manager@kurranulla.org.au) or call 9528-0287

**Applications close 3rd April, 2013**

#### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

### ETHICS COUNCILLOR



Expressions of interest are sought from suitably qualified Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander persons who are interested in undertaking a role as a member of the Ethics Council for the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC).

#### Role of the Ethics Council:

The Ethics Council is an independent advisory panel that advises QAIHC, its directors and members in relation to ethical issues. The Ethics Council is responsible for, amongst other things, vetting appointments, mediating disputes between members, investing potential breaches of ethical standards and generally assisting QAIHC and its members to adhere to high ethical standards.

The Ethics Council is made up of three members, appointed for a two year term. The Ethics Council was established by the QAIHC Board in late 2012 and the organisation currently seeks candidates for the first intake of Councillors. QAIHC is conducting an Expression of Interest to fill the Council.

#### In order to be eligible for appointment as an Ethics Councillor, nominees must:

- be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent;
- identify as and be accepted by the community as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander;
- be independent of QAIHC, QAIHC's members and any organisations that provide funding to QAIHC or its members; and
- be recognised for and maintain a high standard of integrity.

Nominees for this position are encouraged to complete the application by outlining how you would achieve impartiality, objectiveness and personal accountability as a member of the QAIHC Ethics Council.

Ethics Councillors will not be remunerated for their services. Councillors will be reimbursed for any out of pocket expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as Councillors.

Please submit a written expression addressing the above selection criteria and a resume by **close of business on Friday 29th March 2013** to Amanda Boland-Curran, QAIHC Company Secretary at [ABoland@qaihc.com.au](mailto:ABoland@qaihc.com.au).

For more information or further enquiries please contact Selwyn Button, QAIHC CEO on telephone (07) 3328 8500.

## VOYAGES AYERS ROCK RESORT TOUCH THE SILENCE

### General Manager – Indigenous Engagement Team

*What ever you do today make sure you take the time to consider your career and the opportunity to live and work in Australia's Red Centre...."*

An exciting opportunity is available for an experienced manager to contribute to the success of the Ayers Rock Resort Indigenous training and employment strategy. Ayers Rock Resort is actively creating an Indigenous workforce for the Hospitality and Tourism Industry and is looking for a highly motivated and capable Manager to fill the role of General Manager – Indigenous Engagement Team. As an Executive position at the Resort you will be working closely with all departments of the Resort, the local communities and other key stakeholders to ensure the success of Ayers Rock Resort's Indigenous training and employment and business development strategy.

You will have substantial management experience and a proven track record in Indigenous employment and training. Your inter-personnel skills will be exceptional with the ability to build strong working relationships at all levels of the business within a diverse and dynamic business and with Indigenous communities. With a keen eye for detail you will demonstrate a sound understanding of finance as you will have responsibility for a multi million dollar budget as well a high degree of organisational planning. You will bring your ability to attract, develop and retain team members.

Reporting into the Executive GM Operations, it is your responsibility to continue with the implementation of, and continual improvement of, all Indigenous employment related matters and community support involvement. You will provide advice on all Indigenous matters relevant to Ayers Rock Resort.

A manual Australian drivers licence and Police check is essential for this role. Prior experience of working in remotely operated resorts will be advantageous but not essential.

Benefits of this role include accommodation, company car, discretionary Company bonus and company phone.

Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia is a unique Australian company encompassing of Ayers Rock Resort and Longitude 131 in the iconic Red Centre, Home Valley Station in the Kimberley region of Western Australia, and tourism facilities at Mossman Gorge in Tropical North Queensland.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Please email your application to:  
[lauren.frater@voyages.com.au](mailto:lauren.frater@voyages.com.au)

For more information please contact:  
[paul.barrett@ayers.voyages.com.au](mailto:paul.barrett@ayers.voyages.com.au)  
or phone 08 8957 7367

Applications close April 02, 2013



**VOYAGES**  
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QUT offers our people a culture of **respect**, outstanding **rewards**, a dynamic environment, and work highly **relevant** to industry and the community.

Engagement with and acknowledgement of Indigenous people and knowledges is a priority for QUT. This includes the recruitment and support of Indigenous Australian staff through the university's Indigenous Education and Employment Committee, the Reconciliation Action Plan and the Indigenous Employment Strategy.

#### The university

QUT is a leading Australian university with a 'real world' focus in our teaching and research. Our nearly 45,000 students study across six faculties which offer more than 300 academically and professionally oriented programs. Courses are in high demand and our graduates have excellent job and career outcomes. QUT has also set for itself an ambitious research agenda and our annual research income now approaches \$80m.

QUT has two major campuses in the Brisbane CBD (Gardens Point and Kelvin Grove) and at Caboolture in the growth corridor extending north of the city.

#### The positions

Opportunities exist for seven Indigenous Australians to share in QUT's aspirations for teaching, learning, research and community engagement.

# Employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians

## QUT seeks Indigenous Australians for seven academic positions

#### Associate Director, Academic – Indigenous Knowledges

The position provides academic leadership to ensure that all students have the opportunity to learn about Indigenous knowledges in their course, and contributes to the development of academic staff to ensure they have sufficient understanding of Indigenous knowledges.

Appointment will be made at Senior Lecturer or Associate Professor level in accordance with qualifications and experience.

A market loading may be payable to an outstanding candidate.

#### Associate Lecturer and Lecturer positions are available within the following disciplines:

- Creative Industries Faculty – two positions
- Faculty of Education – two positions
- Faculty of Health – two positions

The development needs of successful candidates will be identified and supported with a program put in place to assist in building capacity by ensuring a successful academic career.

For further information visit our website.

**[www.qut.edu.au/jobs](http://www.qut.edu.au/jobs)**

Applications close 8 May 2013



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## NATIONAL INDIGENOUS CHILDREN'S CHOIR CO-ORDINATOR (MATERNITY LEAVE POSITION - 6 MONTHS)

Australia's most inspiring organisation for young singers, conductors and composers is seeking a dedicated and experienced choir co-ordinator for our National Indigenous Children's choir.

Working closely with Artistic Director Lyn Williams OAM and the Artistic Operations Manager, the position requires outstanding project management skills, experience in working with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities, excellent communication, time management and attention to detail, and the capacity to thrive in an always busy environment.

For detailed position description and selection criteria please contact Kate Tomlinson on (02) 8274 7008 or email [kate@gondwanachoirs.com.au](mailto:kate@gondwanachoirs.com.au)

**Applications close: Friday 5 April 2013.**



## Health South Western Sydney Local Health District

### Trainee Environmental Health Officer (Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander)

**Ref:** 122061, Temp F/T up to April 2019 based at Camperdown/Liverpool and Bankstown (Council).

**Salary:** \$827.90-\$919.70 pw

**Enq:** Graham Burgess

**Ph:** (02) 9515 9420

**Closing Date:** 3 May 2013

**Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.**

**Please apply online by visiting:  
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>**

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice**

## Aboriginal Trainee Assistant in Nursing Employment Program

**Closing date 10 April 2013**

### Temporary full-time positions are now available:

The agency is currently recruiting Aboriginal people for the Aboriginal Trainee Assistant in Nursing Employment Program to commence in May 2013.

The Program is a pathway for Aboriginal people to gain the necessary skills, accredited training and confidence to apply for ongoing work in the aged and disability sector. The positions are available within large residential centres and specialist supported living centres that provide supported accommodation and care for people with intellectual and physical disabilities.

#### The program will offer:

- 12 months temporary full-time employment
- ADHC Nurses Award salary and public sector benefits
- On-the-job practical experience in the workplace
- Certificate III in Aged Care
- Support by an Aboriginal cultural mentor and attendance at a cultural camp
- Whole of life caring for people in need

#### Locations of positions

Kanangra Centre – Morisset, Stockton Centre – Stockton, Westmead Centre – Westmead, Casuarina Grove – Hamlyn Terrace, Tomaree Centre – Shoal Bay, Riverside Centre – Orange, Summer Hill Group Homes – Summer Hill.

Information sessions will be conducted in the Hunter, Central Coast, Sydney and Orange local areas for further information please contact Sharmain Smith on 1800 192 728 or email [aecf@facs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:aecf@facs.nsw.gov.au)



**Family & Community Services**  
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

#### Job notes

The positions are temporary full-time for 12 months in terms of section 27 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002. Recruitment to these positions is targeted to the employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and is authorised by the Ageing, Disability and Home Care, Department of Family and Community Services NSW EEO Management Plan in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

#### How to apply

You must read the job information pack, complete the application form and address the selection criteria.

Obtain a job information package from [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or via email [Jennifer.McFarlane@facs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Jennifer.McFarlane@facs.nsw.gov.au) or by phone – (02) 4928 0956.

1. Apply online at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or
2. Manual applications post to: The Recruitment Officer, Hunter Residences, Stockton Centre, PO Box 169 Stockton, NSW, 2295.

### UON 2025 Vision

**The University of Newcastle aspires to be a global leader in each of its spheres of achievement.**

**Through engagement with partners, the University will deliver world class innovation to support the development of strong regional communities.**

### Academic Division

#### Equity and Diversity Unit

### PROJECT OFFICER – AIM HIGH PROGRAM

Vacancy No. 2153

Do you have high level organisation skills? The Equity and Diversity Unit is seeking an effective Project Officer to provide administrative, project and event organisation support to the AIM High Team. The position is part time (28 hours per week) for a fixed term period of 18 to 20 months.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

HEW Level 5 \$45,885 to \$53,228 per annum (part time rate shown) plus a generous employer superannuation contribution of up to 17%.

Applications close: Wednesday 10 April 2013.

All information about the position including selection criteria and application form can be found at

**[www.newcastle.edu.au/job-vacancies/](http://www.newcastle.edu.au/job-vacancies/)**

The University of Newcastle values equity and diversity.

**[www.newcastle.edu.au/job-vacancies/why-work-here/](http://www.newcastle.edu.au/job-vacancies/why-work-here/)**



# SHAPING FUTURES



## Indigenous Youth Mobility Program Residential Worker (2 Positions)

### Indigenous Youth Mobility Program, Murrup Barak Institute for Indigenous Development

**Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply as this position is exempt under the Special Measure Provision, Section 12 (1) of the Equal Opportunity Act 2011 (Vic).**

The Academy of Sport, Health and Education (ASHE) is part of The University of Melbourne. The University of Melbourne through funding provided by the Australian Government is responsible for delivering the Indigenous Youth Mobility Program in Shepparton. The Program helps Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 16 – 24 to relocate to undertake education and/or training to gain the skills they need to get a job in their community or elsewhere.

The Indigenous Youth Mobility Program Residential Worker is responsible for providing high quality care and support within a residential accommodation setting to Indigenous young people. There are two newly created, fixed term positions available; 1 full time and 1 part time (0.6FTE) until 31 December 2013, with further employment available subject to renewed program funding.

You must have a Certificate IV in Youth Work, Counselling and/or related discipline along with relevant work experience within a youth and/or indigenous youth environment or an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

Knowledge and understanding of Indigenous societies, and cultures and an understanding of the issues affecting Indigenous people is critical for this position.

The ability to communicate sensitively, confidentially and effectively with young people, Indigenous people and/or people from diverse and/or isolated communities is essential.

The positions are based at ASHE, 21 Nixon Street, Shepparton VIC 3630.

If you are offered a position on the program you will be required to provide either a copy of your proof of Aboriginality certificate or a statutory declaration confirming your Indigenous Australian heritage.

**Salary:** \$54,954 - \$58,322 p.a. (pro rata for part-time position) plus 9% super.

**Job No:** 0030936

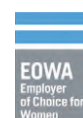


ASHE is an initiative of The University of Melbourne and the Rumbalara Football Netball Club

For position information and to apply online go to **[www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers](http://www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers)**, click on 'Job Search' and search under the job title or job number.

An Equal Opportunity employer.

**[www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers](http://www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers)**



## STUDENT SUPPORT AND RECRUITMENT OFFICER

### Woolyungah Indigenous Centre (WIC) Continuing Appointment

The Woolyungah Indigenous Centre (WIC) is the University Centre of Learning and Support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People (ATSI). WIC engages with the University, Aboriginal communities and the wider community to promote the University as a key site for Indigenous Higher Education. WIC is responsible for the provision and continuous improvement of student support services to ATSI students.

We are seeking to recruit a dynamic and experienced individual to improve access to tertiary education, support the recruitment of ATSI students and provide advice and support in all areas relating to students progress and success, ensuring improved outcomes by

providing high quality academic support and advice.

Aboriginality is essential for this position. Pursuant to Section (14)d of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, Aboriginality is considered to be an essential requirement for the performance of duties for this position.

Visit **[employment.uow.edu.au](http://employment.uow.edu.au)** for a full position description with Selection Criteria. You must address the Selection Criteria as part of your application.

**Contact:** Professor John Bern on + 61 2 4221 4245

**Applications Close:** 14 April 2013

**Reference No:** 24530

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## Health

Nepean Blue Mountains  
Local Health District

### ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER – ABORIGINAL CHRONIC CARE OUTREACH SERVICE

PFT, Salary: \$45,818.03–\$67,482.58 pa, Enquiries: Patricia Heal, (02) 9881 1670 or patricia.heal@swahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Population Health – Nepean Ad No: 119853 Close Date: 07.04.13

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

For further information and to apply, visit:  
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=119853>

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#### POSITIONS VACANT

### Aboriginal Health Worker Alcohol & Other Drugs

Social and Emotional Wellbeing Program



Aboriginal Medical Service  
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### Family Support Worker – Brighter Futures Administration Support Worker

Child and Family Health Program

### Case Worker Manager Case Worker

Out of Home Care Program

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**Aboriginality** is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977

Relevant criminal record checks will be conducted on successful applicants recommended for employment or appointment.

**Important:** Applicants must obtain an information package to address the Essential and Desirable criteria upon application.

**Information Packages:** Jean Blair on 02 8805 2141 or email Jean@amsws.org.au

**Enquiries:** Joanne Delaney on 02 9832 1356 or email Joanne@amsws.org.au

**Closing Date: Friday 5th April 2013**

## Indigenous Services Officer (Student Support)

Student Life and Learning



University of the  
Sunshine Coast

[www.usc.edu.au/jobs](http://www.usc.edu.au/jobs)



### Aboriginal Affairs Officer

Position No: B24007

Salary: \$78,021 per annum

Permanent, Full-time

*This is a designated position under section 195(1) of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.*

**Applications Close:** Monday 8 April 2013 at noon

**Contact:** Dalal Smiley on 8470 8332

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Apply online at [www.darebin.vic.gov.au](http://www.darebin.vic.gov.au) or forward hard copy applications to: Senior Coordinator People and Development, Darebin City Council, PO Box 91, PRESTON VIC 3072.

Applications that do not address the Key Selection Criteria as detailed in the position description will not be considered. Darebin City Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer and safety screening processes do apply.



Australian Government

Department of Education, Employment  
and Workplace Relations

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Applications Close: 18 April 2013

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### Senior Manager – Council of Senior Managers

Institute	Institute of Koorie Education
Reference number	130094
Applications close	Sunday 7 April 2013
Salary range	\$71,332 - \$78,753 p.a. (plus 17% superannuation)
Position status	Full-time and continuing
Location	Geelong Warrnambool Campus
Contact	Professor Wendy Brabham on (03) 5227 2669

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## ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER

Tamworth NSW



The New England Medicare Local (NEML) is a primary health care organisation in the New England & North West region, with a vision toward *Healthier People and Communities*.

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The **Aboriginal Health Worker** is a **full-time position** supporting Aboriginal Mothers and Babies and their families in the Tamworth Region to access primary health care services, assist with health prevention and promotion programs as well as enabling best practice care to be delivered by GPs and other health professionals.

If you have any questions about this position, or for a full position description and information on how to apply for this role please contact Debi Richardson on 02 6766 1394 or by email [debi.richardson@neml.org.au](mailto:debi.richardson@neml.org.au).

**Applications close 5pm Monday 1 April 2013.**

*The NEML considers being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).*



## Aboriginal Student Support Advisor (50D)

Beaconsfield (12mths FTC, possible ext)

**Web Search No:** 002886

**Level/Salary:** L4, \$67,933 - \$71,794 pa, PSGOGA

In this role you will be responsible for providing support and appropriate referral services to Aboriginal students across the Institute campuses. The role includes the coordination and monitoring of Aboriginal Student Support Services and liaison with government agencies and other state training providers where necessary, with respect to service provision. Under Section 50D of the Equal Opportunity Act, Aboriginality is considered essential.

**To Access Detailed Information:** visit [www.jobs.wa.gov.au](http://www.jobs.wa.gov.au) and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information

**For Specific Inquiries:** Please contact Sue Forjaz, Manager Student Support Services on (08) 9239 8509

**Closing Date:** Monday, 15 April 2013 at 4:00pm (WST).

Late applications will not be accepted.

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For more information please contact Carmen Taylor, Indigenous Employment Officer. Phone (08) 9442 2300.





## Australian Government Department of Human Services

The Department of Human Services is about people and delivering the services they may need at different stages of their lives. It includes Child Support, Centrelink and Medicare as well as CRS Australia and Australian Hearing. Each day, about a million people make contact with the Department of Human Services and each year we deliver more than \$90 billion in payments. The department is seeking highly talented and motivated people to join its team.

### INDIGENOUS CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER – SPECIAL MEASURES

#### Remote Indigenous Services Queensland/Mount Isa

APS Level 4, Ongoing

\$60,672 - \$67,222

Job Reference: 50049418

Effectively engage with Indigenous customers to ensure a quality customer experience, assist Indigenous individuals in their dealings with Department of Human Services (DHS) and impart knowledge to customers on their rights, obligations and accurate assessment of customers circumstances and the provision of the appropriate service offer outcome or options.

Closing: Friday 12 April 2013 (midnight)

Contact: Sharon Ware (07) 4033 4920

Selection Documentation: [www.humanservices.gov.au/corporate/careers](http://www.humanservices.gov.au/corporate/careers)

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## ABORIGINAL CULTURAL LIAISON OFFICER Aboriginal Identified Position

### Salary Package \$65,887.40

(Inclusive of \$55,500 base salary including leave loading plus superannuation and salary sacrifice opportunities)

KARI Aboriginal Resources Incorporated is the largest accredited Aboriginal Out of Home Care (OOHC) service in NSW. There is currently the opportunity to join this ever growing service located in Liverpool.

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The Cultural Liaison Officer is an integral member of the OOHC team. As an active member of the Aboriginal community this worker will provide the OOHC team with support in following Aboriginal Placement Principles, locating possible kinship placements for children and young people as well as assisting to identify other cultural opportunities that may provide the child, young person and family with a strong cultural heritage.

If you have experience working with Aboriginal children, young people, families or communities, we want to hear from you. 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. This is an identified position.

**For more information on the Aboriginal Cultural Liaison Officer position, or to apply, please contact Nicole Alexander on (02) 8782 0300 or [nicole.alexander@kari.org.au](mailto:nicole.alexander@kari.org.au).**



## General Administrative Support Officer

Aboriginal targeted position  
Campbelltown Local Area Command  
Clerk Grade 1/2  
Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months  
Campbelltown  
Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001FA3

This position is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only in accordance with the NSW Police Force Employment Strategy 2009-2012.

An Aboriginal person (as defined by the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*) means a person who:

- (a) is member of the Aboriginal race of Australia, and
- (b) identifies as an Aboriginal person, and
- (c) is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an Aboriginal person

This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*

**Salary Package:** \$65,671. **Salary:** \$54,742 - \$59,512. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

#### Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer position is within the overall management responsibility of the Local Area Manager. The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Local Area Command focusing on quality advice and high-level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

#### Job Notes:

- An information session will be held on Tuesday 9 April from 10 am to 12 noon at Campbelltown Local Area Command - 65 Queen Street, Campbelltown.
- Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the *Police Act 1990* for up to 6 months.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines.
- The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- For your application to be considered, you **must** attach an up-to-date resume and supply written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.

**Enquiries:** David Mathias or David Lewis on (02) 4620 1186

For selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW ([www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)) and search for Requisition Number 00001FA3.

Closing Date: Sunday 14 April 2013

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## Family & Community Services Ageing, Disability & Home Care

## Aboriginal Employment Support Officer

Clerk Grade 7/8  
Department of Family & Community Services  
Ageing, Disability and Home Care  
Metro North Regional Office, Parramatta  
Permanent Full-Time  
Requisition No: 00001JPM

**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.**

#### Job Description:

To assist in the implementation, review and evaluation of relevant programs, procedures and guidelines within the context of the Aboriginal Employment and Capabilities Framework and an ongoing focus on strengthening Aboriginal Employment. This framework is specifically aimed at recruitment, building Aboriginal staff capacity, increasing professional experience through appropriate development activities and achieving greater workforce stability and retention rates of Aboriginal employees.

The Aboriginal Employment Support Officer undertakes specific activities to address issues raised by Aboriginal employees, gathering and evaluating information and recommend possible solutions. The position holder also develops methodologies for completing project tasks within 'best practice' guidelines and approved project dimensions.

#### Selection Criteria:

The following selection criteria form a part of the selection process, so candidates for this role must address each of these items specifically in their application.

1. Aboriginality and an understanding of the contemporary workforce issues affecting Aboriginal people and communities.
2. Experience in the development and implementation of Aboriginal workforce initiatives, strategies and program.
3. Proven project management skills with experience in managing multiple projects within tight time and budget constraints.
4. Excellent oral communication and interpersonal skills including an ability to build and maintain effective relationships with identified stakeholders.
5. High level written communication skills with the ability to prepare and deliver clear and concise correspondence, briefs, submissions and reports.
6. Computer skills and competence in using standard PC office software programs.
7. Sound organisational skills including the capacity to plan, set priorities and contribute as a member of a project team to deliver agreed outcomes.
8. Demonstrated analytical, problem solving and research skills including the ability to analyse issues, use initiative and coordinate responses.

**Job Notes:** This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position. Further information about this position is available online and applicants must address the full selection criteria. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

**Enquiries:** Lesley Russell on (02) 9407 1752

**Information Packages and to apply online:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Requisition Number:** 00001JPM

**Closing Date:** Wednesday, 10 April 2013

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**Consultant Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Employment & Career Development Workforce Policy & Coordination**

**Web Search No:** 00019303 (East Perth)

**Level/Salary:** 6, \$87,939 - \$97,378 per annum (PSGOA 2011)

**Job Application Package:** www.jobs.wa.gov.au or Ph: 08 9264 4589

**NSW Aboriginal Transport Network  
Aboriginal Members Service Officer (AMSO)**

**Classification:** Full Time  
**Salary:** \$60,000 Award Level Six 6 Paypoint 1 (Social and Community Services)  
**Responsible to:** Executive NSW Aboriginal Transport Network  
**Location:** Parramatta (or can be negotiated)  
**Position Closes:** Friday 12/04/13

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 mission of the ATN is to improve and develop flexible, affordable, culturally appropriate, and accessible, transport to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

**Selection Criteria**

- Aboriginality
- Experience in Project Management
- Demonstrate ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Demonstrate analytical and problem solving skills
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Excellent organisational and coordination skills
- Ability to travel including overnight stays
- Report Writing
- Current Drivers Licence

**Desirables**

- Proven experience and knowledge of Event Management and Media Skills
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Community Transport
- Certificate IV in Community Services Work or previous experience in Community Development
- Knowledge of Equal Employment Opportunity Policies and Principles
- Work, Health and Safety Policies and Principles
- Anti-Discrimination Legislation

Applicants are to address the selection criteria, the desirables are additional knowledge you have for the position or willingness to undergo training to further your education for the position.

*Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (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.*

**Enquiries and information Package**

Lesley Mye,  
Interim Chair, NSW Aboriginal Transport Network  
Telephone: 02 6628 0260

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Transition Officer**

**Regional Service Delivery Operations  
Department of Justice and Attorney-General**

**Salary:** \$61 641 - \$67 779 p.a.

**Location:** Belgian Gardens (Townsville)

**REF:** QLD/24615/13

**Key Duties:** The Transition Officer is to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in their transition from detention to the community by linking them with employment, training and education.

**Skills/Abilities:** An Identified position is to be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person as permitted by and arguable under Section 25, 104 and 105 of the Qld Anti-Discrimination Act (1991)

**Enquiries:** Annette Edgerton (07) 4729 9005

**Closing Date:** Friday, 5 April 2013

**Indigenous Service Support Officer**

**Youth Justice Services**

**Department of Justice and Attorney-General**

**Identified** - It is a genuine occupational requirement that an Identified position be filled by an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person as permitted by and arguable under Section 25, 104 and 105 of the *Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act (1991)*.

**Salary:** \$61 641 - \$67 779 p.a.

**Location:** Ipswich

**REF:** QLD/24609/13

**Key Duties:** Support youth justice staff and community stakeholders in culturally appropriate assessment, case planning and interventions for ATSI young people and their families.

**Skills/Abilities:** Assessment and case work intervention skills relating to young offenders, ability to build and sustain positive relationships with stakeholders to achieve quality outcomes for clients.

**Enquiries:** Dorelle Porter (07) 3884 5800

**Closing Date:** Friday, 5 April 2013

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



**Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer**

**Located in Grafton, NSW**

The Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW) is currently seeking an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer (ACHO).

The ACHO is responsible for fostering productive relationships with the local Aboriginal community and monitoring Aboriginal sites within areas managed by Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW). The ACHO also surveys Aboriginal Cultural Heritage sites within the Region in line with legislative requirements for the purpose of planning, identification, protection and recommending management practices.

In addition, the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer develops and implements training/information programs/sessions on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage issues, including general awareness and more detailed training in specific aspects.

**Contact:** Dan Cook on (02) 6652 0161

To apply for this position or to get further information please go to: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

The closing date for applications is **5 April 2013**.

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**Centre Director Early Childhood Teacher  
(No 17/13)**

Full time 38 hours per week  
Cullunghutti Aboriginal Child and Family Centre (East Nowra)

**Early Childhood Teacher  
(No 18/13)**

Full time 38 hours per week  
Cullunghutti Aboriginal Child and Family Centre (East Nowra)

**IACC is a community owned organisation, which manages a number of education and care services in the Illawarra and Shoalhaven.**

IACC is the auspice for the early learning component of Cullunghutti Aboriginal Child and Family Centre now under construction in the Shoalhaven. The Aboriginal Child and Family Centre will primarily provide early education and care and will work together with a range of early childhood education, health and family support services to improve the overall education, health and wellbeing of Aboriginal Children and their Families across the Shoalhaven.

We are seeking motivated, passionate and experienced Early Childhood professionals to establish and lead the new Early Learning Service. The successful applicants will build strong relationships with children, families, community and integrated services to deliver best outcomes for young children and their families. They will have an excellent understanding and commitment to contemporary early childhood education, pedagogy and research.

IACC offers specialised support from experienced Early Childhood Service Managers and opportunities for professional development.

*This is an Aboriginal Identified Position: In accordance with Section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification.*

Salary will be in accordance with the IACC teacher's collective agreement 2012 and the policies and procedures of IACC Ltd.

For application packages and enquiries contact IACC Office: 02 4223 1100 or Download from [www.iacc.com.au](http://www.iacc.com.au).

**Applications addressing Selection Criteria and two work related references to:**

CEO, IACC Ltd  
Unit 2, 210 Shellharbour Road, Warrawang NSW 2502

**Closing Date: 5th April 2013**

**Service Manager**

**Based in Woorabinda**



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You will need extensive experience in youth and family development, social work, community services or human services. You will have strong communication and a proven track record working effectively and sensitively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

**For further information, please visit our careers page at**

**[www.redcross.org.au/careers.aspx](http://www.redcross.org.au/careers.aspx)**

**For enquiries, please contact Karen Bavea on (07) 3367 7409.**

**Applications close 5pm Wednesday 10 April.**



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**Family & Community Services**  
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



**Aboriginal Care Worker**

**Grade 1**

**Home Care Service of NSW  
Gosford, Central Coast, Hunter Region  
Permanent Part-Time Positions**

**Job Reference no: 00001JJX**

**Total remuneration package valued up to \$43,171 per annum (Salary: \$39,122 pa), including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Full-Time salary quoted. Hourly rate: \$19.73 ph.**

Aboriginal Home Care Service of NSW is a state-wide service providing household support to Aboriginal people who are frail aged people, people with disabilities and their carers to enable them to live independently in their own homes.

We are seeking to employ Permanent Part-Time Grade 1 Care Workers to provide domestic assistance (housekeeping) services to our clients in their homes. Flexible days and hours of work, Monday to Friday available, based on a minimum of 30 and 50 hour contracts per fortnight.

**Are You:**

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- Caring and understanding.
- Able to work independently and within a team.
- Able to engage with the aged, people with disabilities and people from all backgrounds.

**In Return We Will Offer You:**

- Good rates of pay and kilometre allowance.
- Ongoing paid training.
- Flexible working hours.
- Supportive work environment.
- No weekend work.

**Job Notes:** There is a Permanent Part-Time (15 hpw) and (25 hpw) position available. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Further information about the positions is available online.

**Information Packages & Enquiries:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact Tammy Walther on (02) 4321 7215.

**Application to:** Home Care Services, Locked Bag 37, Gosford NSW 2250

**Job Reference no:** 00001JJX

**Closing Date:** Wednesday, 10 April 2013

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Founded in 1995, the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) is a not-for-profit Aboriginal organisation, governed by an all-Aboriginal Board, which seeks to empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people through health, education, sport and cultural programs. NASCA aims to be the peak body for Indigenous sport, health and education in Australia and set the international standard for imaginative and effective personal development programs for Indigenous young people.

The CEO is accountable to the Board for all aspects of strategic and operational leadership of the organisation, including program oversight, policy development and advocacy, strategic planning, financial and performance management. The CEO represents the organisation to key community, industry and government agencies, including sponsors and partner agencies; as well as supporting the efficient functioning of the Board and its role in the governance of NASCA.

Please send an application quoting **Ref No 6061** to Watermark Search International. Email: [search@watermarksearch.com.au](mailto:search@watermarksearch.com.au) Tel: (02) 9233 1200.

Closing date for applications is 12 April 2013.

Key challenges for the new CEO will include building effective relationships, partnerships and strategic alliances with the corporate and philanthropic sectors; ensuring the development and operation of an effective donor management and support strategy; developing and implementing an evidence-based program evaluation framework; ensuring the financial integrity of NASCA programs; and supporting the Board in the strategic development of the organisation.

We are seeking applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with proven senior management experience, combined with excellent leadership, organisational and governance skills. Candidates will need to possess the ability to interact effectively at all levels of government, the community and corporate sectors, including the capacity to represent NASCA and raise the organisation's profile at a national level.



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# Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

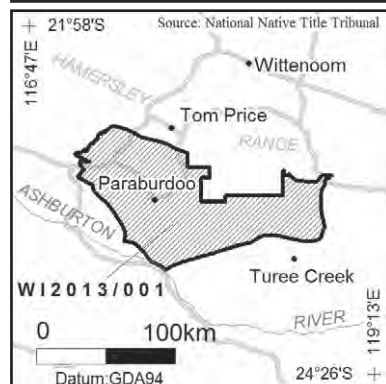
State of Western Australia



National  
Native Title  
Tribunal



Notification day: 3 April 2013



## W12013/001 RTIO and Yinhawangka People ILUA

### Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers about 10,140 sq km and is located north of the Ashburton River and south of Tom Price in the vicinity of Paraburdoo.

Relevant LGAs: Shires of Meekatharra, East Pilbara and Ashburton.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of Landgate (WA).

### Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

- Hamersley Iron Pty Limited; 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 & Sumitomo Metal Australia Pty Ltd, Nippon Steel & Sumikin Resources Australia Pty Ltd and Mitsui Iron Ore Development Pty Ltd], Pannawonica Iron Associates [a business carried on under that name by Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Australia Pty Ltd and Nippon Steel & Sumikin Resources Australia Pty Ltd], and North Mining Limited); and
- Hamersley HMS Pty Ltd as Manager for and on behalf of the Hope Downs Joint Venturers (comprising Hamersley WA Pty Ltd and Hope Downs Iron Ore Pty Ltd); and
- Ranges Management Company Pty Ltd as Manager for and on behalf of the BaoHI Ranges Joint Venturers (comprising Ranges Mining Pty Ltd and Baosteel Australia Mining Company Pty Ltd). (each) c/- Ashurst Australia  
Level 32, Exchange Plaza  
2 The Esplanade  
Perth WA 6000
- Churchill Jones, Nicholas Cook, David Cox, Adrian Condon, Stuart Ingie, AF (name withheld for cultural reasons) and Roy Tommy on their own behalf and on behalf of the Yinhawangka People c/- Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation  
Level 2, 16 St Georges Terrace  
Perth WA 6000

### The agreement contains the following statements:

[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.]

- 7.1 (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 29.11 of the Participation Agreement and clause 7.1(c), 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.
- (c) Clause 7.1(b) does not apply to the extent an act or thing is done or to be done within or in relation to the Special Cultural Significance Area.
- 7.2 Without limiting clause 7.1, 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.
- 7.5 (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 7.5(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 7.5, "Substantial Reason" means, subject to clause 7.5(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 or constructed 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 or constructed were they not required for RTIO's Pilbara Iron Ore Business.]

10.4 For the purposes of section 24EB(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.

10.6 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.

"Agreed Act" refers to a thing or things agreed to, consented to or supported under clause 7.1 and clause 7.2.

### 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 and the Central Desert Native Title Services, the representative bodies 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 3 July 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.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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## Department of Community Safety



## Changing Lives Protecting the Community

### Queensland Corrective Services – Case Manager

- Multiple positions
- Help ensure the safety of your community
- Outstanding opportunities for career progression and personal development

Are you degree qualified in Human Services, Criminology or a related field?

Do you enjoy supervision and have an organised approach?

As a Case Manager with Queensland Corrections, Probation and Parole, you will be responsible for enabling the safety of your community by ensuring that offenders comply with the reporting requirements of community based orders. This involves managing an offender caseload, conducting interviews with offenders, writing up reports and liaising with community groups.

The skills and qualities required to be a successful reporting officer include:

- Ability to work collaboratively with a variety of different people
- Strong communication skills including excellent written communication which is required for writing up reports
- Personal drive and a focus on achieving results and solving problems
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Training and professional qualifications are given to Probation and Parole Officers who are required to complete Certificate IV in Correctional Practice (Community) within 12 months of completing the Entry Level Training Program.

If you are looking for the opportunity to advance your career and the chance to really make a difference to your community then go to [www.hoban.com.au/-543206/qcs\\_probation\\_and\\_parole\\_officer\\_recruitment](http://www.hoban.com.au/-543206/qcs_probation_and_parole_officer_recruitment) to find out more and apply online.



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### Lotus Glen Correctional Centre – Custodial Correctional Officer and Custodial Correctional Officer (Trade Instructors)

Custodial Correctional Officer, multiple permanent full-time positions available. Annual salary commencing at \$45,018 p.a. plus shift penalties where applicable

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- TI Caterer - A Trade Certificate in a relevant field e.g. Commercial Cookery and recent experience working in a high volume catering area will be highly regarded.
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As leaders in corrections and a partner in criminal and social justice, Corrective Services is committed to enforcing the orders of the court, breaking the cycle of reoffending and maintaining community safety. You will play a crucial role in the rehabilitation of prisoners by using your communication skills to be a positive role model and an agent of change.

Want to work in a challenging, demanding but rewarding environment? Are you dependable, reliable, possess excellent communication skills, able to follow instructions set out by rules and regulations, maintain an intermediate level of fitness, fair, consistent, non judgmental? Do you enjoy working as part of a team, have basic computer skills and boast leadership qualities with the willingness to accept responsibility? If you have said 'yes' to all the above and can demonstrate honesty, integrity as well as flexibility to work shifts, nights, weekends and public holidays then keep reading:

For the right person we offer:

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Interested:

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## Research Officer

2 Positions  
Full Time Permanent

Please refer to the Link-Up QLD website:  
[www.link-upqld.org.au/employment](http://www.link-upqld.org.au/employment)

Applications close:  
**2 April 2013**

## ST. GEORGE WOMEN HOUSING INC.

### SERVICE MANAGER

28 HRS PER WEEK

St George Women's Housing is a medium term supported accommodation service, housing women with or without dependent children. STGWH is a feminist based service funded by Family and Community Services, with good conditions and a supportive environment.

Applicants must call 95538411 and request a job package.

Applications close Wednesday April 3rd 2013.

Indigenous, CALD and Lesbian women are encouraged to apply.

*Being a women is a genuine occupational qualification within section 31 of the Anti Discrimination Act.*



The  
**Health Consumers'**  
Council WA (inc)

## Aboriginal Advocacy Program Officer

Full Time, based in Perth.

Salary range \$50,000 - \$55,000

The Health Consumers' Council WA is an independent organisation, advocating for the consumer's voice in health policy, planning and service delivery.

We have a full time opportunity for a passionate and energetic Aboriginal applicant for the role of Aboriginal Advocacy Program Officer.

This position provides support to Aboriginal people experiencing a problem with a health service and works in partnership with health services to improve service delivery.

The position will be based in Perth but requires travel throughout the state, networking and liaising with Aboriginal consumers and health services.

For further information about the position please call Laura Elkin on (08) 9221 3422 or for an application package email Amy McGregor on [amy.mcgregor@hconc.org.au](mailto:amy.mcgregor@hconc.org.au)

Applications close: Friday 5th April 2013.



**Juvenile Justice**  
Attorney General & Justice

## Juvenile Justice Officer – Aboriginal Bail Intervention

Clerk Grade 5/6

Juvenile Justice

Operations

Glen Innes

Permanent Full-Time

Position No: 00001JMT

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:

To provide a range of bail intervention options for clients across the region in order to reduce numbers in custody.

### Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated skills and experience in Court intake procedures and experience in working with adolescents and/or their families.
- Knowledge and experience of working in a criminal justice environment with practical experience in analysing and reporting on data.
- Knowledge and understanding of legislation pertaining to juvenile offenders in New South Wales.
- A thorough understanding of the agency's policies, practices and procedures.
- Highly developed written and oral communication skills with the ability to prepare reports, and manage sensitive information.
- Ability to effectively communicate and negotiate with key internal and external stakeholders.
- High level computing skills.

**Job Notes:** This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position. It is an offence under the NSW *Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

**Enquiries:** Bernadette Terry, Assistant Manager - Ph (02) 6752 3415 Extn 3

**Information Packages:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Position Number:** 00001JMT

**Closing Date:** 12<sup>th</sup> April 2013

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## Notice of an application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory

Notification day: 10 April 2013



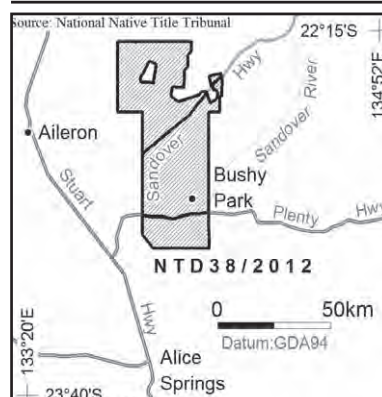
National  
Native Title  
Tribunal



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1806, DARWIN, Northern Territory, 0801 on or before **9 July 2013**. After 9 July 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 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.



**Application name:** Bushy Park

**Federal Court File No:** NTD38/2012

**Date filed:** 29 November 2012

**Registration test status:** The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

**Description:** Application covers about 2,700 sq km approx. 67 km north of Alice Springs.

**Relevant LGA:** Central Desert Shire

Application area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Lands and Planning (NT)

For assistance and further information about this application, call Carissa Kok on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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## Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 10 April 2013



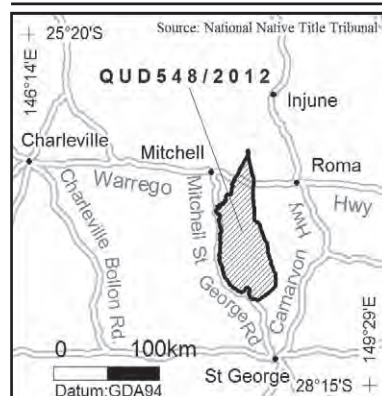
National  
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These are applications by native title claim groups who are asking the Federal Court to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

A person who wants to become a party to either/both of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE QLD, 4003 on or before **9 July 2013**. After 9 July 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 account those native title rights and interests in relation to the areas concerned.



**Application name:** Gunggari People #3

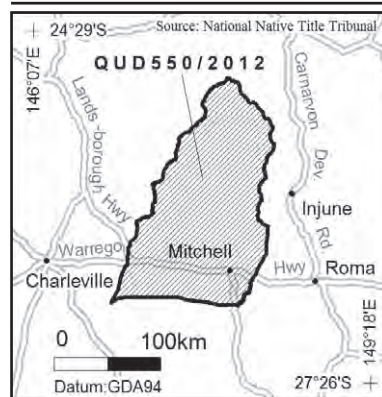
**Federal Court File No:** QUD548/2012

**Date filed:** 10 October 2012

**Registration test status:** The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

**Description:** The application area covers about 4,170 sq km and is located approximately 30 km south east of Mitchell.

**Relevant LGA:** Maranoa Regional Council.



**Application name:** Gunggari People #4

**Federal Court File No:** QUD550/2012

**Date filed:** 10 October 2012

**Registration test status:** The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

**Description:** The application area covers about 19,460 sq km and is located east of Charleville and west of Injune in the vicinity of Mitchell.

Relevant LGAs: Murweh Shire Council and the Maranoa and Central Highlands Regional Councils.

**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 & Mines, Queensland.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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## Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of New South Wales

Notification day: 10 April 2013



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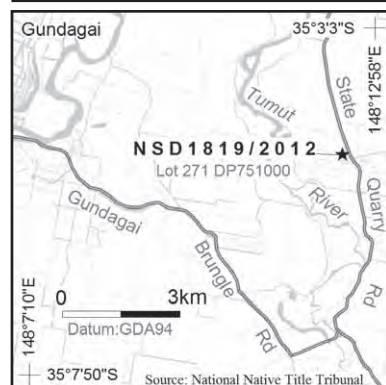


This application is a 'non-claimant' application, an application made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves but, rather, are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the notice below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

**PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in this area may wish to file a native title 'claimant' application prior to 9 July 2013.** Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over this area on or before **9 July 2013**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to this non-claimant application must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000**, on or before **9 July 2013**. After **9 July 2013**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



**Applicant's name:** James Francis Benison and Barbara Benison  
**Federal Court file no:** NSD1819/2012

**Non-native title interest:** Grazing licence number LI305582

**Order sought by Applicant:** The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

**Description:** The application covers Lot 271 on DP751000, being an area of approximately 0.23ha, situated about 8km south east of Gundagai.

The application area falls within the Local Government Authority of Gundagai Shire Council.

**Data statement:** Non-claimant application boundary compiled by National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Public Sector Mapping Agency.

For assistance or further information contact Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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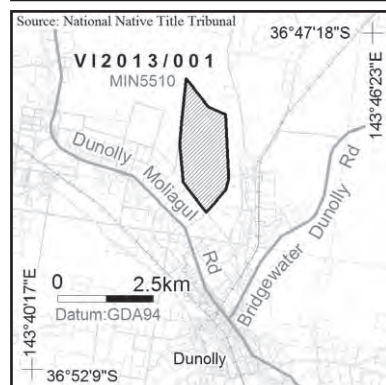
## Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Victoria

Notification day: 3 April 2013



National  
Native Title  
Tribunal



**VI2013/001 Dja Dja Wurrung and Fiddlers Creek Gold Mining Company (MIN5510) ILUA**

**Description of the agreement area:**

Agreement covers about 3.16 sq km, located north of Dunolly over Mining Licence 5510.

**Relevant LGA:** Loddon Shire

Agreement area boundaries compiled using data sourced from, and with permission of, the Department of Primary Industries (Vic).

**Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:**

Gary John Murray, Robert Herbert Nicholls, Rodney John Carter, Graham John Atkinson, Carmel Priscilla Barry and Connie Harrison-Edwards on behalf of the Dja Dja Wurrung Native Title Group  
C/- Native Title Services Victoria Ltd  
642 Queensberry Street  
North Melbourne VIC 3051

Fiddlers Creek Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd  
14 Brodie Street  
Bendigo VIC 3550

**The agreement contains the following statements:**

*[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]*

6.1 The parties agree that the right to negotiate provisions in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the NTA [*Native Title Act 1993*] are not intended to apply to the Licence [*Mining Licence Application No. 5510 including any renewal, amalgamation or variation*].

6.2 Subject to compliance by the parties with the provisions of this Agreement, the parties:

- agree to the grant by the State of the Licence to the proponent and to any consent required by or on behalf of the proponent pursuant to the Licences in respect of the Licence Area [*agreement area*]; and
- agree to the use of the Licence and of any consent required pursuant to the Licence, by the proponent in respect of the Licence Area; and
- agree that any such mining done in respect of the Licence Area is valid.

**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(ies) 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 3 July 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 Nadja Mack on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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Danila Dilba Health Service is a community controlled not-for-profit organisation that is dedicated to providing culturally appropriate comprehensive primary health care services to the Biluru people residing in Darwin, Palmerston and surrounds. Danila Dilba Health Service is currently seeking to recruit to several vacancies within its Community Services area.

The Community Services team is an important part of Danila Dilba's integrated multidisciplinary framework, responsible for delivering programs such as: Sexual Health; Emotional Social Wellbeing, including Bringing Them Home; Dare to Dream; Community Health Engagement/Health Promotions; Alcohol and Other Drugs; Expanding Health Service Delivery Initiative/Stronger Futures; Youth Services; Tackling Tobacco.

### SEXUAL HEALTH ABORIGINAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS

**Total Salary Package: \$64,116 - \$67,280 (incl. Superannuation and Annual Leave)**

The Sexual Health Aboriginal Health Worker will provide community based Sexual Health, General Health Education programs and Sexual Health screening and contact tracing to the clients and community of Danila Dilba Health Service.

### DARE TO DREAM COORDINATOR

**Total Salary Package: \$76,624 - \$86,905 (incl. Superannuation and Annual Leave)**

The Coordinator will play an active role in the Dare to Dream Project by supervising support for carers and assisting Indigenous youth with emerging or established mental illness to access the right health care and other relevant community support services. The role will also increase the ability of Indigenous people with mental illness to participate in the community by conducting early intervention programs that reduce the prevalence, severity and risk factors associated with mental illness.

The Clinical Services area is also seeking to recruit.

### ABORIGINAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS

**\*Total Salary Package: \$64,116 - \$67,280 (incl. Superannuation and Annual Leave)**

The Aboriginal Health Worker will participate in the provision of comprehensive primary health care to the Indigenous people of the Greater Darwin Area. In addition the AHW will provide a support role other health workers both within the organisation and the community. The AHW is crucial to maintaining cultural integrity and advocates strongly for our patients.

Applications Close: COB **Monday 8th April 2013**

For more information including position description and application guidelines see our website [www.daniladilbaexperience.org.au](http://www.daniladilbaexperience.org.au) OR email [hr@daniladilba.org.au](mailto:hr@daniladilba.org.au)

Employment benefits include salary sacrificing arrangements of up to \$16,050p.a and 6 weeks annual leave.

*Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are Strongly encouraged to apply*



**Juvenile Justice**  
Attorney General & Justice

### Juvenile Justice Official Visitor

Department of Attorney General & Justice  
Riverina JJC (Wagga Wagga)

**The approved fees for Official Visitors are  
\$119.50 for half a day and \$239 for a full day.**

**Incidental expenses and travel costs incurred will be met.  
Temporary Part-Time**

**Position No: 00001DS7**

#### Job Description:

The important role of Official Visitor provides the Minister with independent information regarding services in the State's juvenile justice centres. Official Visitors assist in resolving matters concerning young people in custodial facilities through support and advocacy. Matters are raised with the Official Visitor during interviews and discussions with young people and staff. Official Visitors are required to visit their nominated centre fortnightly and to inform the Minister of emerging issues through discussions and quarterly written reports.

#### Selection Criteria:

- A knowledge of legislation relevant to juvenile justice facilities, including national standards.
- The ability to apply the legislative frameworks and meet the scheme's reporting requirements.
- Commitment to young people in custody or residential facilities.
- Experience in working with young people.
- Understanding of special needs and diverse cultural backgrounds.
- Good communication skills.
- Problem solving ability.

**Job Notes:** Any person who is to any extent responsible for the management of, or who is employed at or in connection with, a Juvenile Justice facility is not eligible to become an Official Visitor.

Applications are invited from people who are interested in appointment as an Official Visitor for Riverina Juvenile Justice Centre. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds and non-English speaking backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Official Visitor appointments are made by the Attorney General and Minister for Justice, the Hon. Greg Smith SC MP, under the *Children (Detention Centres) Act 1987*. The successful applicant will be assigned to Riverina Juvenile Justice Centre for a period up to 30 September 2013.

The recommended applicant is required to undertake a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, Apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. It is an offence under the *NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this appointment.

An eligibility list may be created for future appointments of Official Visitors within the appointment period.

**Enquiries:** Maja Nagic (02) 9228 5246 or email: [Maja.Nagic@minister.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Maja.Nagic@minister.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** 17 April 2013

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## VICTIMS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNSELLOR



The Victims Domestic Violence Counsellor will provide specialised counselling to victims of domestic and family violence. The provision of counselling is a significant early intervention and prevention strategy aimed at stopping the cycle of violence. This counselling service for victims of domestic and family violence will be based in Cooktown, with outreach services to Hopevale, Wujal Wujal and Laura. This service will provide community members with an opportunity to deal with the significant trauma that is associated with being a victim of domestic and family violence.

This position is managed by the Cooktown District Community Centre (CDCC) and funded by the Department of Communities until January 2015.

This position is permanent full time QLD Community Services & Crisis Assistance Award Division 2B – State 2008- Level 6

**Applications close 5th April 2013**

To apply, request a copy in person at Cooktown District Community Centre, phone (07) 40696098 or by email; reception@cooktowndcc.org.au



**Australian Government**

**Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations**

## Contract/Project Management Support Officer and Contract/Project Manager

APS LEVEL 4 & APS LEVEL 5

\$62,220 TO \$66,541 | \$68,697 TO \$73,444

ONGOING | FULL-TIME

STATE & REGIONAL SERVICES STRATEGY GROUP | PERTH, WA

REFERENCE NUMBER: 13/0169 & 13/0170

The WA State Office engages with a wide range of stakeholders to deliver the Australian Government's agenda delivering programs and services across the portfolio including Early Childhood and Childcare, Transitions to Further Education and Work and Employment. It supports the delivery of these services through a range of contractual agreements, programs and projects. This work is achieved in conjunction with communities, key stakeholders and other agencies to contribute towards the goals of the department.

With direction, work as an APS Level 4 Contract / Project Manager Support is performed as a part of a work group providing contract or project management support under the direction of a direct supervisor or Team Leader.

Work at the APS Level 5 as a Contract / Project Manager is performed as a part of a work group and may include supervisory responsibilities. The role includes contribution to developing, coordinating and managing contracts or projects to deliver quality and timely Business Plan outcomes. Prepare accurate written and verbal briefings, reports, presentations and correspondence to suit a range of audiences.

Employees will possess a high level of capability providing contribution to the development and delivery of policies and projects. They will be able to demonstrate a sound and thorough understanding of the role and responsibilities of DEEWR and be able to communicate with internal and external stakeholders the purpose of their work in supporting the Agency's objectives. Applicants must also be prepared to contribute to the health and well-being of the organisation.

Please note there are several identified positions and several general positions available which may be in any of the portfolio areas. When submitting your application via our online recruitment system you must nominate if you would like to be considered for an identified position and address the additional identified selection criteria.

Indigenous Australians and non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

### Qualifications/Special Requirements:

Please be aware this position also has the following requirements:

- a current unrestricted Drivers Licence as this position will involve regular motor vehicle travel to cover the area of responsibility
- some intra and interstate travel may be required. Please note, under section 22(8) of the *Public Service Act 1999*, employees must be Australian citizens to be engaged in the APS unless the Agency delegate has agreed, in writing. Applicants are to indicate their citizenship when applying online.

**Contact Officer: Nadine Hannaby on (08) 9464 4205**

For further information regarding the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, please visit our website at [www.deewr.gov.au](http://www.deewr.gov.au).

### How to Apply

**Applications Close: 4 April 2013.**

Position descriptions and applicant kits including eligibility information, are available on our website at [www.deewr.gov.au/jobs](http://www.deewr.gov.au/jobs)

[www.deewr.gov.au](http://www.deewr.gov.au)

# Sport

## National tour completed



**THE Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) national tour has just ended.**

The IMP team hit the road in search of new Indigenous talent to tackle this year's

**New York Marathon.**

The search began in Canberra, then headed to Newcastle, Brisbane, Cairns,

Mossman, Yirrkala, Darwin, Katherine, Alice Springs, Karratha, Perth, Adelaide, ending in Melbourne last Sunday.

The tryouts consisted of a 3km run for women and a 5km run for men, followed by the beep test, and an interview with project staff.

A squad of six males and six females will be announced after Easter.

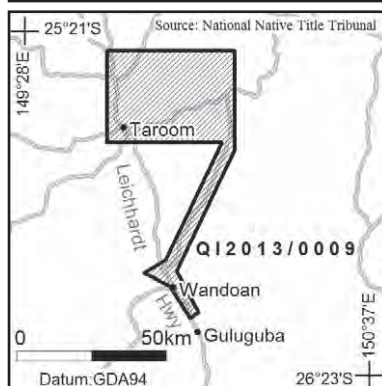
## Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 3 April 2013



National Native Title Tribunal



**QI2013/009 Nathan Dam, Glebe Weir Raising and Pipelines Project ILUA**

### Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 1,646 sq km in the vicinity of Taroom and Wandoan.

Relevant LGAs: Banana Shire and Western Downs Regional Councils.

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:

SunWater Limited  
C/- King & Wood Mallesons  
Level 33, Waterfront Place  
1 Eagle Street  
BRISBANE QLD 4000

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### The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

3. For the purposes of section 24EB(1)(c) of the Native Title Act and regulation 7(5)(b) of the Native Title Regulations, the Parties state that Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act is not intended to apply to the grant of the Project Rights or in relation to any of the other Agreed Acts [being the acts consented and agreed to under clause 8.1].

8.1 (a) Subject to clause 8.1(c) [which provides for the consents in 8.1(a) to cease if the Dam is not the subject of 'FID' (which requires the completion of specified steps) on or prior to 31 December 2020, to the extent they relate to Agreed Acts which have not been done on or prior to that date], the Parties consent to:

- the doing of the Project;
- the grant of the Project Rights and the implementation of those Project Rights;
- the Surrender;

(iv) of [sic] the doing of any other act necessary or expedient to give effect to the Project and any act necessary to enable the Project to proceed in accordance with all Applicable Laws, Applicable Authorisations and any works necessary or desirable to investigate, implement, develop, construct, install, operate, maintain, repair, replace, further develop and decommission the structures and works comprising or incidental to the Project, in the ILUA Area and agree not to challenge their validity at any time in the future.

['Project' is defined, in summary, to mean all operations proposed or which may be undertaken relating to the investigation, implementation, development, construction, installation, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, further development and decommissioning of either or both a dam on the Dawson River and a raised Glebe Weir, within the ILUA Area, as well as water pipelines from either or both of the Dam and the Weir within the ILUA Area and all works incidental to those operations. 'Project Rights' is defined to mean the 'Applicable Authorisations' and the 'Freehold'. Full details of the defined terms 'Project', 'Applicable Authorisations' and 'Freehold' may be obtained upon request from the Tribunal.]

9.1(a) The Parties agree that the Surrender [being the surrender to the State of Queensland of any native title in relation to the Surrender Area as defined] is intended to extinguish any Native Title that may exist in relation to the Surrender Area.

### 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/ies 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 3 July 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](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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Jaded North back on Socceroos' compass



OVERWORKED and underplayed just two months ago, Jade North's Socceroos recall came much quicker than expected for the Brisbane Roar defender. One of six A-League players included in Holger Osieck's 23-man squad for yesterday's pivotal World Cup qualifier against Oman in Sydney, North was in the thick of contention for an important berth in central defence. With captain Lucas Neill suspended, Matthew Spiranovic injured and Sasa

Ognenovski out of favour, the 31-year-old was recalled to international duty after a punishing end to 2012. It was a pleasant surprise for North, who required two months to rest up from the most arduous season of his career, finishing when his Japanese club Consadole Sapporo was relegated from the J-League, before finally restarting afresh for the Brisbane Roar seven weeks ago. With the former Newcastle skipper stationed in defence, the Roar have conceded just one goal in their past five matches. "For me, it was about coming back to

play consistently and to find some form," said North, who took almost a month to get his body back into shape to play for the Roar after signing on. "To come back and get chosen for the national team, it's all happened a bit (sooner) than I expected." North started in Australia's last match with Oman, a goalless draw in 43-degree heat in Muscat (the capital of Oman) last June, and admitted the hectic travel and playing schedule back then took its toll. Within the space of two weeks, he played five matches in four countries, including three for the Socceroos against

Denmark (Copenhagen), Oman (Muscat) and Japan (Brisbane) before rushing back to play for Sapporo in Japan. "And we trained very hard in Japan, two-and-a-half hour sessions and very intense and, because we were one of the bottom teams, the mindset was to train harder and not smarter," he said. "It was a great experience for me but it really took its toll and a few of the boys broke down at the end of the season." North's versatility, also playing right back, and experience put him in good position for selection for yesterday's (26 March) group match. —AAP

### 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
15/1037	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410787	245.75HA	45km N'ly of Norseman	Lat: 31° 50' S Long: 121° 53' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, DUNDAS SHIRE
15/1066	HRM RESOURCES AUSTRALIA LTD	416398	199.89HA	51km SE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 24' S Long: 122° 8' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
27/485	TASEX GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	417625	317.09HA	38km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 121° 39' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
29/707	WILD ACRE METALS LIMITED	418157	100.69HA	80km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 120° 30' E	MENZIES SHIRE
29/724	WILD ACRE METALS LIMITED	418158	72.58HA	83km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 120° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
46/925	TALGA RESOURCES LTD	41690 8	222.26HA	41km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 43' S Long: 120° 28' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
53/1211	REDPORT EXPLORATION PTY LTD	417911	245.66HA	58km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 0' S Long: 120° 57' E	WILUNA SHIRE
53/1440	STRATUM METALS LIMITED	418357	23.92HA	92km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 9' S Long: 119° 26' E	WILUNA SHIRE
53/1472	ECHO RESOURCES LTD	417841	107.69HA	39km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 56' S Long: 120° 56' E	WILUNA SHIRE
53/1689	YANDAL METALS PTY LTD	418350	167.22HA	37km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 57' S Long: 120° 57' E	WILUNA SHIRE
59/1023-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	249863	49.17HA	66km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 4' S Long: 117° 5' E	PERENJORI SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE
59/935-I	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	417684	198.85HA	78km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 116° 57' E	PERENJORI SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE
74/368	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	418460	14.61HA	85km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 32° 49' S Long: 119° 58' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE
74/428	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	418461	87.05HA	81km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 32° 51' S Long: 119° 59' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE

**Nature of the act:** Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.  
**Notification day:** 27 March 2013  
**Native title parties:** Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **27 June 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 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application 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.  
**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. 27 July 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.

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### Attorney General & Justice

#### COURT SERVICES, LOCAL COURTS

#### Client Service Officer (Aboriginal Targeted)

Clerk Grade 1-2  
Bega Local Court, Permanent Part-time 2dpw  
Salary range: \$21,897 - \$23,805  
Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$26,268

Provide a range of general, clerical, administrative support and client services to meet the needs of clients. Services may include routine customer enquiries, daily correspondence data entry and records management, position holders are primarily involved in assisting in the operation of court rooms.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Aboriginality;
- Well developed clerical and computer skills including data entry, process documentation and follow procedures;
- Strong commitment to client service with demonstrated interpersonal and communication skills to communicate effectively with a wide range of people;
- Ability to apply initiative to quickly solve problems;
- Willingness to carry out different activities in a variety of work environments;
- Ability to work effectively in a team environment and the ability to organise and complete high volumes of work within set time standards;
- Knowledge and understanding of ethical practice as it relates to the Court environment; and
- Current NSW Driver's Licence.

**Please Note:** An eligibility list may be created to fill similar future Permanent, Temporary, Full-time and Part-time positions as they arise in Bega. Currently there is one Permanent Part-time position working 2 days per week. This is a circuit position therefore travel to other courts is required.

Applications addressing the selection criteria should be lodged online at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or click on the "Apply Online" button by **11.59pm on Sunday 7 April 2013**.

**Inquiries:** John Chalker (02) 6492 9300 [john\\_chalker@agd.nsw.gov.au](mailto:john_chalker@agd.nsw.gov.au)

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 10 April 2013

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 on or before 9 July 2013. After 9 July 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 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.

**Application name:** Victor Ashwin & Anor (Wiluna #3) v State of Western Australia  
**Federal Court File No:** WAD181/2012  
**Date filed:** 3 August 2012  
**Registration test status:** The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.  
**Description:** Application covers about 3,600 sq km, approx. 165 km east of Wiluna.  
**Relevant LGA:** Shire of Wiluna  
Application boundary data sourced from & used with the permission of Landgate, WA

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nmtt.gov.au](http://www.nmtt.gov.au).

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### Juvenile Justice

Attorney General & Justice

Juvenile Justice Officer - Bail Intervention

Clerk Grade 5/6  
Juvenile Justice Operations  
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Permanent Full-Time  
Position No: 00001JMG

**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:**  
To provide a range of bail intervention options for clients across the region in order to reduce numbers in custody.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Demonstrated skills and experience in Court intake procedures and experience in working with adolescents and/or their families.
- Knowledge and experience of working in a criminal justice environment with practical experience in analysing and reporting on data.
- Knowledge and understanding of legislation pertaining to juvenile offenders in New South Wales.
- A thorough understanding of the agency's policies, practices and procedures.
- Highly developed written and oral communication skills with the ability to prepare reports, and manage sensitive information.
- Ability to effectively communicate and negotiate with key internal and external stakeholders.
- High level computing skills.
- Knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal culture.

**Job Notes:** This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position. It is an offence under the *NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks.

**Enquiries:** Bernadette Terry, Assistant Manager - Ph (02) 6752 3415 Extn 3  
**Information Packages:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)  
**Position Number:** 00001JMG  
**Closing Date:** 12<sup>th</sup> April 2013

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Central Aust Redtails' push to join NTFL in holding pattern



A PUSH by the Central Australian Redtails Australian Football Club (CAFC) to enter the 2013-14 Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) competition has been delayed. The Australian Football League Northern Territory Football League (AFLNT) has asked the Redtails to supply more detailed information about their plans.

A letter detailing the NTFL board's requirements has been forwarded to Rob Clarke of the CAFC and the club is expected to provide the required information by 1 June.

The information requested by the AFLNT includes financials, a proposed governance and

management structure for the club, plans for sourcing a home venue and evidence of community-wide support for the Redtails concept.

AFLNT CEO Tony Frawley said that, like all clubs who had joined the NTFL or expressed a desire to do so, the CAFC would have to put the work in to demonstrate that the club had a solid foundation to build upon structurally and financially.

"While we agree that the Redtails' concept is an exciting one, we must also protect the integrity and sustainability of the NTFL by ensuring that any new club seeking entry into the league is well prepared and has a well thought-out strategy," Frawley said.

"Any new club must also be supported by the community and, importantly, have ongoing funding

from a variety of sources secured for a number of years."

Frawley said the information requested from the CAFC was in line with similar requests made to other clubs.

"We asked Wadeye Magic to do the same a number of years ago and most recently we asked Darwin Buffaloes to submit similar information when they expressed their interest in relocation to Palmerston," he said.

"We will not rush the expansion of the NTFL, as we have to be sure that any new team can survive and thrive in the long term, hence the need for the CAFC to clearly demonstrate their plans for the next three to five years."

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The South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council currently has an exciting position for a Land Unit Manager to join their progressive organisation in Cannington, WA. Reporting to the Director of Operations, you will be responsible for managing the process of transferring land into the Noongar estate, including the management of related community consultations and technical land and property assessments. You will receive an attractive remuneration circa \$98,000 - \$110,000 as well as fantastic salary sacrificing options to help increase your take home pay.



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Email: paralegal@fvpls.org for position description or Ph: (03) 9244 3333 or visit www.fvpls.org

Position closes: COB Monday 8th April 2013



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CASEWORKER

**Overview of Position:** The position holder will work as a member of a cooperative team in order to provide practical, supportive and specialist intervention to parents and child/ren to address critical child protection issues. The successful candidate will possess knowledge and experience of the Local Aboriginal community, demonstrated experience and comprehensive knowledge within the community welfare sector.

This is an identified position under section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977

**Learn More:** For further information & to obtain an employment package please contact Bungree Aboriginal IFBS (02) 43 510633

**Applicants must obtain an employment pack, complete all relevant paperwork and address the selection criteria**

**Enquires:** Belinda Field on (02) 43 510633 or email: belinda.fieldbungreeiths.com

Closing Date: 12th April 2013



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A NURSE??

Gippsland and East Gippsland Aboriginal Co-Operative (GEGAC) has been provided funding for a traineeship in nursing for an Aboriginal person. Training is free and you will be employed for four days a week while you train.

The successful applicant will be based at Tanderra Drug and Alcohol Service, which is part of GEGAC.

If you are interested in finding out more about this opportunity, come along to a morning tea.

**When:** Thursday 18th April at 10.30 am

**Location:** The Keeping Place, GEGAC, 37 – 53 Dalmahoy St, Bairnsdale.

If you would like any further information contact Sharyn Thompson 0400969515 or sthompson@gegac.org.au

Please RSVP to 5150 0700 by **Friday 12th April** if you will be coming so that we can provide enough catering.



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
Exploration Licence	09/1917	ATTILA RESOURCES LTD	43BL	112km SE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 25° 58' S Long: 115° 40' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1919	ATTILA RESOURCES LTD	58BL	93km SE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 25° 47' S Long: 115° 39' E	MURCHISON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2026	SPARK ENERGY PTY LTD	4BL	105km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 24° 53' S Long: 116° 14' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2030	GOLDEN PHOENIX AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	128BL	131km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 8' S Long: 116° 53' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2031	GOLDEN PHOENIX AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	103BL	146km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 5' S Long: 116° 37' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/821	GOLD & MINERAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL	31km E'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 19' S Long: 118° 10' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/480	SOUTHERN GOLD LTD	10BL	62km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 46' S Long: 122° 7' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/488	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	2BL	60km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 47' S Long: 122° 5' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/489	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	2BL	57km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 52' S Long: 122° 7' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/490	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	2BL	55km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 122° 9' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/491	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	4BL	43km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 122° 4' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2275	AC MINERALS PTY LTD	8BL	139km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 122° 49' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/869	ZEEDAM ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	9BL	43km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 4' S Long: 121° 8' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1034	LEGACY IRON ORE LTD	1BL	137km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 50' S Long: 122° 37' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/810	ECHO RESOURCES LTD	7BL	57km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 29' S Long: 121° 1' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/816	COSTELLO, Phillip Gerard	13BL	30km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 120° 55' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1144	REDPORT EXPLORATION PTY LTD	60BL	81km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 121° 28' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2703	WHITE CLIFF MINERALS LIMITED	22BL	7km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 122° 28' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2798	GOLD ROAD RESOURCES LIMITED	65BL	77km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 43' S Long: 123° 36' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2815	REGIS RESOURCES LTD	42BL	123km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 1' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4066	AQUILA STEEL PTY LTD	10BL	77km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 3' S Long: 119° 23' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4151	BIRLA NIFTY PTY LTD	57BL	47km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 6' S Long: 122° 24' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/980	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	13BL	73km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 8' S Long: 120° 24' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2720	INDEE GOLD PTY LTD	67BL	76km E'ly of Roebourne	Lat: 20° 57' S Long: 117° 51' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1533	LEGEND RESOURCES PTY LTD	13BL	63km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 8' S Long: 118° 40' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1557	HERRMANN, Anna Marie	24BL	23km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 47' S Long: 118° 32' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2848	SIPA COPPER PTY LTD	72BL	140km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 24° 37' S Long: 119° 47' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1735	YANDAL METALS PTY LTD	4BL	38km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 53' S Long: 121° 2' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1736	ECHO RESOURCES LTD	56BL	5km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 37' S Long: 120° 53' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1739	ALLOY RESOURCES LTD	1BL	34km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 53' S Long: 120° 52' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	58/452	GOLD & MINERAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	39BL	81km SE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 30' S Long: 118° 30' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1917	MAXIMUS RESOURCES LTD	21BL	90km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 47' S Long: 118° 26' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1918	MAXIMUS RESOURCES LTD	35BL	73km E'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 118° 23' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1930	CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY. LTD. LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	13BL	78km SE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 37' S Long: 118° 19' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1931	CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	66BL	91km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 118° 27' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1932	CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	68BL	78km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 118° 19' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1943	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	2BL	13km S'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 116° 43' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1944	RED DRAGON MINES NL	14BL	7km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 12' S Long: 117° 38' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1582	BUXTON RESOURCES LTD	147BL	67km E'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 4' S Long: 122° 21' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3105	VANGUARD EXPLORATION LTD	27BL	137km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 25' S Long: 120° 24' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3114	NEWSEARCH PTY LTD	70BL	160km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 55' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3119	ESPERANZA ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	45BL	177km NW'ly of Eucla	Lat: 30° 42' S Long: 127° 24' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4283-I	WESTERN IRON ORE PTY LTD	15BL	37km SE'ly of Merkanooka	Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 116° 20' E	PERENJORI SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4434	SHEFFIELD RESOURCES LIMITED	14BL	36km N'ly of Eneabba	Lat: 29° 30' S Long: 115° 12' E	IRWIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/532	WESTERN AREAS NL	15BL	41km NW'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 14' S Long: 119° 52' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/533	SWANOAOK HOLDINGS PTY LTD	23BL	37km NW'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 17' S Long: 119° 51' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE, RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/534	WESTERN AREAS NL	35BL	38km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 32° 52' S Long: 121° 15' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/535	SWANOAOK HOLDINGS PTY LTD	38BL	50km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 33° 15' S Long: 120° 57' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2114	UNITED URANIUM LIMITED	68BL	146km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 119° 35' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2116	MINERALS INVESCO PTY LTD	37BL	140km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 33' S Long: 119° 36' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4753	FE LIMITED	5BL	51km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 46' S Long: 127° 37' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	25/2248-9	PATHFINDER EXPLORATION PTY LTD	370.12HA	42km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 54' S Long: 121° 57' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3952-5	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	679.45HA	7km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 48' S Long: 121° 26' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	29/2286-90	MCCLAREN, Kym Anthony	886.49HA	47km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 4' S Long: 121° 12' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	36/1783	METALIKO RESOURCES LIMITED	193.62HA	29km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 27° 53' S Long: 120° 59' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	36/1784	ALPHABRASS RESOURCES PTY LTD	110.60HA	29km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 49' S Long: 120° 58' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8319 & 37/8322	ROXBURY TRADING PTY LTD	399.77HA	54km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 121° 4' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8321	ROXBURY TRADING PTY LTD	186.81HA	55km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 26' S Long: 121° 3' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8323-4	ROXBURY TRADING PTY LTD	301.74HA	60km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 24' S Long: 121° 3' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8330	GOLDBYPHYRE RESOURCES LIMITED	144.18HA	17km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 121° 28' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8353	ROXBURY TRADING PTY LTD	199.78HA	52km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 121° 4' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4065-S	ROBERTS, Brian Thomas	4.00HA	9km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4070	HADSON, Andrew	8.78HA	17km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5360-6	ELLIS, Mark	1340.22HA	42km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 122° 1' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5387-8, 39/5391 & 39/5393	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	772.96HA	32km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 43' S Long: 122° 5' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5397	DIXON, Trevor John	108.59HA	57km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 121° 59' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5400	POINTON, Alec Charles	8.03HA	61km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 0' S Long: 121° 56' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1620-1-S	VINCENTI, Barry James	18.69HA	71km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 44' S Long: 120° 9' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1329	VINCENTI, Terry Charles	73.63HA	103km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 118° 47' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2013	TAYLOR, Douglas	25.83HA	1km NW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 20' S Long: 116° 40' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4202-3	STOKES, Harold John	300.93HA	54km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 40' S Long: 119° 34' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4204	FITTON, Grant	68.92HA	67km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 17' S Long: 119° 10' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4205	MOTUEKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	200.03HA	60km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 118° 54' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4206	MOTUEKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	200.00HA	58km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 118° 55' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4207	MOTUEKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	79.99HA	57km N'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 30' S Long: 118° 55' E	YILGARN SHIRE

**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 of 5 years from the date of grant.

**Notification day:** 27 March 2013

**Native title parties:** Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 27 June 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 Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application 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.

**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. 27 July 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

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# Thunder checks out remote talent



AUSTRALIAN football players from communities in Central Australia have taken part in a Northern Territory Thunder trial march in Alice Springs. The players came from Hermannsburg, Santa Teresa, Elliot, Tennant Creek, Mt Allen, Yuendumu, and from Amata and Fregon, in northern South Australia. The trial match was played at Traeger Park on 10 March. NT Thunder senior head coach Daniel Archer attended, along with talent and coaching manager Wally Gallio and under 18 coach Brenton Toy.

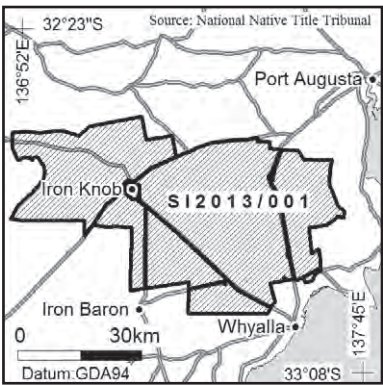
The trial gave players in the Northern Territory's southern region an opportunity to impress NT Thunder coaching staff under match conditions before the start of the NEAFL and CAFL seasons. With attendance at pre-season training for the southern region reaching record numbers this year, the trial was highly anticipated by players and coaching staff, according to NT Thunder southern region talent co-ordinator Stan Coombe, who is based in Alice Springs. "Attendance during this year's pre-season training have recorded more than 100 individual players across the seniors, under 18s and under 16s age brackets with

a focus on performing well in this trial game," Coombe said. "Never before have our remote players had such a real chance to impress the coaching staff in match conditions prior to the season. Central Australian players are being rewarded for their effort, which is highlighted by the three signings to come out of the trial game and a record 16 players contracted to NT Thunder for the 2013 season who have originated from the Central Australian region." After the trial, NT Thunder announced the signings of Lachlan Lake (Janapurlaki Eagles-Pioneer), Tosh Kunoth (Souths) and Chris Cooper (Federal) for the 2013 season.

With the signing of the three Central Australian players, the Northern Territory Football Club has finalised its playing list for the NEAFL season that started last weekend. Head coach Daniel Archer said it was an extremely exciting list that had a great spread of local talent from across the Territory. "With an average age of just over 22, the list has seen the addition of some very talented youngsters who have made the pathway through the State Academy Program and now have the opportunity to strive towards playing some senior NEAFL football," Archer said.

## Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of South Australia  
Notification day: 27 March 2013



**SI2013/001—Cultana Expansion Area ILUA**

**Description of the agreement area:** The agreement area covers about 2,310 sq km, located 30 km south west of Port Augusta, in the vicinity of (but excluding) Iron Knob and extending 82 km north westerly from Whyalla.

**Relevant LGAs:** Unincorporated, the Corporation of the City of Whyalla and the Port Augusta City Council.

**Data statement:** Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with the permission of, the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure, South Australia (October 2012).

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:		
The Commonwealth of Australia C/- Australian Government Solicitor Lionel Murphy Building 50 Blackall Street Barton ACT 2600	Mr Barry Croft, Mr Elliot McNamara, Mr Howard Richards, LD (deceased) Barngarla Registered Native Title Claimants C/- Teitzel and Partners PO Box 1151 Manly NSW 1655	The State of South Australia Crown Solicitor's Office Level 6, 45 Pirie Street Adelaide SA 5000

**The agreement contains the following statements:**  
*[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]*

For the purposes of section 24EB(1) of the NTA, the Parties consent to: [3.1.1.] the Commonwealth, or a person on the Commonwealth's behalf, and where relevant the State, or a person of the State's behalf, conducting the Project; [3.2.1.] the State Infrastructure and the grant by the State of any interests required to ensure the validity and confirm the legal status of the State Infrastructure; [3.2.2.] the grant by the State of the New Pastoral Lease to the Barngarla Investment Company Pty Ltd over the New Pastoral Lease Area within the Agreement Area on terms to be agreed by the Barngarla Investment Company Pty Ltd and the State; [3.3.1.] the Desalination Pipeline, including the grant of any interest necessary for the construction, maintenance and operation of the Desalination Pipeline within the Agreement Area, to the extent that such consent has not already been given in any other agreement.

4.1.3. The Parties acknowledge that Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the NTA (the right to negotiate), or any alternative State provisions in effect under section 43 or 43A of the NTA, does not and is not intended to apply to the acts consented to in clauses 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3.

Project means: [1.2.1.] a. the grant of one or more Leases by the State to the Commonwealth and any extension, re-grant, renewal, holding over or consolidation by any mechanism of the Lease or Leases provided that no Lease including any extension, re-grant, renewal, holding over or consolidation extends beyond the one hundredth (100th) anniversary of the commencement of the First Lease; b. the Commonwealth acquiring one or more Leases under the Lands Acquisition Act; c. declaration of all or part of the Lease Area as Defence Practice Areas; d. the development, maintenance and use of the Lease Area for Defence purposes by or on behalf of the Commonwealth; e. activities on the Lease Area that are related to those mentioned in clause 1.2.1.d. including access to it; f. the grant of any approvals, permits or permissions by the State in relation to the acts referred to in clauses 1.2.1.a to 1.2.1.e; and g. the doing of all acts, matters and things reasonably necessary for the purposes mentioned in clauses 1.2.1.a to 1.2.1.f.

State Infrastructure means: [1.1.1.] the infrastructure and interests listed in Schedule 4 and any other public infrastructure and consequential interests in the Agreement Area at the Commencement Date including, but not limited to, water, gas, electricity, communications and transport infrastructure and consequential interests.

**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 South Australian Native Title Services, 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, Sydney, NSW, 2001 by 27 June 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 Dianne Drake on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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## NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) – SECTION 63M

**TAKE NOTICE** that **CHALCOPHILE RESOURCES PTY LTD** ACN 090 712 217 of Level 2, 87 Wickham Terrace, Spring Hill, Queensland (**Chalcophile**) proposes to undertake mining operations on land within Exploration Licence numbers 4783 and 5138 (**Land**) being the Land described as follows:

### EXPLORATION LICENCE 4783

**ANABAMA AREA** – Approximately 130 km east of Peterborough, bounded as follows:  
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°45'S and longitude 140°17'E, thence east to longitude 140°20'E, south to latitude 32°47'S, east to longitude 140°23'E, south to latitude 32°50'S, west to longitude 140°14'E, north to latitude 32°46'S, east to longitude 140°17'E, and north to the point of commencement.  
TOTAL AREA: approximately 104 km<sup>2</sup>

### EXPLORATION LICENCE 5138

**ANABAMA AREA** – Approximately 130 km ENE of Peterborough, bounded as follows:  
Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°45'S and longitude 140°20'E, thence east to longitude 140°25'E, south to latitude 32°50'S, west to longitude 140°24'E, south to latitude 32°51'S, west to longitude 140°14'E, south to latitude 32°53'S, west to longitude 140°07'E, north to latitude 32°49'S, east to longitude 140°09'E, north to latitude 32°48'S, east to longitude 140°12'E, north to latitude 32°46'S, east to longitude 140°14'E, south to latitude 32°50'S, east to longitude 140°23'E, north to latitude 32°47'S, west to longitude 140°20'E and north to the point of commencement.  
TOTAL AREA: approximately 182 km<sup>2</sup>

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, without limitation, 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 Licence numbers 4783 and 5138 held by Chalcophile.

In this notice a reference to an exploration licence includes that tenement and any extensions, renewals, transfers, assignments, re-grants or other dealings with that tenement and any other authority or interest in an exploration authority from time to time held over the same or any part of the area of that tenement and a reference to Chalcophile includes its successors, assigns and joint venture partners in respect of the whole or any part of Chalcophile's interest in the tenement from time to time.

**Chalcophile seeks 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 1971,** there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the Land, Chalcophile 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 **Chalcophile** for the purpose of:

1. negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land; or
2. requesting further information about this notice.

The proponents **Chalcophile** 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



## Hodge expects pay cut to help keep Franklin



HAWTHORN captain Luke Hodge expects a pay cut as the Australian Football League (AFL) club tries to

keep Lance Franklin. While Franklin's decision to defer contract talks until after the season is the big-ticket item, Hodge and former skipper Sam Mitchell are among other premierships stars the Hawks must re-sign.

Hodge, 28, who played just ten games last year because of injury, said he and 30-year-old Mitchell were at the stage of

their careers where 'we don't have quite as much pull as Franky does'.

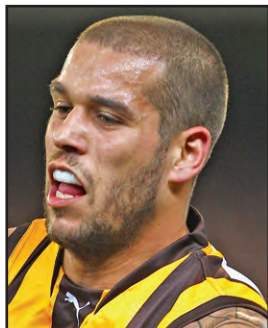
"As you get older it's proven in the past that you're going to have to go lower so that the younger blokes coming through can get paid probably a little bit more than what they deserve," Hodge said.

But the Hawks won't break the bank on Franklin either.

"The club has thrown Buddy the best offer we can give with the blokes that we've got on our list," he said.

"It's up for Bud to take his time this year, have a good think about it and see where his future wants to be."

— AAP



LANCE FRANKLIN

## Argent wins media award

KOORI Mail contributor Peter Argent has won a National Basketball League (NBL) award for an article published by this newspaper.

The NBL judging panel chose Argent's 'Brothers in Arms' as the best feature article in its 2012-23 media awards. The article was about

the Cedar brothers — Michael and Chris — who play for the Townsville Crocs. It appeared in our 30 January edition.

Argent was invited to accept the award at the NBL's 2013 MVP (Most Valuable Player) dinner at the Palladium at Crown, Melbourne, last Sunday (24 March).

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## Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 10 April 2013

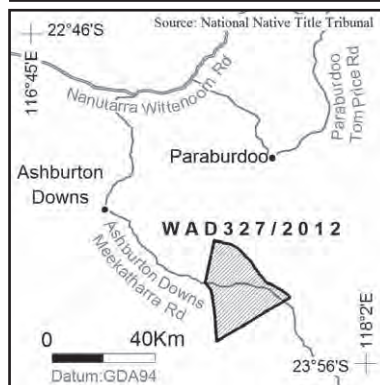


National Native Title Tribunal

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 on or before 9 July 2013. After 9 July 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 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.



**Application name:** Toby Smirke & Ors (Jurruru #2) v State of Western Australia

**Federal Court File No:** WAD327/2012

**Date filed:** 22 November 2012

**Registration test status:** The Native Title Registrar has not accepted this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

**Description of application area:** Application covers about 668 sq km approx. 37 km southwest of Paraburdoo.

Relevant LGAs: Shires of Ashburton, Upper Gascoyne and Meekatharra.

**Data statement:** claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate, WA.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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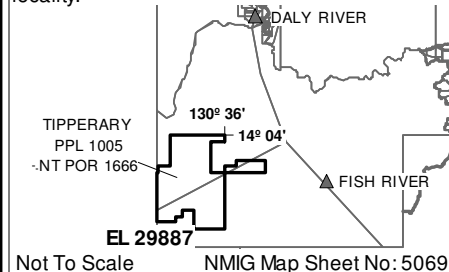
## NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

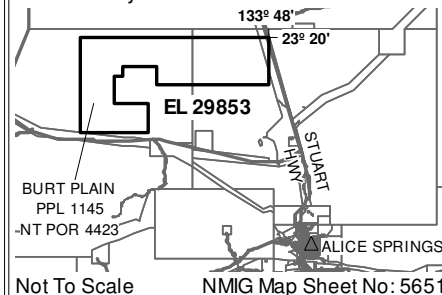
The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

**Applications to which this notice applies:**

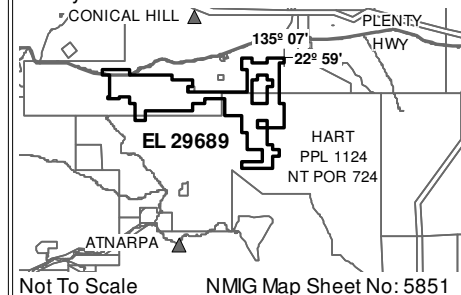
Exploration Licence 29887 sought by CHINA AUSTRALIA LAND RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 154 511 298 over an area of 154 Blocks (495 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WINGATE MOUNTAINS locality.



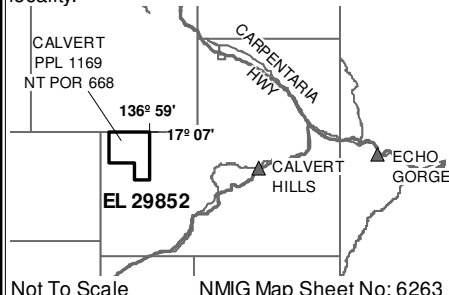
Exploration Licence 29853 sought by CROSSLAND NICKEL PTY LTD, ACN 099 477 915 over an area of 133 Blocks (420 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BURT locality.



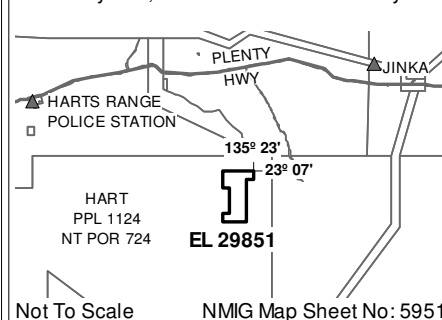
Exploration Licence 29689 sought by DBL BLUES PTY LTD, ACN 140 024 442 over an area of 99 Blocks (311 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



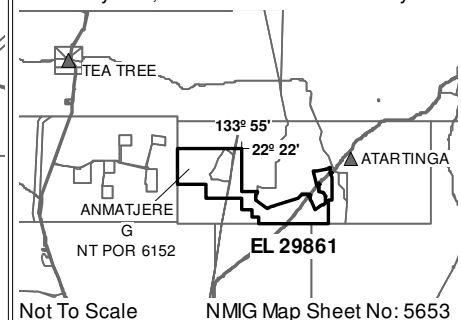
Exploration Licence 29852 sought by DELGARE NT PTY LTD, ACN 155 773 890 over an area of 57 Blocks (182 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SURPRISE CREEK locality.



Exploration Licence 29851 sought by GEMPART (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 16 Blocks (51 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



Exploration Licence 29861 sought by GEMPART (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 176 Blocks (452 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WOOLLA locality.



**Nature of act(s):** The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mineral Titles Act* authorises the holder to conduct activities in connection with exploration for minerals for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral exploration licences referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

**Native Title Parties:** Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 or GPO Box 9973 Sydney, NSW 2001, or telephone (02) 9227 4000.

**Expedited Procedure:** The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

**Notification Day:** 27 March 2013



Resources & Energy

Exploration Licence Nos 7348 and 7800 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th).

**Description of area that may be affected by the Minister's consent to prospect of native title land.**

An area of 83 units situated approximately 7 kilometres north west of Emmaville, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

**Description of the nature of the act**

Taronga Mines Limited is the holder of Exploration Licence Nos 7348 and 7800 (Act 1992) for Group One minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Resources and Energy. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

**Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done**

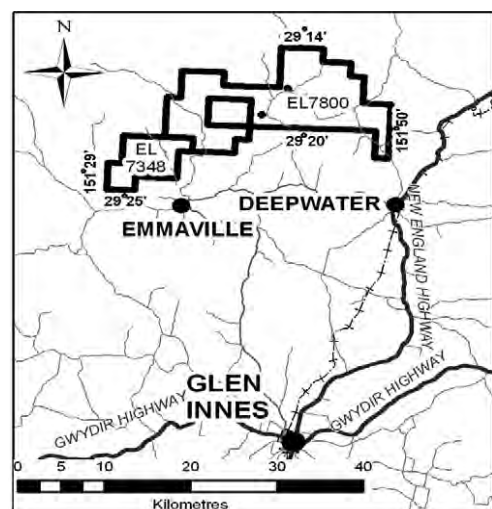
Chris Hartcher, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

**How further information about the act can be obtained**

Further information may be obtained from Chris Cottier, Titles Program, Trade & Investment NSW, Phone (02) 4931 6462 and (02) 4931 6776.

**Notification Day**

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th) the notification day is Thursday 11-April-2013. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.







This photo captures the essence of the community footy in the Tiwi Islands. The Tiwi premiership cup is on its way home to Imalu in the hands of a jubilant player.  
All images by Peter Argent



Imalu players get their hands on the grand final trophy.

## Imalu's 18th Tiwi crown

By PETER ARGENT



THE Imalu Tigers – undefeated in season 2012-13 – fought off a spirited Tapalinga Superstars side to win their 18th Tiwi Islands Australian football crown by 16 points.

The Superstars burst out of the blocks and had the opening three goals of the match before the Tigers clawed their way back.

Still ten points down at three-quarter time, 4.4 to two behinds ensured victory and the spontaneous celebrations.

"It is just reward for all the training and hard work that started back in August," composed coach Willie Rioli Snr said during his

acceptance speech. "Tapalinga were good opponents – especially early – and we kept making silly mistakes and turning the ball over.

"I asked my leaders to stand up in that last quarter when the pressure was starting, and they did."

Teenage sensation Gabriel Henry won the Brother Rye Medal as best player of the game, while skipper Joseph Bourke, Alistair Darcy and Kevin Portaminni were instrumental in the Tigers' victory.

Veteran Graham 'Aeroplane' Puruntatameri and key forward David Kantilla each kicked three goals for the winners.

Tapalinga's Canis Tipuamantimiri, Roland Cunningham and Kenny Puruntatameri never stopped work in the sweltering conditions.



# Sport – Tiwi Australian Football Grand Final



Australian football's version of rugby league's Hayne Plane is Imalu stalwart Graham 'Aeroplane' Puruntatameri. He is famous in the Top End for his 'aeroplane' impression after kicking a goal.

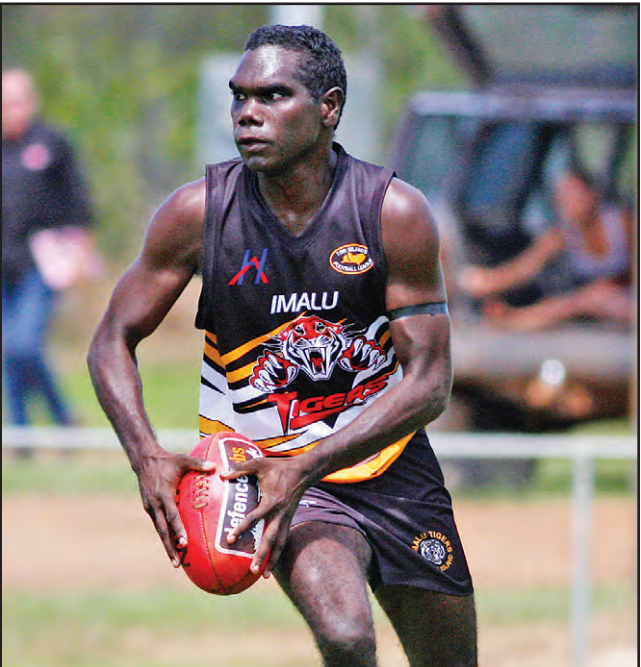
Matthius Liddy carries the ball forward for Imalu .



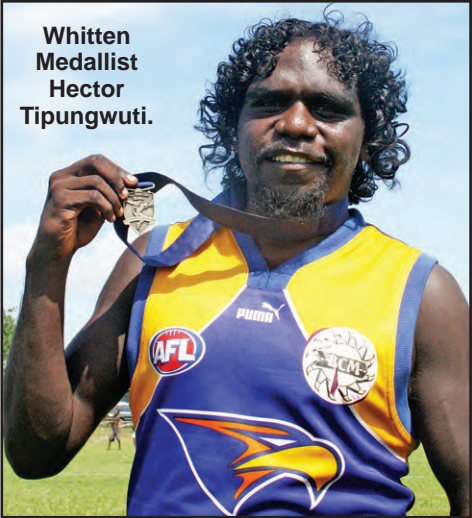
Brother Pye Medallist  
Gabriel Henry.



Imalu's Joey Bourke leaps for a mark in the final quarter, jumping over team-mate Alex Puruntatameri. Tapalinga Superstars Nelson Puruntatameri attempts to spoil.



Dermott Tipungwuti prepares to deliver the ball out of defence



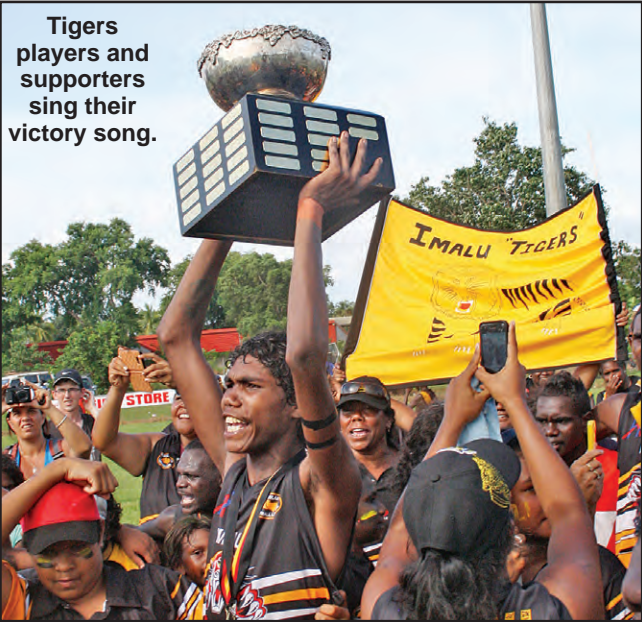
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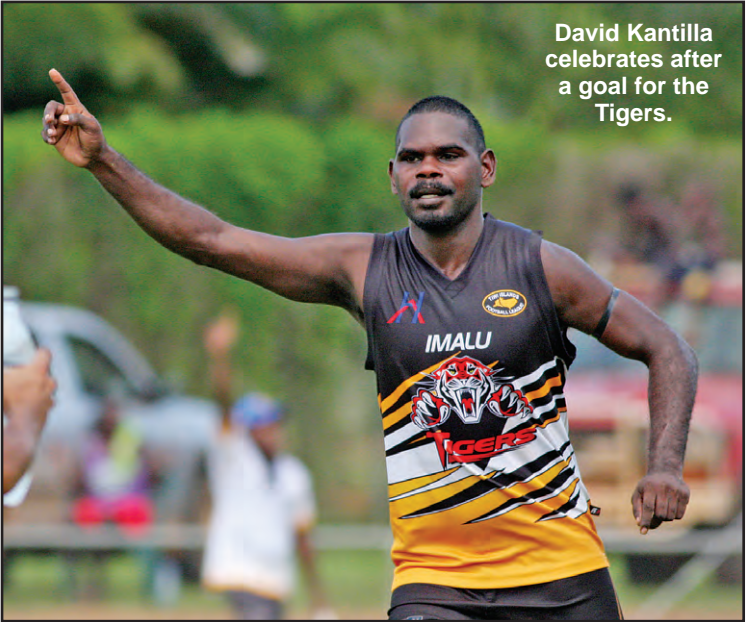
It's all eyes  
on the ball.



Imalu tigers coach Willie Rioli.



Tigers  
players and  
supporters  
sing their  
victory song.



David Kantilla  
celebrates after  
a goal for the  
Tigers.



## Softballer Goolagong back home with bronze

THE Aussie Steelers, featuring Indigenous third baseman Jeff Goolagong, finished with a bronze medal at the World Men's Softball Championships in Auckland, New Zealand.

The Steelers went down to Venezuela 2-0 last week to finish with bronze. The Aussies could not get back the two-run deficit that the Venezuelan team established in the first two innings of the game.

Australian starting pitcher Andrew Kirkpatrick struggled to overcome the powerful hitting line-up from Venezuela, giving up a run in the first and second inning, a lead that proved to be too much for the Steelers.

The Steelers outit the Venezuelans, but were unable to convert their opportunities into runs.

Venezuela went into the gold medal game against the NZ Black Sox but they were unable to match the home-run hitters in the NZ line-up, losing 4-1.

New Zealand Black are the world champions, claiming back the title that Australia won in Canada in 2009.



JEFF GOOLAGONG

## Two boys in rugby camp

THERE were two Indigenous players in the International Rugby Board (IRB) Junior World Championships selection camp at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) in Canberra last week.

They were Sydney University player Mitch Whiteley, from Guerrie, NSW, and Andy Muirhead from Daisy Hill, Brisbane. He plays with Brisbane Souths.

Whiteley has previously captained Australia at schoolboy level and also has captained Australian in polocrosse.

The camp featured 53 players from across the country vying for selection for the Australian under 20 side that will head to France in June for the Junior World Championship.

The IRB Junior World Championship will run from 5-23 June and Australia will face New Zealand, Fiji and Ireland in pool play.



Kevin Caton, Cory McGrath and Gavin Wanganeen are keen to return to Tasmania next year for the Victoria-Tasmania charity match.

# Reviving the old rivalry

Story and pictures by JILLIAN MUNDY



FORMER Australian football stars Gavin Wanganeen, Kevin Caton and Cory McGrath travelled south recently to get behind a fundraising match between Victoria and Tasmania, and are keen to do it again.

The Aboriginal trio, who played for Victoria, joined other former AFL greats, including Dermott Brereton, Brendan Fevola, Russell Robertson and Adrian Fletcher for the friendly match, and each told the *Koori Mail* they would return for what was planned to be an annual fixture.

Dubbed 'Relive the Rivalry', referring to the much-anticipated Tasmania-Victoria matches of the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s, it was the second game of its kind in recent years, and despite the heaviest downpour Hobart had copped in ten months, only an hour before the starting siren sounded, the game went on, albeit a smaller crowd than expected.

Like clashes of yesteryear, Tasmania came out on top, winning by ten points after a close game. The final score was 10.11 (71) to 7.19 (61)

Brownlow Medallist Gavin Wanganeen, who kicked a goal and a point, told the *Koori Mail* the game was bit of a laugh, with plenty of sportsmanship.

He said the only other game he was considering playing this year was the AFL legends game.

Kevin Caton said it was also one of the two games he played a year, the other being the Chris Mainwaring game in Perth. He also booted a goal and a point for Victoria.

"The game's great, there's a whole heap of past super stars who come and play purely to help out the charities," he said.

Caton concluded that the only downside was the two weeks of recovery from the game. "It's worth it though, it's great fun, you get to catch up with mates you haven't seen for a long time."

It was Cory McGrath's first game since he retired from Port Melbourne two years ago. He's considering one more game this season alongside his brothers with country side Mundijong, in Western Australia.

### 'Still have the skills'

"It wasn't a fast game, the boys shared the footy around, the boys still have the skills, they know where to run," he said.

"It was played in good spirit too."

Organiser Jaimes Wiggins hopes more Aboriginal players will come on board for future Relive the Rivalry matches.

"I just have a beautiful relationship with a number of Indigenous people," he

told the *Koori Mail*. "Ideally, somewhere down the track I'd love to see a full Indigenous team play Tasmania somewhere in Tasmania."

Michael O'Loughlin, Darrell White, Ronnie Burns and Daniel Motlop had planned to play in this year's match, but had to pull out at the last minute due to injury and personal reasons.

Wiggins said next year's match would be played on Tasmania's north-west coast.

Relive the Rivalry supported the Tasmanian Bush Fire Appeal, Muscular Dystrophy Tasmania, Riding for the Disabled-Kalang and Save the Tasmanian Devil Program Appeal.



Former West Coast, Fitzroy and Brisbane Bears player Kevin Caton (No 7) sets himself for a mark.



Former Essendon and Port Adelaide star Gavin Wanganeen in action.



# Basketball returns to home of Jawai

By ALF WILSON



THERE may have been another Nathan Jawai on show during the final games of the Northern Peninsula Area Hoops held at Bamaga – one of mainland Australia's most northern communities. It was the first organised basketball competition held in the region for almost a decade.

Jawai, from Bamaga, nearly at the tip of Cape York, has gone on to become an international star.

Men's and women's teams competed at last month's Hoops championships.

## Organised by PCYC

The competition was run by the Cape PCYC and supported by NPA Regional Council Events, which organised bus runs, games support and venue maintenance.

Winning women's side Balipudthis'

captain Soraya Daniels said it was the first basketball competition in the region since she had been at high school.

"It's great to see everyone getting back into community sports," she said.

Hornets finished runners-up in the women's competition.

Stepping speed up a notch in the men's division, the winners were Webz, with Alley Oops taking second place.

The competition had its origins last year, with players looking for a bit of fun.

Cape York PCYC said the season would not have been a success without the support of players and volunteers. Special tribute was paid to Aaron Tamwoy, Sarah Lui and Stanley Elu, Jason Symons and Joshua Symons.

"Without our volunteers and supporters, this competition wouldn't have been possible," said NPA PCYC co-ordinator Nick Thompson. "Even though they were volunteers, they were there every game, every week without fail."



● LEFT:  
Northern  
Peninsula  
Hoops men's  
winners  
Webz.

● RIGHT:  
Women's  
winners  
Balipudthis.

Pictures:  
Jessica  
Saxton



# Kowanyama eyes Three Rivers comp

By ALF WILSON



KOWANYAMA Aboriginal community may play in two remote rugby league competitions in the 2013 season. Kowanyama are the reigning premiers in the Cape York Cluster competition that features mainly footballers from isolated Aboriginal communities.

The other sides in the 2012 Cluster competition were runners-up Coen, Lockhart River, Pompuraaw, Weipa Raiders, Aurukun and Mapoon. Players from Napranum also competed.

In a thrilling grand final at Coen, Kowanyama beat the Coen Colts 42-16 to to claim their third successive premiership.

Kowanyama coach Dave Kennedy told the *Koori Mail* that his club and several others had wanted to switch to the Three Rivers League which last season consisted of two teams from Hope Vale, and one each from Wujal Wujal and Cooktown.

Hope Vale Backstreet Warriors won their first Three Rivers premiership title last 30 September, defeating the Cooktown Crocs 38-20 in a hard-hitting, no-holds-barred grand final.

"We and Pompuraaw have to travel a long way for Cape Cluster away games and the cost of fuel is \$1000, so we were looking at changing to the Three Rivers League," Kennedy said.

Queensland Rugby League regional co-ordinator David Maiden attended a meeting in Weipa early in March and said it was likely that the Cape Cluster competition would remain almost as it was in 2012.

"Kowanyama will get a home game in the coming season and that is what they wanted. We are looking at the possibility of having a side from the Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) in the Cape Cluster as well," he said.

Northern Peninsula Area takes in Bamaga, Umagico, New Mapoon, Injinoo and Seisia.

However, Maiden said that Kowanyama and some other cluster clubs could be invited to compete in an extended Three Rivers competition.

## Played fortnightly

"The Three Rivers games have been played fortnightly and an extended competition would be held on the other weekend," Maiden said.

Maiden will soon travel to Cooktown to discuss the possibility of the extended league with Three Rivers officials.

Kennedy said Kowanyama would jump at the opportunity to compete in an extended league.

"I have spoken to Three Rivers players and officials and they would welcome us," he said.

MEANWHILE, the annual meeting of the Kaiwalagal Rugby League was held at Thursday Island on 20 March and Tully Frank was elected the new

president. L J Shibasaki was again elected secretary, Julia Yorkston treasurer, and Terry Abednego the registrar.

Abednego was assistant coach of the Badu Island side Argun Warriors who took out the recent final of the Murri versus Koori game in Brisbane to earn the title of the best All Blacks rugby league side in Australia.

The annual meeting was scheduled for late February, but not enough people turned up to elect a board.

Good news to come from the meeting is that five accredited referees are ready to officiate at fixtures that will start next month.

There are four certain teams: Premiers Suburbs, runners-up Roosters, Mulga Tigers, from Badu, and Moa Boars, from Moa Island. A fifth side may also take part and the KRL board is now working on a draw.

Three women's teams are also ready to compete in the KRL.

This Friday, 29 March, is looming as 'D Day' for clubs wanting to compete in the 2013 domestic Palm Island competition.

It is 'Deadline Day' for clubs to pay their compulsory player insurance premiums to enable them to compete under QRL rules.

The season has been scheduled to kick off on Saturday 6 April, but the number of clubs and grades remains unknown.

Last season, premiers Skipjacks, runners-up Butler Bay Bulls, Jets, Mount

Bentley Raiders, Brothers, Mundy Bay Warriors and Hornets battled it out.

There is talk of a six-team competition, a four-team format, and even splitting into two grades.

The president of the Palm Island Rugby League is Lex Wotton.

## Rockhampton carnival

SIXTEEN men's sides and at least five women's teams look set to contest the CQID Indigenous Reconciliation All Blacks carnival at Rockhampton over Easter.

The popular carnival was to have been held over the Australia Day long weekend in January, but floods dashed those plans.

Teams in the men's section at Rockhampton are Millie G Mob, Umai Sami United, CQ Warriors, Cliff Ambrum Memorial Team, Descendants, Dja Dja Belbendi, Cherbourg Brothers United, Woorabinda Knights, Ipswich United, Nebo Murries, Gladstone Goori United, Descendants 2, Guyala, Woorabinda Warriors, Highlanders and Curacao Crusaders.

Descendants number one side will have players of TSI descent who live in Cairns, while the second Descendants team will be made up of players from Hopevale, Mossman and Cairns.

Palm Island team Curacao Crusaders will also include players of TSI descent.

Descendants withdrew from February's Algon Walsh Memorial All Blacks carnival on Palm Island to concentrate on the Rockhampton event.



# Super Saints

Reports and images by  
**PETER ARGENT**



ST Mary's overcame a blistering first half by the Tiwi Bombers to collect their 29th Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) Premier

League title in their 60th anniversary season.

With a combination of young Indigenous firepower in attack – Willie Rioli (five goals) and Justin Cooper (three) kicking half their total score – the experience of former AFL siblings Xavier and Raphael Clarke, along with vice-captain Shannon Rioli though the middle, the 'Green Machine' produced a strong second half to ensure victory.

There were some nervous moments for the Saints, with the Tiwi Bombers playing with pace and flair in the first half.

## Box seat

When Rupert Pupangmirri kicked Tiwi's ninth goal within the opening minute of the third term, the underdogs were in the box seat, leading by more than four goals.

The Saints lifted in the third and were by just a goal down at three-quarter time.

The final term was all one-way as the Saints kicked six goals without reply, to win by 31 points.

"We were unusually fumbly early," victorious coach Jason Cotter said.

"We needed to change things at half time and Xav's (Clarke) third quarter was outstanding.

"Willie (Rioli) was very important, kicking three of our five goals in the first half."

Dion Munkara as a rebounding half-back was easily Tiwi's best, while Ross Tungatalum kicked three goals.

St Mary's now have 29 premier league NTFL flags since the club began in 1952 as a place for Islanders to play footy on the mainland.

In a interesting synergy, Willie Rioli's father coached the Imalu Tigers to an exciting come-from-behind win over the Tapalinga Superstars in the Tiwi Islands grand final the following day.

## Replacement captain

Former AFL footballer Austin Wonaeamirri captained the Tiwi Bombers against his original NTFL club St Mary's. The 24-year-old played 43 AFL matches for the Melbourne Demons before returning to the Tiwi Islands in 2011.

He captained in the absence of suspended leader, Nicholls Medal winner Shane Tipuamantmirri.

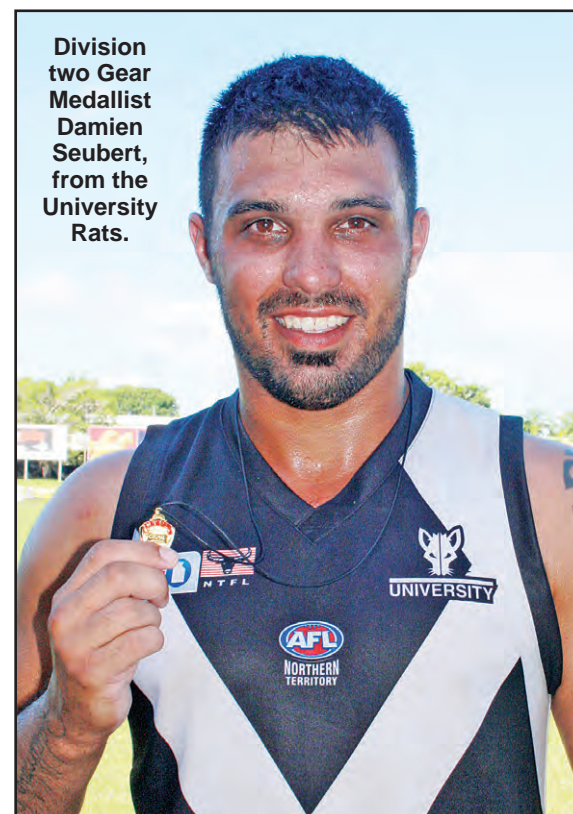
Wonaeamirri was one of three joint vice-captains under Tipuamantmirri, along with Rupert Pupangmirri and Ross Tungatalum. He has played 72 NTFL matches in total in a career beginning as a 16-year-old in 2004-05.

Tiwi Bombers acting captain Austin Wonaeamirri, who filled in for the suspended Shane Tipuamantmirri.



Big River Hawk Jake Farrell marks in the under-18s grand final against Southern Districts.

Division two Gear Medallist Damien Seubert, from the University Rats.



The three images at the bottom of the page show Kokwam Niki taking a brilliant mark for the Darwin Buffaloes in the under-16 grand final against the Nightcliff Tigers. Nightcliff won 10.4 (64) to 7.10 (52).





St Mary's players celebrate after their NTFL grand final win over the Tiwi Bombers.



## Willie Rioli named Chaney Medallist

WITH the same poise and game smarts as his late great uncle, 1982 Norm Smith Medallist with Richmond Maurice Rioli, 17-year-old Willie Rioli collected the Northern Territory Football League's highest individual honour on grand final day – the Chaney Medal.

"Words can't explain the emotion of winning this award," Willie Rioli told the *Koori Mail* while watching his father Willie Snr coaching Imalu Tigers to a flag at Nguu the following day.

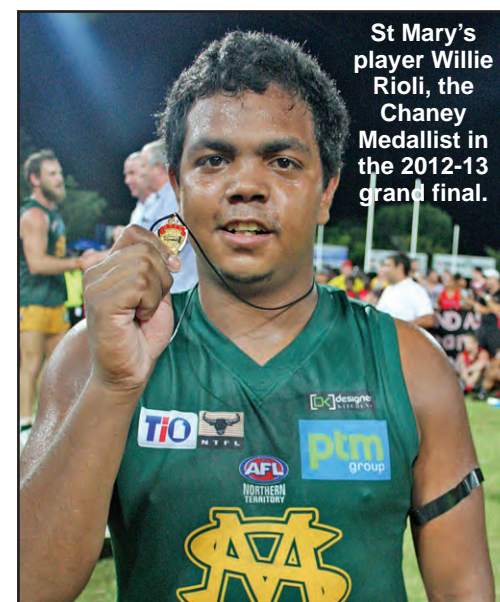
"It is very special to have this connection."

William Rioli played in this season's 2012-13 St Mary's side alongside cousins Ben Rioli and vice-captain Shannon Rioli.

Back in the Saints 1990-91 triumph, Cyril Rioli Jnr won the same honour for his performances in that season decider.

He is the father of Cyril 'Junior Boy' Rioli, who is at Hawthorn.

St Mary's player Willie Rioli, the Chaney Medallist in the 2012-13 grand final.



## Talent on show in all grades

MANY Indigenous talents displayed their sporting prowess in the other 11 season-deciding NTFL matches.

Highlights included Nightcliff's second successive Hickman under-16 division-one win under Jack Roe. They beat the Darwin Buffaloes 10.4 (66) to 7.10 (52).

In the under-18 match, the community side from around Katherine, the Big River Hawks, enjoyed their inaugural premiership, beating Southern Districts 10.12 (72) to 9.9 (63).

The Hawks had many contributors, but the standout player came from the losing side – Southern Districts' Jordan Scanlon, who kicked eight of his team's nine goals, and was awarded the Haritos Medal.

In the division-two competition, Jabiru Bombers celebrated 30 years since formation, but the University Rats proved too strong in the decider, winning 12.11 (83) to 5.6 (36).

Indigenous Rat Damien Seubert won the Gear Medal for best on ground and shared this premiership with Aboriginal team-mates Matt Patterson and Shaun Hill.

The division-one game was tight and thrilling, with Waratahs getting up by seven points from Banks after a heart-stopping final quarter. Rexmond Isaac and David Groves savoured the sweet scent of flag-winning glory in this contest.

In the earlier games, the under-12s Atkinson crown went to St Mary's, who beat Wanderers – and Waratahs, who beat Palmerston Magpies.

The under-14 Gunderson division-one title was secured by Southern Districts, while the Lewfatt Trophy was held aloft by Darwin Buffaloes.

Dion Munkara celebrates his brilliant first quarter goal for the Bombers in the NTFL grand final.



Raph Clarke sends St Mary's forward.



Cyril Rioli Jnr turned out for the Jabiru Bombers.



Patrick Heenan in open territory for the Tiwi Bombers.



A happy Saints family – Frances, Xavier, Pam and Raphael – after the NTFL grand final.



● LEFT: The jubilation is obvious as the Big River Hawks under-18s celebrate.

● RIGHT: Southern Districts' Jordan Scanlon won the Haritos Medal for best on ground after scoring eight goals in a losing side in the under-18 grand final.



Troy Lovett takes a mark for Jabiru Bombers in the division two final against University.



● LEFT: James Marrday in action for the Jabiru Bombers in the division two grand final.

● RIGHT: Big River Hawks captain Kayle Kossack attempts a mark in the under-18 grand final.



Southern Districts forward Jordan Scanlon wins the ball from Hawk Liam McGregor in the under-18 grand final.



# Lewis in WA Hall of Fame



KERRY WILLIAMS  
Getty image

## Focus on finals and new deal

By CHRIS PIKE



CAIRNS Taipans point guard Kerry Williams is proud of the fact that he is yet another success story from far north Queensland, but right now his attention is on trying to get his team into the National Basketball League (NBL) finals and on earning another contract with his hometown club.

Far north Queensland, and Cairns in particular, has a strong history of producing some of the nation's most successful athletes and certainly basketballers, including former NBA big man with the Toronto Raptors and Minnesota Timberwolves Nathan Jawai.

Williams is yet another great story. The 25-year-old has now played more than 100 NBL games with the Taipans and is proud of the fact that he is a role model for the young Indigenous people of his region.

Right now, though, Williams is solely focused on trying to get Cairns into yet another NBL finals series. The Taipans looked all but out of the running with a 4-10 record at the half-way mark of the season, but have since done well, winning seven of 12 games to get back into the hunt for third or fourth position.

Williams remains confident of

playing finals as he continues to make a strong contribution to the team.

He started playing with the Taipans in 2009 and despite a serious knee injury that robbed him of the entire 2010-11 season, he bounced back to be a strong contributor.

He gives a lot of credit for his success to Taipans head coach Aaron Fearn.

While his efforts on the basketball court are the focus for Williams as he tries to impress his coach and the staff at Cairns enough to earn another contract

for the 2013-14 NBL season, he remains proud of his roots and helping the young Indigenous people.

Williams takes seriously his status as a role model in the Indigenous communities in the north of Queensland, and gets out to talk to local people, run clinics and help them in any way that he can as much as possible, and enjoys it immensely.

"I really enjoy doing stuff in the community with the kids, especially the young Indigenous mob, and I love doing stuff up in the Cape where I can teach kids about opportunities and a healthy lifestyle," he said.

"I tell them that if I can do it, and I've been to America, and I'm just a young Murri kid from Queensland, then there's no reason they can't do it."



Kerry Williams is shooting for a new contract.



By CHRIS PIKE in Perth

WEST Coast Eagles champion Chris Lewis' mark on the AFL has come full circle, with the dual premiership star being inducted into the West Australian Football Hall of Fame.

Lewis played 215 games and kicked 259 goals for the Eagles while starring in the club's historic 1992 and 1994 premierships, but just as much as his on-field heroics he was one of the first AFL players, along with Nicky Winmar, to make a stand against racial abuse in the game.

He deserves enormous credit for being a big reason why the AFL has been able to all but eradicate racial abuse in the game.

As a footballer, there were few with more pure talent than Lewis and he will be remembered as one of West Coast's all-time greats.

Lewis became an inaugural West Coast player in 1987 when the club entered the then VFL, with his career-best season coming in 1990 when he won his club's fairest and best award, was an All-Australian and had an incredible finals series highlighted by a best on ground display against Collingwood.

He continued to contribute strongly on the half-forward flank as West Coast became the first team outside Victoria to win an AFL premiership in 1992 and again in 1994.

In all he played 215 games for West Coast, five for Western Australia and 54 in the WAFL with Claremont, where he followed in the footsteps of his father Irwin and brothers Clayton and Cameron.

Lewis was also a premiership player at Claremont from 1996.

Since retiring from senior football in 2001, the accolades have continued to flow for Lewis, with him named in the Indigenous Team of the Century in 2005, West Coast's Team 20 in 2006 and Team 25 in 2011, and West Coast's own inaugural Hall of Fame in 2011.

Lewis now has received the extra honour of being inducted into the WA Football Hall of Fame after his career included seeing him become just the second Indigenous player to reach 200 VFL-AFL games and the second West Coast player to do so.

"When you retire, you look at these accolades

and they become more precious to you," he said.

"We had a lot of very good footballers in the teams I played with at West Coast, so to be recognised in the ways I have been since I stopped playing is a real compliment to what I did as a player.

"From a personal point of view, 1990 was the year that I played my best footy and it was always good to be playing good footy, but it's also necessary to experience the lows as well. It makes you tougher when things are tough."

### Working with Indigenous youth

Lewis has most recently worked closely with the Indigenous communities in the north of WA through WAFL club Swan Districts' Kicking Goals program. He has always been passionate about helping Indigenous people and enjoyed that role immensely, despite the challenges.

"A lot of problems come from how we are perceived by non-Aboriginal people. Unfortunately, a lot of non-Aboriginal put us all in the one box,

but there are good and bad Aboriginal people like everyone else," Lewis said.

"People need to look past the colours and just treat each person as an individual. In terms of succeeding, you are always judged and it tests you out day in and day out. It's hard for an Aborigine to even get a rental properly.

"It's just the little things that other people take for granted that are the hurdles we have to overcome. I have seen a lot of Aboriginal people succeed, it just takes a lot of work and you have to make sacrifices."

Lewis also coached Swan Districts' league side for a short period in 2007 after then coach Steve Turner stepped down.

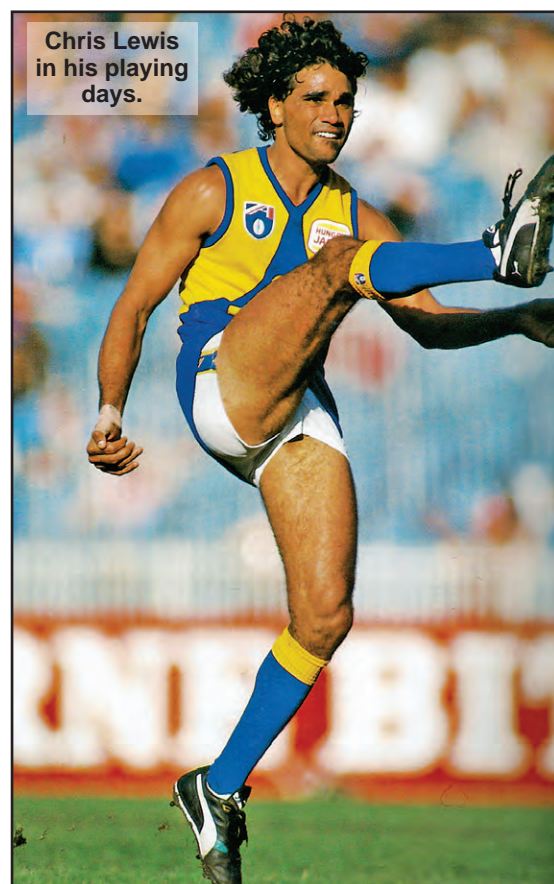
Remaining involved in football is something he would like to do.

He says he certainly

learned a lot from his time at Swans.

"You learn a lot about yourself and how good you are at communicating. When you've got your own footy side, you're not just coaching, you are mentoring and trying to help guys in their lives," Lewis said.

"Coaching at WAFL level and lower grades is probably harder than the AFL because you need to understand that players still need to make a living and footy's not as important to them as AFL players, but you still need the same commitment from them."



Chris Lewis in his playing days.



# Rose, Soward, Bowen remain off-contract



**INDIGENOUS** players George Rose (Manly), Jamie Soward (St George) and Matt Bowen (North Queensland) are some of the National Rugby League players who remain unsigned for the 2014 season.

Robbie Farah last week re-signed with the Wests Tigers, following the lead of Johnathan Thurston and Greg Inglis by spurning the chance to leave for pastures new after putting pen to paper on a multi-million-dollar four-year deal.

Soward began his career with

the Canberra Raiders before switching to the Sydney Roosters.

He made his NRL debut in 2005 with the Roosters and switched to the Dragons midway through 2007.

Manly star George Rose had a stint with the Roosters before crossing the harbour to join the Sea Eagles.

Fullback Matt Bowen has spent his entire NRL career with the Cowboys.

He also has played for Australia and Queensland in State of Origin and was the NRL leading try-scorer in 2005 and 2007.



MATT BOWEN



GEORGE ROSE



JAMIE SOWARD

# Bigger than football

## RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

**T**HE news that Ben Barba was returning to training and is close to playing again was greeted warmly by his fellow players and fans.

While there is reason to celebrate, we must ensure that the focus remains on Ben the person.

He is obviously in good care

in terms of his rehabilitation and the people around him at the club.

Returning to a normal routine and what he does best can also be part of his journey of self-recovery.

But we all need to remember that it is a journey.

Whatever our own personal demons, our battle with them can be lifelong, no matter what support we have.

Ben's journey is a personal one and he will continue to need time and space to get his life back on track.

I am confident he will, and he knows that there is a lot of support for him.

### Suffocating

But sometimes well-intentioned support can be suffocating.

Although the public may think that they know Ben Barba, it is when he is alone that he has to work things through in his own mind.

The thing that makes Ben's battle all that more difficult is that he has to play it out in the glare of public scrutiny through the traditional media and today's social media.

Ben's own use of social media contributed to his situation, but there is no denying that living in the constant spotlight of attention did not

help his cause.

Most footballers are forced to play through the pain, but Ben's experience shows that things might be changing.

Some things, believe it or not, are bigger than football.

As rugby league writer Roy Masters commented in 2009:



BEN BARBA

"Football men tend to internalise their problems, not exposing others to their suffering. The game does that to you. It teaches you to disguise your hurt, whether it be caused by a tackle or a gut wrenching, last-second loss."

Not to mention when that hurt is caused by personal loss and suffering.

As the face of the NRL, Ben admitted that he felt as if he would be "wearing a mask" by not facing his problems head-on.

That "mask" is never far out of reach, even if you're not a celebrity.

The day-to-day pressures of family and friends can be just as intense as the pressures of being a football star.

### Vulnerable

I guess many guys are most vulnerable in moments like these.

The bronzed-Aussie, stiff-upper-lip approach is still common in the attitude towards men's mental health. We still expect guys to just 'get on with it', forcing us to bottle our feelings and wear that mask.

Which is made worse by our own pressures to live up to the stereotype.

Admitting that you're hurting and crying on a mate's shoulder is still too often seen as a 'weak' option.

Even Ben said that he felt as if he had let down his friends, fans and family.

But I reckon we should be proud of him for having the strength to tackle his issues.

Breaking the stereotype can actually be a brave decision.

Sometimes you just need to take time out.

I'm sure the Bulldogs will

keep a close watch on him, and support him fully in his recovery.

Not to make him a better footballer, but to make him a stronger person.

Some things, believe it or not, are bigger than football.

There have been footballers who have battled with depression, anxiety and substance abuse before.

I have been public about my own battles with depression.

But Barba is still one of the rare ones to actually admit to his problems and take time off while in the peak of his career.

Most are forced to play through the pain.

For this reason, it's worth wondering whether Ben Barba's celebrity profile will encourage more of us to deal with our demons without fear of disappointing anybody.

I know all the Indigenous players have rallied around Ben and will be there to support him.

I think the game as a whole has shown that it cares for him as a person first.

I wish him all the best on the field.

I wish him better off it.

Let's all give him time and space to recover.

And when he does, let us rejoice in the special talent he has and hope that he will continue to be an inspiration for all those kids who follow him.

# Thurston feeling old ahead of milestone



**THE 200-game milestone** has made North Queensland Cowboys rugby league playmaker Johnathan Thurston feel old.

But Thurston – 30 next month – reckoned before last Monday's match that feeling would pale in comparison with what he endures when he finally retires.

Thurston launched his trademark laugh when asked how he felt about reaching his career milestone in the Cowboys' Monday night NRL home clash against Newcastle.

"It has actually taken longer than I thought," Thurston smiled.

"For someone who reassessed their

goals after one NRL game, this is special.

"It definitely makes me feel old.

"But I am stoked. I didn't think I would get to 200. I had a few injuries along the way."

In a game of giants, Thurston has somehow nursed his 179cm, 89kg frame through to a 12th NRL season.

And he is showing no signs of slowing down after signing a lucrative contract extension with the Cowboys.

Thurston may have been his usual jovial self when asked about his milestone, but he was deadly serious when talking about the toll the game had taken on his battered body.

"The body is not too bad. I just signed

a new four-year deal so hopefully I can pump out those four years but the body is alright," he said.

But Thurston added: "When I retire it won't be.

"I will just keep trying to look after it at the moment."

The latest Thurston ailment was a wrist complaint suffered in the All Stars clash that forced the flashy pivot to enter the 2013 season without a Cowboys pre-season trial under his belt.

Looking forward to a maiden premiership with the Cowboys was Thurston's goal when he re-signed recently.

However, Thurston still took time to look back ahead of game No. 200.

He ranked the 2004 premiership with the Bulldogs along with the Cowboys' NRL grand final loss a year later as moments to remember.

"But my favourite game would have to be the 2005 preliminary final against Parramatta," he said.

North Queensland won 29-0.

"No one gave us a chance and we ended up dusting them by about 30, I think," Thurston said.

He also was focusing on proving people wrong in 2013, especially after they were hammered last round 32-10 by Melbourne.

"We got a lot out of that game. The scoreline didn't reflect how close it was," he said. — AAP



# Carlton shakes the blues

## MAGIC'S MOMENTS



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MICK MALTHOUSE  
File picture

THERE is no doubt that Carlton will be one of the teams to watch this year.

Always a team of promise, there is no doubt that this season the Blues army will be expecting success.

Most football fans will understand the reason behind this is one simple appointment.

Two words – Mick Malthouse – will ensure that Carlton is under the football microscope more than any other AFL team in 2013.

Having been coached by some of the best in the game, I can understand the importance of an appointment such as his.

All coaches at the AFL level have a great understanding and knowledge of the game and a demonstrated ability to transfer that knowledge to the players.

But certain coaches bring with them a special aura or reputation that marks them as special.

Paul Roos certainly had his own style and Kevin Sheedy continues to reinvent himself as he grows the Greater Western Sydney franchise.

### Special brand

Mick Malthouse has also developed his own special brand and it was not surprising to see him accept the role at Carlton.

And early signs suggest the Blues have warmly embraced his arrival, with consistent stories of a reinvigorated atmosphere at a club that has been a bit player for too long.

Malthouse has brought genuine excitement to Visy Park.

He has also quickly built relationships with his troops, although he made it very clear that mediocrity will not be tolerated.

The Malthouse expectation is he needs to find 15 per cent improvement in the Carlton team to take it to winning 12, 13 or 14 games, instead of the 11 wins and tenth placing in 2012.

Such is his belief in a tried and tested game plan that Malthouse believes it can lead to significant improvement.

He also sees consistency in selection will provide the confidence that has been lacking in some.

As to how advanced the Blues will be early, it comes down to them having no choice given an exceptionally difficult start to the season where they play Richmond, Collingwood, Geelong, West Coast and Adelaide in their first

five matches.

Malthouse is also cagey in the way he projects himself to the press as he tries to deflect unnecessary external pressure on his team.

Malthouse said he was the coach of Carlton, nothing more, nothing less.

"I will use a phrase from a very good friend of mine from Collingwood," he said. "Let the baker bake the bread."

In other words, let him coach, let chief executive Greg Swann administer, let president Stephen Kernahan direct, let the trainers rub, let the accountants count and let the cheer squad cheer.

Either Malthouse doesn't understand his power, which is difficult to believe, or he is underselling himself, which is also difficult to believe.

Malthouse not only coaches the team, but in some ways he coaches the club.

It's about professional standards and expectations.

From day one, when Malthouse donned the famous colours of the old, dark navy blue and walked through the offices of every department, he brought with him something Brett Ratten never had – aura.

"He has changed the culture completely," one staffer said.

"He's been terrific. He's got a presence and an aura about him; so much so that when he walks into an office, everyone sits up straight."

Soon after his arrival in October, Malthouse called a meeting attended by each staff member.

Among a host of topics, he leaned on the staff not to get involved in aspects of preparing the players.

It went something like this: If the coaches criticise a player, say Bryce Gibbs, it was then not the role of the staff to comfort Gibbs, to say to him that it wasn't his fault, or that he was among the best players regardless, or that Malthouse was too harsh.

Malthouse implored the staff to not get involved, that if the coaches sprayed a player, those same coaches also had the mechanisms to pick that player back up.

Under no circumstances should a staff member circumvent or inadvertently undermine the strategies or behaviours of the coaches.

On the field, he was quick to move.

In his first or second training session, he wondered why they were training on the normal dimensions of Optus Oval

when it was clear they struggled to play to the dimensions of Etihad Stadium.

His simple solution?

Rope the ground to the exact size of Etihad Stadium.

It's not Einstein's theory, but you have to ask why it hadn't been done before.

To the players, he's been instructional and rejuvenating.

He has a favourite saying, and it's not lost on the players.

"You pick the side," he says.

It means the players, through their actions, will decide if they get a game.

### Widespread

Swann says Malthouse's impact has been widespread.

"He doesn't coach the club, he coaches the players, and as he said, 'Let the baker bake the bread'," Swann said.

"But he has brought real enthusiasm.

"He is that keen it's frightening, and that enthusiasm has rubbed off on the club.

"That's different from him coming in and telling people what to do.

"That hasn't happened, but his enthusiasm has been infectious."

In his wider ambassadorial role in the sport, which comes after 40 years' involvement, Malthouse continues to press his opinion.

He despises the last-touch rule.

He despises the 4x20 interchange cap because it restricts coaches from coaching, and players playing in the pre-season, which he believes will mean picking a different kind of player at the national draft.

He does, however, cherish player welfare, and applauded the introduction of the sliding rule and the rule to stop front-on contact below the knee.

He said it first 12 years ago, and he repeated the following last week: "When you're on the ground you should not be allowed to (pick up the football) ... you can tap it out, knock it out, kick it out, but you can't pick it up."

Now that's called coaching the competition.

Malthouse will make a huge difference on the Blues' standing in the competition.

I still believe Fremantle, Hawthorn and the Swans are early favourites for the competition.

But I would never underestimate a side coached by Malthouse.

Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming!

# Coaches with a passion



TWO Dubbo district Indigenous swimming coaches are giving back to the sport that gave them so much.

Therese Barton (nee Newman) has been inspiring and is one of the handful of female swimming coaches.

A J Newman, a former top swimmer, now is coaching and educating swimmers in the Dubbo area.

They want to make an impact on the alarming statistic that Indigenous children are twice as likely to drown as non-Indigenous children.

Barton's career with swimming began when she won a Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) 50m freestyle as a 13-year-old.

After qualifying for country and state championships, she also was the Western District champion for a number of years.

Because of her passion for swimming, she completed the Austswim course and has facilitated many learn-to-swim classes.

In 2008 she started the Masters competition with the Dubbo Red Fins and competed in several carnivals before retiring from competitive swimming to start her own family.

Barton was approached in 2010 by a Narromine swimming coach needing assistance in preparations for his squad.

This had a flow-on effect as it resulted in her managing the squad the following year.

### Competitor, coach, mentor

A J Newman has swimming knowledge as a coach, mentor and swimmer.

In the beginning he was coached by Les Farvis for a year before returning to competition and qualifying for the NSW country championships, state age and national age in 1994.

For many years he was the Western District champion and in 1996 he was 'discovered' at a swim camp by Neil Ryan and Anna Windsor, who assisted with his training.

As team captain for Waverly College, 'A J' was named in the All-Schools team for 1997 and 1998.

His hard work came to fruition when he won several State metro medals and competed at national age and open championships.

International experience followed in 2001 when he won a scholarship to Syracuse, New York, to develop his swimming technique.

He competed at the US national level and at other big meetings.

He returned to Australia in 2004.

In 2008 he went back to Dubbo, where he developed his passion for educating others. While still coaching, he returned to competitive swimming in 2009 and won two gold and two bronze medals at the World Masters Games in Sydney.

In 2010 'A J' was close to hanging up his goggles, but swam in the Pan Pacific Masters Games where he won five gold and three silver medals.

Recently, he has been working closely with Therese Barton and her squad and is also conducting a stroke clinic at Narromine.



Inspiring swim coaches Therese Barton and A J Newman.



# Ross chasing his third Stawell Gift



Josh Ross at the 2012 Bay Sheffield in Adelaide.  
Photo by Peter Argent



AUSTRALIAN sprint star Josh Ross will benefit from the presence of former 100m world record holder Asafa Powell when he chases an unprecedented third Stawell Gift title at Easter.

Ross is one of only two men to have won the famous 120m handicap event off scratch, achieving the feat in 2005 when he won for the second time.

But with Jamaican gun Powell the scratch marker this year, Ross will get a one-metre start on Powell.

Ross last competed at Stawell in 2009 when he was run out in the semi-finals.

He retired from athletics shortly afterwards before making a return in 2011.

The 32-year-old contested the 4x100m relay at the 2012 Olympics and was bitterly disappointed not to also get a start in the individual 100m in London.

"I'm really excited about going back to Stawell. I haven't run there for a while and it is my spiritual home in athletics," Ross said.

"Going for my third Stawell Gift is special – and certainly achievable because I am in the best shape of my life as shown by my 200 on Saturday earlier this month.

"Sydney was the second fastest

200 metres of my career and to do it so late in my career shows that I am still improving."

Ross (2003 and 2005), Bill Howard (1966 and 1967) and Barry Foley (1970 and 1972) are the only men to have won the Stawell Gift twice in its 132-year history.

"To win a third Stawell Gift would give me living legend status and I'd love to create history once more," said Ross, a six-time Australian 100m champion.

The heats of the Stawell Gift are on 30 March with the semis and final on Easter Monday at Central Park.

## Fastest ever

The Jamaican, with a personal best of 9.72 seconds, will become the fastest runner ever to race at Stawell and is searching to become the third runner in history to win the event from the scratch mark.

While Powell's handicap was expected, there was some surprise in the handicap handed to Ross.

Powell will give Ross, who won from 7 metres in 2003 and scratch in 2005, just a 1-metre start.

The 32-year-old has suffered from his impressive form this season having already claimed two Gift wins from scratch, including the prestigious Bay Sheffield in Adelaide.

Early Gift favourite Khan Marr will start from 5.25 metres. – AAP

# Charlie asks his backers to dig deep



TRAILBLAZING Indigenous sportsman Charlie Maher (pictured) has set himself another target – he will run in the Gold Coast Marathon on 7 July to raise money for the Indigenous

Marathon Project (IMP).

Maher has set a minimum target of \$2000 and when we checked last week, \$900 had been promised by people wanting to sponsor him.

The IMP is close to Maher's heart and deservedly so – he was in the first batch of Indigenous runners to contest the New York Marathon in 2010.

He was the most successful of that inaugural bunch and continues to be a role model for Aboriginal people in Central Australia.

He said he had put his Central Australian football on hold until after the Gold Coast Marathon.

The Alice Springs Yirara Clontarf Academy director told the *Koori Mail* he would welcome any contributions – great or small.

He said the money would help Rob de Castella's IMP find champions to create role models to inspire Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to live an active, healthy lifestyle and reduce the instance of preventable diseases.

People can pledge money to Maher's appeal by visiting <http://Footprints.gofundraise.com.au/page/mahersmarathonmadness2013>

All donations to this site are electronically wired to the IMP and an automatic receipt is emailed to the donor.



# Thommo mesmerises batsmen



Peter Thomas gives the ball plenty of flight as he spins his way to a ten-wicket haul in one afternoon of Barossa and Light cricket.  
Photo by Peter Argent

By PETER ARGENT



HE may not have produced thunderbolts like Jeff Thomson during the 1970s, but Gawler Central Tigers off-spinner Peter 'Thommo' Thomas terrorised the Bombers in a recent Barossa and Light cricket match.

Thomas, a former Southern Boomerangs skipper at the Imparja Cup, ripped through the Bombers' line-up in an early March game at Kapunda Oval, one hour north of Adelaide.

The frugal Thomas took ten wickets on the afternoon of 9 March.

"It was an outstanding effort and the catalyst to us collecting the minor premiership," Thomas' captain Andrew Frackowski said.

"This initial spell in the first innings was amazing and for one person to claim ten wickets in one afternoon's cricket is impressive.

"He bowled with amazing control and bamboozled the Kapunda batsman.

"Peter has a wealth of cricket experience and is a wily off-spin bowler.

"He is a pivotal member of our side."

As the Kapunda Bombers, chasing a testing total of 190, were bundled out for just 79 in their first innings, Thomas took 6-11 from 8.3 overs. He bowled four maidens.

His victims included many of the Bombers' key players. Five of his six victims were bowled or caught behind the wicket.

As Kapunda were asked the bat again, Thomas opened the bowling with his off-spin. The hosts made a more respectable 149.

Thomas, a veteran in the team, sent down 16 overs, including four maidens and finished with 4-56.

He took a catch to end the Kapunda innings.

Needing 39 to claim an outright victory, the Tigers raced there, to be 1-41 from just 5.2 overs.

The wicketkeeper for the Tigers is current SA Imparja Cup captain Jamie McCafferty. He executed six dismissals over the day – four catches and a pair of stumpings.

Three of them came from the bowling of Thomas.

A week in cricket is a long time, as Thomas and Gawler Central lost their semi-final match to Freeling the following weekend.



Indigenous wicketkeeper Jamie McCafferty had a good day behind the stumps, snaring six victims.  
Photo by Peter Argent





## Nathan Price the Indigenous Cricketer of Year



NEW South Wales all-rounder Nathan Price has been named the 2012-13 Lord's Taverners Indigenous Cricketer

of the Year.

Price received the award at Cricket Australia's State Cricket Awards in Hobart on 20 March.

He dominated the 2012 Imparja Cup, compiling 287 runs at an average of 57.4 to go along with seven wickets at an average of 10.3 at the Twenty20 competition.

It was this performance that earned him a place on the Cricket Australia Indigenous Development Squad tour of India last year.

Price revelled in the sub-continental conditions, ending

the five-match tour as the leading run scorer.

Price, who is a former member of the NSW Blues squad and currently plays for Randwick Petersham in Sydney grade cricket, said: "I'm honoured to receive this award, especially at an awards ceremony surrounded by some of Australia's best cricketers."

"It's great to receive an award that recognises not just on-field performance but also contributions off-field."

"Indigenous cricket is rapidly growing and improving. The Imparja Cup, the National Indigenous Development Squad and awards such as this are important to this growth."

Former Australian cricketer Ray Bright chaired the selection panel for the award, which also comprised Imparja Cup selector Mark Hanton, National Indigenous Cricket Advisory Committee co-chair Aaron Briscoe and Cricket Australia's Briana Binch.

The selection panel's decision was based on five criteria:

- Performance at Imparja Cup and state/territory national competitions
- Positive contribution to Indigenous cricket within home state/territory
- Potential to take the next step on the high-performance pathway
- Being a positive role model for other Indigenous cricketers
- Showing leadership amongst his/her peers

Lord's Taverners Australia national chairman Greg Brown presented the award to Price ahead of the Bupa Sheffield Shield final between Tasmania and Queensland at Blundstone Arena, Hobart.

The Lord's Taverners Australia is a major supporter of Australian Indigenous cricket.



Nathan Price pictured last year with the Australian Indigenous Development Squad in India. Cricket Australia image

# Knockout returns to Raymond Terrace

By GRAHAM HUNT



RAYMOND Terrace, just north of Newcastle, will be the venue of the 2013 NSW

Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout.

Organisers are planning innovations for the 43rd annual event to make it the best yet.

A delegates' meeting, hosted by defending champions Newcastle Yowies, was held in Newcastle last week to continue preparations for the 2013 event at Lakeside Oval.

The Knockout will begin on Friday, 4 October, ending with the men's semi-finals and finals on Monday, 7 October.

Women's and junior matches will be played on the first day, with the men's competition kicking off on Saturday.

Yowies spokesman Jimmy Wright said if more than 64 men's teams nominated, the men's competition also would start on Friday, with extra teams playing to reduce the field to 64 for a Saturday start.

A state committee is in charge of organising this year's Knockout. It was formed at a delegates' meeting in Newcastle just before Christmas and is led by Danny Packer.

Coincidentally, the two teams involved in ugly scenes at last year's Knockout – La Pouse and Moree Boomerangs – are

**'I think the women have been neglected and I want to change that'**

represented on the state committee.

Wright said that as far as he was concerned, it was not the responsibility of the Newcastle Yowies to deal with the fallout from that incident.

He said the members of the 12-person committee were drawn from a hat after 19 names were submitted at the 15 December meeting.

### Bigger part

He said he was keen to see women play a bigger part in the 2013 Knockout.

It was his wish to see more women's teams and it was his desire to have a mothers' tent, where children could be looked after while mums played.

"I think the women have been neglected and I want to

change that," he said.

He also believed another Elders' tent could be needed and he even wanted a Christians' tent, where people of all religious denominations could gather.

Wright also advocated more entertainment for children.

"I want the 2013 Knockout to be a real family affair," he told the Koori Mail.

"I think we should push more for family, with rides for the kids."

The Newcastle Yowies won the right to host this year's Knockout when they beat defending titleholders Mindaribba Warriors 26-20 in a hard-fought final at last year's Knockout at Raymond Terrace.

The Yowies fielded a star-studded line-up that included Newcastle Knight star Timana Tahu, former Knights and Cronulla five-eighth and now Gold Coast Titan Albert Kelly, ex-Balmain half Wes Patten and Canberra winger Reece Robinson.

With current National Rugby League (NRL) players banned from playing in the Deadly Choices Koori v Murri Interstate Challenge in Brisbane last February, only Patten, a former NRL player, could take his place in the Yowies' team for the Brisbane game.

The Argun Warriors, from Torres Strait, beat the Yowies 28-24 in extra time to win that game.