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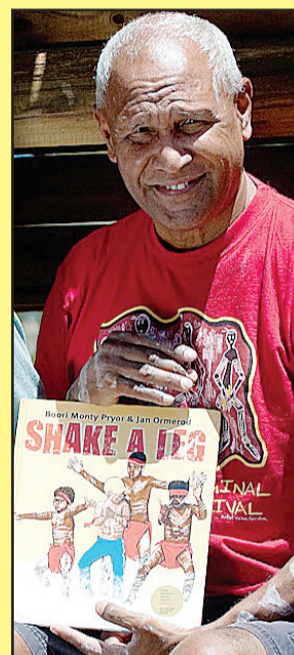
Fired up for Woodford



Leading the procession to the Woodford Folk Festival welcome ceremony are, from left, Jinibara custodian Uncle Noel Blair, who gave the welcome to country, the Gubbi Gubbi Dancers' Lyndon Davis and Dreaming program director Sam Cook. The 2011 Dreaming festival was incorporated into the Woodford Folk Festival (27 December-1 January) after extreme weather caused \$2 million worth of damage to the Woodfordia site in south-east Queensland. But organisers are hoping The Dreaming will return as a stand-alone event in 2013.

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Constitution crunch time



AFTER 12 months of meetings and talks around the nation, the final report of the panel on Constitutional Recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples is set for release.

The much-anticipated recommendations are expected to be handed to Prime Minister Julia Gillard within days.

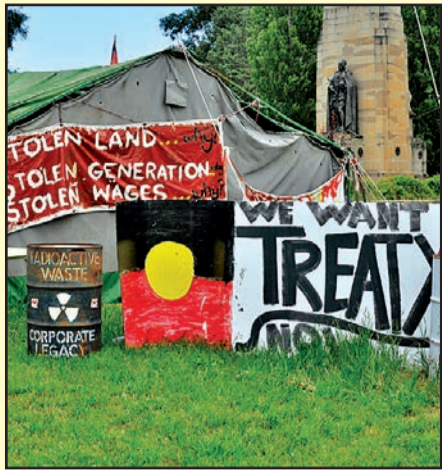
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co-chairs Patrick Dodson and Mark Leibler say they are confident the eventual referendum on any changes to the Constitution will succeed.

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My FAMILY CHERYL BROWN – Yuendumu, NT



THIS is me with (from left) my daughter Hannah, 13, my nephew Sam, 6, and my youngest son Dalvin. He's four. I've got another son, Kingston, who's 14.

I'm originally from Yuendumu – I'm a Warlpiri woman – but this picture was taken in Alice Springs, where we've been living.

I've been in Alice for some time looking to find a job, but it's hard when you've got young ones to look after.

I'd also like to do some education courses to help improve my English, but my hands are pretty full at the moment.

While I really want to work and support myself and kids, it's tough. And right now family must come

first – it's the most important thing.

My kids all go to school here in Alice, just around the corner at the Yipirinya School. It's good there, they get a good all-round education, and the kids like it.

Me, I do some traditional painting and I've been lucky enough to sell some, so that helps.

We all like it here in Alice, but Yuendumu is my home.

I've also been down to Adelaide where I've got family, and that was pretty good.

I hope to get back there again soon so the kids can see some other country.

While life is pretty challenging we still all enjoy it here and make the most of it.

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OUR CHILDREN



Gabriel Dingaman and Antonio Dingaman, from the Kokotha people, celebrate the success of the native title claim to the Gawler Ranges in South Australia. See our report on Page 12. *Newspix image*

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Hands up if you like Santa!



By ALF WILSON

JOY showed on the faces of more than 500 Palm Island children when they were given gifts by Santa Claus at Mayor Alf Lacey's

Christmas Party last month. The youngsters waited in anticipation for Santa who arrived on the back of a yellow truck (pictured above) which followed a fire engine with flashing lights.

Santa in his red suit was swamped by the kids as he walked to the stage and handed out gifts to each one. Mayor Lacey welcomed the large crowd at the party. "Families are very special

here on Palm Island and the children are our future," he said. "I wanted to ensure that every child would get a gift and it is good to see so many people here."

Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council and Palm Island Community Company workers, as well as scores of volunteers, helped to make the mayor's party an outstanding success.

Employment programs 'have failed'

By DARREN COYNE



MILLIONS of dollars have been wasted on Aboriginal employment programs in New South Wales that have failed to produce results, according to a new review.

The review, commissioned by the NSW Government and undertaken by the Allen Consulting Group, found that 14 job programs for Aboriginal people were basically redundant, despite costing around \$17 million.

The review was the first independent analysis of NSW Government-funded programs introduced since 1989.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said the findings were 'another significant reason why a new approach to Aboriginal Affairs is needed'.

After examining the



VICTOR DOMINELLO

programs, the consultants found that there was 'no strategy or framework linking programs to the needs of Aboriginal people, and there had been little monitoring or evaluation of money spent and outcomes'.

"There has regrettably been no clear or consistent strategy for job creation for Aboriginal people in NSW," Mr Dominello said. "The voices of Aboriginal people were not heard and,

under Labor, there was duplication in service provision, inefficiency in administration and unclear accountability.

"In terms of future job programs, the review has identified that what is needed is greater engagement with the Aboriginal community, improving and sustaining career development pathways through connected programs from school through to employment, leveraging opportunities in growth industries and regions, and strengthening relationships with the private and non-government sectors to link Aboriginal people with more employment and business opportunities.

"The findings of this report are another significant reason why a new approach to Aboriginal affairs is needed and the review's recommendations will be considered by the recently appointed Ministerial Taskforce on Aboriginal Affairs.

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Seafari honours lost daughter



On the Cairns jetty in front of the *Seafari* are, from left, lawyer Jason Briggs, Henrietta Saub and John Saub.

By ALF WILSON



SAUB family members have launched their new boat *Seafari* in memory of their daughter Valerie, one of five people who died when the ill-fated

Department of Immigration vessel *Malu Sara* sank in the Torres Strait during 2005.

Immigration officers Wilfred Baira, 38 and Ted Cyril Harry, 54, and passengers Valerie Saub, 34, Flora Enosa, 34, and her daughter Ethena, 5, died when the poorly equipped and shoddily built government vessel *Malu Sara* sank on 15 October 2005 en route for Badu Island after leaving Saibai Island. Only one body has been recovered.

In November 2010, the Saub family received a substantial compensation settlement which finalised their family's claim against the Federal and Queensland governments and the Queensland Police Service.

The christening of the Saub's newly purchased *Seafari* took place at the Portsmith Jetty in Cairns.

It was an emotional ceremony for

Valerie's father and mother John and Henrietta Saub and other family members and friends including their lawyer Jason Briggs.

"The family have continued to remember and honour their daughter Valerie and with close friends and relatives they christened their new vessel the *Seafari* in a ceremony performed by Rev John Eseli, the parish priest for Badu Island, launching what many people hope will be a successful seafood enterprise in the Torres Strait," Mr Briggs said.

"We hope it will help the family to heal and move on from the trauma of the death of their daughter in the sinking of the *Malu Sara*."

Mrs Henrietta Saub, who is confined to a wheelchair, said the family was heading home to Badu Island.

"We're going home to our beautiful island of Badu and we're much happier now after our successful victory in the *Malu Sara* case last year in honouring our daughter Valerie," she said.

"We now feel we can move on with our lives satisfied we've done all we could and our grandchildren can hold their heads high."



John Saub and Jason Briggs in front of the *Seafari* in dry dock.

Big acts for Survival Day

By DARREN COYNE



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander people around the country are once again preparing to celebrate their survival.

As the rest of the country marks Australia Day on 26 January, many Indigenous people and supporters will be turning out to Survival Day events.

In **Perth**, a free festival is being held in the Supreme Court Gardens from 12.30-7.30. It celebrates the resilience of Aboriginal people, with particular reference to the 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in Canberra.

Performers will include the Yabu Band, Bartlett Brothers and the Walkabout Boys, among others. There will be community stalls, kids activities and a history marquee.

In **Melbourne**, the Share the Spirit festival will be held in Treasury Gardens, featuring Indigenous music, dancing and culture.

Presented by Songlines Aboriginal Music, the festival will feature acts including Last Kinection, Benny Walker, The Charcoal Club and 'Bear'



JESSICA MAUBOY

Johnson as well as a special traditional dance performance by Kooriboree and Melbourne's Yung Warriors.

There will also a youth stage featuring traditional dance and hip hop workshops open to all young people, as well as showcase dance-offs and MC battles hosted by The Songlines Hip Hop Collective.

The festival will also include a dedicated program of children's cultural activities, with storytelling sessions, traditional music, painting classes and a jumping castle.

The festival is free and runs from 1-7pm.

Also in Melbourne, a Survival Day celebration will be held in Borthwick Park, Belgrave.

The Indigenous line up for

this year's event includes the Yung Warriors, Lou Bennett (formerly of Tiddas), the Jindi Worobak Dance Group, traditional dancing and storytelling by Gnamayarrahe Waitaire.

The MC is Leila Gurruwiwi from the *Marrgrook Footy Show*, and the event will be held from noon-4.30pm.

Activities and workshops will include a didgeridoo meditation, Aboriginal flag and badge making for kids, traditional basket weaving and a traditional dance workshop. There will also be a range of Indigenous craft stalls, and a barbecue.

In **South Australia**, the National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, Tandanya, will again hold its Survival Day celebrations in the Rymill Park extension.

In **Sydney**, the annual Yabun Festival will be held in Victoria Park, Broadway, from 10am-7pm. The festival will feature a line-up that includes Jessica Mauboy, Archie Roach, Christine Anu and Dan Sultan.

Yabun will also present panels and speeches by some of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community's most recognised leaders, academics, politicians and artists.

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40 years on ... the fire still burns at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy.

Celebration for Tent Embassy

By DARREN COYNE



INDIGENOUS people from across Australia are preparing to descend on Canberra on 26

January to mark the 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy.

Four young Aboriginal men, Billy Craigie, Tony Coorey, Bert Williams and Michael Anderson, established the embassy in 1972. They were angered by a speech from then Prime Minister Billy McMahon, who had announced that his Government's Aboriginal policy would not include any admission that Aboriginal people had any rights to land and compensation.

Mr Anderson, who is the only surviving member of the original four, said the gathering in Canberra was likely to attract thousands of people.

"The forthcoming 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal Embassy in Canberra is a milestone in the Aboriginal struggle," he said.

"The fact that the embassy



Protest signs at the Tent Embassy in Canberra



'The forthcoming 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal Embassy in Canberra is a milestone in the Aboriginal struggle'

— Michael Anderson

has been standing continually ... is a testament to our determination to fight against all odds and the tyranny of the

majority to gain that which is ours."

Mr Anderson told the *Koori Mail* that the gathering would

feature two days of talking circles, one for women and one for men.

He said that at the end of the two days, the gathering would release a proclamation regarding Aboriginal sovereignty, which would also include a plan for the way forward.

"There's a lot of Aboriginal people coming in droves and they will be supported by the Occupy Melbourne and Sydney groups," he said.

Mr Anderson said Aboriginal people from communities across Australia had indicated they were sending delegations to the gathering.

He said the talking circles would be the 'first time in history that we have had the opportunity to form a national union of nations'.

The Tent Embassy gathering, which is being billed as a Corroboree for Sovereignty, will also feature dancers and musicians, and a flag-raising ceremony is scheduled for 11am.

For further information email aboriginaltentembassy@hotmail.com

New Year's Resolutions

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



JIMBLAH – Adelaide, SA: I'm aiming to work much harder this year. My first film clip is dropping on Australia Day, and that's *Capital City*. It will be on YouTube.



NICOLE SMITH – Hobart, Tas: To finish university on a high note. I am in my final year of philosophy.



WIRUUNGGA DUNGGIIRR – Maleney, Qld: To get government funding. I do permaculture gardening in remote communities to help my people extend their lifespan through bush tucker, bush medicine and veggies and fruit trees.



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New Year's Resolutions



MALARNDIRRI MCCARTHY – Darwin, NT: I'm determined to get Homelands funding for NT Indigenous families and to encourage more Indigenous women into local government and NT elections.



WENDAL PITCHFORD – Launceston, Tasmania: To get myself a house. I miss all my special things that have been packed for so long.



MARK ROBERTS – Nimbin, NSW: My resolution is to get out and enjoy life more.



KIRSTY BOWER – Dubbo, NSW: I'd like to move from Dubbo to the coast for a change of scenery.

PM to get Constitution recommendations

Expert panel's report finalised

By DARREN COYNE



THE final report from the government-appointed expert panel on Constitutional Recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples will be handed to Prime Minister Julia Gillard within days.

After holding meetings across Australia, and receiving more than 3500 submissions during the past 12 months, the panel is expected to recommend that the Constitution be altered to recognise Indigenous culture and languages and remove racist sections.

Details of the panel's recommendations remain secret, but a series of leaks before Christmas prompted co-chairs Patrick Dodson and Mark Leibler to call for an end to speculation on what the final recommendations would be.

The Australian newspaper reported that the panel would recommend the insertion of a preamble-like section, not at the start but within the body of the Constitution, recognising the special place of Indigenous people in the life of the nation; protection of Aboriginal culture and languages; a new power specifying that laws can be made only for the 'advancement' of Aboriginal people; and a related prohibition on discrimination.

But the co-chairs maintained that the speculation was premature because the report had not been finalised.

Mr Leibler said, however, that the panel was confident the eventual referendum, to be held at the end of the year, would succeed.

"Over the course of our consultations, panel members have been very heartened by the great support for constitutional recognition," Mr Leibler said.

"In our public consultations



Members of the expert panel with Tiwi Islanders following the consultation at Nguuu on the Tiwi Islands earlier this year.

we spoke directly to more than 4000 people across metropolitan, regional and remote communities and we received more than 3500 submissions.

"Many different ideas were raised about what form constitutional recognition could take, but there was overwhelming support for change.

Consistent

"The results of Newspoll surveys also show strong and consistent support for constitutional recognition."

In comments to the *Koori Mail*, Mr Leibler appeared to indicate that at least some of the recommendations outlined in *The Australian* were correct, while others were not.

"Some of the submissions that we have received have raised the concern that a

statement of recognition in the preamble could have greater potential for unintended consequences than recognition in the body of the constitution," he said.

Mr Leibler also played down speculation regarding new race powers.

"It's fair to say that panel members, along with the overwhelming majority of Australians surveyed by Newspoll, believe that provisions on the basis of race have no place in the constitution of a modern democracy," Mr Leibler said.

"Clearly any symbolic recognition in the Constitution shouldn't conflict with the substantive text of the document.

"For example, it would be inconsistent to recommend a change that recognises Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander people while retaining a section that talks about state governments having the power to deny people from voting on the basis of their race."

Meanwhile, Reconciliation Australia co-chair Tom Calma also called for all parties to await the panel's final report before reaching any conclusions.

"The expert panel, which has representation from all major political parties, including the Independents, has spent the past 12 months consulting extensively with the community to canvass a broad range of opinions and ideas," Dr Calma said.

"Reconciliation Australia has supported these consultations through various community meetings and forums so it's only fair that judgment of the results is reserved until the final report is released."

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Hunt for Naden scaled back



THE hunt for fugitive Malcolm Naden has been scaled back.

The search for the accused murderer, on the run since 2005, was escalated early last month when police were shot at near the NSW town of Nowendoc.

But the command post has now been moved 60km south to Gloucester, where police in a scaled-back investigative operation are based at a Rural

Fire Service station.

Police say Strike Force Durkin officers who are hunting Naden will be able to move quickly if required.

A \$250,000 reward remains in place for information that leads to the arrest of Naden, a former abattoir worker.

He has been eluding authorities since 2005, when he fled his grandparents' home in west Dubbo days after his cousin, 24-year-old mother-of-two Kristy Scholes, was found strangled

in his bedroom.

Naden is also suspected of involvement in the disappearance a few months earlier of another of his cousins, Lateesha Nolan, and the rape of a 15-year-old schoolgirl.

Naden is described as being 177cm tall with a medium build, brown eyes and has short/cropped dark hair, and is clean shaven with a moustache.

Police say Naden is armed and warn people not to approach him under any circumstances. – AAP



MALCOLM NADEN

Workshops help to keep a Tasmanian tradition alive

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE Tasmanian Aboriginal tradition of shell stringing is alive and well, aided by a series of workshops across Tasmania.

More than 20 Tasmanian Aboriginal women have participated in four shell stringing workshops held over the past year, culminating with a final workshop at Bridport, on Tasmania's north coast.

Participants have learnt all facets of the practice – what and where to collect, cleaning, traditional materials, tools and stringing.

Program officer for Aboriginal arts with Arts Tasmania Lola Greeno, who facilitated the workshops with three other experienced shell stringers, said it had been a dream of hers for years.

"It's such a significant cultural practice for our Aboriginal women," she said.

"We've talked about how we carry on the legacy of people like Truganini and Fanny Cochrane Smith.

"One lady said the workshops changed her as a woman."

Shell stringing, along with mutton birding and basket weaving, is one of the few Tasmanian Aboriginal traditions that has continued unbroken.

"With the workshops, we wanted to target women where it had been lost in their families, women who their mother had died or it hadn't been handed down to them," Mrs Greeno explained to the *Koori Mail*.



Tahana Rimmer and Sonia Brown at the shell stringing workshop.

South-eastern and north-western women were targeted because the practice had been lost in those areas.

"We knew the practice had continued through the Furneaux Islands, but there were still

women and families where it had been lost, so that's why there have been three regional workshops," she said.

"Out of that we decided we would bring them all together in this one big workshop at

Bridport. Everyone has been really enthusiastic about it, really keen to learn from one another – it's been really rewarding.

"We will be seeing this as the first stage of this project, hopefully."

New Year's Resolutions



FRED PENNY – Gosnells, WA: To get to know God better, in order to serve Him and my fellow man better.



CASSANDRA STEWART – Alice Springs, NT: I'll be working hard this year to establish a bush medicine and nutrition program up and running in Alice Springs.



ANTHONY WEST – Wellington, NSW: To be more balanced and happy and to spend more time with my family. I'd also like to give up chocolate, but I don't think I'll last too long with that.



KERRY SMITH – Condoblin, NSW: I won't say I'd like to be happier because I'm already happy but I would like to be healthier. I'd like to go to the gym more often.

Action demanded after girl's death



THE West Australian Government has been urged to implement all recommendations of the Gordon Inquiry into family violence

and child abuse. The call follows the horrific death last week of an eight-year-old Aboriginal girl who went missing with a known sex offender in a remote area of WA, near Warburton.

The man has been arrested and police inquiries are continuing.

WA Aboriginal Family Law Services CEO Hannah McGlade says the girl's death has highlighted the serious need for recommendations from the Gordon Inquiry of 10 years ago to be implemented – in particular the appointment of a deputy commissioner for Aboriginal



'We want full implementation of outcomes of the Gordon Inquiry, yet successive state governments have rejected this'
– Hannah McGlade

children. "This is a serious issue that a young child has died and was in the company of a convicted child sex offender," said Ms McGlade, whose organisation provides services to victims of family violence in WA.

"Aboriginal children make up

50 per cent of kids in the care of the state in WA and we are calling on the State Government to enact the key recommendations from the Gordon Inquiry with regard to responses to Aboriginal family violence."

Ms McGlade says that while a

WA Children's Commission was established, the Government didn't go far enough to protect Aboriginal children by appointing a deputy commissioner to specifically deal with issues affecting Aboriginal children and communities.

"We want full implementation of outcomes of the Gordon Inquiry, yet successive state governments have rejected this," she said.

"Our communities need to be safe for our most vulnerable members – children."

"Aboriginal communities need to be assisted in working closely with child protection authorities to develop safety plans and increase child safety protection. We need to educate our communities about awareness of child sexual assault issues." – with AAP

Tina aims to manage well

BY KIRSTIE PARKER



TINA BAUM is a leader in her field but, while others are determined to send accolades her way, her thoughts inevitably turn to those around her.

The mother-of-four was recently announced by the Australian Institute of Management (AIM) NSW and ACT as the recipient of its 2011 Rebecca Gregory Indigenous Scholarship.

The coveted \$6000 annual scholarship will enable Ms Baum, who juggles a busy family life with her professional role as curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island art at the National Gallery of Australia (NGA) in Canberra, to complete a diploma in management with AIM.

She'll also have the support of an executive coach to further develop her skills as a manager and strengthen her leadership and problem-solving abilities.

Ms Baum told the *Koori Mail* she knew she personally would benefit greatly from the 'wonderful' boost, but what excited her most was the prospect of using it to help others.

"I'm just so honoured, happy and excited to do this and to gain some extra knowledge that I can share with my family and communities," the Larrakia/Wadaman/Karajarri woman said.

"I can't wait... Although I have had on-the-job training and picked things up from there, I have never had official training.

"I have chosen the project management diploma. Being a



Tina Baum in front of The Aboriginal Memorial, a permanent display of 200 burial poles at the National Gallery of Australia.

Virgo, I'm fanatical about detail and this diploma might streamline what I know already... I'm all for learning other ways of doing things.

"The first benefit will be to my family, my kids. We have so little time together with a really busy work life so to increase that time

by working in a more streamlined or efficient way, I'm all for that."

Ms Baum said the most challenging aspect of her work was 'wanting to do so much more for the artists and their communities'.

"As curators, we're custodians and representatives of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and communities we represent and we're honoured to be able to look after and showcase their art in the best way we can," she said.

"There are so many things that anyone in this position can give back to the art but there's only so

much you can do in a day; you can't get to everything.

"One of the best things we can do is nurture the next wave of people to come through.

"There are so few of us working in institutions, we have to do that succession planning. I know that if my peers can better themselves, it benefits me in the long run too."

Ms Baum has been at the NGA since 2005 and was previously a curator at the Queensland Museum, the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT (MAGNT) and the National Museum of Australia (NMA).

She has helped the NGA to develop its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Galleries and has worked on a number of high-profile projects including the inaugural National Indigenous Art Triennial: Culture Warriors and the Emerging Elders exhibition. She's currently working on the second such exhibition, set to open later this year.

This year's scholarship was decided by a panel led by AIM NSW and ACT CEO David Wakeley, who said Ms Baum had demonstrated strong dedication and passion for her work, which reflected positively in her abilities as an effective leader and manager.

"We have been highly impressed with Tina's positive outlook and attitude towards her work, and are excited to be able to contribute to her continued development through the awarding of this scholarship," he said.

The annual training scholarship honours an Indigenous former AIM employee, the late Rebecca Gregory.

WA cop guilty over shooting

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



A PERTH police officer who shot at an Aboriginal family has pleaded guilty to discharging a firearm in a manner likely to endanger life or cause fear.

In November, Niko Westergerling, 39, was charged with two counts of discharging a firearm, which can lead to up to three years' jail.

However, police prosecutors dropped one charge and Westergerling was fined \$5000 on the remaining charge.

His lawyer, John McKenna, said the former officer had suffered a 'brain snap' during a traffic stop on 14 November, and made an appalling error of judgment.

Police prosecutor David Leigh said the evidence, a bullet removed from the family's vehicle, showed Westergerling had aimed at the car when shooting.

After stopping the car, in which an Aboriginal woman, her three daughters and a toddler were travelling, Westergerling became suspicious that the driver had given an incorrect name.

When Westergerling confronted them, the family locked the doors and windows, and he struck a window with the butt of his police-issue Glock pistol.

Westergerling fired two shots at the vehicle as it drove away, Mr Leigh said, and it was merely luck that no one was injured.

He said the shooting was unprovoked and unjustified, and left the family shocked and shaken.

Westergerling's actions put lives at risk and he demonstrated a disregard for the public, the prosecutor said.

Serious offence

In sentencing, Magistrate Tom Hall said that while the offence was serious, Westergerling was remorseful.

The magistrate said police held a position of trust in the community and, as such, a penalty needed to be imposed.

The former senior constable, who worked in the Northern and North-Western Metropolitan Police Districts for 15 years, resigned from the WA Police Service on 7 December.

Eight months earlier, in March 2010, he

was convicted in Perth Magistrates Court of assault occasioning bodily harm and fined \$2000.

Similarly, the defence in that trial was that Westergerling had 'simply snapped' when he kicked and punched his much smaller wife.

His lawyer told the court he was remorseful for his actions and was seeing a psychologist.

The day after the shooting, at suburban Nollamara, the WA Police Commissioner was subsequently questioned by former Custodial Services Inspector Richard Harding about the handling of officers' past convictions.

The commissioner said the police discipline process was overly legalistic, and he dealt with officers' minor indiscretions through training and remedial action.

He said the firearms policy was very strict and clear that officers should not fire at vehicles.

The commissioner and the secretary of the Police Union said the police internal disciplinary process was inefficient and needed reform.

Kowanyama cleans up



KOWANYAMA Aboriginal Shire Council's (KASC) first community 'clean up day' has been hailed as a great success, with 250 bags of rubbish collected in the Cape York community.

The event was supported by 60 locals including members of Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council, Kowanyama Rural Operations Group, Kowanyama State School and Kowanyama CDEP crew. Rubbish was also collected from the Kowanyama Rodeo Grounds and Kowanyama State School grounds.

Funded through a partnership between the council and the Australian Food and Grocery Council's Packaging Stewardship Forum (PSF), the 'clean up day' was part of a wider town beautification and litter reduction project being implemented through the PSF-developed Clean Up Book, a self-help guide for communities on how to reduce litter and increase recycling.

As part of the project, the PSF also provided new Do The Right Thing, anti-litter signage as part of the council's community education and litter awareness program.

Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council CEO Glenda Teede said the event was a great way to get the community thinking about how they directly contributed to the appearance of the community.

"We have always been proud of our community and everyone enjoyed seeing the great result," she said.

Family wants truth over custody death



THE aunt of a man who died while in custody in Alice Springs says two people saw him being bashed by police on the night he died. Patricia Morton-Thomas, an aunt to the dead man Terrance Daniel Briscoe, says two men arrested with her nephew claim they saw him being bashed by four policemen and a female officer. An investigation is under way.

"We are not pointing the finger at the police saying they have murdered our child. We just want to know the truth, and there are inconsistencies between what the police told us and what these two young men told us," Ms Morton-Thomas said on Friday. "They claim that they witnessed the five police officers beating him that night. "I don't know if it was in the lock-up, or where it was, but it was definitely in police care."

Northern Territory police took Mr Briscoe into custody at the Alice Springs watchhouse about 9.30pm on Wednesday. He was discovered unconscious during a routine cell check just after 2am on Thursday. Efforts to revive him failed and he was pronounced dead at Alice Springs Hospital. Mr Briscoe had been taken into custody after he and some friends had been drinking at Flynn Park in Alice Springs, she said. "They were on their merry little

way home when the police came up beside them and threw them all in the paddy wagon. There were five of them, a couple of girls as well," Ms Morton-Thomas said. The two other men arrested with Mr Briscoe were his cousins and they witnessed the alleged assault by police, she said. A NT Police spokesman said he could not comment on the claims concerning Mr Briscoe while an investigation was under way. But NT Chief Minister Paul

Henderson said he had full confidence in the police investigation. "I can assure Territorians of the integrity of the investigation and these claims will be very thoroughly and independently assessed," Mr Henderson said as the *Koori Mail* went to press. He said the watchhouse in Alice Springs had CCTV cameras throughout and the footage would be gone through with a fine-toothed comb. —AAP

Packed prison sparks concern



PRISON overcrowding has sparked a fresh call for the Northern Territory Government to review its 'tough on crime' approach. Central Australian Aboriginal Legal Aid Service (CAALAS) principal legal officer Mark O'Reilly said NT re-offending rates remained high and that options to jail were required.

His comments came in the wake of special police operations in Alice Springs resulting in the arrest of many people.

Mr O'Reilly said CAALAS clients had been forced to serve remand custody in the Alice Springs Watchhouse because the Alice Springs jail was already overcrowded.

He also raised concerns about the potential for overcrowding at the Alice Springs Juvenile Detention Centre.

"It's alarming to think that the Alice Springs Prison is so far beyond capacity that it's refusing to take prisoners," Mr O'Reilly said.

He said many people arrested on warrants were facing minor charges and resources would be better used issuing warnings rather than arresting them and having to

accommodate them in crowded watchhouse conditions.

In its *Prisoners in Australia* report released on 8 December, the Australian Bureau of Statistics found the NT had the highest proportionate increase in prison numbers between 2010 and 2011. This came on top of the NT recording the largest percentage increase in the imprisonment rate between 2001 and 2011 and a 150 per cent increase in female imprisonment rates in the same period.

The NT continues to have the highest imprisonment rate of any Australian jurisdiction. "It is evident that sending people to prison is not improving community safety," Mr O'Reilly said. "Recidivism (re-offending) rates remain high, demonstrating that jailing people does not reduce the

likelihood of their re-offending.

"The Northern Territory Government must examine the evidence and recognise that the 'tough on crime' approach is ineffectual.

"More restorative, therapeutic and rehabilitative options need to be made available to stop offending and create safer communities."



The police station and watchhouse in Alice Springs. CAALAS says many of its clients have ben forced to serve remand time there because the local prison is overcrowded.



Photo: Greg Denehy

Tjimarri's a winner



lifesaving. Now he's testing himself in another sport —

HE'S just 18 and already has made a name for himself in beach events in surf

and showing promising signs.

Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera, from the Adelaide suburb of Grange, late last month won the 120-metre under-20 final at the big Bay Sheffield professional foot race carnival at Glenelg.

He is pictured here bursting from the blocks in the final.

● See Page 71 for more on the Bay Sheffield carnival that also featured Indigenous sprinter Joshua Ross, who is on the comeback trail.

New Year's Resolutions



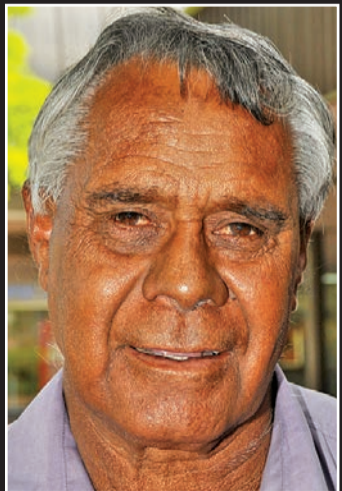
ANNE POELINA – Lower Fitzroy River, WA: Given it's the 40th anniversary of the Tent Embassy, I hope that Aboriginal people can finally receive the justice that we deserve. I look forward to working in partnership with all Australians.



CROW CONLON – Brisbane, Qld: I want to be there for my three-month-old grandson, and help to bring him up the right way.



STEPHANIE GOLLAN – Pennington, SA: My dream for this year is to see no racism and people enjoying each other's cultures.



DAVID FRAIL – Dubbo (originally Brewarrina), NSW: I don't smoke and I gave up the drink about 17 years ago, but I'd like to ease up betting on the horses. I don't do it too much, but it's a mug's game.

Administrator for Katungal service

By **DARREN COYNE**



A MAJOR NSW south coast Aboriginal health service has been placed under special administration.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven said Alan Eldridge, from Australian Indigenous Business Services in Wagga Wagga, had been appointed as special administrator for the troubled Katungal Aboriginal Corporation Community and Medical Services.

He said Mr Eldridge would work closely with the corporation's members, funding agencies and key stakeholders to re-establish governance standards and proper financial management.

He would also investigate whether there had been any breaches of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act)*. "We have taken the first step in getting Katungal back on track. The process may take some

The Katungal Aboriginal Corporation Community and Medical Services, based in Narooma on the far south coast of NSW, delivers services to thousands of people from 44 Aboriginal communities between Ulladulla and the Victorian border.

Government had failed to provide ongoing funding.

Katungal CEO Damien Matcham said last year that Katungal was promised recurrent funding for staffing and operational costs for its Moruya clinic, but received only one-off funding for lease costs for 12 months and four computers.

Mr Matcham previously told the *Koori Mail* that services had been reduced at its Bega and Narooma clinics to divert resources to the Moruya clinic as a result of the lack of funding.

But the Federal Department of Health and Ageing said last year, in response to concerns raised by the community that services were being cut, that its funding of Katungal was never meant to be permanent.

'We have taken the first step in getting Katungal back on track. The process may take some months but I don't expect that there will be any disruption to health services' – Registrar Anthony Beven

months but I don't expect that there will be any disruption to health services," Mr Beven said.

"It is most important the corporation is able to continue its good work of providing medical care to communities on the NSW south coast."

The corporation focuses on providing culturally appropriate health care and lifestyle education.

The administration decision follows years of uncertainty for the medical service, during which it had been claimed the Federal

Boori Monty Pryor named as a Children's Laureate



ABORIGINAL author Boori Monty Pryor is one of two inaugural Australian Children's Laureates named last month.

Mr Pryor, from north Queensland, joined children's author Alison Lester in receiving the honour.

Australian Children's Laureates, to be named every two years, will work to encourage children to read and be part of an active literary culture for enjoyment, well-being and success in life.

The Australian Children's Literature Alliance (ACLA), which has pushed for the laureates, says Mr Pryor and Ms Lester are talented and award-winning storytellers who bring a wealth of experience and creativity to the position.

ACLA is a not-for-profit venture between children's book creators and advocates, including authors, publishers, booksellers, librarians, teacher librarians, literacy organisations, private benefactors and the federal and state governments.

During their appointment, both laureates will act as national and international ambassadors for Australian children's literature and will separately visit every state and territory, inspiring young people to tell their own stories.

Mr Pryor has worked in film, television, modelling, sport, music and theatre-in-education.

He has written several award-winning books with Meme McDonald including *Maybe Tomorrow*, *My Girragundji*, *The Binna Binna Man* and *Njunjul the Sun*.

His picture book collaboration with Jan Ormerod, *Shake a Leg*, won the Prime Minister's Literary Award for Children's Fiction in 2011.



The write stuff ... Australia's first Children's Laureates Alison Lester and Boori Monty Pryor.



The remains of the fire from the kutralayna protest camp last summer are pictured in the foreground, with bridging work over the site well advanced.

Site listing 'welcome, but too late'

By JILLIAN MUNDY



KUTALAYNA'S placement on Australia's National Heritage List two days before Christmas has been welcomed by Tasmanian

Aborigines – but not with open arms. Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre legal director Michael Mansell said the listing of the 40,000-year-old Aboriginal heritage site in the path of the Brighton bypass road has come far too late.

He said that while the Australian Government acknowledged how important the site was in the history of human existence, they could not do a thing to save it.

"The place is so important in the history of human existence that it deserves national heritage listing, it's one of the most important places on the Australian landscape, it is not trivial," Mr Mansell said.

"The listing places the significance of the site on the same level as Kakadu, Uluru and the Great Barrier Reef.

"However, the ruling comes far too late to protect such a unique and valuable place.

"What is the point in Australia recognising its most valuable heritage while approvals are given to destroy it.

"Nevertheless, the Federal declaration vindicates the efforts by



'What is the point in Australia recognising its most valuable heritage while approvals are given to destroy it' – Michael Mansell

Aboriginal people, heritage supporters and the many thousands of Tasmanians who felt the (Tasmanian Government) made a mess of things."

Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke said he decided to give the Jordan River Levee (kutralayna) a permanent heritage listing following an extensive public consultation period and a comprehensive assessment of the site's heritage values by the Australian Heritage Council.

Mr Burke said he decided to reduce the size of the area which had been the subject of an emergency listing last year, to exclude any private property because of concerns raised during the

public consultation

Mr Mansell criticised that decision. "Mr Burke seems to believe the concept of private property has a far greater virtue than the ancient heritage recognised – it is a crazy position," he said.

Meanwhile, work on a 70-metre span bridge across part of kutralayna is well under way, with the pylons to hold the bridge scheduled to be installed this month. The landscape at the site has already been altered enormously.

Mr Mansell has called on the Australian Government to play a far greater role in Aboriginal heritage protection in Tasmania.

WA authorities warn over sales contracts



THE West Australian Government Division of Consumer Protection has urged residents approached by a travelling team offering to sell first aid kits and water coolers to come forward. The team is believed to have visited Indigenous communities in the Kimberley and Pilbara.

The WA Department of Commerce says it has already resolved complaints arising from contracts offered by the sales teams. But it is concerned that others may have concerns that need to be addressed.

People approached by these salespeople may call Consumer Protection on (08) 9191 8400.

Special website for Alice Springs youth



ALICE Springs youth now have their own special website. The Alice Springs Youth Hub site, launched last month, aims to provide a one-stop-shop to promote youth-related activities and services available at the centre.

The Alice Springs Youth Hub is part of the NT Government's Youth Action Plan and the website links youth to recreation, education and family activities as well as support services.

The youth hub web page includes a calendar of events promoting the range of things for young people to have a go at and get involved with including circus classes, basketball games, dive in movies and blue light discos.

To view the website visit <http://www.youth.nt.gov.au/ASYH/index.html>

NSW Land Act review members are named



THE make-up of a working group to undertake a statutory review of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* (ALRA) has been named.

The ALRA requires that the review determine whether the policy objectives of the Act remain valid and whether its terms are appropriate to secure these objectives.

Within the next 12 months, the working group will present a report on the outcome of the review for tabling in Parliament.

The group comprises ALRA Registrar Stephen Wright, NSW Aboriginal Land Council CEO Geoff Scott, Darkinjung Aboriginal Land Council CEO Sean Gordon, Griffith Aboriginal Land Council's Stacey Meredith, Director-General of the Department of Primary Industries Richard Sheldrake and Kristy Masella, from the NSW Office of Aboriginal Affairs.

Program a boost for Tassie job-seekers



UP to 60 Indigenous job-seekers on the north-west Tasmanian coast are set to benefit from training and connections to jobs by the Circular Head Aboriginal Corporation (CHAC) through the Indigenous

Employment Program.

Participants will be trained and receive employment support in the areas of aquaculture, hospitality, farming, mining, horticulture, child-care and customer service.

The latest training plan follows a previous project with CHAC which had a 100 per cent success rate of participants finding work.

Help on offer to start micro-businesses



NINETEEN Indigenous people in far north Queensland will receive support and mentoring to start their own micro-businesses with support from the Federal Government's Indigenous Employment Program.

The assistance will come from Nintiringanyi Cultural Training Centre's Micro Business Mentoring Project.

Sixteen participants have already started the project and are being assisted in establishing businesses.

New Year's Resolutions



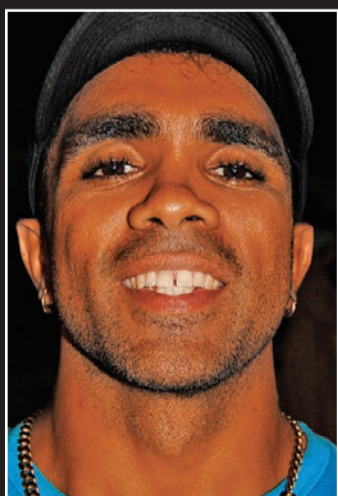
MARIANNE MacKAY – Perth, WA: I'd like to concentrate more on my inner spirit so that I can be the best mother and community rep that I can be for our people and my kids.



VINCENT STRUCK – Two Wells, SA: I am currently a welder by trade. I would like to take a new work pathway and become a police officer.



VANESSA HILL – Alice Springs, NT: I want to continue with my goal of trying to make a lot of people happy.



JORDAN GEE-HOY – Townsville (Qld): I want to make my girl happy and live a better life, and I want to win a world title as I am a professional boxer.

Historic decision for Gawler Ranges people



THE Federal Court has recognised the native title rights of Gawler Ranges people to more than 3.5 million hectares in South

Australia's mid-north.

Sitting at Paney, Justice John Mansfield said the decision came with the consent of the SA Government and the support of others whose rights to the land might be affected.

The ruling covers a large area of 'historic and culturally rich' pastoral land and includes two towns – Glendambo and Kingoonya. It also includes the Gawler Ranges and Lake Gairdner national parks.

"It is a vast area," Justice Mansfield said in his judgment.

"It is an area of extraordinary geological history and it is an area of dramatic contrasts and dramatic beauty."

The court ruling ended a 12-year legal process and marked a historic day for the Gawler Ranges people, SA's acting Attorney-General John Hill said. He said that the native title claim recognised the Gawler Ranges people had an ancient and ongoing connection to the area.

"Important customs and knowledge in relation to the land have been passed down through generations and are retained by people today," Mr Hill said.

The native title rights include the rights to hunt and gather, the right to travel across and stay on



From left, Howard Richards, Elliot McNamara, Andrew Dingaman and Ken Smith celebrate the Gawler Ranges native title claim success. *NewsPix image*

the land, and rights to take the natural resources for communal, non-commercial use.

Mr Hill said the 'iconic Australian outback area' had a rich and diverse history, with

rocky hills and spectacular gorges that are more than 1.5 billion years old.

"The area is not only culturally rich, but also rich in flora and fauna," he said.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Caica said the SA Government had signed two agreements with the Gawler Ranges people to cover future management of the land. – AAP

Kalkadoon rights win recognition



MORE than 40 parties have agreed to a native title consent determination which recognises the Kalkadoon people's traditional rights and interests in a large area of land around the north-west Queensland mining city of Mt Isa.

"It's been a long, hard struggle," said Kalkadoon applicant Doug Bruce who had waited 20 years for the agreement.

"And this is finally where we wanted to be."

The determination recognises the Kalkadoon people's native title rights and interests including conducting cultural and spiritual activities, hunting and maintaining places of importance within the claim area of more than 37,500 square kilometres in areas around Boulia, Burke, Carpentaria, Cloncurry, McKinlay and Mount Isa. About 3000 people form the claim group.

Aboriginal people, pastoralists, mining interests and all three levels of government came together at the Mount Isa Civic Centre where the Federal Court held the native title determination hearing.

Queensland South Native Title Services

CEO Kevin Smith said the complex claim was first filed in 1996 but had 'raced ahead' after it was set down for hearing two years ago.

"The result highlights the strength of the Kalkadoon people and their traditional laws and customs," he said.

"The Kalkadoon people's claim had been prioritised for resolution by the Federal Court and it took intensive case management and the commitment of the claim group to achieve this tremendous outcome."

Agreement signed

The Kalkadoon people recently signed an agreement with global resources giant Minerals and Metals Group (MMG) outlining their partnership in the Dugald River Project, one of the world's largest undeveloped zinc deposits, about 85km north-east of Mt Isa.

"We look forward to continuing to work with the Kalkadoon people in relation to their ongoing involvement in the project," MMG CEO Andrew Michelmore said.

Robert McClelland, the Federal Attorney-General at the time of the announcement in mid-December, welcomed the recognition of the Kalkadoon people's native title rights.

The Government says the determination is part of a 'welcome increase' in the number of native title determinations reached by consent since the Federal Court adopted intensive case management practices for native title matters after amendments to the *Native Title Act 1993*.

However, Greens spokesperson Penny Wright said the 18 years it took for the claim to be resolved demonstrated that native title reform was urgently needed in Australia.

"I commend the Kalkadoon people for their perseverance in this case which again shows that there are too many obstacles when it comes to native title claims," she said.

"The current system is failing – it is too complex, too expensive and does not deliver on its promise to secure adequate social and economic advancement for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"And sadly, many traditional owners pass away before their claims can be finalised."

The Greens' Rachel Siewert has lodged a private member's bill, currently before Parliament, which aims to end some of the hurdles and pave the way for further, more comprehensive amendments.

Muluridji people's claims recognised



THE Muluridji people are now recognised as native title holders of land and waters near Mareeba, about 30km west of Cairns in north Queensland, following the success of two claims lodged by the group in 1998 and 2001.

At a Federal Court sitting last month in Mareeba, Justice John Logan made two consent determinations recognising the

Muluridji People's native title rights and interests to about 12,030 hectares which includes areas of the Hann Tableland National Park, Mareeba Tropical Savanna, Wetland Reserve Nature Refuge and unallocated state land, pastoral lease and other reserve lands.

"This results in the formal recognition of the Muluridji people's ancient and ongoing ties to these lands and waters. Three Indigenous land use agreements

between the parties set out how the parties' rights and interests will be carried out on the ground and bring benefits and certainty to the parties involved," said National Native Title Tribunal member Graham Fletcher, who assisted the parties to reach agreement.

Participation

The mediation and court case management of the claims involved the participation of groups including the Muluridji

people, the State of Queensland, Ergon Energy Corporation, and the Tablelands Regional Council.

The Muluridji people hold exclusive native title rights in relation to about 745ha of land.

The Federal Court also recognised the Muluridji people's non-exclusive native title rights over about 11,285ha of land and waters.

The non-exclusive rights recognised include the right to access and be present on the

area, to hunt, fish and gather on the land and waters of the area for personal, domestic, and non-commercial communal purposes, and to maintain places of importance and areas of significance to the native title holders under their traditional laws and customs.

The Muluridji Tribal Aboriginal Corporation has been established to manage the native title rights and interests on behalf of all native title holders.

Gurabana representatives celebrate in Yarrabah.



Yarrabah celebrates

By CHRISTINE HOWES



A NATIVE title determination recognising the rights of the Combined Gungandji Peoples represents a huge coup for the community of Yarrabah, near Cairns in far north Queensland. More than 500 people joined in a celebration last month to mark the occasion.

Applicant Les Murgha said it had been a long haul.

He said he first put his name to the claim as a 32-year-old. He is now 51.

"This is a new beginning," Mr Murgha said.

He said it was vital that local people stuck together as a community.

"We need our kids to grow up together to be one ... and to show that unity that we are Yarrabah – one fire, burri kumil," he said.

Guru Gulu Elder from the Mugha clan Bob Sands said locals were proud of the result of their work.

Proud

"This is something that we ought to be proud of, that it's not just handing over the country to traditional people, it is entrenching in law that traditional people are occupying this country," he said.

"And the people who were brought here, the historical people,

have no need to fear because this is stabilising this country for all of us.

"Like we did in the past, we want to start building what we call the burri kumil, the one fire.

"And once we build it then we know that we're on the right track, and everybody can live in peace and harmony in this beautiful country of ours."

Gurabana representatives Noralyn Polly Harris and Carolyn Ludwick said their ancestors

would have been proud.

"Our family have always maintained their connection to country, and practised our traditional songs and dances about our Dreamtime stories," Mrs Ludwick said.

"It's been a long journey for my people."

The area covered includes the Yarrabah township, the foreshores of Mission Bay, Cape Grafton and Turtle Bay as well as two parcels of land on Fitzroy Island.

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New Year's Resolutions



AARON PERKINS KEMP BERGER – Alice Springs, NT: I'm resolving to be a better person than I was in 2011.



HELEN AKEE – Townsville-based Torres Strait Islander: I'm resolving not to judge people, stay healthy and safe and be deadly.



VICKI SIMON – Batemans Bay, NSW: My resolution is to get into my fitness more. I'd like to start training this year and to run a triathlon in 2013.



BUDDY RILEY – Batemans Bay (originally Redfern), NSW: I don't make New Year's resolutions because they're too easy to break. I don't smoke and am only a social drinker so I don't have many bad habits; I'm an angel!

NLC anger at visitor levy plan



THE Northern Land Council (NLC) says a Northern Territory shire's move to charge a levy for visitors is a blatant attempt to rip-off Aboriginal traditional owners and potentially discriminatory.

East Arnhem Shire has flagged the idea of a visitor levy in an attempt to

boost its financial bottom line.

NLC CEO Kim Hill said most of the East Arnhem Shire was on Aboriginal land, under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*, and that the shire had no authority to charge a visitation fee for land it didn't own.

"In short, the legal basis for East Arnhem Shire to impose such a levy under

the Territory's *Local Government Act* is extremely questionable," he said.

Mr Hill also criticised comments from NT Local Government Association president Kerry Moir describing the proposal as 'an innovative idea'.

"The shire is simply trying to profit by charging people to visit someone else's land," Mr Hill said.



At the handover ceremony, from left, Gerhardt Pearson, Noel Pearson, Peter Callaghan, Jan Bradley, Judge Fleur Kingham, Congress chair Brian Cobus and congress lawyer Michael Neal; front from left, Frida Harrigan, Victor Gibson, Robert Deemal, Conrad Michael, Helen Gordon and Richard Bowen; and back row from left Erica Deeral, Garrett Deeral, Devene Yoren, Elaine McGreen and Timothy McGreen.

Hope Vale lease move welcomed



FAMILIES of traditional owners at Hope Vale will be able to acquire leases for home ownership and business development in their community following the transfer of land from the Queensland Government to a group of traditional owners.

In what has been a complex area of tenure resolution in the Cape York community, the handover ceremony at Hope Vale last month resulted in the Government transferring land in the Hope Vale Deed of Grant to Hope Vale Congress Aboriginal Corporation (known as the Aboriginal Congress of Clans).

The congress represents 12 of the traditional owner clans and is supported by local Walmbaar and Dhubbi Warra corporations.

For commercial tropical flower grower Clarry Bowen, who previously had no legal right or security over his enterprise, it's a small yet important victory.

"This is a great day for our family. We can get our family home and build our lives. We can now step into the future for our grandchildren," he said.

The land transfer means the congress will hold the land in Aboriginal ownership and have the authority to grant leases to families

and third parties (businesses, joint ventures, sporting clubs and so on) which will provide long-awaited security of tenure which many businesses were promised in 1984 by then Queensland Aboriginal Affairs Minister Bob Katter Jnr and successive governments.

Balkanu Cape York Development Corporation CEO Gerhardt Pearson said the ability to take out a 30-year lease removed blockages to economic development and home ownership in the community.

"This is leadership by traditional owners," he said.

"It has set a road map for others across the nation to follow. Yarrabah and Mapoon communities are watching closely and will now seek to follow in the footsteps of Hope Vale."

● At the handover ceremony the Queensland Government also granted the Hope Vale Congress Aboriginal Corporation \$6.5 million in unpaid statutory royalties from the Cape Flattery silica mine.

The money will go into trust for the benefit of traditional owners and the wider community.

Congress chairman Brian Cobus said decisions concerning the trust would be made by traditional owners in concert with the community.



Tropical flower grower and Dhuupi-Warra traditional owner Clarry Bowen says the handover was a great day for his family.

Top talent heading to Tamworth



SOME of Australia's best Indigenous musical talent will be in Tamworth

this month for the annual country music festival, from 23-28 January.

Jason Lee Scott, Dale Huddleston, Mark Atkins, Mirii Yanan, Johnny Huckle and the Buddy Knox Blues Band are among the performers lined up for another year in the northern NSW city.

And multiple Golden Guitar winner Troy Cassar-Daley will again be a special guest in Australia's Country Music Capital.

The highlight again this year for Indigenous fans will be the Cultural Showcase, which brings together established and up-and-coming music talent.

This will be the fifth year the showcase has been held, and organisers are promising some great music.

Indigenous highlights on the program include:

- The official opening on 23 January, with a welcome to country and special guest actor Jack Thompson.

- Johnny Huckle's children's concert, with the veteran Indigenous performer playing many of his songs for kids.

- The Survival Day Concert (26 January), MCed by Gayle Jones and with a special tribute to mark the 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy.

- The Country Music Cavalcade, which this year has the theme 'Looking Forward Looking Back'.

- The Cultural Showcase Finale.



Troy Cassar-Daley will be playing this month at the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

Many Indigenous stars have had their start at the Tamworth festival, including Jessica Mauboy.

Jimmy Little also received a special Lifetime Achievement

honour last year.

More details about the 40th Tamworth Country Music Festival are available at www.culturalshowcase.info or www.tcmf.com.au



Rodney Cox, at left holding flag, supported Aboriginal Elder Ben Taylor at the CHOGM Rally in Perth late last year.

WA family in battle over son's killing

By LIZ MURRAY



THE grieving family of a young man killed in Perth's nightclub district in August 2010 are battling the West Australian justice system.

Rodney Cox said advocates were preparing a submission to the WA Corruption and Crime Commission after several issues emerged about the death of his 23-year-old son, Mr Stack.

In June 2011, Christopher Lee Brenchley was found not guilty of the manslaughter of Mr Stack by a Supreme Court jury, which deliberated for four hours.

Mr Brenchley said he was being robbed by the Aboriginal mines

worker, when he stabbed him to death to protect himself.

He said he had turned the weapon back on Mr Stack, stabbing him once through the heart with a screwdriver.

Mr Cox said he had several concerns over the case, including the fact the jury was not aware of Mr Brenchley's criminal record.

No consultation

He said there were no Indigenous jurors, crucial evidence had not been tendered and there was no consultation between the family and the Director of Public Prosecutions until after the trial.

The family has met with staff from the WA Attorney-General's office, but reached no resolution about the matter.



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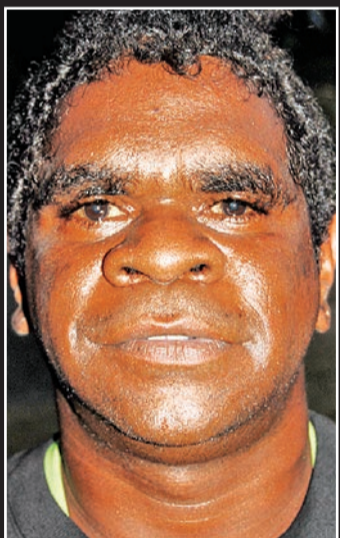
New Year's Resolutions



PRESTON CAMPBELL – Gold Coast, Qld: To spend more time with my family and friends, and enjoy my work.



DANIELLE DODD – Burton, SA: Having just got engaged, to make 2012 my year, and for it to get better from there.



CLIFFORD JOHNSON – Palm Island, Qld: I intend to visit my family more including my nephews and nieces and I hope for good things for all Palm Islanders.



MARTIN DODD – Dubbo, NSW: I'd like to spend more time with my family.

Have your say, residents told



COMMUNITY consultations for the development of a new Aboriginal affairs strategy for NSW have officially started.

Community discussion papers on service delivery, education and employment have been released, and public community meetings will be held across the state.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello urged residents to have their say.

"The Ministerial Taskforce on Aboriginal Affairs – including seven ministers and senior Aboriginal representatives – is determined to involve Aboriginal communities and other stakeholders in fostering great futures for Aboriginal people through improved educational and employment opportunity, and better performance by

Government," he said.

"Our taskforce wants to hear directly from the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal parents, the non-government sector, corporate Australia, educators and other 'opportunity creators' about what's working on the ground and how we can build on these initiatives

Aboriginal engineers, more Aboriginal teachers – and any other successful future that a young Aboriginal person may choose.

"With more than 35 per cent of the NSW Aboriginal population estimated to be under the age of 15, the NSW Government is

people the chance to say how together – Government and community – we can lead and succeed in having Aboriginal aspiration overcome Aboriginal disadvantage."

Community consultations will be held in: Redfern (24 January), Liverpool (31 January), Dubbo and Tamworth (7 February), Coffs Harbour (10 February), Wagga Wagga and Griffith (14 February), Wollongong (15 February), Nowra/Shoalhaven (16 February), Narooma (17 February) and Broken Hill (24 February).

To access the community discussion papers and for more information including venues and times, visit the Ministerial Taskforce webpage at: <http://www.daa.nsw.gov.au/taskforce/> or phone the taskforce secretariat on (02) 9219 0702.

'Our taskforce wants to hear directly from the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal parents, the non-government sector, corporate Australia, educators and other 'opportunity creators' about what's working on the ground and how we can build on these initiatives for the benefit of Aboriginal kids'

for the benefit of Aboriginal kids.

"We seek ideas that create generational change and will see more Aboriginal kids having real opportunity, real choices and real careers. That means more Aboriginal doctors, more Aboriginal accountants, more

determined to help today's Aboriginal kids have great tomorrows through choice, responsibility and opportunity.

"Responding to the community discussion papers and participating in the planned public meetings throughout NSW gives

Mabuiag Island site knowledge shared at Torres Strait forum



SIX significant cultural sites have been recorded by Mabuiag Island residents at the Pulu Knowledge Exchange Forum held in the Torres Strait.

Sponsored by the Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA), the forum was part of the authority's Indigenous Protected Areas (IPA) Project.

The Torres Strait region has two existing declared Indigenous Protected Areas (IPAs) – Deliverance Island and Pulu Islet.

The TSRA said the exchange forum presented an opportunity for knowledge sharing and capacity building between Mabuiag rangers and local people.

Over four days, residents were interviewed about the cultural heritage sites on Pulu. The sites identified and recorded included Rock-arts, Tiger Shark Rock Shelter, the Pulu Kod Site, Kawmayn Rock, Balancing Rock and Augudalkula.



Mabuiag rangers inspect a site at Pulu Islet.

Locals also took the opportunity to document traditional ecological knowledge.

TSRA chairperson John (Toshie) Kris said there were many significant cultural sites in the Torres Strait region.

"The TSRA is working with communities to identify and record them

to ensure they are protected for future generations," he said.

The TSRA IPA's project is funded through the Australian Government's Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Populations and Communities (DSEWPoC) Caring for our Country initiative.



JOHN (TOSHIE) KRIS

Funds to Laynhapuy association



THE Federal Government has approved the release of funds totalling almost \$5 million from the Aboriginal Benefits Account (ABA) for the Laynhapuy Homelands Association.

But the funding is contingent on the Arnhem Land-based community organisation implementing the agreed measures to improve financial and organisational management. The funding move comes after

a controller appointed by the Federal Government recommended a range of reform measures to improve governance, administration and financial management issues.

These measures, agreed to by the association's board, include:

- Transferring the association's incorporation to the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act)*

- A major review of the organisation and its operations to ensure its long-term viability

- working with the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) to develop and implement changes to improve the association's governance.

The changes aim to increase the regulatory scrutiny and the support available to the Laynhapuy Homelands Association and assist the board and staff to address the structural change and capacity building required.

The ABA funds being used to assist Laynhapuy Homelands

Association had already been supported by the ABA Advisory Committee and approved by Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin for activities to be undertaken by the association.

The Government says an initial \$1 million will be granted, and the remainder is contingent on the organisation implementing the agreed measures.

The Laynhapuy Homelands Association provides services to about 1500 Yolngu people in 25 homelands and outstations across north-east Arnhem Land.

Purple Truck is hope on wheels



DIALYSIS on wheels has become a reality in Central Australia with the launch of the

Purple Truck in Alice Springs.

The state-of-the-art mobile renal dialysis unit is being operated by Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation (WDNWPT), which runs the successful Purple House dialysis service.

The \$400,000 vehicle, which is fully equipped to provide life-saving services in remote communities, was funded through the Medicines Australia organisation.

The truck is painted in distinctive purple and adorned with copies of artworks by Papunya Tula artists, who originally funded the Purple House initiative.

It has completed its first visit, to the community of Papunya in the Western Desert, and leaves later this month for an extended stay at the WA community of Warburton, where there are many dialysis patients.

WDNWPT manager Sarah Brown welcomed the vehicle, saying it would bring great hope to many Central Australian residents.

"What it means is many



The Purple Truck, featuring copies of artworks by Papunya Tula artists.

dialysis patients who have not been able to get home for a long time will be able to," she told the *Koori Mail* in Alice Springs.

"It is fully equipped, and our thanks go to Medicines Australia

and Fresenius Medical for making this possible. We hope that the truck will provide people with a sense of hope for the future.

"People are very proud of the

Purple Truck. It is owned and controlled by the people who will use it."

But Ms Brown warned that more on-the-ground services were also needed in Central

Australia to address a looming explosion in renal disease among residents.

"The truck will provide excellent service, and will be very useful for respite services – allowing people to get back to their homes instead of having to receive treatment far from their country," she said.

"But the simple fact is that the number of dialysis patients in central Australia is expected to more than double to around 450 by 2020.

"The bottom line is that to treat these people effectively and appropriately, more services will be needed on the ground, in the remote communities where these people live.

"There were some excellent recommendations along these lines in the Federal report into dialysis services released in June 2011, but so far governments have not acted on them.

"I'm hoping they will soon, because many people are going to suffer if they are forced to leave their country for life-saving treatment."

The Purple Truck has been well-received throughout Central Australia, with communities from around Uluru already allocating funds for its trips to the southern NT and APY Lands in the north of South Australia.

Council's project on show



PLANS for Australia's largest Aboriginal owned and managed project, in Sydney's south, are now on

public exhibition.

The NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure is seeking feedback on Gandangara

Local Aboriginal Land Council's Heathcote Ridge proposal, which includes a 500ha conservation reserve, 2700 new dwellings, an employment zone for up to 15,000 jobs and a more than \$100 million infrastructure package.

The project aims to raise more than \$1 billion over 20 years to fund programs to assist Aboriginal people break the welfare cycle and achieve independence.

Gandangara CEO Jack Johnson said, if approved, the Heathcote Ridge project would assist the NSW Government meet housing and jobs targets and be a significant win for conservation.

"I am extremely proud of the proposal Gandangara have put to

the NSW Government," he said.

"Our extensive investigations and early stakeholder and community consultation have resulted in a comprehensive, informed and balanced proposal."

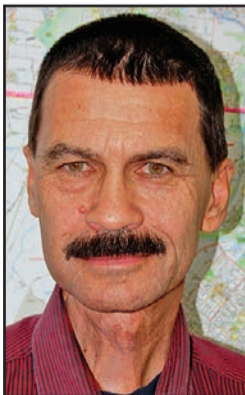
Mr Johnson said the project would realise Gandangara's vision for Aboriginal people. "Heathcote

Ridge will raise the funds we need to expand our health, education, transport, early intervention and housing programs to make real changes to Aboriginal people and help them achieve independence for the long term," he said.

Gandangara says it has already consulted widely. More consultation will now occur, including community displays.

The project plans are available for public comment until 29 February and can be viewed at <http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/>

The project will also be assessed under Federal environment law. Details can found at <http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/notices/>



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New Year's Resolutions



BILL HAYWARD – Perth, WA: I want chiropractic to be recognised in the public health arena so that I can work more efficiently as a chiropractor in Aboriginal health.



CARISSA LEE – Adelaide, SA: I have chosen to be more optimistic and positive for 2012. See the brighter side of life.



GREG WATSON – Palm Island, Qld: I want to stay off alcohol and be safe and sober and be kind to everybody.



K C McDONALD – Austins Ferry, Tas: To go to the gym more and go diving for abalone and crayfish more often and do a bit of spear fishing.

Crowds flock to Stable

By ALF WILSON



SEVERAL thousand Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were amongst large crowds at the 10th anniversary of the Stable on the Strand festive season celebrations in Townsville. Held on evenings from 18-22 December beside Townsville's Strand, the theme of the event was 'It's Party Time', and more than 36,000 people were there in the lead up to Christmas.

Adults and children enjoyed the camels and carousel, music, wandered through the 'Town of Bethlehem' looking at the shepherds with their sheep, the wise men with their camels and enjoyed that special moment of seeing a live 'Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus'.

Pastor Ada Boland, the co-ordinator of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander section of the Stable, acknowledged the Bindal and Wulgurukaba people on whose land the celebrations were held.

Entertainment

The audience heard singing on centre stage by Aboriginal entertainer Pat Morgan, and Vicky Saylor of Darnley Island descent.

"My grandmother was born on Palm Island and I have lots of relatives there amongst the Walsh and Miller families," Mrs Morgan told the *Koori Mail*.

Keegan Ross, being pushed in his wheelchair around the Stable by Neerim Peters, said he enjoyed the event. "I come here every year. It is good," Mr Ross said.

Linda Janetski, the co-ordinator of the local police liaison officers, was there standing near the Joyful Noise information in one of the stalls.

Joyful Noise is a group of entertainers who sing for homeless people in the city.

"It is good to see so many of our people here interacting, and Pat Morgan's singing has been deadly," she said.

Event organiser Anne Harley said she was pleased with the crowds and the weather.

"We are grateful to our volunteers and it was a wonderful event," she said.



Pastor Ada Boland, the co-ordinator of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander section of the Stable on the Strand, with singer Pat Morgan.

Charles Perkins gave Govt grief



ABORIGINAL public servant Charles Perkins so annoyed the Government of Malcolm Fraser that they set about getting rid of him. Among Mr Perkins' 'numerous transgressions', according to a submission to Cabinet in October 1982, were a series of media interviews including one in which he referred to farmers as 'blood sucking bludgers'.

Then there was his commentary on the Commonwealth Games to be held in Brisbane in September-October 1982, in which he frequently referred to the prospect of violence, declaring that the Brisbane games would be Australia's 'Battle of Wounded Knee'.

He proposed petitioning the Queen to intercede on land rights issues and referred to the Northern Territory House of Assembly Speaker Les MacFarlane as 'this redneck right wing radical'.

And Mr Perkins even wrote to the RSL demanding an explanation for the attendance of the organisation's president and executive at receptions given by the South African embassy.

In the Cabinet submission – released by the National Archives of Australia – Mr Fraser's Aboriginal Affairs Minister, Ian Wilson, said Mr Perkins, the chairman of the Aboriginal

Cabinet papers tell of 'turbulent public servant'

Development Commission (ADC), had 'frequently involved himself in controversial public statements or actions which brought much public criticism and claims that he ought to be removed from office or otherwise disciplined'.

Challenged

Mr Wilson said that continued even after the Commonwealth Games, with Mr Perkins routinely and directly contradicting government policy and statements.

"Mr Perkins through his public statements has openly challenged government policy on Aboriginal land in Queensland and the Northern Territory. There are growing indications that he could weaken public support

for our Aboriginal policies in general," he said.

As tempting as it may have been, the Government couldn't just sack him as his statutory office protected him from summary dismissal.

That view was confirmed by advice from the Commonwealth Solicitor-General who said there was no grounds for suspension on the basis of misbehaviour.

And even if there were, natural justice would require that he be allowed to put his case.

Mr Wilson outlined a series of options to rein in this 'turbulent public servant', recommending that the Government inform him that it had lost confidence and he should resign forthwith. As well he would be publicly rebuked.

But the Government hedged and had taken no action by election time in March 1983 when Mr Perkins became 'a problem' for the new Hawke Labor Government.

Bob Hawke, it seems, was much more forgiving, observing that Mr Perkins sometimes found it difficult to observe the constraints usually imposed on permanent heads of departments because of his burning passion for advancing the interests of his people.

Mr Perkins remained in the Commonwealth public service until 1988 and passed away in 2000. – AAP

Crackdown on petrol sniffing

By LIZ MURRAY



THE West Australian Government is cracking down on petrol sniffing after coronial recommendations for new laws to catch

addicts, who are currently ineligible for existing treatment programs. In late October, Coroner Alistair Hope made recommendations following the deaths of five youths in Balgo, one of which he attributed to sniffing.

He said there were no laws to force solvent users to get treatment and no appropriate residential treatment centres for young sniffers.

He called for volatile substance



Opal fuel is to be rolled out in Laverton Shire.

abuse prevention legislation to mirror that in the Northern Territory.

WA Mental Health Minister Helen Morton said new laws to treat and manage petrol sniffing would be a major focus for her this year.

She said that after consultation

early this year, relevant new laws could be drafted and tabled in Parliament within six months.

Ms Morton said sniffing was a real problem in the cross-border region and the Kimberley.

She said the laws could not work without the support of

rehabilitation centres funded to specifically treat the addiction.

Petrol sniffing has been a major problem at the town of Laverton, which featured in the 2009 Parliamentary Inquiry into Solvent Abuse.

The inquiry report recommended Opal fuel be mandatory for remote and regional areas to combat sniffing, in conjunction with appropriate youth support services.

Laverton Shire president Rob Wedge announced before Christmas that Opal fuel would finally be rolled out.

He said the availability of unleaded petrol in Laverton had facilitated sniffing in adjacent areas, including the Western Desert communities.

New Year's Resolutions



JAMES HENRY – Northcote, Vic: My resolution is to work hard and have no excuses.



LENA AARDENBURG – Gulf View Heights, SA: To ensure I laugh more and enjoy my house.



MARK KULITJA – Areyonga NT: I want to stay healthy this year – and eat lots of kangaroo.



MARGARET BLAIR – Wondai, Qld: My resolution is to have a baby! I'm due on 20 February and it's my first, so I'll be taking it easy.

Laptops good medicine



Kane Ellis holds the new laptop for the Danila Dilba Health Service in Darwin. It was presented by NTGPE senior marketing officer Wendy McCallum.



ABORIGINAL people will benefit from a move to provide 39 local, rural and remote clinics throughout the Northern Territory with laptop computers.

The laptops will give supervisors and doctors-in-training ready access to online clinical teaching and learning materials plus medical reference e-books and research tools.

The laptops are being presented to the clinics by NT General Practice Education (NTGPE), the NT's only regional training deliverer and a leading provider of undergraduate and postgraduate medical and cultural education and training in rural and remote general practice, with a focus on Indigenous health.

The computers are the result of a funding application to Australian General Practice Education (AGPE), to provide clinics with a teaching and learning tool and offer trainee doctors a standardised high-level education resource across the NT.

NTGPE representatives are visiting each clinic to deliver the laptop and provide orientation to the hardware, software and e-tools it contains.

Many remote clinics already have the laptops, and deliveries will continue until next month.

Human rights plan feedback sought



THE Federal Government is seeking community feedback on its draft of Australia's new National Human Rights Action Plan.

Announced on the back of the National Human Rights Awards announced last month, the plan includes a range of changes which reflect the work the Government says it is doing to address human rights concerns.

"We now have an action plan

that reinforces our commitment to promoting and protecting human rights for all, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, older people and people with a disability," said former Attorney-General Robert McClelland.

Some of the proposals include:

- A review of Australia's obligations under human rights treaties
- Working to ratify the optional protocol to the convention against torture
- A review of Federal

legislation for barriers to older people participating in productive work

● Investigating ways that the justice system can better address mental illness and cognitive disability

● Conducting research into rates of imprisonment with a focus on vulnerable groups and alternative sentencing options

● Working to provide accessible communications for people with disability in the event of emergency.

"Ensuring that human rights are enjoyed by all Australians is an ongoing process and the Government welcomes the opportunity to discuss our human rights initiatives with the Australian community as part of our continual efforts to better protect and promote human rights," Mr McClelland said.

Consultations on the draft action plan close on 29 February. More information on the National Human Rights Action Plan is available at www.ag.gov.au/nhrap

DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



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Favourite bush tucker?
Echidna.

Favourite music?
Australian country.

Favourite sport/leisure?
Fishing and camping in the bush.

Favourite book?
A New Earth by Eckhart Tolle. It changed my life, that book.

Favourite holiday destination?
Noosa's North Shore on the Sunshine Coast. Teewah Beach and Double Island Point.

What are you watching on TV?
Mainly the news. I like to catch up on current affairs.

What do you like in life?
Music and happiness.

What don't you like in life?
People who don't respect our mother earth.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Can I have four? I'd like Mandawuy Yunupingu, Slim Dusty, John Williamson and Warren H Williams (all performers).

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
Basically what I'm doing now, presenting a soft approach to reconciliation via Aboriginal cultural music and dance in schools.

Quote



'The bottom line is that, if you want to be around for your family, you can't smoke'

— Tobacco Action Worker
Ben Depoma

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Unquote

Fair hearing on the Constitution

AFTER 12 months of consultations across Australia, it seems a shame that certain elements cannot wait until the final report from the expert panel for Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples is released before pushing their own views on everyone else.

The report is being given to Prime Minister Julia Gillard within days, but already the muck-raking has been under way, based on leaked material which the panel maintains was not even the final version.

With so much at stake, surely everyone should take a deep breath and actually read the report produced by the panel before opening their mouths and trying to push their own agendas.

For some media, of course, a divisive debate is seen as a recipe to sell newspapers, but if that debate arises as a result of misinformation, or simply wrong information, there is a very real chance the general public will become confused, which is not fair.

A referendum on the issue almost certainly will not be held for at least a year, so there is plenty of time to debate the contents of the panel's report.

And at the end of the day, it will be the Australian people who must vote on this issue, and they deserve the most accurate information on which to base their decisions.

Hopefully, now that the panel has finished its work, the wider public



OUR SAY

will have the chance to really think about the recommendations that have been made.

Our own deadline prevents us from outlining the report in this edition, but rest assured it will be well-covered the next time you pick up your *Koori Mail*.

We look forward to seeing exactly what the panel has come up with.

You've got to feel for Dan Christian. He's come so close to selection in the Australian Test cricket team, but just hasn't gotten there — yet.

Many felt the South Australian with Wiradjuri (NSW) heritage would step in to the Test side as a replacement all-rounder for the injured Shane Watson.

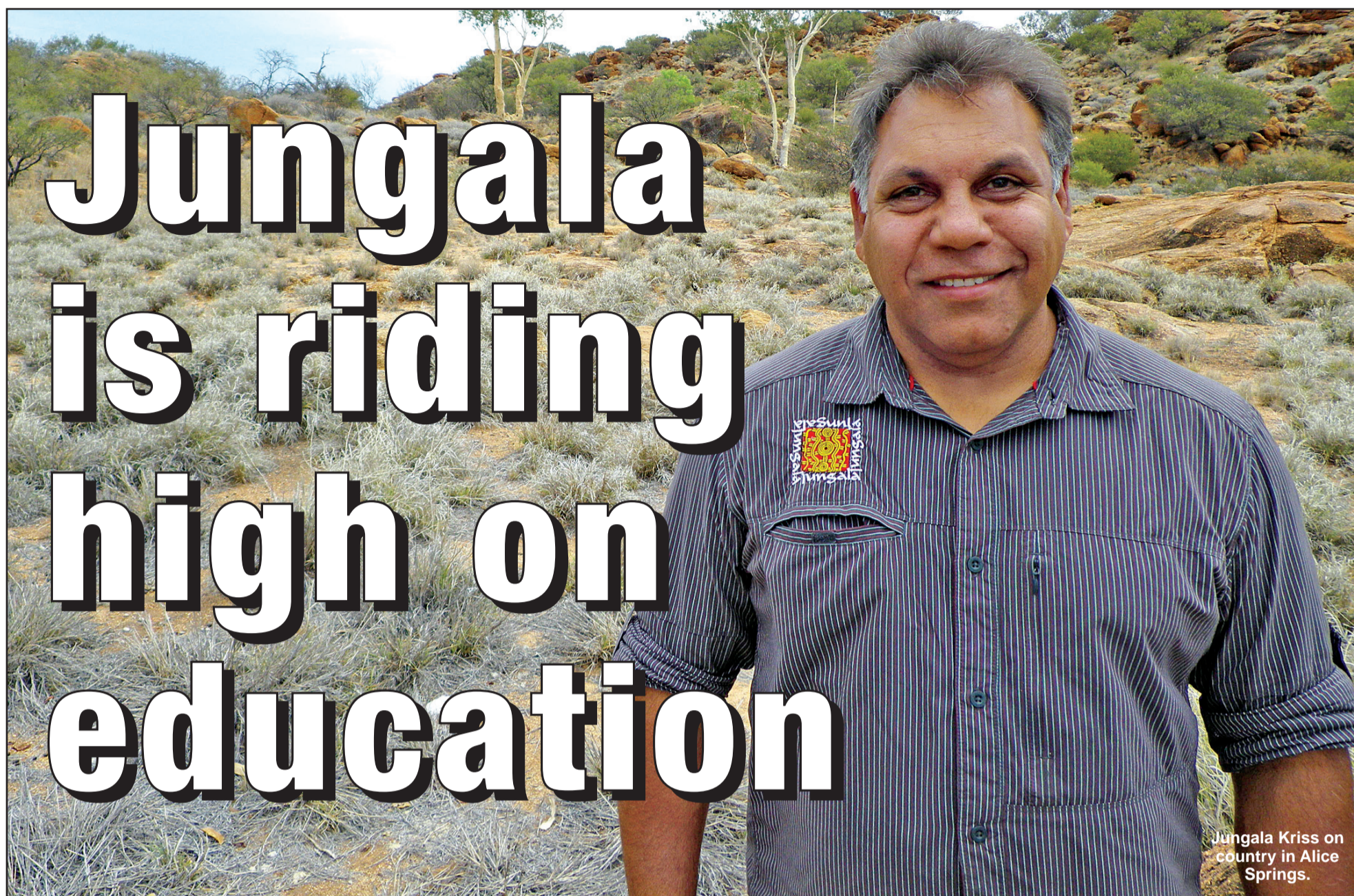
But he was made 12th man and subsequently not selected for the most recent two tests against India.

With the Australian team seemingly holding the edge on India and with Watson's return getting closer, Christian's chances of wearing the 'baggy green' cap seem to be disappearing.

But at 28, he remains a force in all forms of cricket, and with perseverance he could still play Test cricket.

We look forward to that day.

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Jungala Kriss on country in Alice Springs.

By TRACI WILLIAMS

AT just five, Jungala Kriss' happy traditional life with his family near Alice Springs ended abruptly.

Reflecting on his life some 40-odd years later, Jungala thinks all the things that happened to him were for a reason, and no-one was to blame.

It's just how his life turned out. Jungala, who now runs Jungala Enterprises educational and cultural experiences in Alice Springs, has an optimistic outlook on life and you wonder how this peaceful and kind man can be so calm and caring after his experiences.

Yet he uses that very experience and knowledge as his inspiration to help educate others about his Aboriginal culture.

Born in the bush near Narwietooma Station in the Northern Territory, his first few years were spent in a traditional lifestyle living off the land.

He was one of many kids rounded up and taken to St Mary's in Alice Springs, an institution for Aboriginal children.

It was there that Jungala first met his older sister, Bessie. She had already been at St Mary's for 12 years and was later fostered out.

So was Jungala – to Melbourne, where he spent his primary school years.

It was a completely different life to what he had known.

"The hardest thing for me at that time was adjusting from eating traditional food to European food and having to learn English," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"I'd grown up speaking Anamajerre, Warlpiri and Luritja."

Jungala loved his football and was fortunate enough to get a sports scholarship to the then Ballarat College to finish high school.

But a yearning for his homeland brought him back to Alice Springs in the early 1980s.

"I wanted to go home to Alice Springs because I wanted to go back to my family, back to where I came from and back to where I belonged," he said.

It was when he returned to Alice to team up with a local football team that Jungala stumbled across some more relatives.

As he tells it: "My sister Audrey recognised me at a football match and sent my brother Stephen (Japarunga) to the change rooms to talk to me. There was someone they wanted me to meet," he says.

"He seemed genuine.

So I went with my 'new' brother to the Alice Springs town camps and went into a house.

"As we walked in, my brother spoke to a lady in language. She was diabetic so was lying down on a bed.

"That was the first time I had seen my mother in about 12 years," he says calmly.

It was the beginning of what would almost be a whole new life for Jungala.

While doing what he loved best – playing football – he took a range of jobs in the security and hospitality industries. That led him to the Aboriginal Art and Culture Centre in Alice Springs in the late 1990s.

"That was where I learnt everything from retail to being a tour guide, working in both the art galleries, which led me to becoming the operations manager for the centre," he says.

That job and the visitors coming to the centre piqued Jungala's interest and he wanted to know where all these people were coming from and why they were coming to

Alice and why so many were so interested in Aboriginal culture.

What he noticed, though, was how much knowledge they had already – the foreigners visiting the centre had read up before their travels and always asked questions.

"I was learning from them while they were learning from us about Aboriginal culture," he says. "So I decided to go on an adventure and find out more about all of this for myself. I packed up and went to Europe for a few years."

All those tourists he'd met at the centre offered him places to stay in all the countries he visited in

and weekend art workshops about Aboriginal art to workshops in universities with academics – talking about Aboriginal culture.

"My survival in Europe was about using my culture to teach and to become an educator," he says.

Jungala stayed three years in Europe and then returned to Alice. His overseas experience had sown the seeds of an idea – an idea on which he has built a successful business in educating people about Aboriginal culture.

In 2006 he registered his company – Jungala Enterprises. The business grew from being sub-contracted by different

organisations in Alice Springs to doing cultural aspects of local tours, to buying his own equipment and running his own tours on the land that he had come to know well.

Jungala's enterprising ways and his product eventually caught the eye of NT Tourism. He came up with the concept of painting bicycles with Aboriginal motifs depicting the stories passed on to him by his Elders. He has been taking people on

bike tours around Alice Springs ever since.

"I wanted to talk about Aboriginal culture from an Aboriginal perspective and the changes we experienced. I wanted it to be like someone showing a mate around town," he said.

"I was conscious that people can see more on the ground on a bicycle than they can on a bus which just drives by."

As his business has grown, so has Jungala's travelling life. He's been part of Australian delegations which travel overseas to promote our tourism operators. He's been part of the Australia Tourism

Exchange events to promote his bike tours, and travelled to London for tourism expos and through Europe promoting his tours and Aboriginal culture.

And it seems Jungala just can't say no.

When one new idea presents itself, Jungala's the first to think about how he might be able to incorporate this into educating others about Aboriginal culture.

But he says the most influential aspect of his life came when five old men came to the cultural centre years ago. They were the ones who taught and trusted Jungala with their stories.

Jungala credits his Aboriginal family as his greatest influence.

"I had my mother's nature – she was very kind-hearted and the old men recognised that," he says.

These days Jungala's wisdom is bestowed upon the youngsters at Yipirinya School. In addition to running his own tourism business he is also the vice-president of the school's board.

And now that the Elders in other communities near where Jungala operates have seen his tour gear – tents, swags, kitchen set-up and more – they've all recognised Jungala's achievements and how respectful he is with the land and culture when educating others.

He's now been bestowed with what he believes is a huge honour and acknowledgement of the success of his work in educating others.

Other Aboriginal communities have asked him to come to their country and do tours.

Jungala is now hooking up with more Warlpiri families and for now focusing on the domestic tourism market, taking groups of school children from interstate to experience his country and those of his relatives in his special way.

'As we walked in, my brother spoke to a lady in language. She was diabetic so was lying down on a bed. That was the first time I had seen my mother in about 12 years'

ANGELINA HURLEY* is studying at Tisch School of Arts at New York University on a Fulbright Scholarship to research comedy and to write a sitcom. She wrote her first short comedy film, which was released in 2009. Titled *Aunty Maggie and the Womba Wakgun*, it is based on a true story about Angelina's Aunty/Grandma Maggie Johnson as it happened in Holland Park, Brisbane, in the 1950s. For Angelina, it sparked an interest in Blak and Indigenous comedy. Angelina has contributed this piece to the *Koori Mail* about her adventures in researching comedy in a very chilly New York winter.

TALK about laugh... It's a phrase used frequently by Murris when telling their rendition of a funny story or event.

It's something I've been busting to do since I arrived in America. Time zone differences and expense are making phone calls and texts of 'Hey sista/brotha/cuz, Talk about laugh' ... less frequent. I mean back home it can happen every couple of hours, even less.

It's the verbal precedence or ending to our form of comedic storytelling that deters us from the dysfunctional repercussions of our Aboriginal/Indigenous lives caused by colonisation.

I've been spending my time in the US waiting and looking for a good belly laugh. An experience I miss from back home.

Those moments of hilarity that truly manifest the acronyms LOL (Laugh Out Loud), LMAO (Laugh My Ass Off), LMRO (Laugh My Ring Out) and RALMFAO (we know what this means... right?). The moments I have with my mob on a regular basis. You know the ones, they...

- take you by surprise, making you choke on your saliva

- lead you into a false sense of security while drinking only to make you spit it across the room

- send your body into spontaneous convulsions, making you virtually mute while tears stream down your face

- and, my favourite, cause you to just crack up laughing, breaking the sound barrier and work those abs.

I was wondering before I arrived how much my Murri humour and sensibility would truly connect in the United States.

It didn't take long, and with much glee I am glad to say there have been moments. So, 'Hey Mob! Talk about laugh'...

A Native American Murri

The ancestors are looking after me hey. I have reconnected with my madcrack sista from home (Brisbane, Queensland).

She was lucky enough to meet the love of her life, a Native American Apache brother (how HOT is that!) and now lives in Arizona.

Apparently that journey all started with a dream. You know there had to be a Dreamtime story in there somewhere hey. Anyway, this Murri has been away from country for over 15 years, and wouldn't you know it, she hasn't lost one bit of her Aboriginal English vocabulary or accent.

Whichway? Can you be away for that long and still talk arse up?

Answer...Yes! The inability to totally adopt the English language is embedded in your Indigenous and/or Native DNA. You also pass it down to your children.

LOL! Don't worry sis, I've got it too and I swear it's getting worse the older I get.

Talk about laugh.

It was the first thing we did when we reconnected (apart from cry). With her Whichways, Shard Ups, Big Dots, and WTFs, she had me in tears.

Yep, this Murri felt quite at home sittin' on the rez eating fry bread and having a long overdue yarn. I giggled at how two Brisbane Murri girls can meet up again after so long on a rez/mission.

Thank God for her familiar sense of humour and Facebook comments that take me by surprise and make me choke on my saliva. Love you my sista.

New Orleans

The only thing frustrating about travelling here alone is that I don't have one of my mob with me when something nurrigar or womba happens.

I want to look straight at another countryman for that look you know. That



Angelina Hurley with her academic supervisor at New York University Associate Professor Paul Thompson.

silent conversation you have with your face. You know, it entails a lot of eye rolling, eyebrow lifting, lip biting and pursing. Mostly when you don't want another relative to know you're gossiping about them, running them down or making fun of them. It can also (depending on circumstance) be accompanied by sound, eg a grunting or humming.

I have one cousin back home who is the queen of this phenomenon. She cracks me up without speaking a word.

Who would have guessed I would experience it so early in my travels.

I was in a shop in New Orleans. A security guard (a brother of course) was at the door. I was standing at the checkout behind an either really drunk or drugged out Migaloo (funny that).

Uncle only had to pay out \$1 right, but he only had once cent pieces ... inserting immediate Qld mob reaction *Oh dawnt gunung gunung*. He counted those pennies out one by one.

Right on cue that security guard brother and I looked at each other and that silent conversation started.

Uncle took FOREVER to pay for that packet of smokes hey. While brother rolled his eyes, shook his head and smirked. I was trying to be so polite, waiting patiently at the counter biting my lips and trying not to crack up.

I didn't know where to look! At the brother, at the drunk guy, at the checkout chick, at the

floor, or at the ceiling. Nothing worked. It took me two seconds to buy my bottle of water, and I slowly trailed the Migaloo out of the shop.

As soon as we were outside, that uncle opened his packet of smokes and they flew all over the footpath. Pedestrians were squashing them. They were over the road. Traffic drove over them.

I had just taken a swig of my water. I swung back around to look at brother who, still in his security guard stance, had flung his head back and was now laughing at the ceiling. Man made me spit my water out all over the back of that Migaloo head.

OMG, talk about laugh.

Brooklyn

It is so much fun to meet someone who has a laugh bigger than life.

A few people immediately come to mind. Cousin Rhonda's roar, Uncle Ronnie's yarndi-infused cackle, Aunty Dotty, cousin Vera and my Mum's Cherbourg giggle, and Aunty Valda's Aboriginal/Islander-style shrill.

Actually, all my aunties, which is why meeting an aunty and uncle here was so great.

I have met some lovely people while here, but two of the best are a couple from Brooklyn – Bernard and Isadora (Isadora, what a great name).

I spent a night out at Caroline's comedy club with them in pain, ie good pain. We went there to see the brilliant Mr Paul Mooney. He

was hilarious enough, but sitting with these two made it an extra special event.

Aunty and Uncle transported me back home. The very cool Bernard had that silent body convulsing laughter going at first. I, initially in pleasant shock, did the same, but to no avail.

Hence the force took over. I needed Paul to stop telling jokes and stories so I could breathe.

Isadora's laugh was so joyously contagious she united everyone. We walked out of there with sore faces and stomachs. Excellent! FYI check out the website Paul Mooney - <http://comedians.jokes.com/paul-mooney>

Greer Barnes

You know the world really is a small place and we Murris, Kooris, Noongars etc will always find each other.

When I first arrived in New York I met up with two sistas from home. We didn't just catch up, we caught up for a laugh, as we do.

After a couple of hours of blabbing over dinner we ended up at a comedy club.

Enter Greer Barnes.

In all honesty the only reason we went was because we saw some black fullas on the bill. How Murri is that? I know, terrible but true.

Anyhow, if you don't know who brother is you should. Greer is a renown stand-up comedian with television credits including *In Living Color*, *The Late Show with Carson Daly*, Comedy Central's *Premium Blend*, *The Late Show with David Letterman*, and *Chappelle's Show*.

His first *Comedy Central Presents* half-hour special premiered in 2009.

You may have been lucky enough to see Greer at the Melbourne Comedy Festival in 2002. It's the story of our life that not many (good) acts make it to Australia often enough. So if you haven't seen or heard of Greer, Google him and check out YouTube. His work is all over it.

Man I wish the mob were there. They wouldn't have let brother off the stage. You know how we go... 'ere brother tell another one, come on. Just one more, one more, one more time'. Then ten hours later...

His impersonations and yarns were hilarious. With a sense of humour we totally related to, brother had us RALMFAO. I never want to just smile, giggle, or gammin laugh. I want to cackle, I want my stomach to hurt and I want to cry. Finally goal achieved. As our mob back home say, brother was Deadly! Or in Queensland, Solid!

FYI check out Greer Barnes – <http://comedians.jokes.com/greer-barnes>

What I wanted to do

When I enrolled in my Doctorate of Creative Arts at the University of Technology, Sydney and then applied for the American-Australian Fulbright Commission's Indigenous Scholarship I knew exactly what I wanted to do.

I am not sure everyone else did though. In March 2011 I walked across the stage to accept my Fulbright Scholarship and giggled to myself. No, it wasn't because my mother and cousin were the only black fullas standing up in the middle of a room yelling and screaming while all the Migaloos politely clapped.

I was being awarded it amongst botanists, mathematicians, philosophers and engineers, to research comedy and write a sitcom.

I must say that made me chuckle. As a black fulla you kind of go LOL, how did that happen?

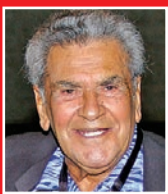
Now four months into the scholarship and my experience here in the United States has been amazing and overwhelming.

Comedy venues galore, amazing performers and artists, wonderful teachers and lecturers.

What better place to be than New York. I couldn't ask for more.

PS: You know Murri might not be this happy when the snow and the minus temperatures hit. I am from Queensland, you know.

**Angelina Hurley is in the United States until the end of 2012 thanks to support and assistance of The University of Technology, Sydney (the Faculty of Arts and Science and Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning); The Australian-American Fulbright Commission; Tisch School of Arts at New York University (especially Associate Professor Paul Thompson); The lovely Ms Lisa Fox; and Berkley University, San Francisco (Professor Patricia Hilden and Professor Shari Huhndorf).*



If you have any information relating to the late Charles 'Chicka' Dixon, pictured left, then his daughter Rhonda Dixon-Grovenor wants to hear from you. See her letter on Page 24.

Action needed to stop catastrophe

I WANT to pass on a message as a young person not necessarily stepping up in leadership, but speaking up as one of the next generation of leaders to come.

I wanted to share that for an interim period I helped out with some administrative duties for the preparations of the 40th Aboriginal Tent Embassy celebrations.

Unfortunately, I am too busy with the tail end of my Masters in Music to do further in this area. I really only supported with basic skeleton infrastructure and handed over to a team of people now in place to create a platform for leaders to be heard and celebrated on 26 January 2012.

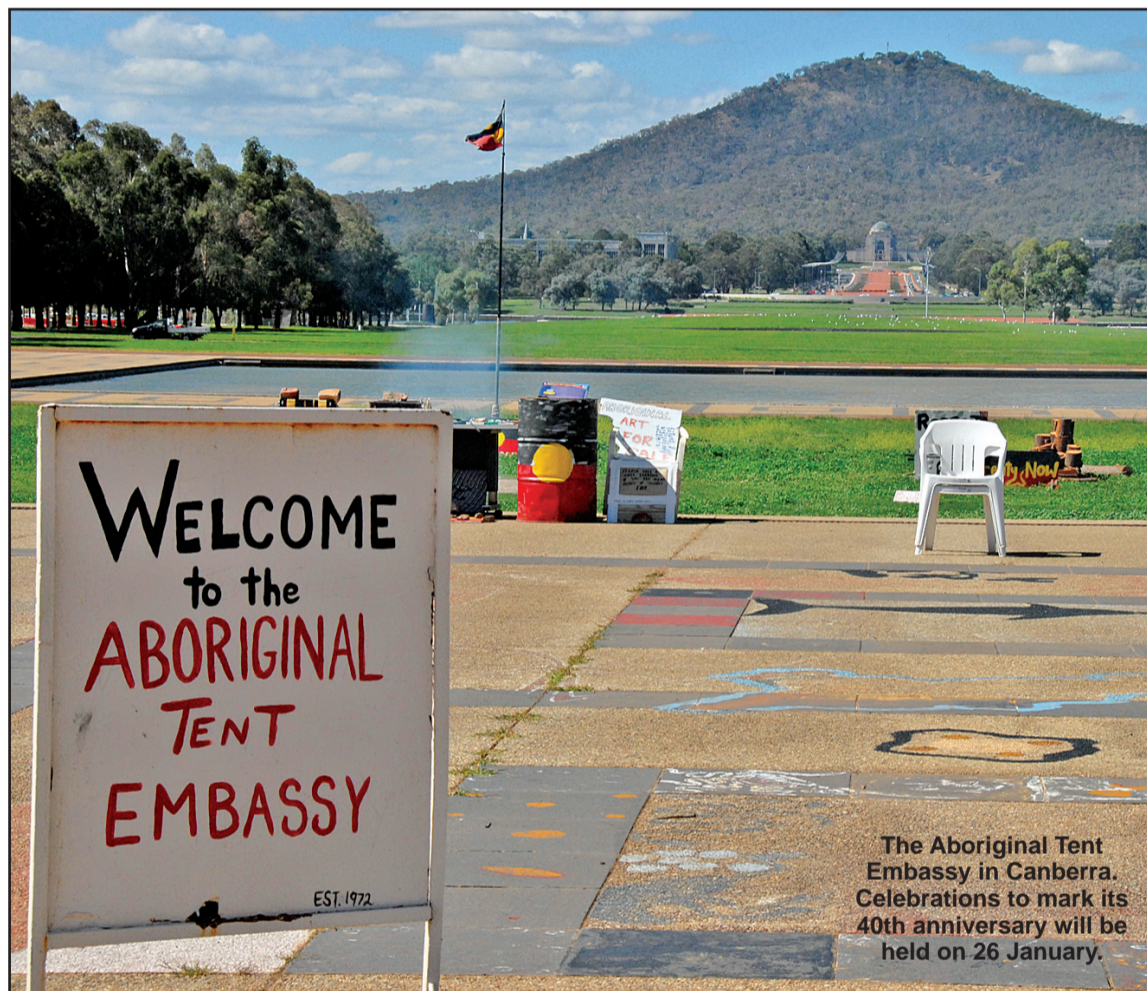
I wanted to share with everyone the importance of this event and the importance of taking a stand now as it may be the only suitable opportunity left to make a difference.

I have spent the last two years campaigning against youth suicide, which has doubled over the past seven years. In the Northern Territory since the Intervention the youth suicide rates have doubled in just two years.

We have an epidemic of speed and alcohol amongst our youth. Youth incarceration rates are through the roof. In 10 years our youth will be young adults and young parents.

At this rate we are heading for a catastrophe that needs action now.

We must come to the realisation very fast that Indigenous affairs in this country is an absolute mess. Finances are too often not reaching the ground floor in communities. Unrealistic policies written mostly by non-Indigenous people don't lead to real outcomes.



Too much fighting and disagreement is happening at the top level, so the ground-floor mob have lost their voice and right to speak.

Mining companies are moving ruthlessly through communities against the wishes of tribal owners and nations.

I'm asking our people to rise up and put whatever differences they have aside and stay focused on our next generation, who need immediate attention.

I'm asking for people to do

their best in becoming unified and standing in unity on common ground because our youth need us to respond.

I have also a message to the Australian Government leadership.

Where is your heart? Where are your so-called Christian ethics? Is greed for our land and the money it brings worth all the grief?

Our children are *children*. All children deserve the right to quality of life.

I am asking the Australian Government leadership to do what is right and set all Australians free of guilt and free of injustice to the rightful owners of this land.

We need a treaty or a peace accord to set the past disgraces into the past.

What we need is a country based on truth, integrity and justice for all.

ALICE HAINES
Canberra, ACT

POETRY

Scrub Basher

When I was young and reckless
and feeling pretty fit
I had a Yamaha YZ 250K and it
went like a shower of

Up the hills and around the
bends and through the flooded
creeks I'd go
God I loved that bloody thing
only the good Lord knows

How much I could pull it up in
3rd or 4th gear or maybe more
And when I flipped the funny
thing, God that made me sore

I'd have cuts and scratches and
gravel rash from a...hole to
breakfast time
And that's why I'd pad the
saddle of this wicked beast of
mine

Before I'd rev it up and drop the
clutch and spin them bloody
wheels
And give it a darn good
thrashing to show it how it feels

To be battered and beaten and
broken and sore
and generally in the
Then I'd get home around
nightfall and work all night on it

Under the light of under the
house and under its spell I'd be
I'd pull it apart and put it
together
with love, affectionately

Then I'd oil it up and grease it
down
and polish and spit and shine
Dreaming of the next weekend
when I'd hear that engine whine

When me, myself, my mates
and I
we'd always go exploring
New territories on our bikes
it was never boring

Until the day came to pass
that I knew so well
With a tear drop in my eye
I knew I had to sell

I needed cash as I had none
and things were looking grim
So I took it to the bike wreckers
and showed my beast to him

And three hundred bucks was all
he'd give
that dirty rotten sod
I should have cracked up then
and there
but oh my bloody God (sorry)

What could I do? What could I
do?
as my hands were bloody tied
So I took the cash off the crook
and I went home and I cried

But that was many years ago
and things were different then
But if I had my time again
no-way I'd sell my friend

But sometimes in the distant
roar
when I hear somebody thrash
her
I stand up and salute
to the mighty scrub basher.

ARRON RICHARDSON
Palm Island, Qld

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Even if sent via email, all letters and

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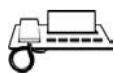
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Aboriginal Heritage

Camden Valley Way upgrade Cowpasture Road to Narellan Road

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the Camden Valley Way upgrade project (Cowpasture Road to Narellan Road) to register to be consulted.

To register your interest, please contact:

Barry Gunther
Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisor
02 8849 2006

Barry.Gunther@rms.nsw.gov.au
PO Box 973 Parramatta NSW 2124

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by
Friday 10 February 2012.

Roads and Maritime Services proposes to upgrade Camden Valley Way between Cowpasture Road, Horningsea Park and Narellan Road, Narellan.

The proposal may result in the Roads and Maritime Services:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010, and/or
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

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Healthy People



Opportunities for Yorta Yorta people to Care for Country

Parks Victoria is committed to developing partnerships based on mutual respect and trust with Traditional Owners that aspire to equally manage their culture and speak and care for their Country.

The Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation (YYNAC) represents the Yorta Yorta people who have a Cultural Connection based on Ancestry and Tradition to this area. We support and encourage the involvement of our people in the Management and Protection of our Cultural Heritage and facilitate the development of a sustainable Partnership based on recognition, mutual respect and with agreed outcomes within our recognised area.

Opportunities exist to employ Yorta Yorta persons in the following positions:

- Ranger Co-ordinator
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- Ranger Team Leader
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Applications are sought from Yorta Yorta people to work as part of a team responsible for the management of Country. The successful applicants will be part of park management team, including forest health programs, construction and maintenance of visitor facilities, customer service and emergency response.

Successful applicants will be seconded to Parks Victoria from YYNAC until 29 June 2013 and will work in parks and reserves of Yorta Yorta traditional lands at Barmah and along the Murray and Goulburn Rivers. At the end of this period the positions will then transfer back to the YYNAC.

Parks Victoria and YYNAC are committed to providing family friendly and flexible employment conditions, and supportive work environments. To obtain a copy of the Position Description visit www.parks.vic.gov.au. For further information contact **Kane Weeks, Ranger in Charge** or **Leon Atkinson, Aboriginal Program Coordinator** by calling **13 1963**.

To apply, e-mail your application, addressing the selection criteria and include a resume to applications@parks.vic.gov.au or send your application to Human Resources, Parks Victoria, Level 10, 535 Bourke Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

Applications for both positions close Monday 16 January 2012.

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More information
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Your Say

Seeking information about 'Chicka' Dixon

I AM the daughter of the late Dr Charles 'Chicka' Dixon, Aboriginal human rights and social justice activist.

With my daughter Nadeena Dixon, we are co-ordinating the Chicka Dixon Project to tell the story of Chicka's extraordinary life and of the Aboriginal political movement from the 1930s on.

It is the story of the people told by the people. People such as Auntie Dulcie Flowers, Auntie Faith Bamblett, Juno Gemes, Jimmy Everett, Roger Knox, Vic Simms, Auntie Bell McCloud, the famous Doonooch Dance Group, Gary Foley, Gary Williams, Michele Anderson, Bob Hawke, Margaret Whitlam, Gabby Hollows and, of course, all the other movers and shakers.

The stories of the Aboriginal Protection and Welfare Board and the 1967 referendum, the establishment of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, the Aboriginal Medical Centre and legal services. The Aboriginal delegation to China and the visit to America



The late Dr Charles 'Chicka' Dixon

where they met with the Black Panthers.

'Chicka the Fox' was instrumental in planning and instigating these events and trips.

When Chicka was a young man he gained work with the Maritime Union and laboured on the wharves and worked with them for ten years where he was trained in the skills of

strategic planning and public speaking.

He had great insight and did not hold back on carrying out those plans. He was a man who advocated for the grassroots mob and made sure wherever he went around Australia and the world that he always visited the jails and drug and alcohol centres.

We welcome any contribution in the form of names of people and contacts who may have stories or photos which could go into the book or documentary. We are also seeking assistance with researchers and writers.

Our project had previously been in collaboration with Jonathan Bogais, however that is no longer the case. We understand that Jonathan intends to produce his own work about Chicka, which does not have our support or approval.

We can be contacted at grove7a@yahoo.com.au

RHONDA DIXON-GROVENOR
(Daughter of Chicka Dixon)
Sydney, NSW

Opening minds on Constitution

THE conversation about Constitutional Recognition for Aboriginal people is entering Australian households. With a referendum imminent, very few Australians know about Section 25 and 51(xxvi) of the Constitution which allows for discrimination based on race. In fact, some don't even know we have a Constitution.

People need to open their minds and think about the impact these discriminatory clauses have on the way Australian people view themselves before they mark the ballot paper.

Changes to our Constitution are determined by the individual votes of millions of Australians. It is therefore vital that all organisations who believe in equality and justice do what they can to get the message out through their networks and encourage their supporters to communicate to others in our community.

With this in mind, last September Anglicare SA launched the Count Me In campaign to stimulate conversation in the lead up to the referendum.

There is a groundswell in support, with leaders throughout the country calling for Australians to demand the basic human right of protection against racial discrimination.

Former High Court judge Michael Kirby says 'Australia must be one of the few nations on Earth that has a constitutional provision designed for the apartheid era of White Australia'.

'Changing the Constitution to remove discriminatory sections and recognising the value of Aboriginal people would be a very significant mark of community commitment on our country's journey to meaningful reconciliation'

This year, Anglicare SA will be rolling out an energetic regional engagement strategy in South Australia. We are planning a series of presentations in regional centres and establishing local partnerships which will ensure we make a substantive contribution to the referendum agenda.

Changing the Constitution to remove discriminatory sections and recognising

the value of Aboriginal people would be a very significant mark of community commitment on our country's journey to meaningful reconciliation.

However, success at a referendum is no easy task.

Only eight out of the last 44 referendums have succeeded. A double majority is required, which means every last person's vote will count.

Constitutional change is a big task, and we each have a responsibility to take the debate seriously. A referendum will likely be in 2013, and we need to be ready.

Anglicare SA is proactively seeking partnerships with other NGOs and stakeholders.

The road to reconciliation is a journey we are all part of, and in the words of the ancient Chinese proverb, the journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

The time is now to take the next step and say YES, Australian people stand strong against discrimination.

Dr LYNN ARNOLD
CEO, Anglicare SA

Aboriginal? Who? Where? When? How?

TO those who have for reasons unknown to me taken it upon themselves to now want to be recognised as 'Aboriginal', please consider the following, and then ask yourself, do you still want to be Aboriginal?

What does being Aboriginal mean to you?

Do you have an unspoken bond with other Aboriginal people? (Do you even acknowledge them?)

Do you have a connection to country? Or even know where your country is?

Do you know the name of your tribe?

Do you know how to say and spell it?

What is your totem?

What is your language group?

Are you only Aboriginal when it suits you? For a job maybe?

Do you think there are benefits to being Aboriginal? Do you even think about other Aboriginal people whose jobs you are taking, and therefore contributing to the low socio-economic status of my people.

Is it now considered 'trendy' to be known as Aboriginal when, for years, you and your family may have been one of those who were ashamed and hid their Aboriginality?

These people, and most likely the majority of their family, are very sad individuals, to think that all they need is a piece of paper to have acceptance, acknowledgement and belonging.

It is sad because they will never have our love, spirituality, knowledge, pride, and skills that have been given to us by our Elders.



They do not and never will carry and share the burden of past injustices to my people.

They have never walked the walk to talk the talk.

They have never been discriminated against.

They don't know what it feels like to be treated as a second-class citizen in your own country.

They will never know how it

Aboriginality has had such an impact on them, mentally or spiritually.

We hurt when our people are hurt, and I am hurt and angry that people like them come along and disregard my past and my family's history and struggles and place themselves in the same category.

Anyone out there know where I can get a piece of paper, because I have decided that I'm tired of being Aboriginal, and want to be acknowledged and accepted as a white person.

Yeah right!
They never let you forget that you are Black.
Always was
Always will be Murdi.

DONNA WILLIS
Kunja Woman
Bourke, NSW

'They do not and never will carry and share the burden of past injustices to my people'

feels to feel honour and the admiration for a loved Elder, and see the disdain and hatred reflected in white eyes.

Do these people know or even care of the injustices my people have had to endure? Probably not, because nothing from their so-called

A time to honour those who have kept the struggle alive

IT'S 40 years since four young Aboriginal warriors on Invasion Day 1972 (26 January) were sickened by the absolute racism of the then-Billy MacMahon Coalition Federal Government which stated that Australia belonged, by right, to the descendants of the invaders and no lands belonged to the Aboriginal traditional owners or would ever be returned to them.

That such rank racism ignited Aboriginal activists is of no great surprise.

What was a surprise was that four young Aborigines huddled under a beach umbrella would become a national focus on activism that resonates still 40 years later.

The Tent Embassy has been managed by a long list of Aborigines, and other supporters have lived on site

and kept the peace fire burning.

I, and so many others, will be there to honour all those who have kept the struggle alive and to make sure that our embassy continues to show the world our just claims for sovereignty, treaty(s) and social justice.

RAY JACKSON
President, Indigenous
Social Justice Association



Free Pre-Apprenticeship program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders starts April 2012.

Whether you're a school leaver or thinking of a career change, consider this – it's a learning opportunity that shouldn't be missed. If you're an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander looking to try your hand at a trade, the Ausgrid Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Pre-Apprenticeship Program may be for you!

Participating in this fully funded, nationally recognised program will set you up with the skills and knowledge needed to pursue a career in the energy industry. And one day a week you'll do work experience at our apprentice training centre – so you can try things out first hand. At the end of the course, and based on your results, you will be eligible to apply for our apprentice program.

The 10 week program starts in April 2012 with a final preparation phase before the Ausgrid selection tests conducted end of July, at TAFE NSW Petersham College in Sydney. Work experience will be held at Ausgrid's Learning Centre in Silverwater.

For more information, contact Lyn Wilson, Head Teacher Foundation Studies, at TAFE NSW – Sydney Institute, on **0409 310 384** or **02 9335 2404** or visit the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs section at www.ausgrid.com.au/careers



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Academic wants to see our women in business

By TRACI WILLIAMS



ABORIGINAL academic Sonya Pearce is hoping her research into Indigenous women entrepreneurs will

encourage other Aboriginal women to take on the challenge of setting up and running their own business.

The Goreng Goreng woman recently received funding from the Australian Research Council for her project on Aboriginal female entrepreneurs in social and private enterprise in NSW.

During her years of teaching and study and now in her role as a senior lecturer in management at the University of Technology Sydney (UTS) Business School, Ms Pearce says she identified a need for such research.

"The highest number of Aboriginal people in NSW are women and a high proportion of those women are usually on a pension of some kind," she said. "I feel strongly about helping Aboriginal women. We can't continue to rely on government welfare. Developing Indigenous enterprises is a way for us to shine.

"We need to find ways of understanding Indigenous socio-economic disadvantage and how to improve economic development opportunities for our people – how to become financially and economically independent."

The research project forms an element of Ms Pearce's doctorate studies and will take three years. She says the project will enable her to do more detailed research on what makes Aboriginal women's Indigenous businesses and enterprise work.

"This research is one way to help us work toward a foundation of



Sonya Pearce ... "The next decade for Aboriginal people and policy and law makers is going to be challenging, but it will also be an area of great growth and potential." Photo by Kirsten Low

self-determination, for Aboriginal women in particular," she said.

Ms Pearce will interview about 20 Aboriginal women and produce six case studies of women whose businesses have proven successful. The women come from all areas of business and range from consultants to those doing cultural work and one who runs a private pre-school, to one with a screen-printing business.

"They've experienced racism and sometimes a lack of support within

their own community, but their drive, resilience and strength is what keeps them going," she said.

Ms Pearce, who turns 50 next year, says that in her generation, she has seen a growing confidence in Aboriginal women to achieve.

And she says that's a good thing. "The next decade for Aboriginal people and policy and law makers is going to be challenging, but it will also be an area of great growth and potential," she says.

Tributes flow for Christian



TRIBUTES have flowed for the late Trevor Christian, who passed away last month. Mr Christian rose from humble beginnings to become a successful boxer and sporting official, as well as a respected community leader. His sporting achievements revolved around boxing, and included winning the professional junior Middleweight Championship of Australia and being the first Aboriginal person to referee a world title fight.

He was also the first Aboriginal person to join the NSW Boxing Authority and played a central role in influencing the ban on tent fighting in NSW.

Mr Christian was an employee of the Foundation for Aboriginal Affairs, assisting many people coming to Sydney with housing, employment, education and legal and medical assistance.

He worked as a field officer with the Aboriginal Legal Service and went on to be co-founder, chairman and general manager of Sydney Regional Aboriginal Corporation for Legal Services.

In 2008, Mr Christian was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) for service to the Indigenous community, particularly through the Sydney Regional Aboriginal Corporation for Legal Services, to the promotion of social justice, and to boxing.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello praised Mr Christian.

"Those who personally knew Trevor have described him as a devoted father and grandfather. His passing is a huge loss to his family and friends, the Aboriginal community, the boxing fraternity and the broader NSW community," Mr Dominello said.

NTSCORP CEO Warren Mundine also praised Mr Christian, who was a former company member and director of NTSCORP. "Trevor was not only a company member, but a great Aboriginal leader and a tireless advocate for Aboriginal people at the community, state and national levels," said Mr Mundine.

"He was a true gentleman and will be missed by not only his family and his community, but by all of us at NTSCORP and by all Aboriginal people and people who support the Aboriginal struggle."

Conference told of challenge for businesses



THE challenge to increase capacity is a major barrier for Indigenous owned and operated businesses in Western Australia, a major conference has been told in Perth.

Speaking at the inaugural Indigenous Business, Corporations and Entrepreneurship Conference at The University of Western Australia, PLWA Group general manager Tony Connors said Indigenous businesses needed to break out of a 'hire-and-fire cycle' that resulted from short-sighted approaches by clients.

"We hire people to do projects and train them up, then have to let them go when the projects end," he said. "Capacity growth is hard to secure."

Mr Connors said some clients had capacity concerns about Indigenous businesses.

"I'd suggest we have to work that little bit harder to prove to the client that we are capable of doing the job," he said, adding that joint ventures were one solution to developing capacity, with skills and expertise shared and retained by the joint venture partners.

GLH Contracting managing director Neville Stewart said some basic principles had to be adopted in order to ensure the sustainability of Indigenous businesses.

These included developing clear pathways for achievement of goals, focusing on maintaining cash flow and a comprehensive understanding of clients' terms.



Australian Government

Nation Building Program

Northern Sydney Freight Corridor Program

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment

Invitation to Register Interest

The Northern Sydney Freight Corridor Program is an Australian and State Government initiative to improve capacity and reliability for freight trains on the Main North Line between North Strathfield and Broadmeadow, Newcastle.

One of the projects consists of a new outer rail track (approximately 6 km long) on the western side of the existing lines between Epping and Thornleigh.

Transport for NSW is seeking registration of interest from relevant Aboriginal groups or individuals, who hold cultural knowledge in determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places within the locality of the proposed project.

The purpose of the Aboriginal community consultation is to assist the Department of Planning and Infrastructure in assessing the application under Part 5.1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

Interested parties should register in writing, providing their name, address, and phone number. Submissions can be registered with Transport for NSW c/o Dr Sandra Wallace, Principal Archaeologist, Artefact Heritage, P.O. Box 772 Rose Bay NSW 2029 by 9 February 2012.



Transport
Roads & Maritime
Services

Aboriginal Heritage

MR108 Nelson Bay Road Upgrade

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the upgrade of Nelson Bay Road Bobs Farm to Anna Bay Stage 3 to register to be consulted.

To register your interest, please contact:

Penny McCardle
Principal Archaeologist
McCardle Cultural Heritage
P O Box 166
Adamstown NSW 2289

Registrations must be received in writing by **Thursday 16 February 2012**.

Roads and Maritime Services proposes to upgrade Nelson Bay Road to 2 lanes in each direction separated by a landscaped median between Cromarty Lane and Port Stephens Drive, Bobs Farm.

The proposal may result in Roads and Maritime Services:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010*, and/or
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

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Record number at public service graduation



Graduate Robyn Burnett (Australian Federal Police), event MC and previous Pathways Graduate Aaron Carroll (Attorney-General's Department), graduate Edna Vata-Meyer (Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations), previous Pathways graduate Charmaine Earnshaw (Australian Federal Police) and previous Pathways trainee Gjai Hoolihan (Aboriginal Hostels).



Ngunnawal Elder Aunty Jannette Phillips with Special Minister of State for the Public Service and Integrity Gary Gray.

A path to success

By TRACI WILLIAMS



A RECORD 75 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander public service trainees graduated last

month from the Australian Public Service (APS) Pathways program.

"It's a relief and honour," said Department of Defence graduate Andrew Olsen. "I'm looking forward to applying the knowledge and skills I gained from the graduate program and university to my work in the department, having more responsibility and applying the leadership training the APS offered during the Pathways program."

Mr Olsen, 29, is a graduate of the University of Newcastle's Bachelor of Business course where he studied human resources and industrial relations before taking up a position in the Department of Defence graduate program. He's one of what is the largest group of trainees to complete Indigenous traineeships, cadetships and graduate programs since Pathways began in 2005.



Department of Defence graduates and officials, back row from left, acting deputy director Indigenous affairs Peter Hutchings, Minister Gary Gray, Defence APS Indigenous employment manager Ezra Anu, and Australian Public Service Commissioner Stephen Sedgwick. Front, from left, Indigenous community engagement deputy director Michael Rowe, Fairness and Resolution Branch director John Diercks, 2011 graduate Andrew Olsen, Indigenous Affairs director Donna Boulton, 2011 trainee Clara Tabuai and 2011 cadet Ty Kudla.

The latest group comprises Aboriginal people over a range of ages, from those starting out to those who've had careers elsewhere.

The graduates came from around the country with various levels of work and educational experience before they joined

the Pathways program.

Last year's graduating group represented about 30 different government departments. Now they've completed Pathways each trainee, cadet or graduate will have the opportunity to take on full-time roles in their departments and to broaden

their experience and apply for roles elsewhere in the public service as their careers progress.

The Australian Public Service Commission, which administers Pathways, says the Public Service sells itself in the recruitment market as 'One

APS career – thousands of opportunities'.

"The thing about the APS is that for someone like Andrew Olsen there are a range of other roles within their department and also the APS that people can do," acting director of the Indigenous Employment Team at the APSC Gerrit Wanganeen told the *Koori Mail*.

"The skills they learn are transferable in their departments and across all areas of the Australian Public Service."

Family, friends and senior public servants gathered at the graduation event last month in Canberra.

Special Minister of State Gary Gray welcomed the graduates.

"Harnessing this group through a strong focus on education, training and school-to-work transitions will ensure that the growing number of working-age Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will be a prized and valuable resource in the future," he said.

For more information about becoming a trainee, cadet or graduate in the Australian Public Service, visit the APSC website at www.apsc.gov.au



Graduating cadets Sayuri Fujii and Tracy Thelander, (both Department of Finance) and Lucy Deemal (Indigenous Business Australia).



Graduate Rennae Waters, (Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations) with sister Stacey Anderson (Human Services).

Heritage Act, 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

The Heritage Council of NSW maintains the State Heritage Register which is a list of places of particular importance to the people of NSW, including Aboriginal and other heritage. The Heritage Council is currently considering whether or not to recommend the listing of:

Queanbeyan Showground, 19 – 41 Farrer Place, Queanbeyan

on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of their heritage significance.

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of these places. Please post written information to the address below until **7th February 2012**.

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/listing

If you have any questions please phone Tanya Koeneman, Aboriginal Heritage Officer, on toll free number 1800 789 290, (02) 9873 8534 or tanya.koeneman@heritage.nsw.gov.au

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MURRAY ABORIGINAL TECHNICAL GROUP CALL FOR MEMBERSHIP

Murray Catchment Management Authority is seeking 5 Aboriginal people to form the Murray Aboriginal Technical Group. Membership will be skills based to reflect the diversity of skills, experience and knowledge of indigenous people in the NSW Murray Catchment.

The Murray Aboriginal Technical Group will play a key role in helping the Murray CMA Board to: Identify relevant Aboriginal issues; Assist with the development of policy and strategic direction in relation to Aboriginal matters; Build relationships; Identify priority natural resource management actions; as well as establish a pathway between the Aboriginal community and the Board.

Successful candidates must be able to demonstrate Aboriginality, and demonstrate one or more of the following attributes and/or areas of knowledge:

- Aboriginal cultural heritage knowledge
- Ability to network with a wide range of community groups
- Knowledge of sustainable natural resource management
- Communication/engagement and networking skills
- Connection to the Murray Catchment
- Leadership and team work
- Other desirable skills are listed on the application

Applications can be downloaded at www.murray.cma.nsw.gov.au or contact Kaleana Reyland, telephone: 02 6051 2219 kaleana.reyland@cma.nsw.gov.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 9 FEBRUARY 2012



Aboriginal Heritage Windsor Bridge Replacement Project

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the Windsor Bridge Replacement Project over the Hawkesbury River to register to be consulted.

Roads and Maritime Services proposes the construction of a new high level bridge 35 metres downstream of the existing Windsor Bridge.

The proposal may result in Roads and Maritime Services:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010*, and/or
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

To register your interest, please contact:
Mr Barry Gunther, Roads and Maritime Services
Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Team leader on:
PO Box 973 Parramatta CBD NSW 2124
T (02) 8849 2006, F (02) 8849 2886

Registrations must be received by phone, email or in writing by **Friday 10 February 2012**.



Olympian Benn Harradine with young fans at the Newcastle Vibe 3on3.

Newcastle hosts 3on3



THE Newcastle National Indigenous 3on3 Basketball and Hip Hop Challenge, the Vibe 3on3, held last

month was one of the best yet, according to organisers.

The event featured a 3on3 basketball tournament, rapping and break-dancing lessons, art workshops, a dance competition and a health expo, all accompanied by RnB, hip hop and Indigenous music.

Organisers said rain did not dampen the spirits of the hundreds of children who attended from across the Newcastle region.

"We had over 65 teams competing for the prizes," event producer Mayrah Sonter said.

"It was our last event for the year and it was a great way to end an extremely successful year of 3on3 events, a total of 12 completed this year – more than any other year."

Ms Sonter said role models at the

event included local boys the Street Warriors who performed their hit *Solid Rock* as well as doing workshops with the kids. Actor Luke Carroll was MC.

Dancers Darren Compton, Medika Thorpe, comedian Kevin Kropinyeri, and Olympian Benn Harradine (also a local boy) all took part, as did Newcastle Knights star Timana Tahu.

"There was a record eight stalls in the health expo and great talent was on display in the break-dance competition," Ms Sonter said.

Violence is the target



THE Australian and Northern Territory governments have allocated more than \$3 million for

a pilot project aimed at reducing family violence in Alice Springs.

The funding is part of the Alice Springs Transformation Plan.

The three-year pilot is designed to develop an integrated approach to family violence by linking government and local agencies, including the Alice Springs Women's Shelter, National Association of Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, Tangentyere Council, Central Australia Aboriginal Congress, local legal services and the NPY Women's Council.

It aims to teach young people about respectful



A sign targeting violence in Alice Springs.

relationships and introduce a new family safety framework allowing agencies to work together to make women safer and give co-ordinated support to women and children at risk of violence.

It will also provide additional support services at court to prioritise family safety, increase offender

accountability and promote behaviour change among offenders.

Northern Territory Department of Justice crime statistics from 2010 showed that family violence made up 56 per cent of assaults in Alice Springs, and Indigenous women accounted for 56 per cent of all assault victims.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the safety of women and children was a number-one priority for government.

"This project will help to keep women and children safe and promote behavioural change for offenders," she said.

Minister for Central Australia Karl Hampton said the project would allow government and non-government services to work together to improve people's lives.

Partnership to benefit Palm Island



ONE of Australia's largest Aboriginal communities is set to benefit from a new partnership

between the Cathy Freeman Foundation and global financial services company Credit Suisse.

The two have joined forces to support the foundation's Horizons Program which recognises and rewards Palm Island students for their achievement and improvement in literacy, behaviour and school attendance.

"Palm Island is the fourth most disadvantaged community in Australia and it's commendable that Credit Suisse has chosen to throw its support behind our efforts to provide educational opportunities for these children who live in an area of very high need," said foundation CEO Sonya Stephen.

Credit Suisse says its contribution includes financial and volunteer support for camps in New South Wales and Victoria. In addition, staff will offer volunteer support for activities on Palm Island.

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1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
10:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 Courting With Justice PG (Documentary)
11:30 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 Rural Health Education Foundation PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Opinion Piece NC (Current Affairs)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Grounded PG (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Blekballa PG (Documentary)
8:30 Embedded With M (Documentary Series)
9:30 Kakadu Man PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

THURSDAY 12TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
10:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 Desert Healing PG (Documentary)
11:30 Mer Rikwer-akert PG (Documentary)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 Blekballa PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Embedded With M (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Grounded PG (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Barefoot Summer Series NC (Sport)
8:00 Rodeo: Life on the Circuit PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 Pursuing the Flame PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Surfing the Healing Wave PG (Documentary)
10:30 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

FRIDAY 13TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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10:00 The Dreaming G (Kids)
10:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 Rodeo: Life on the Circuit PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 Barefoot Summer Series NC (Sport)
1:00 Pursuing the Flame PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Rodeo Road PG (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Grounded G (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 My Bush Tukka Adventures PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Pacifica - South Seas Tales PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Everyday Brave PG (Documentary)
9:00 Museum of the World PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Sisters Pearls @ Mission Girls PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

SATURDAY 14TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz 2 PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Letter Box G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
8:00 Bizou G (Kids)
8:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
9:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
9:30 Yeyekerte G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
11:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
12:30 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary)
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3:00 Rural Health Education Foundation PG (Documentary Series)
4:00 Lousy Little Sixpence PG (Documentary)
5:00 Tales of Oceania PG (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
6:00 Kakadu Man PG (Documentary)
7:30 Dreamkeeper part 1 PG (Drama)
9:00 Dreamkeeper part 2 PG (Drama)
10:30 Tongan Ninja M (Drama)

SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz 2 PG (Entertainment)
6:00 The Intervention PG (Documentary)
6:30 Lyndon's Story PG (Documentary)
7:00 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
9:30 Yeyekerte G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
11:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
12:30 2011 NSW Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
2:30 2011 NSW Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:30 2011 NSW Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
4:30 2011 NSW Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
6:00 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes PG (Documentary)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
7:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
8:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary)
9:00 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)
9:30 Moose TV PG (Drama)
10:00 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)
10:30 Crossing The Line PG (Documentary)
11:30 Boxing Day MA (Drama)

MONDAY 16TH JANUARY

1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
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10:30 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)
11:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 Crossing The Line PG (Documentary)
1:30 Moose TV PG (Drama)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 We Shall Remain PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 Tales of Oceania PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 The Last Explorer PG (Documentary)
10:30 Ravens @ Eagles PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

TUESDAY 17TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
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10:00 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
10:30 We Shall Remain PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 From Dreamtime To Now PG (Documentary)
1:30 The Last Explorer PG (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Strong Men of Ngulu PG (Documentary)
8:00 Rural Health Education Foundation PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
9:30 Opinion Piece Wave Hill - Constitutional Reform NC (Current Affairs)
10:30 Message Stick PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

WEDNESDAY 18TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
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6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Muddy Waters PG (Documentary)
8:30 Embedded With PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 88.9 Radio Redfern PG (Documentary)
10:30 Small Island Big Fist PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

THURSDAY 19TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
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10:30 Small Island Big Fist PG (Documentary)
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12:30 Embedded With PG (Documentary Series)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Barefoot Summer Series NC (Sport)
8:00 Rodeo: Life on the Circuit PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 Pursuing the Flame PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (Documentary)
10:30 Wind PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

FRIDAY 20TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
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9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
10:30 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (Documentary)
11:00 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (Documentary)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 Barefoot Summer Series NC (Sport)
1:00 Pursuing the Flame PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Rodeo: Life on the Circuit PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Grounded G (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 My Bush Tukka Adventures PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Pacifica - South Seas Tales PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Desert Heart PG (Documentary)
9:30 Mr Patterns PG (Documentary)
10:30 Lyndon's Story PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

SATURDAY 21ST JANUARY

12:00 Volumz 2 PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Letter Box G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
8:00 Bizou G (Kids)
8:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
9:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
9:30 Yeyekerte G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Documentary)
11:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
12:30 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
1:30 4 Wheel Dreaming PG (Documentary Series)
3:00 Rural Health Education Foundation PG (Documentary Series)
4:00 Vote YES for Aborigines PG (Documentary)
5:00 Tales of Oceania PG (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
6:00 88.9 Radio Redfern PG (Documentary)
7:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
7:30 Emily in Japan PG (Documentary)
9:00 Blood Brothers PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Intervention PG (Documentary)
10:30 Edge of America PG (Drama)

SUNDAY 22ND JANUARY

12:00 Volumz 2 PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (Doc)
7:00 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
9:30 Yeyekerte G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Documentary)
11:30 Living Strong PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
12:30 2011 NSW Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
6:00 Up In The Sky PG (Documentary)
6:30 The Last Yolk in Saami Forest PG (Doc)
7:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
8:30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Documentary)
9:00 Lore Poles PG (Documentary)
9:30 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)
10:00 A Thousand Suns PG (Documentary)
10:30 Big Girls Don't Cry PG (Documentary)
11:00 Destiny In Alice PG (Documentary)
11:30 The Fringe Dwellers M (Drama)

MONDAY 23RD JANUARY

1:30 Up In The Sky PG (Documentary)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
8:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
10:30 Thanks For All The Fish PG (Documentary)
11:00 The Last Yolk in Saami Forest PG (Documentary)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
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5:00 Grounded PG (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 We Shall Remain PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 Tales of Oceania PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Henare O'Keefe PG (Documentary)
10:30 Ravens @ Eagles PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Culture Warriors PG (Documentary Series)

TUESDAY 24TH JANUARY

12:00 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
1:00 InTune 09 PG (Entertainment)
2:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Documentary Series)
6:00 Letter Box G (Kids)
6:30 Yaarnz 4 G (Documentary)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
8:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
10:30 We Shall Remain PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
12:30 Cookin' at Jacko's PG (Lifestyle)
1:00 Cookin' at Jacko's PG (Lifestyle)
1:30 Henare O'Keefe PG (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
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6:00 Kai Ora PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 The Dreaming G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Intervention PG (Documentary)
8:00 Rural Health Education Foundation PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
9:30 Opinion Piece Wave Hill Home NC (Current Affairs)
10:30 Message Stick PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Night Cries: A Rural Tragedy M (Documentary)





Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship 2012

For the assistance and encouragement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders studying for a medical degree at an Australian University.

Applications are now sought for the Australian Medical Association (AMA) Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship for 2012. Applicants must be people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background.

To be eligible to apply, applicants must be currently enrolled full time at an Australian Medical School and in at least their first year of medicine. Preference will be given to applicants who do not already hold any other substantial scholarship.

The scholarship will be awarded on the recommendation of an advisory committee appointed by the AMA. The value of any scholarship given in 2012 will be \$9,000 per annum.

The scholarship will be awarded for a full course of study, subject to review at the end of each year.

Applications close Tuesday 31 January 2012.

To receive further information and an application package, please contact Dr Maurice Rickard, Manager Public Health, AMA on 02 6270 5449 or by e-mail mrickard@ama.com.au. An application package can also be downloaded from the AMA website www.ama.com.au

The Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship Trust Fund has been established with a contribution from the Australian Government. The Trust Fund is administered by the Australian Medical Association.

The Australian Medical Association would also like to acknowledge the Reuben Peleman Benevolent Foundation for its support of the Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship.



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New Memberships

Muurrbay Aboriginal Language & Culture Cooperative P/L is advertising for new memberships. Membership will cost \$5.00 per year. Forms are available at 14 Bellwood Road Nambucca Heads or contact Pauline Hooler on 0265 694 294, email muurrbay@westnet.com.au

"Expression of Interest"

Muurrbay is up for re-elections for 3 new Directors. A special general meeting will be held on 11th January 2012, 11.00am. If you would like to become a Director on the Muurrbay Board you will need to write an Expression of Interest and mail it to us. The letter will need to be in our office by Close of Business Monday 9th January 2012.

Criteria for Directors are:

1. To be of Aboriginal descent.
2. To be eighteen years of age or over.
3. Genuine interest in revival & maintenance of Aboriginal languages.
4. To be an active member of the Cooperative.
5. Police check required

Notice Under Section 145 of the Co-Operatives Act 1992.

The directors of the Muurrbay Aboriginal Language and Culture Co-Operative Ltd have determined to hold a meeting on 11am 11/01/2012 for the members of the co-operative to consider, and if thought fit, pass a special resolution for each of the following:

1. Amend its rules for the purpose of harmonisation with current best practice and legislative reform.
2. Amend its rules for the purpose of converting from a co-operative with share capital to a co-operative without share capital and the paid up share capital of the co-operative be repaid to members.

The rules proposed for the co-operative are available for inspection at 14 Bellwood Road Nambucca Heads NSW 2448 during normal business hours. Any person, including creditors, who wish to object to the transfer to a co-operative without share capital should lodge the objection in writing before 11am 11/01/2012 to:

The Registrar
Registry of Co-operatives & Associations
154 Russell St (PO Box 22) Bathurst NSW 2795



Members of the Elders committee, from left, Dorothy Kemp, John Waterton, Donna Swain, Diane Evans, Janelle Evans and Anthony 'Big Uncle' Henry and, inset, Wayne Bodge Barnham.

Strategy in place as Woorabinda rebuilds

By CHRISTINE HOWES



THERE was more to Woorabinda's Christmas party last year than showcasing and celebrating the local talent.

It was also a way of rebuilding and tying in with cultural re-generation in the central Queensland community.

Anthony 'Big Uncle' Henry said

one of the most important projects on the community at present was the development of a LOTE (Language Other Than English) course in the community's primary school.

It was, he said, all part of a strategy.

"We're trying to link in what we do with the concert and the choir, we have to start singing again, and it's about acknowledging what cultural knowledge we've lost and

trying to attain stuff so we can build our cultural base again," he said.

Mr Henry said local people had to empower themselves and learn skills to make them stronger.

He said one of the major focuses needed to be language.

To that end, a framework based on an education literacy strategy was being put into place to teach language in their primary school.

A small committee of Elders is supporting the project.

Report finds frustration



A REPORT commissioned by the GenerationOne organisation and released

late last month has found that Indigenous job-seekers are frustrated and feel stuck in a training cycle that makes no link to a job or career.

Walk In My Shoes reports on the views of Indigenous employees and their experience in the workplace in a select group of industries as well as the employers' experience when it comes to recruitment, running successful Indigenous employment programs that work and the retention of Indigenous workers.

GenerationOne spokesperson Tania Major says that job and career directed training is essential.



TANIA MAJOR

"This is where the real employment outcomes are going to take place," she said.

"We need to look at the type of jobs available and the different industries these jobs operate in so people can step

into the roles with training that prepares them for that job."

The report states employers have consistently reported that the main barrier to marginalised Indigenous people entering the workforce is not their skill level or their experience, but their level of work-readiness.

Retention of Indigenous employees is also crucial to the success of Indigenous employment programs, according to the report.

Ensuring that everyone in a company understands the program and goals from the CEO to the shop floor is also critical, and combining that with the view all employees will have the same expectations reinforces the environment for success.

The report is available at www.generationone.org.au

Fellowship to study in New York



THE Aurora Project is accepting applications for a new post-

graduate fellowship to study at the prestigious New York University (NYU) in the United States. The Lisa Fox Indigenous Fellowship is tenable for up to four years and covers course fees, travel and an annual stipend of US\$30,000 for accommodation and living expenses.

Applicants can apply for study in the areas of arts, business, cinema studies, education, film, interactive telecommunications, musical theatre, writing, nursing, performance studies and science within NYU faculties.

Applications close on 27 January.

Contact scholarships@auroraproject.com.au for more details.

Woodford Folk Festival, featuring The Dreaming



'The Dream Team' – volunteers working in the Elders' Tent – from left, Sky Anderson, Karen Gane, Di Mills, Terry Fitzgerald, Dawn Daylight and Barbara de Freitas.



Uncle Evan Blackman with Dreaming program director Sam Cook getting ready to watch the Dreaming All Stars in action.

Solo Dreaming hope for 2013

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



IT is hoped The Dreaming festival will return as a stand-alone event in 2013, after being incorporated into the larger Woodford Folk Festival in 2011.

But Woodford festival director Bill Hauritz said there were no promises at this stage.

The Dreaming did not run over the long weekend in June (as it has in previous years) after extreme weather associated with the Queensland floods last summer caused about \$2 million in damage to the festival site.

With the Qld Queen's Birthday long weekend moving to October, the planned date for the 2013 Dreaming is the Labour Day long weekend in May.

Dreaming program director Sam Cook said it had not yet been determined whether The Dreaming would run alongside the Woodford Folk Festival again in 12 months, but there would definitely be an Indigenous element at Woodford, 'because there always is'.

"We've got an amazing array of options," she said. "Some involve taking The Dreaming overseas in 2012. We're weighing everything up at the moment."

Ms Cook said there was a real sense of The Dreaming 'holding its own' within the Woodford Folk Festival.

"This was borne out by how well our (Dreaming) venues were received," she said. "On New Year's Eve it was insane. We had people over-flowing from The Dreaming precinct. It was amazingly, wonderfully over-subscribed."

"You can never please everyone, but from what people were saying, there wasn't a sense of loss. There was a real sense of pride and ownership. It became a bit of a teaser of what The Dreaming is (for those who haven't previously attended)."

Ms Cook said earlier controversy



The Gubbi Gubbi Dancers were among the performers at Woodford.

surrounding energy company Santos' sponsorship of The Dreaming hadn't impacted on attendance levels, which was 'nice to see'. She said the issue had been discussed at a forum on the first night of the festival.

Jinibara custodian Uncle Noel Blair said this year's festival offered an opportunity to do more than in the past, including giving away 200 sets of clapsticks to be used at the opening ceremony. He said that when they invited people to come and learn a welcome song in language, to be performed at the opening, they expected about 200 people. Instead, 500 people showed up.

"Woodford helps to promote Aboriginal culture, arts and dance. There's nowhere in south-east Queensland like it," he said. "It's like in the old days when people got together for corroborees. This one for me was quite emotional..."

"We can set an example ... how to live in peace and harmony, because it's just magic. The feeling is just awesome."

"We have Indigenous people from all over the world, and then when you combine our people coming from the homelands from all over Australia, no words can describe it."

"It's a sacred place to all of us. Everybody who comes makes it what it is."



Mark Sheppard performed his one-man show *Chasing the Lollyman* at The Dreaming.



Elder Uncle Herb Wharton with founding artistic director of The Dreaming Rhoda Roberts.



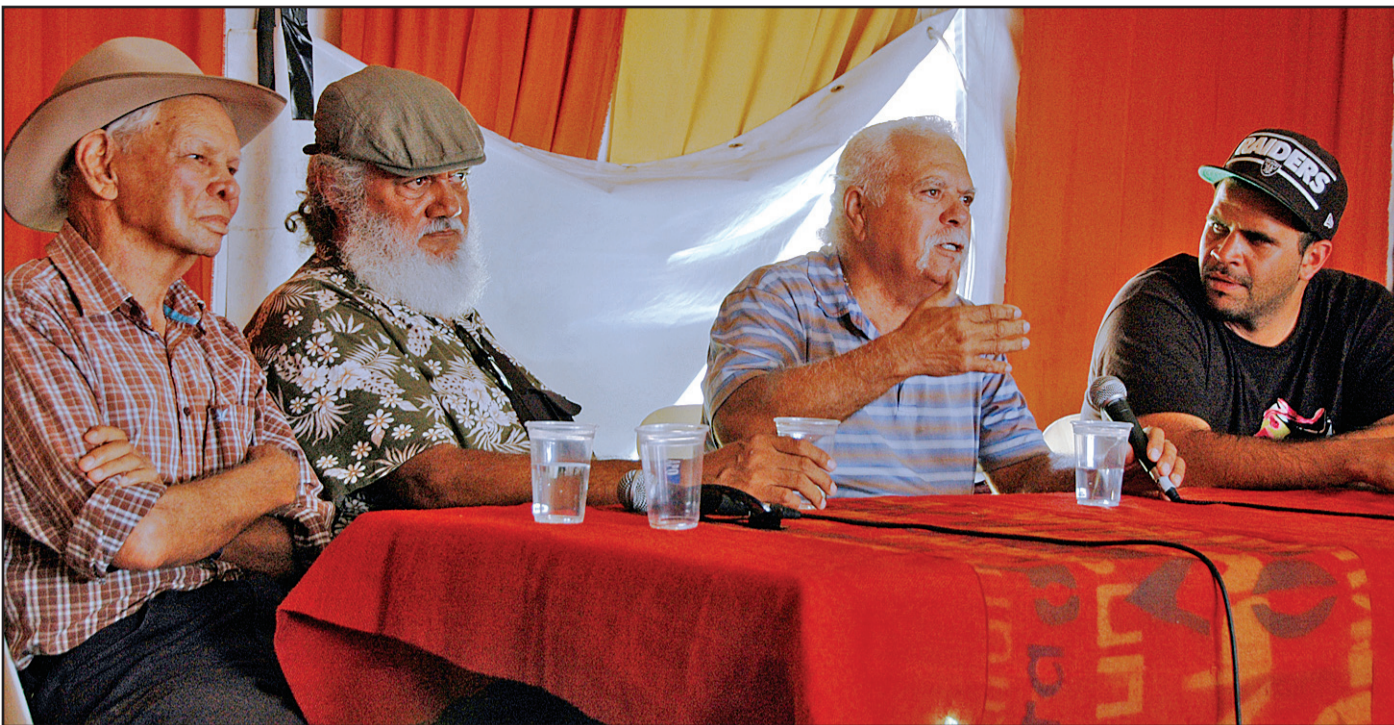
Dubbed 'the Aboriginal Tom Waits', Pitjantjatjara musician Frank Yamma had the crowd enthralled when he took to the alterNATIVE stage.

● More photos from Woodford and The Dreaming on the next two pages

Woodford Folk Festival, featuring The Dreaming



Candy Bowers, left, performed her show *Who's that Chik?* at The Dreaming and is seen here with her sister and the show's musical director Kim Bowers (aka Busty Beatz).



Binibara custodian Uncle Noel Blair, second from right, is joined by Elders Uncle Herb Wharton, far left, and Michael Williams during the 'Talkin' About Our Generation' forum at the Dingo Café. Representing Generation Y on the panel was Larrakia beatmaker/DJ/musician Jimblah. All photos by RACHEL SCOLLAY



Noel Blair Jr getting painted up with the help of Rocky Conlon ready to perform with the Gubbi Gubbi Dancers on the last day of the festival.



Enjoying country rock veterans the Tableland Drifters at the alterNATIVE stage were from left, Tanisha Vincent, 10, Alison Ross and Aaron Ross, 9, from Tara in Central Australia.



AlterNATIVE stage manager Darren Blackman works on the blackboard.



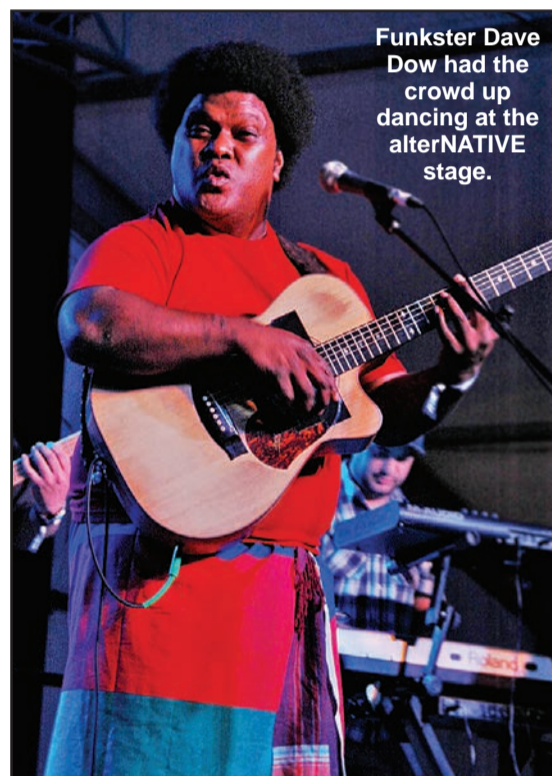
Part of the Dreaming All Stars cheer squad, from left, Madison Prince, Keely Eggmolesse and Janis Monture.



Anita and Owen Weazel, from Wondai, relaxing in the Elders' Tent.



Dreaming All Stars cricketers Shawn Johnston and Fred Leone before the game with the PM's XI.



Funkster Dave Dow had the crowd up dancing at the alterNATIVE stage.



A performer from the west African Asanti Dance Theatre drumming up a storm on the alterNATIVE stage.

Woodford Folk Festival, featuring The Dreaming



Ernie Dingo, left, captained the Dreaming All Stars Numba Lebbon cricket team, while Daniel Joyce captained the Prime Minister's XI in the Battle for the (H)Ashes which was played on the Woodford Village Green on 30 December. Uncle Noel Blair, right, was also a member of the All Stars team, which ultimately triumphed 84-80.



First Nations volunteers Bella Hartnell and Lisa Blackman taking a break and enjoying the music at the alterNATIVE stage.



Up and coming Yolngu singer Gambirra performing on the alterNATIVE stage.



Beau Dean Smith and Melinda Tyquin performing in Vicki Van Hout's work *Briwyant*, featured at The Dreaming.



Wiradjuri artist De Greer-Yindimincarlie with some of her artwork at the Dreaming Gallery.



Aunty Bakoi Boulton conducted workshops at the Dreaming Gallery, sharing her knowledge of Murray Island coconut weaving techniques.



Simangavole performed the traditional Maloya rhythm – the music of the slaves of Reunion Island – and had the crowd up dancing in the BLAKdramatics tent.



Sam Thompson, 8, painted up and ready to perform with the Gubbi Gubbi Dancers on the final day of the festival, seen here with his dad David A Thompson.

Scholarships for personal trainers



THE Australian Institute of Personal Trainers is offering two scholarships in its Certificate III and IV in Fitness

courses to Indigenous people. The course aims to provide scholarship recipients with a qualification, a sustainable career and an employment opportunity.

Australian Institute of Personal Trainers CEO Kylie Fahey said the scholarship initiative had two primary objectives.

"Firstly, breaking the cycle of

poverty for the recipient and allowing them to join a profession that offers help, inspiration and manifests changes in their clients," she said.

"And secondly, potentially addressing the chronic disease afflicting Indigenous communities if the recipients return to their communities and implement their learning from our course."

Each scholarship is valued at \$5000 and the institute says it will provide tuition, course materials and continued student support to assist the scholarship winners.

The institute says its courses are created in collaboration with personal trainers and fitness centre owners who have identified what they look for in employees, providing students with all the knowledge and skills needed.

"Our goal is to increase the number of scholarship positions we can provide on an annual basis," Ms Fahey said.

Applications for the Australian Institute of Personal Trainers' scholarships close on 20 January. For information call 1300 13 84 34 or visit www.aipt.com.au

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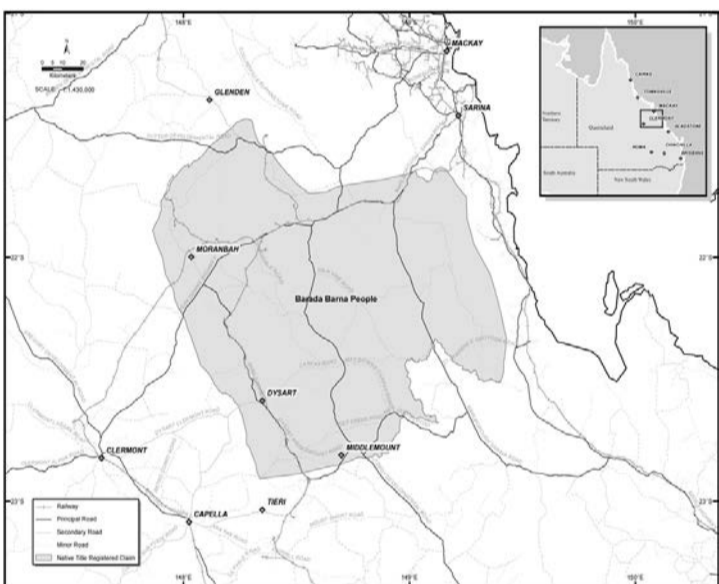
The ILUA Area is located entirely within the outer boundaries of the Native Title Determination Application QUD380/08 (Barada Barna People) (Barada Barna Claim) area. No part of the ILUA Area is within any other claim area. Separate indigenous land use agreements may be developed for other parts of the proposed QGC Gas Project.

The Barada Barna People are described in the Barada Barna Claim as the descendants of the following Barada Barna apical ancestors:

Bob Lotus
Lizzy Payne
Daisy (wife of Booyah McDonald)
Maggie (wife of Toby Parker & Peter Darwin and Michael Angus)
"Polly" Mary (wife of Robert Noble & Bert Fox)
Robert Noble
Lizzie (wife of Paddy Flynn)
Polly (wife of Thomas Mitchell)
Lucy Ross

Persons who consider they are Barada Barna People are invited to contact Graham Budby on 07 4959 8822.

Any person who otherwise holds or may hold native title in the ILUA Area is invited to contact Christine Delaforce of QGC on 07 3024 7699.



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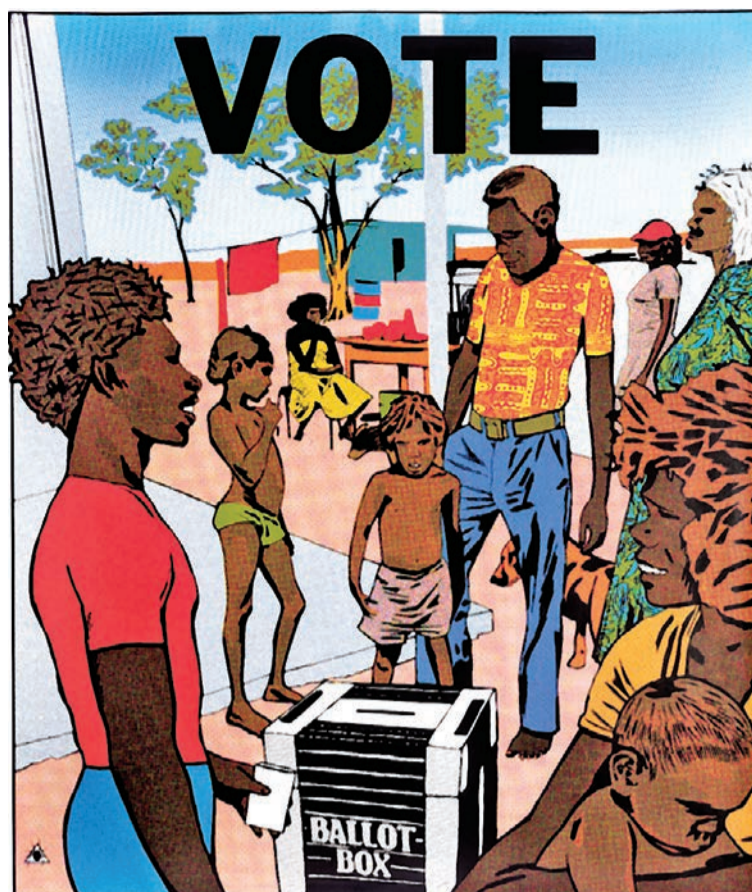
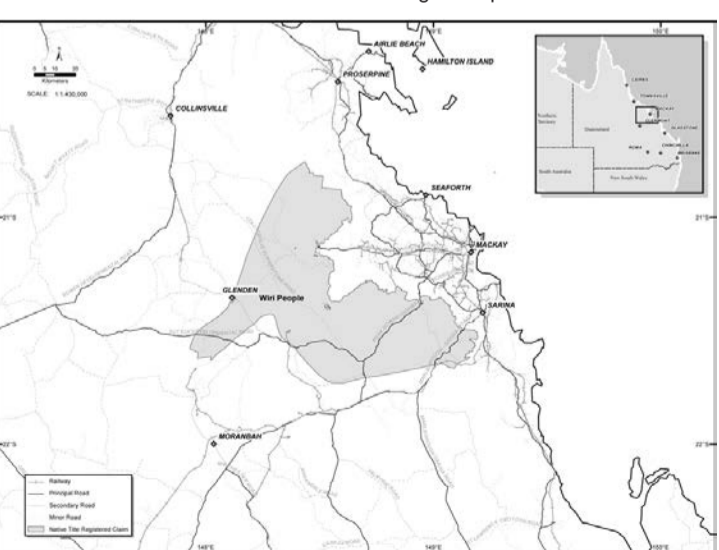
The ILUA Area is located entirely within the outer boundaries of the Native Title Determination Application QUD372/06 (Wiri People) (Wiri Claim) area. No part of the ILUA Area is within any other claim area. Separate indigenous land use agreements may be developed for other parts of the proposed QGC Gas Project.

The Wiri People are described in the Wiri Claim as the descendants of the following Wiri apical ancestors:

Albert Butterworth
Jinny Clark
Nellie Emmerson
Mary Johnson
Jerry & Janie, parents of Booyah McDonald
Flora Reed
Roger of Nebo
Sarah Sauney
Sophie Skeen
Donald Tears
Dick of Nebo, father of Sam Murray & Jessie
Billy & Molly, parents of Jessie Cotherstone & Billy Sullivan
Harry, father of Flora Doyle & Lilly
King & Meg King
Ida Hess
Maggie Barker.

Persons who consider they are Wiri People are invited to contact Mihi Piripi on 07 4617 8777.

Any person who otherwise holds or may hold native title in the ILUA Area is invited to contact Christine Delaforce of QGC on 07 3024 7699.



The poster which encourages the Indigenous community to vote designed by Marie McMahon.

Classic posters encourage our people to vote

By TRACI WILLIAMS



THE Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) has released a classic poster series encouraging

Indigenous people to participate in the electoral process.

The posters, released in the lead up to the 50th anniversary of Indigenous people winning the right to vote, were designed in the late 1980s in consultation with remote area communities to encourage Indigenous citizens to become actively involved in the electoral process and to exercise their right to vote.

"The posters were a successful new approach at the time and remain popular because they came from the communities concerned rather than being the creation of outside 'experts'," AEC national manager of the Indigenous Electoral Participation Program (IEPP) Bob Eckhardt said.

The three posters were designed by Indigenous designers from the Sydney-based studio Redback Graphix. Two – 'Vote'

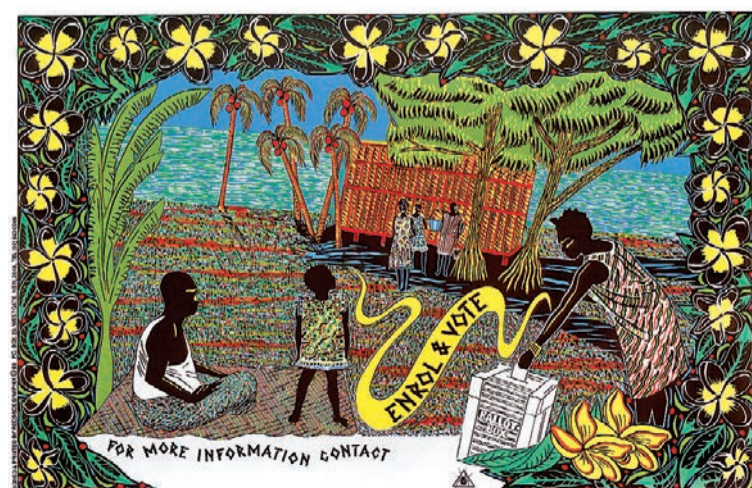
and 'Enrol to Vote', along with a Torres Strait Island version – were the work of Marie McMahon, while Steven Lees designed 'Enrol to Vote in the Federal Election'.

Mr Eckhardt told the *Koori Mail* that information available to the AEC suggested less than 50 per cent of eligible Indigenous electors were enrolled to vote. Of those who are enrolled, fewer than 50 per cent turn up to vote and those who do vote are three times more likely to vote informally than other voters.

Priority

"Encouraging Indigenous Australians to participate in the electoral process is a continuing priority but is particularly important now as Australia considers amendments to the Constitution to recognise Indigenous Australians," he said.

The posters are being distributed by the IEPP, which includes a national face-to-face education program by 25 field staff, 17 of whom are Indigenous. Their aim is to create awareness of electoral issues and work on building relationships with Indigenous communities.



The Torres Strait Island version of the poster, by Marie McMahon.

Full program for Taree fest



ORGANISERS of the 2012 Saltwater Freshwater Festival on 26 January at Queen Elizabeth Park, Taree on the NSW mid north coast, say it's much more than just a music festival.

While boasting a musical line-up, which includes Microwave Jenny, The Black Turtles, Stiff Gins and Casey Donovan, festival producer Sharna St Leon says it also offers the chance to discover Aboriginal culture, art, dance and food in an inclusive family environment.

Workshops being held on the day include language, design, dance, didgeridoo and aerosol art.

Festival-goers can also learn traditional weaving techniques from senior weavers from the Boolarng Nangamai group.

Birrby man and Gathang language teacher Jeremy Saunders says the language workshop offers the chance for people to learn more about Aboriginal culture.

Workshops

"Gathang is the language of this land," he said. "It has been spoken in this area for thousands of years."

The Yilli Design workshop will allow people to design a motif which will then be printed onto a calico bag or decorative banners that will be hung

progressively during the day.

After each of their performances at the Dancestry grounds, NAISDA graduates will also host 20-minute dance workshops, while didgeridoo player and Gangga Marrang dancer Adam Russell will share the sounds and techniques of the didgeridoo with men of all ages.

Ash Johnston will be working with teens to create a graffiti mural and, for the first time, the ABC Open DreamBox will provide a place for Indigenous people to share their dreams in words and photos.

For more details, go to www.saltwaterfreshwaterfestival.com.au



Mentors on the project, artist John Gurri Kelly, left, and Aboriginal education officer Jack Griffin with one of the canoes.

Kempsey students to set sail in traditional canoes



ABORIGINAL students from Kempsey High School have been building traditional canoes which will take to the water at the 2012 Saltwater Freshwater Festival in Taree on 26 January.

Award-winning artist and mentor on the project John Kelly said canoes were used in traditional society in a range of ways.

"This will be the first traditional dugout canoe made in Kempsey in 50 years and before that, it was 100 years," he said.

"Educating our young men in the ways of their ancestors will make them proud and ensure the generations that went before live on today."

The project started in October with the aim of involving Aboriginal students in building traditional canoes from contemporary materials.

Fourteen young male students have been creating three different styles of watercraft that represent the history of the local Dughutti people.

The boys have been building the traditional dugout canoe from a local camphor laurel tree and will be going

away to a camp this month with Mr Kelly where they will learn stories, dances and traditional methods for making a bark canoe.

The students have also been working on building corrugated tin canoes, which represent the time in the late 1960s and 1970s when Aboriginal people were not allowed to make their traditional canoes and had to use whatever contemporary materials were available to continue with their craft.

The Saltwater Freshwater Canoes project is a collaboration between the Saltwater Freshwater Arts

Alliance, Mission Australia, Dughutti Youth and Culture and Kempsey High School funded through the Federal Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Dughutti Youth and Culture Aboriginal Corporation chairperson Darrel Donovan said the project was important, as a major objective of the corporation was to develop mentoring and leadership skills in youth and improve youth attendance and retention at school.

Shelter wins funding to help Alice women



THE Alice Springs Women's Shelter has received funding aimed at promoting better relationships and reducing violence against local women.

A total of \$125,000 has been allocated for the shelter under the Government's National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children.

The shelter will use the funding for a new campaign called 16 Days, featuring 16 different events to raise awareness of women's issues.

The campaign is designed to act as a forum to discuss primary prevention of domestic violence against all women in the community.

Cawarra Corporation wins Trust backing



CAWARRA Aboriginal Women's Corporation in Western Sydney is set to improve its services as a result of funding by the LUCRF Trust. Operating for more than 30

years, Cawarra provides a supported safe haven and home for Aboriginal women and children escaping domestic violence, life crises and homelessness.

The funding has come at a critical time for Cawarra after failed negotiations with the NSW Government.

"I am overwhelmed by the support of ordinary Australians through the LUCRF Trust and thank them for having faith in our organisation to continue the vital services that Cawarra have been doing for over 30 years," Cawarra board member Joanne Delaney said.

Program to help the jobless get energised



INDIGENOUS people in south-east Queensland are set to get new employment and training opportunities in the electrical trades under the Federal Government's Indigenous Employment Program.

Minister for Indigenous Employment Julie Collins said the Get Energised with Sovereign project would work with 10 job-seekers to provide pre-employment training and support to connect with work opportunities.

"The project will provide the job-seekers with pre-employment training, full-time employment and post-employment mentoring through IEP panel member Jim Ralph Employment Consultancy," she said.

"Pre-employment support will include activities to improve job-seekers' confidence and motivation before starting work with Sovereign Energy and other employers."

Funding goes to TSI's Mura Kosker Sorority



THURSDAY ISLAND-based Mura Kosker Sorority Inc will receive \$1.46 million over three years to help Torres Strait families dealing with domestic and family violence.

Mura Kosker Sorority offers counselling and education services to families across the Torres Strait.

Local MP Jason O'Brien said the funding, from the Queensland Government, would help with the appointment of counsellors to work with local families.

Call to have a say on intellectual property



IP AUSTRALIA, the Federal Government body which administers legislation governing Intellectual Property rights, is calling on the Australian community to take part in the Indigenous Knowledge Consultation.

IP Australia is seeking community views about how Indigenous knowledge can work with the intellectual property (IP) system.

For more information on the consultation and to have a say before the closing date of 31 May, visit www.ipaustralia.gov.au

Changes to authority structures supported



CHANGES to Torres Strait Regional Authority governance structures have won Commonwealth backing. Under the changes, recommended in a recent review, there will be new rules restricting eligibility to stand as a TSRA candidate or to vote in an election.

The timing of elections, until now tied with Queensland local government polls, will also be changed, with Torres Strait council elections on 31 March this year and TSRA Board elections in September.

TSRA chairperson John (Toshie) Kris says election changes had been planned for 2016.

"But with the recent resurgence in the Torres Strait autonomy movement and after negotiation with the Minister's office, we have concluded that we are ready for change now," he said.

The term of appointment for TSRA board members will also change from three to four years.

AHO manager proves to be an inspiration



ABORIGINAL Housing Office regional manager (Western NSW) Laurinne Campbell has been awarded the Inspirational Colleague Award for Professional Excellence in Housing at the Australasian Housing Institute Awards.

The awards recognise hard work and professionalism across housing in Australia and New Zealand, including social housing initiatives and projects.

They provide an opportunity to showcase social housing success stories and formally recognise and reward excellence in professional practice and they promote the difference that social housing professionals make to people's lives to the wider community.

Ms Campbell and her team are based in Dubbo, and their region covers just over two-thirds of NSW.

Scheme changes to help smokers quit



SMOKERS out to quit the habit will be able to benefit from new low-strength nicotine patches now listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

Federal Health Minister Tanya Plibersek said other new listings on the PBS include drugs to provide new treatment choices for people with HIV, and patients having knee and hip replacements at risk of forming blood clots.

"The January 1 listing of two lower-strength nicotine patches is good news for smokers who are making it their new year's resolution to quit," she said.

"The new patches will help smokers by giving them further options for quitting, and will allow clinicians to tailor the way they reduce a patient's nicotine intake."

Full details of all changes to the benefits scheme are available from the PBS website www.pbs.gov.au

Judge named as NT land commissioner



A JUDGE with extensive experience in Indigenous matters has been named the new Aboriginal Land Commissioner for the Northern Territory.

Justice John Mansfield will be responsible for several important functions associated with the operation of the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*, including the conduct of any formal inquiries into Aboriginal land claims.

He has wide experience in Aboriginal land matters in the Northern Territory, particularly through his work hearing native title applications under the *Native Title Act 1993*.

Justice Mansfield, appointed to the Federal Court of Australia in 1996, replaces Justice Howard Olney, who will finish his term at the end of this year.

Justice Mansfield has been appointed until June 2013.



Black Santa proves popular



BLACK SANTA (above) proved popular at a special community Christmas party in Bankstown, western Sydney, last month.

More than 160 people, including 100 kids, turned out on the grounds

of the Revesby Uniting Church for the party, organised by the Bankstown Community Resource Group.

Participants enjoyed a hot lunch and other activities on the day included a jumping castle, mobile play centre, face painting, a reptile

display and shows by local Aboriginal performer Mark Saunders.

Organiser Anna Certoma welcomed the turn-out – twice the previous year – and thanked Bankstown City Council for its financial backing.

Project to keep languages safe

By TRACI WILLIAMS



BY this time next year, literature in 16 Aboriginal languages from the Northern Territory should be preserved in a digital archive of Australian Indigenous languages

being created by Charles Darwin University. The university's Professor Michael Christie and Associate Professor Brian Devlin will work with Aboriginal communities where the languages are spoken, enabling researchers to study texts and related audio-visual files as well as the Indigenous knowledge authorities for the languages.

"We've been working for a long time to keep books safe," said Prof Christie, who has more than 30 years' experience in working with Indigenous Elders and communities to preserve Indigenous culture, heritage and knowledge.

He says there are about 4000 different known titles from the period 1973 to 2000 produced in language by



A Kriol book by Annette Murray, Barunga Press, 1993 which is an example of the type of book that the project will digitise.

Aboriginal people with staff in school bilingual education programs across the Northern Territory.

Many were senior people interested in bilingual education because it would

allow their children to learn traditional as well as mainstream knowledge.

Prof Christie says that the books' provenance as school-generated products often meant they weren't recognised as intellectual achievements and so were not locally archived.

"With this project when we find the books we can digitise them and then take the digital versions back to the communities, talk to the owners of the languages and see if they are happy for the books to be made public, and if they perhaps want audio recordings to be made of the books," he said.

The project involves Aboriginal language workers from remote communities, linguists and university staff. The team will be guided by what the Indigenous owners of the languages want to do with the material.

Prof Christie says the languages of about 16 NT communities are the focus of the project.

The project was made possible by a recent grant from the Australian Research Council.



From left, Debbie Reichelt from the Murray Mallee Community Health Service or MMCHS (Murray Bridge), Warwick Wallace from SAHS, Simone Conboy and Jamie Smith from MMCHS, and Kelvin Maher and Rebecca Shaw from SAHS.

New tools to target smokes

By KIRSTIE PARKER



BEN DEPOMA is adamant. The factors affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's health and life expectancy may be many and complex but one thing is simple. "To close the gap, we have to stop smoking," says the 43-year-old Cairns-based father and grandfather, originally from the Torres Strait.

As a tobacco action worker at Wuchopperen Health Service in Cairns – and a reformed smoker – Mr Depoma is part of a growing 'army' of dedicated health workers tackling the Indigenous smoking epidemic in culturally appropriate ways.

It is estimated that about 50 per cent of Indigenous adults smoke compared with 20 per cent of the rest of the population, and one in five deaths among Indigenous Australians is caused by smoking.

Led and mentored by National Coordinator for Tackling Indigenous Smoking Tom Calma, close to 200 tobacco co-ordinators, tobacco action

workers, and healthy lifestyle workers are being deployed in 57 regions to significantly reduce Indigenous smoking rates – either by supporting smokers to quit or by encouraging people not to take up the lethal habit in the first place.

At a workshop last month in Canberra, the anti-tobacco workforce was given several new tools: a guide about Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) and another to encourage communities to develop their own healthy lifestyle activities to

combat chronic disease.

Launching the new resources, Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said that if the percentage of Indigenous people who smoked dropped to the non-Indigenous rate of about 19 per cent, 420 Indigenous lives would be saved each year.

It was a compelling statement and one that Mr Depoma – who quit more than a decade ago, after smoking consistently for about 13 years – could relate to.

"Now that I don't smoke, I think more clearly and I actually see more clearly," he told the *Koori Mail*. "I can do more physical things without puffing. After I quit, I got into exercise, things like running and weight lifting."

"The bottom line is that, if you want to be around for your family, you can't smoke. I have a grandson – he's one – and I want to be with him when he gets to his teens. I want to see him and my kids grow up."

"It's really important to have a smoke-free home and smoke free cars. When someone has passive smoking, it's more dangerous than for the smoker. Think about it... when a smoker inhales, it is usually through a filter. With passive smoking, it just goes straight down."

"If parents smoke, the kids see them do it and a lot of them will do it when they grow up."

"Our first message has to be 'don't start smoking'. And, if you already do smoke, think about the dangers and the effects of smoking. It affects whole families."

The Commonwealth says Australian governments are spending more than \$100 million over four years to reduce Indigenous smoking.



Geoff Du Toit from the Bila Muuji Smoking Cessation Project at the NSW Central West Health Service and John Bosco Odongo from Alcohol and Other Drugs Services Central Australia (Alice Springs).



Back, from left, Wayne Hippi from Carbal Medical Centre at Toowoomba (Qld), Ben Depoma from Wuchopperen Health Service at Cairns (Qld) and Katrina Millgate from Tamworth AMS in NSW. In front are Teri Joinbee, also from Wuchopperen, and Lydia Hayden from Puntukurnu Aboriginal Medical Service at Newman (WA).



Clyde Rigney, from the Murray Mallee Community Health Service (Murray Bridge, SA), Nathan Rigney, from Southern Adelaide Health Service (SAHS), and Damien Shen, from Drug and Alcohol Services SA.

New Govt ministers in portfolio reshuffle



AUSTRALIA has a new Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development following a portfolio reshuffle last month.

Julie Collins has taken on the job, replacing Mark Arbib who was promoted to Cabinet.

In other changes, Nicola Roxon replaced Robert McClelland as Attorney-General, while Tanya Plibersek became Health Minister.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon retained their portfolios.

Organisations including the The Australian Employment Covenant, GenerationOne and the Native Title Council welcomed the changes.

Hawkesbury service offers social support



A NSW social support service has been set up for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Hawkesbury and Riverstone areas of NSW. Run through Merana

Aboriginal Community Association for the Hawkesbury, the service offers support to people aged 50 and over and their carers.

It aims to help people stay living at home and maintain their contacts and connections with their community.

Merana social support worker Wayne Phillips said the service could help Indigenous people go shopping, attend appointments and participate in community and cultural events.

For details, call (02) 4588 5144.

Graduates the first in Vic heritage program



SEVENTEEN Aboriginal people have graduated at La Trobe University's Bundoora Campus with the Certificate IV in Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Management – the first graduates of the Australian Cultural Heritage Management Program (ACHMP). The program was developed to facilitate an expanded role for Aboriginal people in Victoria under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*, particularly with regard to cultural heritage management planning, and in recognition of the small number of qualified Aboriginal people in the industry.

The course provides archaeological and industry skills with the aim of increasing the number of Aboriginal people with formal qualifications in cultural heritage.

Muckaty protesters focus of exhibition



AN exhibition of photographs of Aboriginal people opposing a proposed radioactive waste dump at Muckaty in the Northern Territory will open in Sydney on 17 January.

The exhibition, supported by Amnesty International, features photographs by Jagath Dheeraseskara, an AI human rights defender.

It will be opened by Muckaty traditional owner Penny Phillips and Indigenous academic Larissa Behrendt at the Pine Street Gallery in Sydney's Chippendale.

Photographs can be viewed on the gallery website at <http://www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/pinestreet/>

Writing competition deadline 31 January



INDIGENOUS writers have until 31 January to submit entries to the kuril dhagun Indigenous Writing Fellowship competition. Works can be from a range of genres, and selected fellows will receive \$10,000 and have their work developed by one of the two Indigenous trainee editors as part of State Library of Queensland's black&write! Indigenous Writing and Editing Project.

For more information visit www.slq.qld.gov.au/comps



At the graduation, standing from left, Police Minister Michael Gallacher, Sgt Jacob Reeves, IPROWD course co-ordinator Bernadette Brown, Kurt Devetak, Daniel Harrison, Scott Farrand, Jamie Merz, Elizabeth Van Amelsvoord, Merinda Simpson, Adam King, Robert Richards, Michael Peiti, DEC representative Pam Christie, Supt Luke Freudenstein, Mitchell Chapman and DEEWR's Janine Pitt and, seated from left, Ashlee Heard, Tiarne Northey, Kelly Rodgers, Melena Coppini, Emma Johnson and Elizabeth Slater.

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Conducted in partnership with the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations; Nursing cadets will also receive the following benefits during the program:

- A study allowance during university semesters of approximately \$600 each fortnight (based on a 20 week student semester)
- A book and equipment allowance of \$500 each semester
- Minimum of 12 weeks or 60 days employment each year. St Vincent's Private has an attractive pay scale for Assistants in Nursing.
- Cadets will be allocated a St Vincent's Private Hospital nursing mentor
- The experience of working at a leading private and Magnet accredited hospital
- We are currently involved in the Reconciliation Action Plan
- We have a competency based new graduate program. On completion of your degree we will encourage you to apply for our program or programs conducted at other hospitals.

In order to be eligible for the cadetship at St Vincent's Private you need to:

- Be enrolled in a Bachelor of Nursing by full time studies (as your first undergraduate degree). Preferably this should be Sydney based to facilitate work arrangements.
- Identify as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander; and be accepted as such by the community in which you live, or have lived; and be of Australian Aboriginal descent; or of Torres Strait Islander descent; or both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent.
- Have excellent communication and team work skills

For further information, please contact our Nursing Educator: Natasha Franklin, Phone (02) 8382 6452.

Application Instructions: Applicants are requested to apply online www.careersatvmhs.com.au

Applications Close: 27/01/2012 5:00 PM

Please address your application to: Sarah Coleman, St Vincent's Private Hospital.

Graduates closer to police careers



SIXTEEN NSW TAFE students are a step closer to policing

careers after graduating from the Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery (IPROWD) program.

IPROWD is a joint project between TAFE NSW, NSW Police Force, Charles Sturt University and the Federal Government created to give young Indigenous people the

skills, confidence and knowledge to take positive steps in pursuing a variety of job opportunities in the NSW Police Force.

The latest graduates – the 12th group to complete the program – were recognised in a special ceremony at Eora College in Sydney.

They undertook an 18-week program giving them skills including communication, writing and presentation, workplace

ethics and responsibilities, Aboriginal studies, fitness and first-aid to meet the entry requirements of the Associate Degree in Police Practice at Charles Sturt University. There also were excursions to the Police Force College at Goulburn.

Established in 2008, 88 per cent of IPROWD students gained Certificate III qualifications and more than 60 per cent applied to join the NSW Police.

Magistrate is leading way



A GADIGAL/WIRADJURI man has been named as Australia's first Indigenous Commonwealth judicial officer. Matthew Myers, 41, graduated from the University of NSW law school in 1996, the first of his family to go to university. Since then his legal work has focused on the area of family law.

One of 89 candidates considered for appointment to the Federal Magistrates Court, Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland said: "Mr Myers brings an in-depth understanding of family law to the court. His cultural background will also make an important contribution to the diversity of the court."

Mr Myers, who was recently awarded the Law Society of NSW President's Medal, told the *Koori Mail* there was a need for more family lawyers.

"When you look at the separation rate in Australia it's very high but by sheer statistics there are a lot of Indigenous



MATTHEW MYERS

families breaking up," he said.

"It's hard for non-Indigenous people to sometimes understand the cultural issues for Indigenous families breaking up such as extended families and sometimes children aren't in nuclear families."

Mr Myers, who will be based in Newcastle, NSW, has also served his community.

"At a community level, I've done a lot of work in looking at how to involve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in family law mediation and I'm also on the steering committee

for the Central Coast Family Law Pathways Network," he said.

Mr Myers also worked with the Darkinjung Aboriginal community on the Central Coast and the Eleanor Duncan Aboriginal Health Centre.

The magistrate said he was proud to be the first Indigenous lawyer on the Federal bench.

"I was at an event which recognised (the late) Bob Bellear, an Aboriginal NSW District Court judge, and that had me questioning the lack of Indigenous representation on the bench," he said.

"Rather than do nothing about it, when expressions of interest were sought I thought I'd put my hand up."

Mr Myers says the fact he is the first to be appointed is both sad, as it's been a long time coming, but also 'amazing that it's finally happened'.

"I would like to fulfill my role as a magistrate, do my job well and be an inspiration and role model for young Indigenous people considering law as a career," he said.



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5. Proven management expertise, specifically staff, budgets and projects.
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This is a Permanent Full-Time position. Further information about this position is available online and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

For enquiries: Christine Foran (02) 8753 8607 or email: christine.foran@dhs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday, 20 January 2012

Thank you for your interest in this position. (Requisition No. 00000R29)

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There are many tributes to Darebin's Koorie connection above the ground including this art piece, *A joyful spirit: Arhonda Orestia's Dance*, in All Nations Park, Northcote.

Darebin in search of its culture

By GREG BURCHALL



DAREBIN, in Melbourne's inner-north, is one of the city's oldest,

most densely-developed areas. Victorian-era cottages, modern apartment blocks, light industry, shopping centres, a university – that's all in the city.

But Darebin also has a rich Koorie connection, and still boasts the largest proportion of Indigenous residents in suburban Melbourne (about 1.3 per cent).

These are just two of the reasons Darebin City Council has started an ambitious project to go in search of any remaining culturally significant sites in its borders.

Preliminary work on a culturally sensitive area map began in early 2008, and the council is now preparing to take it to its next, comprehensive stage.

Director of city works and development Michael Ballock said the council would engage cultural and archaeological experts, set up an advisory committee and consult formally with the local Koorie community.

The results will be submitted to its partners, the Darebin Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Council (DATSICC).

"The map is an essential part of the city's current

overall heritage study, which wouldn't be complete without it," Mr Ballock said.

"We've dropped the ball a bit on this. Among other things, there was a changeover of staff from that department, but we are committed to making this a top priority."

The plan is to survey undisturbed areas in the city and identify any with potential Aboriginal heritage significance.

The map would be used to protect such sites from high-impact development.

"We really don't know what we've got out there – maybe nothing, but maybe something pretty important," Mr Ballock said.

Obligation

Darebin's main obligation under Victoria's *Aboriginal Heritage Act* is to identify undisturbed land, particularly within 200 metres of a waterway, and investigate evidence of social, spiritual or traditional significance.

Under the Act, a potential developer who applies for a permit in a recognised culturally sensitive area must get a cultural heritage management plan before a planning permit can be granted on such a site. The plan must be approved by the local Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) before the application can be considered by the council.

Mr Ballock said 'undisturbed' is defined as that the topsoil or surface rock layer has not had significant ground disturbance from machinery, such as grading, excavating, digging or dredging.

"Potentially sensitive areas identified in Darebin include undisturbed parts of Mount Cooper, Bundoora Park, Gresswell Forest Wildlife Reserve and the grounds of La Trobe University," he said.

The Wurundjeri Tribe Land Council – the RAP that takes in Darebin – is keen to help develop the map.

Cultural heritage manager Darren Griffin said the Wurundjeri council hadn't heard anything from Darebin council, but were looking forward to the project.

"Even though there's been a fair bit of modification over the years, there's always something turning up, particularly through the Darebin and Merri creek corridors," he said.

"Archaeological evidence is strewn around and it wouldn't surprise me if there were some campsites and cooking mounds buried along there."

"Not only should a Wurundjeri be present when this work is being done, but we'd like to be involved in the whole process, being consulted when it's being put together."

PUBLIC NOTICE

MARDIGAN PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Mardigan People are currently described as the descendants of the following people:

Charlie Zouch	Henry 'Goodyene' Tilbooroo
Judie and Tinker Wells	Henry Clive (also known as Harry Clive)
Mother of Fred Collins, Jesse Dixon, Jack Dixon,	Kitty Rebel
Nancy Colin and Tom Napoleon	Mary Rebel
Paddy Murphy	Mary Ellwood and 'Beechal' Bob
Charlotte Wandilla	Alick Brown
Tommy Conbar	

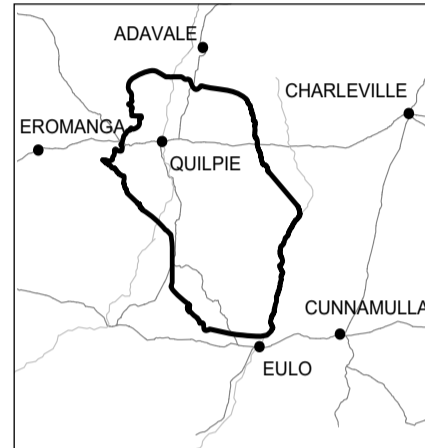
All persons who are members of the Mardigan People as described or who otherwise claim to be Mardigan People are invited to attend an Authorisation Meeting at the following time and location:

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 14 January 2012
Venue of Meeting: Shire Hall, Cunnamulla, Queensland
Time of Meeting: Registration: 9.30am
 Meeting open: 10.00am

The purpose of the Authorisation Meeting is to:

1. Provide information on claim progress;
2. Authorise new Applicant group members.

A meeting of the Mardigan Aboriginal Corporation will be held at the conclusion of the Authorisation Meeting.



Business will include:

1. The election of Directors;
2. The appointment of Corporation Bankers;
3. General Business.

All Mardigan People are invited to contact Nelson Stacey, QSNTS Community Relations Officer on 1800 663 693 not later than Friday 6 January 2012 to register their intention to attend the Authorisation Meeting. QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with travel or accommodation costs for attendance at the meeting. Lunch and morning tea will be provided.

Any enquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Nelson Stacey on 07 3224 1200 or 1800 663 693.



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INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

- Your application should include a covering letter and a current resume. All documents you attach must be MS Word compatible.
- Please note that applications for roles with the Department of Transport do not need to address the key selection criteria.
- A copy of the full job description is available from the 'File Attachment' field above.

If you require a copy of this advertisement or any attached documentation in an alternative format, please advise the contact person listed above.

For more details and to apply: www.careers.vic.gov.au

Department of Transport



Breakthrough in focus



FUNDING for emerging and experienced Indigenous filmmakers who are resident in NSW is available through Metro Screen's First Break and Indigenous Breakthrough programs, with applications closing on 20 January.

First Break provides recipients with a cash budget of \$4000 for production and crew fees and \$1000 towards production equipment and post-production facilities, as well as training and mentor support. Three of the ten places available through the First Break program are specifically reserved for applicants of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. Projects can be up to 10 minutes in length and can be drama, documentary, a series pilot, experimental or cross-platform.

Elizabeth (Goie) Wymarra is an example of a First Break success story, making her film *The Biggest Port* through the 2010 program.

The film is a comedy about two 'Murri old girls' who love nothing better than sitting on the porch to have a yarn, witnessing the drama and mayhem taking place in their community.

The Biggest Port was selected as the closing film in the 2011 Message Sticks

Indigenous Film Festival.

Wymarra, who was born on Thursday Island, but grew up in Sydney, not only wrote and directed the film, but also starred in it. She is currently making a short TV comedy series consisting of six five-minute episodes and a half-hour version through Metro Screen's 'Out There and Deadly' program. The ABC has just negotiated an acquisition deal for the program, with a working title of *Woolo 2011*, to be broadcast nationally in late 2012.

Identify

Under the Indigenous Breakthrough program, for experienced filmmakers who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, one project of up to 20 minutes in length will be funded.

The recipient will receive a cash budget of \$22,000 for production and crew fees and \$3500 towards production equipment and post-production facilities.

The applicant must have at least one produced screen credit in their respective role which has been released, broadcast or screened at a recognised film festival.

Applicants with feature film or substantial television drama experience are not eligible to apply.

For more info go to www.metroscreen.org.au



2010 First Break recipient Elizabeth (Goie) Wymarra, right, with fellow actor Paula Maling and crew, from left, director of photography Eric Murray Lui and producer Mitchell Stanley, during the filming of *The Biggest Port* which Wymarra wrote, directed and acted in.



Program Guide 2012



TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7:00	BREKKY Music, News and Interviews Brooke Boney	BREKKY Music, News and Interviews Brooke Boney	BREKKY Music, News and Interviews Brooke Boney	BREKKY Music, News and Interviews Brooke Boney	BREKKY Music, News and Interviews Brooke Boney	KOORI COUNTRY KONNECTION Country Music Show George Kookaburra & Crew	SAMOAN DREAMING Samoan Music & News Hosana & Leo
8:00							
9:00	BLACKCHAT News and Current Affairs Lola Forrester	BLACKCHAT News and Current Affairs Lola Forrester	BLACKCHAT News and Current Affairs Lola Forrester	BLACKCHAT News and Current Affairs Lola Forrester	BLACKCHAT News and Current Affairs Lola Forrester		
10:00						WEEKLY NEWS REVIEW & YABUN 2011 REWIND	MARLOO'S BLUES Blues Music Marlene Cummins
11:00							
12:00	SPORTS TALK Alec Doomadgee	AWAYE Daniel Browning	SBS ABORIGINAL PROGRAM Michelle Lovegrove	FUNKY LUNCH Munkimuk	SPORTS TALK Alec Doomadgee	BLACK ROOTS Reggae Music Ibo Jah	POETRY, POLITICS & PETITIONS Jenny & Lorna Munro
1:00	OUR YURA Aboriginal & TSI Music Marlene Cummins	OUR YURA Aboriginal & TSI Music Marlene Cummins	OUR YURA Aboriginal & TSI Music Marlene Cummins	OUR YURA Aboriginal & TSI Music Marlene Cummins	DEADLY SOUNDS Rhoda Roberts		
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Stars at Inverell



INVERELL High School in northern NSW has celebrated the success of its Aboriginal Year 10 students.

Eleven of them – a record number for the school – completed the now-defunct School Certificate last year, and were honoured at an end-of-year event.

The school says all 11 were involved in a range of career-focused activities last year, and six of them attended a Learn Earn Legend! Indigenous Youth Summit, sponsored by the Gold Coast Titans National Rugby League club.

A major highlight for the students was career mentoring from footballers Preston Campbell and Dean Widders.

● Pictured above: Inverell High School Year 10 Indigenous students, from left, Annette Boney, Anthony Blacklock, Letitia Toomey, Kiara Jerrard, Ashleigh Lackay, Bevan French, Dylan Hogg, Joelleen Wilson and Cody Holzhauser. Absent from the photo were Dylan Blair, Amy Alderson and Joel Bowman.

Wilto Yerlo on lookout for records



PLANNING for celebrations to mark the 25th anniversary of Wilto Yerlo, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education centre at the

University of Adelaide, have hit a minor snag.

Some records of past graduates from the centre have been difficult to locate, so the centre's Daniel Turner is urging anyone associated with Wilto Yerlo to get in touch.

"We would like to share this 25th anniversary milestone with all of our graduates," he said.

"So we are therefore calling on graduates to contact Wilto Yerlo and let us know when they graduated, from what degree and their current contact details.

"We are planning a number of events this year that graduates will be invited to attend.

"We also wish to honour our past graduates as leaders and role models for our current and future Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students."

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Naomi the top student



A STUDENT born in the Northern Territory town of Katherine topped Aboriginal Studies in last year's NSW Higher School Certificate.

Naomi Dean, 18, completed Aboriginal Studies as a 'single subject' through the Dubbo School of Distance Education. She was one of 386 students to undertake Aboriginal Studies for the certificate.

Her first place came as a surprise.

"I was shocked actually," Naomi said. "I was hoping for something in the 90s and never thought about where I would come."

"It was very exciting once it sunk in."

"I've always had an interest in Aboriginal people and their culture."

"I think the stories that Mum and Dad told me from their time working with communities in the Territory helped me to build an appreciation."

Naomi aims to undertake a primary education course at Charles Sturt University, in Bathurst, following in the footsteps of her mother and other school teachers who have inspired her.

"When I finish, I hope to work in rural and remote schools and I hope what I have learnt in Aboriginal Studies will assist in communicating with people of Aboriginal background," she said.



Naomi Dean with her certificate.

Weipa will get 'home'



FOR many far north Queensland students, travelling to boarding school takes time and often means long periods far away from family, community and friends.

But a new 'home away from home' to open this year in Weipa on western Cape York will provide accommodation for Indigenous secondary students closer to home.

It is expected up to 60 students will board at the 120-bed Western Cape Residential Campus.

"This campus will give Indigenous secondary students the opportunity to go to school closer to home," Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said.

"Currently students often travel hundreds of kilometres to Cairns, Townsville and Brisbane to attend school. This can be very isolating, especially for young people."

The Federal Government has

allocated more than \$30 million to build the facility, as well as providing \$2.5 million to the Queensland Government towards operation costs. The Qld Government is also providing \$2.5 million over five years to operate the new campus as well as committing teaching resources.

The Indigenous Land Corporation will manage the construction of the facility and own it on behalf of the Federal Government. The Qld Department of Education and Training will run the centre.

"This will be the third boarding facility operated by the department, with others already at Spinifex College in Mt Isa and Dalby," Qld Education Minister Cameron Dick said.

An additional benefit to the local community is the number of jobs created in Weipa – positions such as house parenting, cleaning, laundry services, grounds maintenance and tutoring, with 13 available in 2012 increasing to 21 by 2016.

Aboriginal captains at Wauchope school



TWO Aboriginal students have been named captains of Wauchope Public School for the first

time in the school's 104-year history. Gabby Caruana and Dylan Small were named to the top jobs at a presentation day last month at the school in northern NSW.

They were also recognised for their academic achievements, with Gabby receiving an award for outstanding application and attitude, as well as the Bunyah Aboriginal Land Council (Wauchope) Ambassador Award for Citizenship.

Dylan received an award for academic achievement in mathematics.

School Aboriginal education officer Helen Archibald-Simmons said the students from Years 3-6 and staff voted for the student leaders.

She said the school had 114 Aboriginal students from its total enrolment of 720.

"This is a great achievement for both these students – in the school's 104-year history, it is the first time that both school captains are Aboriginal," she said.

"These students and many other Aboriginal students at Wauchope Public School continue to excel in both academic and sporting fields."

"We are definitely working towards closing the gap in education at Wauchope Public School."



Wauchope Public School 2012 captains Gabby Caruana and Dylan Small with Aboriginal education officer Helen Archibald-Simmons.

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Elder is honoured



KAURNA Elder Uncle Lewis Yerloburka O'Brien has been awarded an honorary doctorate for his contribution to the education of Indigenous people at Flinders University and his work in the Aboriginal community in South Australia.

Uncle Lewis received the doctorate from Flinders University for his contribution as an Elder on the Indigenous Health Professional Education Advisory Committee and as patron/Elder-in-residence to the Indigenous Preparation for Medicine Program.

Uncle Lewis told the *Koori Mail* his work at the university had been rewarding.

"I've really enjoyed working with the 15 Aboriginal medical students – the highest number the university has ever had – who have been studying medicine this past year and sharing Indigenous knowledge and culture with them," he said.

Uncle Lewis has also provided assistance to non-Indigenous students of the Faculty of Health Sciences grappling to connect Aboriginal experience and health

outcomes and has contributed to curriculum and teaching in the Yunggoendi First Nations Centre for Higher Education and Research.

Uncle Lewis says he's humbled by his award. "I'm very happy about it," he said. "It was pretty good to be recognised by your peers. That's why I was honoured to accept it."

Uncle Lewis was born at Point Pearce mission on Yorke Peninsula in 1930. Despite a childhood spent in care, he gained his Intermediate Certificate in 1946 and won an apprenticeship as a fitter and machinist, later joining the merchant navy.

Contributions

As an Elder, Uncle Lewis has provided three decades of cultural and pastoral support to Aboriginal children, families and inmates. He has also made contributions in scholarly and creative areas, particularly in maintaining Kurna language and culture.

His political and community contributions range from Aboriginal Advancement League involvement in the 1960s to leading organisations and committees concerned with heritage, arts, sport, reconciliation and all levels of education.



Uncle Lewis O'Brien receives his honorary doctorate from Flinders University Chancellor Stephen Gerlach.

UWA offers generous scholarship



THE University of Western Australia is offering a generous new scholarship for an Indigenous student studying

anthropology and sociology.

The scholarship, to be known as the Rowley Foundation Scholarship in Cultural Studies, will enable a high-achieving Indigenous student to undertake a Bachelor of Arts degree at UWA majoring in anthropology and sociology. It aims to support a strong cultural future for Indigenous people and to promote greater understanding between Indigenous and other Australians.

It has been initiated by Graeme Rowley and Lorraine Warner, and Mr Rowley's daughters Jo Rezos and Lisa Rowley.

The scholarship provides \$20,000 a year for the duration of the degree and covers residential college fees and a living allowance.

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From left, Niels Kirsten and Gracelyn Smallwood, with Ernie Hoolihan, who received an honorary Doctorate of Letters from James Cook University several years ago.

New JCU graduates celebrate

By ALF WILSON



THREE Indigenous women and one man were among 460 graduates who celebrated in a ceremony at James Cook University's

Faculty of Medicine, Health and Molecular Science in Townsville last month.

Townsville's Gracelyn Smallwood was awarded a PhD, while Niels Kirsten, Alinta Warner, and Charlotte Mullins received Bachelor of Nursing degrees.

Degrees were awarded in health-related disciplines including biochemical science, nursing science, exercise physiology, medical laboratory science, occupational therapy, speech pathology, pharmacy, physiotherapy, speech pathology, medicine and surgery.

A day before the graduation ceremony, Associate Prof Smallwood, Mr Kirsten and Ms Warner were recognised traditionally at a special celebration where the MC was Associate Professor Jacinta Elston, of the JCU Indigenous Health Unit.

Guests were welcomed to country by Dorothy Savage on behalf of the Bindal people and Linda Saltner of the Wulgurukaba mob.

Local Elder Auntie Renarta Prior welcomed guests in traditional language and the Wulgurukaba dancers performed. There was also a traditional smoking ceremony led



Charlotte Mullins, from Doomadgee, on graduation day. by Alfred 'Bimbo' Smallwood, Auntie Renarta Prior, Ashley Saltner and the dancers.

Prof Smallwood praised JCU, which she said had 'caring

Aboriginal practices'.

"These practices not only benefit Indigenous people but also non-Indigenous people.

"It has been

a lot of hard work, but if I can achieve this at 60 then the sky is the limit for our people. It will certainly help to close the gap," she said.

'It has been a lot of hard work, but if I can achieve this at 60 then the sky is the limit for our people. It will ... help to close the gap.' – Gracelyn Smallwood

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New record at Kormilda



DARWIN-based Kormilda College, which has many Indigenous students, is celebrating a new record pass rate in the Northern Territory Certificate of Education (NTCE).

Sixty Kormilda students undertook last year's certificate, with 59 passing.

The top ranking Kormilda Indigenous student at the college last year was remote area boarding student Nadine Austral, from Milikapiti. She achieved an ATAR of 71.8.

Nadine is considering either an environmental science degree at Charles Darwin University or an apprenticeship as a park ranger with the Department of Natural Resources, Environment, Arts and Sport.

Among the 2011 graduates were Indigenous candidates from Doomadgee (Qld), Borroloola (NT), Derby (WA), Milikapiti on the Tiwi Islands and Darwin.

Another 30 Kormilda Year 12 students who undertook the nationally and internationally recognised International Baccalaureate Diploma were still awaiting their results.

Training pays off



INDIGENOUS trainees have gained new agricultural and life skills as a result of a training program near Halls Creek in Western Australia

The trainees have been involved in an agricultural training program supported by the WA Department of Agriculture and Food's Indigenous Landholder Service (ILS), the Kimberley Indigenous Management Support Service and Farm Training WA.

Ten trainees aged from 15 earned Certificates II, III and IV in Agriculture (Beef Production). The presentation ceremony was at Burks Park Indigenous Pastoral Training Centre, near Halls Creek, where the trainees have learned many of their skills during the past 12 to 18 months.

ILS area manager Russell Shaw said skills developed under the program included livestock handling and management techniques such as drafting, animal husbandry, using horses for stock work and maintaining livestock water supplies.

"The training program is run by Bina-waji Nyurra-nga Corporation and delivered by Roy Wilson, a respected Elder of the East Kimberley region and his wife Helen," Mr Shaw said.

"Life skills are a large component of the training delivered by Bina-Waji, including respect for both themselves and their mentors."

Landholder service training co-ordinator Maurice Griffin said the program targeted business and industry skills but also had



WA MP Wendy Duncan and Roy Wilson, of Burks Park Indigenous Pastoral Training Centre, with trainees Rasak-bin Rashid, Col Skeen, Chance Copley, Dillon Malay, Sam Petrevski and Guy Barunga at the graduation.

an important social effect on participants.

"This particular training program at Burks Park has not only allowed these trainees to develop the skills and competency levels required to participate in the livestock industry, but also develop more confidence and direction," he said.

The ILS is run by the Department of Agriculture and Food with major support from the Indigenous Land Corporation. The service encompasses 77 properties, from the

Kimberley to the South Coast, helping these businesses achieve their financial goals and pursue independence.

Earlier this year, the ILS won the nation's top award for Indigenous Economic Development, awarded by Economic Development Australia.

"The ILS is not only making a difference to the bottom line of Indigenous enterprises but also the well-being of Aboriginal communities," Mr Griffin said.



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Jason the top at his school

By TRACI WILLIAMS

YEARs of hard work and study have paid off for Jason Sines. The 18-year-old was named 2011 dux (top academic student) of Ballina High School in northern NSW.

And to top it off he's on track to realise a long-held ambition of becoming a doctor, scoring an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 95.45 last year and being accepted to study medicine at the University of New South Wales in Sydney.

"My teachers were all thrilled because I was getting to study what I wanted to," Jason told the *Koori Mail*.

"My family were really happy for me too." Jason has wanted to study medicine since he was in Year 7.

Researching a topic for a speech sparked his interest in medicine.

"I decided to do the speech on Indigenous health. It was during my research that I found out about the appalling statistics in Indigenous health and that really drove me on to pursue medicine as a career," he said.

Australia's first Indigenous doctor, Kelvin Kong, along with Dr Lisa Jackson-Pulver provided further inspiration.

So to what does Jason attribute his academic success?

"I think it was because I worked hard," he says. "I did whatever I needed to. I studied at a constant pace, didn't cram and didn't leave things to the night before."

"I did the right subjects for the course – biology and chemistry – but I also took subjects like maths and English that were of interest to me."

On completion of his degree, Jason hopes to use his medical skills to help Indigenous communities.

"I might come back to Ballina or maybe work with Aboriginal people in remote communities," he said.

"It's such a broad area and there are so many avenues open after your degree."

Jason's advice to other young students?

"Just work really hard, work really constantly, use your school's resources," he says.

"Use your teachers and talk to your teachers because they know so much. It's never too late to just try."



Jason Sines was dux of Ballina High School last year and is now heading to the University of NSW to study medicine.

Changes for WA program



THE West Australian Government has made changes to the Aboriginal School Based Traineeship Program aimed at improving retention and completion rates.

The program is managed by the Department of Training and Workforce Development in partnership with a network of schools, training providers and host employers.

It provides opportunities for Aboriginal students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to start training in school to gain a qualification, sustainable employment or go on to further education or training.

WA Training and Workforce Development Minister Peter Collier said one of the major changes was a reduction in the minimum employment-based training

component for a Certificate II qualification, from 624 to 480 hours.

"A reduction in prescribed hours was overwhelmingly supported by group training organisations in order to provide greater flexibility for Aboriginal trainees as part of a school-based program," he said.

Examination

"There was also a close examination of the value for money the state is getting from the training providers contracted to the program and, just as importantly, we want to make sure students are enrolled in culturally appropriate programs."

"Good education and good training are two things that the Government can make available to young Indigenous people and these changes will improve participation and retention in the program while ensuring that the quality of the training outcome can be maintained."



A NEW unit of study at the University of New England aims to give students experience in working with Aboriginal people.

'Working with Aboriginal People' is being designed and delivered by UNE's Oorala Aboriginal Centre.

UNE says that although designed specifically for students aiming to work with Aboriginal people, the unit will also be of interest to any student wanting to explore relationships between Aboriginal and other people. It will be available in trimesters one and two this year.

The unit will be co-ordinated by Rose Lovelock, a lecturer at the Oorala Centre who has wide experience in Indigenous services and community development.

Ms Lovelock's research interests include self-empowerment through cultural knowledge, Indigenous knowledge in higher education, and cross-cultural training.

"I hope UNE students will see this unit as an opportunity to be part of the solution – to learn new and interesting ways of unpacking the age-old

New UNE unit aims to offer experience



"(The unit) is designed to help non-Aboriginal students become more fully engaged with Australia's historical and social realities..."

– Debra Bennell

problem of race relations," she said.

'Working with Aboriginal People' (unit code: OORA200) will examine the history of relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples to gain an understanding of the dispossession, resistance, adaptation and survival of Aboriginal peoples in Australia. Students will be challenged to examine and reflect on their own role as an 'actor' within the dynamic of ethnic interchanges."

Oorala Centre director Debra Bennell said the unit provided a

fundamental introduction to working with Aboriginal people from an Aboriginal perspective.

"It is designed to help non-Aboriginal students become more fully engaged with Australia's historical and social realities by providing them with tools and skills to develop a way of thinking about Australian contemporary society that is based on an understanding of the history of relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people," she said.

For more details, call the Oorala Centre on (02) 6773 5175.



'Sisters 4 Life' members, from left, Tamika Briggs, Amy Williams, Vicki Anderson, Margaret Russell, Alison Croall, Kim Bell, Jenny Harris and Christine Carriage.

'Bruisers' weighing in



THE mob at Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation have committed to developing a healthy lifestyle role modelling program for their community in south-western Sydney.

To that end, the corporation's tackling smoking and healthy lifestyle team has started a number of healthy lifestyle projects including subsidised or free exercise classes, community cooking classes, community garden activities and quit cigarettes initiatives.

But the project attracting the most attention has been the 'Biggest Bruiser Team', where four larger male locals have committed to making permanent changes to their diet and exercise habits aiming to demonstrate the benefits of adopting a healthy lifestyle to the rest of community.

The results are speaking for themselves.

All four have stuck with the plan, taking part in Koori Boot Camp and attending exercise classes.

In four weeks before Christmas the Bruisers lost a combined weight of 11.6kg, with team captain Uncle Ivan Wellington already



Members of the 'Biggest Bruiser Team', from left, Robert Bell, Allan Carriage, Fred Briggs, Ivan Wellington and Dylan Croall.

dropping a hefty 5kg.

Their success has encouraged others, including eight Tharawal women who have signed up to the 'Sistas 4 Life' program. One of their goals is to beat the boys!

Tharawal corporation CEO Darryl Wright has welcomed the program.

"We are diagnosing and managing too many community members with chronic disease, and this needs to change," he said.

Study is first of its kind



A FIRST-OF-ITS-KIND study of Indigenous women aims to address disparities in the long-term health implications of renal disease between Aboriginal and other people. An extension of the Gomeri gaaynggal – Gomeri Babies program, the study aims to

give Hunter Medical Research Institute staff an understanding of the relationship between maternal and pre-natal health and post-natal child health.

Indigenous women are twice as likely as other women to give birth prematurely. Indigenous babies are 40 times more likely to have renal problems.

The Gomeri Babies program tracked the pregnancies of Indigenous women in Tamworth, recording the nutritional status, immunological profile and renal functioning of participating mothers and the ultrasound profile of unborn baby's kidneys through gestation.

The latest study will follow up with the mothers and babies and provide data measuring the impact of the program in improving the health and well-being of Indigenous children.

World first

Project co-ordinator Dr Kym Rae said it would be the world's first pregnancy through early childhood study of Indigenous people.

"The 2010 Gomeri Babies project collected data on the health of Indigenous babies as they grew and developed in the uterus," she said.

"This follow-up study offers a unique opportunity to further understand what leads to renal disease and diabetes, identify those at high risk and ensure treatment is available as early as possible."

Funded by a \$1.6 million grant from the National Health and Medical Research Council, the study aimed to help better identify children at high risk of developing diabetes and kidney disease. The Thyne Reid Foundation assisted with the initial project grant in 2008.

The project will be based at the Gomeri gaaynggal Centre in Tamworth and is part of the Newcastle University's Mothers and Babies Research Centre and the Hunter Medical Research Institute's Pregnancy and Reproduction Research Program.

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NINE new postgraduate scholarships worth a total of \$644,950 have been created for

researchers at the Menzies School of Health Research in the Northern Territory.

The scholarships, which are part of a broader allocation of \$114.2 million into mainstream health and medical research by the Federal Government, have gone to young health and medical researchers whose work aims to tackle health issues facing Indigenous Australians.

"The postgraduates have been selected on the basis of their undergraduate background, research experience and publications as being outstanding researchers," Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon said.

"The work of these postgraduate researchers will provide valuable information to clinicians, policy makers and patients about how to improve the health and well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples."

Research projects being funded include two scholarships which will target the cause of bronchiectasis, which destroys muscle and tissue in a lung's bronchial tree. This condition causes a chronic cough, hospitalisation and deteriorating lung function.

New scholarships of \$44,443 have been awarded to Kim Hare to investigate the cause and prevention of bronchiectasis and of \$50,720 to Susan Pizzutto.

Dr Jane Davies will receive \$109,358 to map the prevalence and burden of disease from Hepatitis B in the

Top End of the Northern Territory, information which is not currently available.

Two more scholarships will look at the health impacts of food affordability, chronic kidney disease and health risks for babies born to mothers who have diabetes during pregnancy.

"Health and medical research provides the evidence-base we need to tackle the health issues facing Indigenous Australians across all stages of life," new Federal Minister for Health Tanya Plibersek said.

The grants are being distributed by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).

Since 2007, more than \$132 million has been spent on NHMRC health and medical research to improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Govt seeks feedback on health delivery proposal



THE Queensland Government is seeking feedback on a proposal for Indigenous organisations to play a greater role in delivering health services for their communities.

The draft framework for the Transition to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Control of Health in Queensland will be available for public comment until 23 January.

The Indigenous communities

of Yarrabah, Kowanyama and Mapoon are proposed as pilot sites for the scheme.

Qld Aboriginal and Islander Health Council CEO Selwyn Button said the aim was to give communities a greater say in the delivery of local health services.

Aspirations

"The process of transition to community control aims to support the aspirations, desires and needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across Queensland

to have greater engagement in the design, development and ongoing delivery of comprehensive primary health services that meet the needs of their local communities," he said.

The Queensland Government says it has worked to develop the framework with groups including the Qld Aboriginal and Islander Health Council, General Practice Qld, the Royal Flying Doctor Service and unions.

To provide feedback and comments, go to www.getinvolved.qld.gov.au



Ngwala Willumbong Co-op chair John Murray, Victorian Community Services Minister Mary Wooldridge and Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education deputy chair Scott Wilson at the opening of Bunjilwarra in Victoria.

Vic service helps youth



AUSTRALIA'S first drug and alcohol rehabilitation service

dedicated solely to helping young Aboriginal people has opened in Victoria.

Named Bunjilwarra, which means 'eagle by the sea', the facility was established at Hastings through a \$5 million joint funding partnership between the Foundation for Alcohol Research and Education (FARE) and the Victorian Department of Health.

Ngwala Willumbong Co-op outreach service chair John Murray said it was a special day for Kooris, especially the young.

"Bunjilwarra will, for the first time, offer Koori kids who have run into trouble a culturally sensitive place to turn to for help," he said.

"Kids will be able to come from all over Victoria and get

help for a whole raft of issues like family violence, alcoholism, drugs and homelessness.

"Bunjilwarra gives kids a place to settle down and access the services they need to help them get back to a normal life."

Bunjilwarra will assist 12 young Aboriginal people aged between 15 and 20 and has been designed to be more culturally welcoming for Aboriginal youths. The centre took its first residents in late November.

Chance

"More than half the Indigenous population in Australia is under the age of 26 so we have a lot of young people and need to try to reach them in ways that have the best chance of success," FARE deputy chairman and state director of the Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council (SA) Scott Wilson said.

"Bunjilwarra will be far more family oriented than other treatment centres and will be culturally appropriate, so that the chances of successful rehabilitation are far greater."

Victorian Community Services Minister Mary Wooldridge opened the centre, which was developed in consultation with Indigenous architects.

"Bunjilwarra is based on a holistic healing model that is about reconnecting with family, culture, community and the land," she said.

Mr Wilson said governments and organisations across Australia were grappling with Aboriginal substance abuse problems, but Bunjilwarra was 'a move in the right direction'.

"Bunjilwarra is a beacon of hope and is leading the way for future drug and alcohol treatment services around the country," he said.



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Darwin fair defies trend



THE fifth annual Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair held last August has defied art market trends. Organisers reported

continued growth in 2011, with record visitor numbers and an overall increase in sales generated by the event.

With close to 6000 visitors to the three-day event, the art fair maintained its on-site sales figures of \$700,000, while increasing the flow-on sales that resulted from business generated at the fair. The overall sales from the event were estimated at \$1.2 million, up from \$1 million in 2010.

Organisers say investment in Aboriginal art has taken a sharp dive since the global financial crisis, and some east coast dealers have closed galleries due to a downturn in trade.

But the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair, which offers products direct from the Aboriginal communities

that produce them, has surprised many and turned an even bigger profit than in 2010. "We have commercial buyers coming through and making big orders with individual art centres, or arranging future visits to the community as a result of what they've seen at the fair," DAAF chair Cathy Cummins said.

"One of the Top End communities said they'd have to double their annual output of one product after negotiating with a commercial buyer."

Come together

The Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair has become part of the Darwin Festival calendar and organisers say it is the only one of its kind in Australia where Aboriginal-owned art centres come together to sell their products directly to the public.

Christina Davidson, from the Association of Northern, Kimberley and Arnhem Aboriginal Artists, said even the

art centres that don't make a profit on the day end up generating much more business than they would normally get.

"There's no doubt that the art fair is good for business," she said.

"We run a training program in conjunction with the event that provides professional development for arts workers and there are also opportunities for art centre staff to meet with high-end buyers in town for the Telstra Art Award and the funding agencies, which is really important in developing good business practices."

Organisers say results from a visitor survey show the art fair is popular among tourists, with many commenting they'd like to see the event staged in Sydney or Melbourne.

More than half the visitors were from inter-state and there was a strong local turn-out, with many Darwin residents reporting it was the first time they'd bought any Aboriginal art.



An aerial view of Palm Island, in north Queensland.

Death in paradise...



A DOCUMENTARY about the events on Palm Island that followed the death of local Indigenous man Mulrunji Doomadgee will screen next month on SBS TV.

Called *The Tall Man – life in paradise, death in custody*, the documentary has already won many awards and is in line for more this year. It tells the story of Mulrunji, arrested one morning in 2004 for swearing at a police officer. Less than an hour later he lay dead in the Palm Island watch-house cell.

The documentary interviews the family, friends and residents of the island.

AFI Award-winning director Tony Krawitz delved into the accounts of Doomadgee's death and the trial of

Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, who was charged and subsequently cleared of his manslaughter.

"Doomadgee's injuries were so severe they were described as those of someone who'd been in a fatal car crash," said Krawitz.

The police claimed that he had tripped on a step. When word reached the local community, Palm Islanders rioted and burnt down the police station.

The documentary is based on the same titled book by Walkley Award winning author Chloe Hooper.

The Tall Man is nominated for four AACTAs (formerly known as AFI Awards) in 2012.

● ***The Tall Man is a Blackfella* Films documentary for SBS. It screens at 8.30pm on Sunday, 5 February, on SBS One.**

Exhibition features powerful artworks



AN exhibition of 10 established and emerging Indigenous

artists from three Northern Territory art studios will be held at Arts Project Australia in Melbourne's Northcote next month. The exhibition is called *Good Strong Powerful* and showcases the work of Lorna Kantilla, Alfonso Puantjimi and Estelle Munkanome, Billy Benn Perrurle, Kukula McDonald, Billy Kenda, Lance James and Adrian Robertson, Dion Beasley and Peggy Jones Napangardi.

The artists are mostly self-taught and make art for the love of doing so. In each case they have considerable artistic abilities, coupled with either a physical or intellectual disability.

The exhibition offers an insight into the lives of these artists while also challenging notions of disability.

This is the first time the three NT art centres have come together to present an exhibition representing their artists.

Ngaruwanajirri has been operating on Bathurst Island

since 1994 and up to 16 Tiwi artists work at the centre, many now recognised nationally and internationally.

Mwerre Anthurre is a professional art studio program based at Bindi Inc in Alice Springs. Established in 2000, Mwerre Anthurre artists have received national recognition

Territory. Exhibiting artist Billy Benn Perrurle was the winner of the 34th Alice Prize in 2006.

Julalikari Arts in Tennant Creek was established in 1994. Along with Arts Access Darwin and Artback NT, in 2007-8 Julalikari Arts held printmaking workshops for emerging Canteen Creek artist Dion

Beasley. These workshops introduced Dion to an innovative way of making art and fresh audiences and helped establish his reputation as a leading emerging artist.

Along with Beasley, one of the most prominent artists to emerge from Julalikari Arts is Peggy Jones Napangardi whose bold, expressive colourful paintings will also be featured in the exhibition.

Good Strong Powerful opens on Saturday 4 February and runs until Friday 9 March at Arts Project

Australia, which supports people with disabilities to become practitioners in the visual arts. The gallery at 24 High St, Northcote, Melbourne is open Monday-Friday 9am-5pm and Saturdays from 10am to 5pm.



Untitled, 2010, acrylic on linen, by Billy Kenda.

through a series of high-profile exhibitions and can be found in collections nationwide including at the National Gallery of Australia, The Art Gallery of NSW, the National Gallery of Victoria and the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern



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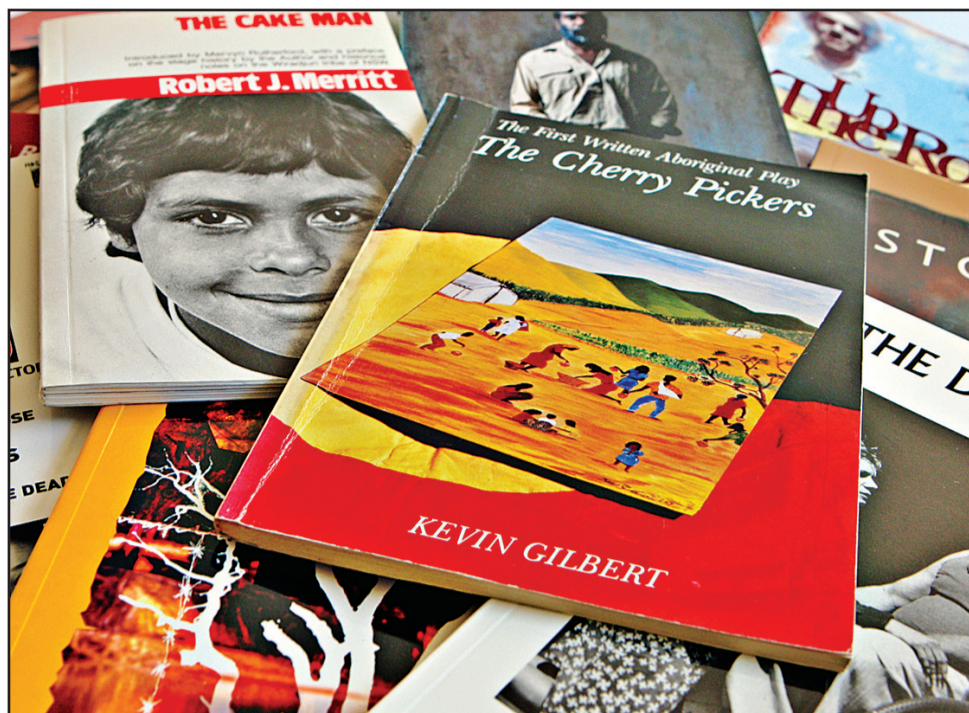
Projects may be in any artform or combination of artforms. Examples include theatre productions of new work, writing for publication, song writing for recording or performance, or the creation of new works of art for exhibition.

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Get an application form by phoning Frank Trotman-Golden or Anastasia Charles on 1800 226 912 (toll free) or email atsia@australiacouncil.gov.au or go online at www.australiacouncil.gov.au



A hand-painted caravan from *Travelling Colony*, by Brook Andrew.
Image courtesy of the artist and Tolarno Galleries, Melbourne



Works from the exhibition *181 Regent St: Addressing Black Theatre*. It portrays the history of Aboriginal theatre in Australia.

Our Black Capital

Aboriginal focus for Sydney Festival

By TRACI WILLIAMS



A SPECIAL feature of this month's Sydney Festival is

'Black Capital', a series of performances, seminars and exhibitions reflecting contemporary Aboriginal life at the heart of one of the best known gathering places for Aboriginal people – Sydney's inner city Redfern.

As part of Black Capital, Aboriginal director Wesley Enoch will premiere his work *I Am Eora*, which tells the story of Indigenous Sydney through the eyes of three Aboriginal historical figures associated with

Sydney's past – Pemulwuy, Bennelong and Barangaroo.

"These are people who demonstrated a certain spirit and characteristic which still exists here today in Sydney. The warrior, the interpreter and the nurturer," Mr Enoch said.

Featuring a who's who of Aboriginal Australian talent, *I Am Eora* is one of the biggest collaborations commissioned by the Sydney Festival. It included an extensive advisory committee, Indigenous organisations and authors like Anita Heiss who co-wrote *I Am Eora*.

Mr Enoch told the *Koori Mail* the project grew out of thinking around what represented the spirit of contemporary Sydney in terms of Aboriginal history.

"We asked ourselves how do we, as contemporary Indigenous people standing on this land, connect with this history and to this landscape," he said.

"How do we see that there is a social history here – not just a built



Director and writer of *I Am Eora* Wesley Enoch.

Photo by Prudence Upton

environment? We called it *I Am Eora* because everyone who lives on this land has to be able to find a way to say that I am from this place."

Mr Enoch describes the production as a contemporary opera featuring storytelling, dance, performance and feature

film with close to 50 Aboriginal musicians, performers and creative artists from across Australia.

The cast includes Jack Charles, Wilma Reading, Frank Yamma, Stiff Gins and Radical Son.

I Am Eora plays at Carriageworks in Eveleigh near Redfern until 14 January.

Exhibition

Other features of the Black Capital festival program include an exhibition outlining the history of Australia's black theatre – *181 Regent St: Addressing Black Theatre*. Curated by Rhoda Roberts, the exhibition focuses on the National Black Theatre's origins in 1972 and its evolution into the contemporary Aboriginal theatre.

It's a special anniversary exhibition which draws on personal archives, film and photographs to depict the story of the National Black Theatre, those instrumental in its development and its impact on Australian arts

and society today. The exhibition runs until 29 January, also at Carriageworks.

On Saturday (14 January) in the Spiegeltent in Hyde Park as part of the Festival Artists in Conversation with Caroline Baum event, artist Brook Andrew will talk about his new work *Travelling Colony*.

Inspired by his Wiradjuri tradition, the circus and pop culture, Mr Andrew has created hand-painted caravans in the huge industrial foyer of Carriageworks, each telling the stories of Redfern.

Foley, by Indigenous theatre company Ilbjerri, tells the story of Gary Foley and his life as an activist, academic and actor. Mr Foley brings his own humour to this chronicle of his life and times. The show will be at the Sydney Opera House Playhouse from 24-29 January.

● For more details on Sydney Festival events, visit www.sydneysydneyfestival.org.au



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Until 31 January: Black and White Indigenous Writing and Editing Project is calling Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to submit a story for the 2012 Kuril Dahagun Indigenous Writing Fellowships. Free and all welcome. Details: (07) 3842 9484 or email indigenous.writing@slq.qld.gov.au or visit www.slq.qld.gov.au/comps

Until 24 February: Sydney Church of England Girls Grammar School offers a scholarship program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. It is open to students entering the secondary school as day girls in Year 7 or later years, covering all fees. It will be awarded on academic work, commitment to study, school and community work and more. Free and all female students are welcome to apply. Details: (02) 9332 1133 or visit www.sceggs.nsw.edu.au

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Until 31 January: Family Planning NSW is calling for applications for the McCarthy Green Scholarship. Aimed at providing funding for a nurse/midwife to complete the Family Planning NSW Certificate in Sexual and Reproductive Health. Applications must be a registered nurse/midwife with one-year post-basic experience and be currently working in an Aboriginal community in NSW. Free and all welcome to apply. Details: (1300) 658 886 or visit www.fpnsw.org.au

Until 1 February: IN to Business Workshops. A three-day series of self-paced workshop programs for Indigenous people starting a business, buying a business, or thinking about it. Aimed at assessing whether that idea can be developed into a commercially viable business. Free and all welcome. Held at Coffs Harbour, Narrabri, Inverell. Details: (02) 6643 2422 or email narelle.webb@iba.gov.au

Until 27 February: Calling for entries for the 'Smile, You're in Redfern Photo Competition'. Aimed at promoting Redfern and the surrounding areas, also \$1600 of prizes to be won. Entries should capture the welcoming spirit of Redfern and demonstrate the thriving community that exists. Also include a caption of 25 words or less. Free and all welcome. Details: (02) 9202 9100 or email communications@smda.nsw.gov.au

Until 10 June: Off the Walls, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing rich and diverse collection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art gathered over almost 40 years by Australian Government agencies responsible for Aboriginal affairs. It includes bark paintings, water colours, carvings, basket and fibre work, spears, sporting trophies and posters. Free and all welcome. Held at National Museum of Australia, Canberra. Details: (02) 6208 5351 or email media@nma.gov.au or visit http://nma.gov.au/exhibitions/off_the_walls/

24-25 January: Congress Peoples Forum: Sovereignty and Self-Determination. This forum explores the key issues of what Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were fighting for then and where we are at now in terms of our political status in relation to sovereignty and self-determination. Featuring some of Australia's leading speakers and more. All welcome to register, cost involved. Held at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, Parliament House, Canberra. Details: (1800) 266 477 or email info@nationalcongress.com.au or visit www.nationalcongress.com.au

26 January: Saltwater Freshwater

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CAN Mallacoota defeat the might of the East Gippsland Aboriginal All Stars in the rematch of last year's struggle?

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Festival. Showcasing performances, workshops of local and regional NSW Aboriginal dance, chants and stomps, also weaving and didgeridoo workshops and an extensive line up of talented Indigenous performers such as Casey Donovan, the Black Turtles, Stiff Gins and more. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Queen Elizabeth Park, Taree. Details: (02) 6658 5995 or visit www.saltwaterfreshwaterfestival.com.au

26 January: Yabun Festival 2012. The day will celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and will include art and craft stalls, dance workshops, politics, literature, information stalls, activities for kids, live entertainment and more. Free and all welcome. Held at Victoria Park, Broadway, Sydney. Details: (02) 9384 4000 or email yabun@gadigal.org.au or visit www.gadigal.org.au

26-29 January: Aboriginal Tent Embassy 40th anniversary. All invited to a corroboree to commemorate the 40th anniversary for our people's sovereign rights. Featuring smoking ceremony and flag raising on Tent Embassy grounds, a march and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy, 18 King George Tce, Canberra. Details: (0401) 663 913 or email aboriginaltentembassy@hotmail.com

8 February: Traineeship Information Session. Aimed at helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people pursue a career within the community services sector. This workshop will provide a complete overview of positions and all the information you need to apply. Free and all welcome to register. Held at Ballina RLS Club, 240 River St, Ballina. Details: (1300) 872 281 or email brett.ashby@bdcsa.org

8 April: *Our Generation* film screening. The film will be showing the ground-breaking documentary on Aboriginal rights. Featuring guest speaker Jeff McMullan, including light refreshments. Free and all welcome. Held at Amnesty International Action Centre, Level 1, 79 Myrtle St, Chippendale. Details: (0420) 354 096 or email nswdignity@amnesty.org.au or visit www.ourgeneration.org.au

Victoria

Until 21 January: Experiencing the Barmah: Creating the Vision Art Exhibition. This exhibition is showcasing up to 25 Indigenous artworks in a variety of media including paintings, photography, and fabric art. Free and all welcome. Held at the GRAIN Store, 24-26 Blake St, Nathalia. Details:

(0403) 756 571 or visit www.thegrainstore.org

Until 5 February: Our Children Our Future, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing traditional and contemporary expressions of culture through paintings that reflects Indigenous culture. All welcome, cost involved. Held at the Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum, Melbourne. Details: 13 11 02 or visit <http://museumvictoria.com.au>

3-31 January: Melbourne Museum for the summer school holidays. Featuring many programs including live performances, face mask, Aboriginal art exhibition, arts and craft and much more. Free and all welcome. Held at Melbourne Museum, Nicholson St, Carlton. Details: 13 11 02 or visit www.museumvictoria.com.au/melbournemuseum

Queensland

Until 21 January: 'Divine Geometry' Aboriginal art exhibition, showcasing showcase Indigenous artworks from many artists. Free and all welcome. Held at Woolloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Woolloongabba. Details: (07) 3891 5551 or email email@wag.com.au or visit www.wag.com.au

Until 25 February: The Flash Women Art Exhibition, focussing on the fashions worn by Indigenous women, includes pictures and the actual clothes, also a program of workshops. Free and all welcome. Held State Library of Queensland, Kurildhagun, Indigenous Knowledge Centre, Level 1, Cultural Centre, Stanley Pl. South Bank. Details: (07) 3842 9061 or email kuril.dhagun@slq.qld.gov.au or visit www.slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on

Until 16 March: Building Supportive Communities Grants 2012. Community organisations are invited to apply for funding to host an event or project promoting a more inclusive community for Queenslanders with disability. Events may coincide with Disability Action Week 2012 and International Day of People with Disability 2012. Free and all welcome to apply. Details: (1800) 177 120 or visit www.communities.qld.gov.au

11 January: Kapu Kukuwam Art Exhibition. The exhibition is showcasing cultural heritage and tribal ancestors through artworks by Torres Strait Islander artist Sharon Phineasa. Free and all welcome. Held at UMI Arts Exhibition Gallery, 335 Sheridan St, North Cairns. Details: (07) 4041 6152 or email admin@umiarts.com.au or visit www.umiarts.com.au

4 February: The third annual Harvey Norman Rugby League All Stars Game. NRL All Stars v Indigenous All Stars. Kicking off the NRL season featuring some of the game's best Indigenous and non-Indigenous players under the All Stars umbrella in a unique celebration of the diversity of rugby league, also aimed to raise money from the match to be re-invest into community projects. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Skilled Park, Stadium Drive, Robina, Gold Coast. Details: 132 849 or visit www.ticketek.com.au

Western Australia

Until 31 January: Yarns of the Heart, an Aboriginal exhibition showcasing Noongar dolls, exquisitely crafted, hand-made dolls, which tell the traditional dreamtime and contemporary stories for the women who made them from the Southern Wheatbelt. Featuring a documentary film screening, and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the West Australian Museum, Perth Cultural Centre, James St Mall, Perth. Details: (08) 9226 2422 or email emma@canwa.com.au

South Australia

Until 19 February: Long Way Home, an Aboriginal art exhibition in celebration of the Yunggoendi First Nations Centre at Flinders University, showcasing Indigenous artwork from across the country. Free and all welcome. Held at Flinders University City Gallery, State Library of South Australia, North Terrace, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8207 7056 or email City.Gallery@flinders.edu.au or visit www.flinders.edu.au/artmuseum

Until 19 February: Tayenebe. An Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing the works of Tasmanian Aboriginal women's fibre work. Free and all welcome. Held at Flinders University City Gallery, State Library of South Australia, North Terrace, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8207 7056 or email City.Gallery@flinders.edu.au or visit www.flinders.edu.au/artmuseum

2-18 March: 2012 Adelaide Festival. A festival of arts and entertainment held for artists and audiences, with a feast of theatre, film, dance and opera, also showcasing two Aboriginal art exhibitions, *Bloodland*, which features an Indigenous cast of 12 consisting of urban actors and traditional Yolngu storytellers, and *Deadly*, by Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute. All welcome, cost involved. Held at the Festival Theatre, Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8216 8600 or email contact@adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au

9-12 March: Womadelaide's 20th anniversary music festival, featuring some of Australia's best Indigenous performers, also visual arts, dance, street theatre and food. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Botanic Park, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8271 1488 or email apadmin@artsprojects.com.au or visit www.womadelaide.com.au

Northern Territory

Until 15 July: Yalangbara: Art of the Djang'kawu, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing the works by the Marika family of Arnhem Land. Including the first paintings produced at Yirrkala in the 1930s, unique crayon drawings from the 1950s, and monumental narrative bark paintings, along with contemporary sculptures and more. Free and all welcome. Held at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, 19 Conacher St, Fannie Bay. Details: (08) 8999 8264 or email museum.magnt@nt.gov.au or visit www.magnt.nt.gov.au

21-23 March: Indigenous Forces at Work Employment and Training Conference. The three-day conference will commence with a day of field trip visits to innovative local Indigenous enterprises conducted by Anangu Tours. Feature stories and storytelling by Indigenous people and more. Free and all welcome to register. Held Crowne Plaza, 82 Barrett Dr, Alice Springs. Details: (1800) 331 915 or email dbatty@ja.com.au or visit www.jaitn.com.au

Future in his hands
... Luke David holds
a whole beef rump.

Luke's a cut above

By ALF WILSON



YAM Islander 18-year-old Luke David has impressed his employer so much in his first year

apprenticeship as a butcher in Cairns that he is to do a management course.

Luke has worked as an apprentice for the Mr Meats butchery at the Cairns Central Shopping Centre for almost a year.

His boss and shop owner Rob Cronin said Luke had displayed such potential in his trade and customer service that he intended sending him to train as a manager.

"On a quiet day here the traffic flow through Cairns Central is 26,000

people, and 6000 more than that when it is busy," Mr Cronin said

"Luke is our main man on the front counter and the customers love him. He also shows such great potential as a butcher and is a real asset and genuine management material."

Mr Cronin worked on

Thursday Island in the early 2000s.

"I wanted to hire an apprentice of Torres Strait Islander descent because so many people from up that way come to the shopping centre here," he said.

Luke, who went to school in Cairns, said he had always wanted to be a butcher.

"Rob gave me a chance and I would love to do the management course. It is a very skilful trade," he said.

'(Luke) shows such great potential as a butcher and is a real asset'

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Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Outreach Officer, SWOP

The Sex Workers Outreach Project (SWOP) is a community-based not for profit organisation promoting the health, safety and well being of NSW sex workers while affirming their occupational and human rights. SWOP is co-located with and supported by *ACON.

SWOP is seeking an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community member to work as part of the SWOP outreach team. The position provides outreach to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people engaged in sex work across NSW, with the aim of encouraging and supporting safe behaviours and empowering these community members to protect themselves and improve their health and wellbeing. This position will also work with and be supported by ACON's Aboriginal Project staff in joint activities such as outreach at Aboriginal community events.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine requirement of this position as per Section 14 of the *NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Previous experience in and or knowledge of the NSW sex industry is essential, as is a NSW driver's licence and some outdoor and evening work. All information provided by applicants is kept confidential and only viewed by the interview panel.

This is a part-time position three days per week (21 hours/week) and it's based in Surry Hills. Applications from those seeking job share placements will also be considered.

Applications for this position close 5pm Friday January 20, 2012.

For all the details, download a job pack from the SWOP website (<http://www.swop.org.au/about-us/work-at-swop>) or contact ACON reception after 11am Monday – Friday on 02 9206 2000. All applications must include a completed application form (from job pack), a document addressing the Selection Criteria (from job pack) and a copy of your resume.

*ACON is Australia's largest community-based Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender health and HIV/AIDS organisation.

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Legal Aid ACT

Indigenous Client Support Officer

Legal Aid ACT is seeking an Indigenous Client Support Officer (ICS) to work with the community legal education staff in the Knowledge Services team. This position may be filled on a full time or part time basis. Part time work between 20 - 30 hours per week will be considered.

Salary range: \$54,956pa - \$59,668pa (pro rata for part time) plus 15.4% superannuation.

The ICS will assist Legal Aid ACT in identifying and delivering its services to meet the special needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and assisting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to access services provided by Legal Aid ACT and other legal assistance providers. The ICS will also assist in developing and delivering targeted and culturally sensitive legal support and education to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Please download and read the position description. This is located at <http://www.legalaidact.org.au/>

For further information on the position call Geoff Stewart on 6243 3475 or Sharyn Giles on 6243 3426.

Note: This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified position.

Applications should be forwarded to hr@legalaidact.org.au or the HR Manager, GPO Box 512, Canberra, ACT 2601. Applications for this position will close on **20 January 2012**.

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Deputy ICC Manager (Ongoing)

Nhulunbuy Indigenous Coordination Centre (ICC)

NT State Office, Nhulunbuy

EL1 \$85,822 - \$95,603 (Several Vacancies)

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Contact Officer Name: Agnese Rinaldi

Phone: (08) 8928 6189 or 0419 167 904

How to apply

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Senior Client Service Officer (ATSI Targeted)

Client & Technical Services

Housing Services Division - Southern & Western Region

Clerk Grade 5/6

3 x Temporary Full-Time Positions Available in Western Area

Locations: Walgett, Bourke & Nyngan

Job Reference No: 00000QEU

Total remuneration package valued up to \$85,816 per annum (Salary: \$70,480 pa - \$77,767 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Deliver a broad range of client service, tenancy and property management services, including resolving maintenance issues, to ensure that products and services are effectively matched and delivered to meet client needs in a timely manner.

Selection Criteria:

- Ability to work independently, manage own time and prioritise tasks to significantly and positively contribute to quality outcomes for clients and Team performance.
- Ability to identify, interpret and resolve low to medium level technical and maintenance issues and work proactively with contractors.
- Experience in interviewing, negotiation, conflict resolution, and decision making.
- Willingness to respond to the needs of a variety of people and a range of issues and capacity to problem solve and show initiative.
- Understanding and responsiveness to the needs of people with special circumstances, including Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islanders, people from non-English speaking backgrounds and people with disabilities.
- Experience in home or building maintenance or construction, or relevant qualifications such as Post Trade Certificate IV.
- Computer literacy and capacity to use computer based information systems.
- Current Drivers' Licence.

Job Notes: There are **three (3) Temporary Full-Time** positions available for a period of up to June 2013 with possibility of extension. Many of the individuals and families we work with are from an Aboriginal background. Housing NSW is committed to providing culturally appropriate services to Aboriginal people. We strongly encourage Aboriginal people to apply for these positions. Further information about these positions is available online and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

There will be **Job Information Sessions** presented in **Walgett, Bourke, Nyngan and Cobar**. If you are interested in hearing about these positions and our organisation, or you would like to learn how to apply for these jobs, you should attend one of these sessions. Please call the Enquiries Officer for details on when and where these sessions are going to be held.

Enquiries: Kerry McDermott – Ph (02) 6885 7140

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 27 January 2012

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New England Division of General Practice

Short Term Contract
Part-Time Position
Tenterfield

The New England Division of General Practice (NEDGP) is a not-for-profit organisation based in Armidale, Northern NSW. The New England, North West Slopes and Barwon Divisions of General Practice are currently transitioning to the New England Medical Local (NEML) which presents exciting opportunities in primary health care across the region.

Due to the Maternity Leave of a team member, we are looking for a motivated individual to employ under a short-term contract until September 2012 to provide relief for this position:

Tenterfield Aboriginal Health Worker 22.5 hrs/week

(Identified Position – Maternity Leave Relief)

We are seeking an enthusiastic and organised person who has an interest in supporting the Aboriginal community to fill this position. A short-term contract will be offered until 6th September 2012.

For a full position description and information on how to apply for this role, please contact Natalie Green on (02) 6771 1146 or by email at ngreen@nedgp.org.au

Applications close 5pm Friday 27th January 2012.

Late applications and those which do not address the selection criteria will not be considered for the position.



Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Antecedents of Renal Disease in Aboriginal Children (ARDAC) Second Phase Research Study

Position No: 59758

Location: Westmead

Status: Temporary Full Time (up to 20/02/2013)

MAIN PURPOSE OF POSITION:

The research project aims to establish the prevalence of early markers of kidney disease in Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal young people (ARDAC Second Phase Study) in different areas of NSW. The Aboriginal Health Education Officer will contribute actively to the execution of this NHMRC funded screening study. The study is funded for five years from January 1, 2008 and has ethics approval from the University of Sydney, The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council and the NSW Department of Education and Training. The Centre for Kidney Research comprises some 30 researchers. In the ARDAC study, you will be part of a team of clinical researchers who are examining whether early indications of the increased risk of kidney disease in Aboriginal adults may be seen in Aboriginal young people by screening young people over a 6 year period. This is a follow up to the ARDAC First Phase Study which was completed at the end of 2007. In the Second Phase Study, this cohort of young people, now entering or in high school, will be screened every 2 years for a period of 6 years to determine if there are any differences in the risks of kidney disease in this older age group.

Previous applicants need not apply.

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (or another race) is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

MAKE YOUR APPLICATION COUNT - PLEASE ENSURE YOU ADDRESS THE SELECTION CRITERIA.

****You may be required to work in any facility within Sydney Children's Hospitals Network. Should this occur, reasonable notice will be provided.****

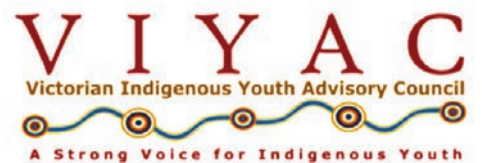
Contact details: Rachael Kearns

Phone: (02) 9845 0137

Email: rachael.kearns@health.nsw.gov.au

Close Date: 31/01/2012

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Project Officer

(part time at 22.8 hours per week negotiable to 30.4 hours per week).

STATUS: YACVic pays above Award rates (\$23.65 per hour and \$25.72 per hour).

LOCATION: Melbourne CBD

VIYAC is statewide network of Indigenous young people who volunteer their time to meet regularly to provide a voice for Indigenous young people to government and community on a range of issues that impact upon them and their communities. VIYAC provides a forum for Indigenous young people to come together to develop their ideas, their passions and interests, in a culturally safe, structured and supportive environment. VIYAC is committed to supporting its members to build their skills and capacity and operates on youth participation and self-determination principles.

The project officer will be working in collaboration with the State Coordinator and VIYAC members to develop and implement VIYAC activities and events. The main events the project officer will be responsible for is the VIYAC Community Spirit Police Award and a State-wide Gathering of Indigenous young people.

The right person for this role is one that has passion; drive and commitment to ensuring Indigenous young people's voices are being heard.

Applicants must address each of the key selection Criteria. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, in particular young people are encouraged to apply. The position description can be found on VIYAC website <http://www.viyac.org.au/news>.

Applications are to be received by Close of Business on **Friday 3rd of February 2012**. All applicants must respond to the 10 key selection criteria.

Please address applications to:

C/O Tim Kanoa, VIYAC State Coordinator via

Post: Level 2, 172 Flinders Street Melbourne 3000

Email: viyac@viyac.org.au

Fax: (03) 9639 1622

For further information, please contact Tim Kanoa by phone (03) 9267 3788 or 0423 608 999 or by email viyac@viyac.org.au.

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Applications close 5pm Friday 27 January.



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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



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ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER

Aboriginal Health Worker 5 Remuneration Package Range \$81 856 - \$90 600

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Centre for Disease Control – Darwin
Permanent

We are looking for an Aboriginal Health Worker to work with the Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus Unit in Darwin. The primary focus is to build the capacity of remote primary health care services to provide comprehensive Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus programs within communities with a particular focus on men's sexual health.

We are seeking someone with proven health promotion, health education and clinical training skills with experience in providing clinical training support to a range of health professionals. This position is based in Darwin but will require travel to other regions of the Northern Territory (NT) as well.

The successful applicant will also need to be a registered Aboriginal Health Worker in the NT. This is a re-advertised vacancy and previous applicants need not reapply.

Quote vacancy number: 1998

For further information please contact Jamie Broadfoot on (08) 8922 8606 or email james.broadfoot@nt.gov.au

Closing date: 20 January 2012

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applicants should address the selection criteria and provide a current CV and contact details for 2 referees (preferably an email address). A full job description can be obtained by visiting www.nt.gov.au/jobs Further information about these positions can be obtained by phoning **TOLLFREE 1300 659 247** or email recruitmentjobvacancies@nt.gov.au

Information on the Territory and its great lifestyle is available at **www.theterritory.com.au**

Note: The preferred or recommended applicant will be required to hold a current Working with Children Clearance notice / Ochre Card (application forms available from SAFE NT @ www.workingwithchildren.nt.gov.au) and undergo a criminal history check. A criminal history will not exclude an applicant from this position unless it is a relevant criminal history.

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students are encouraged to apply for these positions. For support with your application please contact Jacqueline Watkins, Aboriginal Community Development Worker on (03) 9341 1313 or email: watkinsj@dhs.vic.gov.au

Apply at www.dentaljobs.org.au

Community Program Officer (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 7/8
Aboriginal Affairs NSW
Tamworth and Moree
Temporary Full-Time

Position No. 00000RES

Total remuneration package valued up to \$97,836 per annum (Salary: \$80,096 pa - \$88,660 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Undertake a range of functions consistent with Aboriginal Affairs NSW (AANSW) responsibilities under NSW 2021, the Coalition of Australian Government's (COAG) National Indigenous Reform Agenda (Closing the Gap) and the NSW Government's Aboriginal Affairs Strategy, in accordance with the priorities and needs of the region. The position is based in the North West Regional Office (Tamworth) and will work regularly in the Moree community.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality and superior understanding and sensitivity to Aboriginal culture, and an in-depth understanding of the Aboriginal community issues.
- Demonstrated ability to engage and work in partnership with Aboriginal communities and organisations, to deliver real outcomes in Aboriginal communities.
- High level verbal communication skills, including cross cultural, for negotiation and conflict resolution, working with stakeholders, management of sensitive issues and provision of advice to regional management and partners on a range of issues.
- Sound written communication skills and the ability to prepare reports, briefs, correspondence and submissions.
- Proven analytical and high level problem solving skills with an innovative solution focus.
- Ability to exercise sound judgement, tact and discretion and maintain strict confidentiality.
- Demonstrated project management experience and ability to meet deadlines and work independently.
- Current motor vehicle licence.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position available for a period up to 30 June 2015 under the terms of the *Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002*. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977* (NSW). Further information about these positions is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to Working with Children and criminal records check.

Enquiries: Mr Tad Kiernski Ph: 0425 324 119

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 00000RES

Closing Date: Monday 23 January 2012

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Aboriginal Services Advisor

CareWest is a not-for-profit community service organisation based in Orange, NSW and operating throughout the Central West, Riverina Murray, Orana and Far West regions of NSW. Our vision is to build the capacity and capability of individuals, families and communities.

The role Aboriginal Service Advisor has both an internal and external focus at CareWest. One of the primary focuses of the Aboriginal Service Advisor, is to champion cultural awareness and understanding within CareWest in order to tailor appropriate services that are welcomed by Aboriginal people.

This position will support managers as they shape CareWest's service models and practices to improve the access and effectiveness of CareWest services for Aboriginal people, families and communities. The Aboriginal Service Advisor will also provide support to managers in the mentoring and guidance of their Aboriginal staff and volunteers.

The role is also responsible for identifying opportunities for CareWest to help build the capacity of Aboriginal people and communities. The external focus of the role will surround building partnerships and strong community connections for CareWest.

To learn more about this role, please go to the CareWest website (www.cw.org.au/careers) and view the position description to see the full list of knowledge and experience requirements for this role.

For further information contact Lesa Dunn on 02-6391-2400.

Applications for this position close 27th January 2012.

To apply for this position please download the information package from our website or email Clare Tovey at clare.tovey@cw.org.au to obtain an information package.



Australian Government
**Department of Education, Employment
and Workplace Relations**

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

- **STATE AND REGIONAL SERVICES STRATEGY GROUP**
- **SYDNEY, NSW**
- **REFERENCE NUMBER: 11/1680**
- **EXECUTIVE LEVEL 1**
- **SALARY \$91,315 - \$100,923**
- **ONGOING | FULL-TIME**
- **CLOSING DATE: 26 JANUARY 2012**

The New South Wales/ACT State Office of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) is seeking an energetic and highly motivated person to lead a team responsible for the development, contracting and management of activities under DEEWR Indigenous Education and Employment Programs. Primarily, the Indigenous Employment Program (IEP) and the Parent and Community Engagement Program (PACE).

As the Assistant Director you will be responsible for the development and implementation of Indigenous education and employment programs which will lead to high quality outcomes for Indigenous Australians in NSW/ACT.

You will be required to work closely with key stakeholders, including Indigenous communities, industry, service providers, State Government and community based organisations to create innovative strategies to increase education and economic outcomes for Indigenous Australians, corresponding to the Government's 'Closing the Gap' targets. You will require a strong understanding of principles of effective contract management, including programme assurance, and be able to effectively negotiate and liaise with a range of stakeholders to achieve outcomes. You will also be called upon to represent the Department at a senior level. Strong leadership, analytical and conceptual skills are important as is demonstrated management ability, including people, financial and risk management. You will be self motivated, exhibit good judgement and decision making skills and be outcomes oriented.

The position requires flexibility, resourcefulness and a willingness to promote continuous improvement and take a leading role in the implementation of change in the workplace.

Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

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: Sharron Hawkins on (02) 9246 0782

For further information regarding the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, please visit our website at www.deewr.gov.au.

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NUNGAROO Local Aboriginal Land Council

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The **Nungaroo** Local Aboriginal Land Council (**NLALC**) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position has recently been established following amendments to the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 (ALRA) as amended, and provides an excellent opportunity for the successful applicant.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the NLALC affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer Charles Lynch, by email: charles.lynnch@alc.org.au or telephone 0400 491 544.

Applications to be marked "Confidential" and forwarded to Donald Peach at:

The Chairperson
Nungaroo Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 28
Quirindi NSW 2343

Applications close-COB Friday 27th January 2011

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.



Receptionist /Office Administrator

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- Assist with arranging meetings, including room bookings, room preparation, photocopying and preparation of documentation
- Order and proactively maintain office stationery
- Order and maintain kitchen supplies and equipment as well as ensure kitchen cleanliness
- Coordinate the maintenance of office facilities and liaise with building management as required
- Arrange the maintenance of equipment such as photocopiers and printers, including replacing printer cartridges and ensuring stationery room cleanliness
- Filing support as required
- Assist in the review and continuing development of office procedures

The ideal candidate will be experienced, motivated, organised and professional Receptionist / Office Administrator who enjoys working autonomously with a small and friendly team.

To find out more about this opportunity, contact Kristin Shi at BRC Recruitment phone 02 9299 2399 or send your CV to kristin@brcrecruitment.com.au.



Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (WACHS)

Family Support Coordinator

(Funded by the Commonwealth Dept of Family, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs)

This position within Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service will be responsible for coordinating parental support services to Aboriginal families within the Wellington Shire. This program has been funded under the Indigenous Parenting Support Service (IPSS) initiative to identify and address barriers to good family relationships, whilst supporting them through children's transitions to childcare, pre-school and primary school. The program will also be targeting vulnerable families to address complex issues of social and financial disadvantage that can lead to a diverse range of family issues that may impact on the development and health of children.

The successful applicant will need to demonstrate a very high level of skills and experience in family or children services supported by relevant tertiary qualifications, and have experience in providing these support services to Aboriginal communities. The IPSS program has been funded to also provide a part-time Aboriginal Health Worker, to which the Family Health Coordinator will be responsible for supervising in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer.

Suitably qualified and skilled people from Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander heritage are encouraged to apply. A salary up to \$80k depending on qualifications, skills and experience will be negotiated with the successful applicant with the package also including a number of one-off incentive based provisions.

Prospective applicants will need to contact Patricia George Healthy for Life Coordinator or Darren Ah See CEO at Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service on (02) 6845 3545 or by emailing enquiries@wachs.net.au for an information package which details the "Essential & Desirable Criteria" to be addressed in application.

Applications close at 5.00pm Friday 27th January 2012



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Business Lending and Support Officer

\$66,541 - \$70,558

Wagga Wagga

Are you

- + experienced in business or business lending or commercial transactions
- + seeking to make a real contribution in a dynamic and challenging, yet rewarding work environment
- + interested in promoting Indigenous economic empowerment
- + interested in working in a small office team environment

Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) is a Commonwealth Statutory Authority which assists Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to establish, purchase and grow their own businesses.

IBA is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated person to fulfil the position of Business Lending and Support Officer located in our Wagga Wagga office.

The position will assist in the delivery of the IBA's business finance and support programs and economic / business development initiatives within a designated regional area.

The successful applicant will need to have:-

- + Knowledge of business, the various types of business transactions and lending
- + Good client relationship management skills and experience
- + Good oral and written skills
- + An ability to communicate effectively and with appropriate sensitivity with Indigenous people

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

For further information including job description, selection documentation and how to apply go to www.iba.gov.au. If, after reading the job documentation you have any questions, please contact Neville Jackson (02) 6932 3332 or email Neville.Jackson@iba.gov.au

Applications close 27 January 2012.

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IBA is a progressive, commercially focused organisation that promotes and encourages self-management, self-sufficiency and economic independence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

ACLO

Temporary full-time position - Position Number: 129287

Northern Sydney Region - Hornsby

Total remuneration package valued up to \$72,142 pa (salary \$59,705 to \$65,376 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the department at school, region and State Office level, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Proven ability to work collaboratively in teams. Knowledge of Aboriginal education programs, Departmental communities and external agencies. Skills to facilitate change. Understanding of Aboriginal Education Consultative Group role. Effective interpersonal, oral and written skills. Driver's licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Inquiries: Judith Gerber (02) 9987 3900

Information Packages: Judith Gerber (02) 9987 3900

Email: judith.gerber@det.nsw.edu.au

It is a requirement that all applicants apply online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to advertisement number 129287.

Closing Date: 8 February 2012

The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

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RED CHIEF
Local Aboriginal Land Council

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Designated Aboriginal Position
(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council (RCLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position has recently been established following amendments to the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 (ALRA) as amended, and provides an excellent opportunity for the successful applicant.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the RCLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. Recruitment package are obtainable at Red Chief LALC administration building 26 Chandos Street or by contacting the Contact Officers Robert Horne or Patsy Blundell by email: redchiefadmin@westnet.com.au, or on (02) 67423602.

Applications to be marked "Confidential" and forwarded to:

Greg Griffiths
The Chairperson
Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 745
Gunnedah NSW 2380

Applications close Friday 27th January 2012



Anangu Pitjantjatjara
Yankunytjatjara

Phone: (08) 8954 8111
Web: www.anangu.com.au/employment

General Manager

Opportunity to play a guiding role in the future of the APY Lands.

Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) is the corporation that represents its 3,000 members on the APY Lands; an area covering over 100,000 km2 in the far north west of South Australia. APY administers the APY Land Rights Act which provided Anangu (Aboriginal people of the APY Lands) with inalienable, freehold title of their Lands.

Reporting to the APY Executive Board, the General Manager is responsible for the strategic direction, effective management, the planning and the coordination relating to Land Administration, Finance and Accounting, Corporate Services, Legal Services, Economic and Enterprise Development, and Anthropology administration.

Knowledge of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act 1981 (SA) and an understanding of the historical, cultural and political background of APY will be highly regarded.

An attractive salary package is complemented with fully maintained motor vehicle and housing.

Applicants should request an information package including a full job description from the Administration Officer on 08 8954 8101 or amapy@anangu.com.au. Written applications, addressing the responsibilities, skills and experience, and including referees, **close on Friday 3 February 2012** and should be marked 'confidential' and be forwarded to;

Director of Administration
Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara
PMB 227 Umuwa via Alice Springs NT 0872
Email: amapy@anangu.com.au



Australian Government
Department of Education, Employment
and Workplace Relations

REGIONAL MANAGER

- STATE AND REGIONAL SERVICES STRATEGY GROUP | DUBBO, NSW
- REFERENCE NUMBER: 11/1677
- EXECUTIVE LEVEL 2 | \$107,455 - \$128,987
- ONGOING | FULL-TIME
- CLOSING DATE: 26 JANUARY 2012

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) NSW/ACT State Office is seeking an experienced and innovative leader for the position of Regional Manager, Western NSW Region, based in Dubbo. The Regional Office in Dubbo and its district offices based in Orange, Tamworth and Walgett is a key part of DEEWR's State and Regional network.

As Regional Manager you are part of the strategic leadership and management team of the State. This is a key role within DEEWR's State and Regional network reporting to the NSW/ACT State Manager and/or Deputy State Manager. You will be responsible for the safe delivery and performance of a range of contracted employment, education and training programs and services within NSW and nationally. DEEWR has a particular focus on closing the gap in Indigenous disadvantage, and works across a range of jurisdictions to improve policy, programs, services and outcomes for Indigenous Australians.

The Regional Manager is expected to establish professional and constructive relationships with stakeholders, promote creative stakeholder linkages, have a good understanding of employment, education and Indigenous issues affecting the State and be able to effectively represent the Department at a senior level.

Under limited direction from the State Manager/ Deputy State Manager you will be expected to:

- lead and manage the day to day operations of Western NSW Region and contribute to strong leadership and effective management in the State
- lead a team responsible for the management of employment services and education contracts, ensuring their contract management is consistent, based on improving the quality and performance of the services and in line with risk management principles
- facilitate relationships to support effective implementation of employment and education policy, represent the Department at high level negotiations, meetings and conferences, and liaise with State and Commonwealth Departments and authorities and community and other bodies
- undertake more complex contract and performance management discussions and reviews, and make appropriate decisions within a principles-based framework
- provide guidance to contract management staff on education and employment services, and contribute to education and employment services policy and program development at the State level. Indigenous business is everyone's business in DEEWR. All staff, regardless of which area of the department you work in, are encouraged to employ the RAP principles in their daily work
- provide advice and briefings on matters which are the responsibility of Western NSW Region
- implement appropriate strategies to ensure that the principles of the Reconciliation Action Plan, People and Leadership Plan, workplace diversity, participative work practices and Occupational Health and Safety principles and privacy and security policies are practised within the Region.

The successful applicant will be self motivated and outcomes oriented. Strong people management skills and proven ability to achieve results are essential. The successful applicant will also have high level strategic, management and leadership skills as well as highly developed analytical and contract management capacity. The successful applicant will also have an excellent understanding of the workings of government.

Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

This position is a security assessed position. The successful applicant will be required to obtain and maintain a security assessment at the Baseline level.

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: George Thiveos on (02) 9942 4000

For further information regarding the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, please visit our website at www.deewr.gov.au.

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Indigenous Cadetship Support 2012

Are you:

- an Indigenous person interested in a career with the Northern Territory Government?
- interested in getting paid while you study a diploma, advanced diploma or degree?

The Northern Territory Government is offering Indigenous Territorians currently studying full-time or commencing study in 2012, the opportunity to put theory into practice by applying for a cadetship with the Northern Territory Public Sector.

The cadetship offers:

- reimbursement of Higher Education Loan Program (HELP) fees on units successfully completed
- a fortnightly allowance while studying
- full-time paid employment during semester breaks (12 weeks).

Discipline being studied:

You must be enrolled to commence study in 2012 or currently be studying in one of the following areas.

- Aboriginal and Australian Studies
- Accounting
- Agricultural Science - Animal and Plant
- Building Surveying
- Business
- Business Administration
- Civil Engineering
- Commerce/Economics
- Engineering/Architecture/Design
- Environmental Science
- Events
- IT, Computing and Management
- Land Surveying
- Law
- Marketing
- Naval Architecture
- Project Management
- Psychology
- Research and Evaluation
- Science/Aquaculture, Marine Biology
- Social Work
- Sport Science
- Sports Management
- Urban and Regional Planning

How to apply:

Refer to the 2012 Indigenous Cadetship Support Handbook for selection criteria and application form, which can be obtained from www.nt.gov.au/jobs (quoting vacancy 211016).

For enquiries please email employmentprograms.dbe@nt.gov.au or contact the program coordinator on (08) 8999 3708.

Quote vacancy number: 211016

Closing date: 20 January 2012

This project is supported by funding from the Commonwealth Government under its Indigenous Cadetship Support, administered by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations



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and Workplace Relations

The Northern Territory Government is an equal opportunity employer and values an inclusive and diverse workforce.

Regional Coordinator, Indigenous Family Violence

Children, Youth and Families

Work Location: Bairnsdale

Ongoing/Full time

\$66,235 - \$75,151 p.a. (+ Superannuation)

If this position appeals to you please view the position description via the web site below.

For further information contact Kerrie White on (03) 5134 6200

Please quote position no DHS/GIP/49666.

Closing date for applications is Sunday 22 January 2012

Police Checks form part of the Department of Human Services recruitment process. Aboriginal Australians are encouraged to apply. For information and support contact 1300 092 406 or aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au



To apply online and view the job description, visit

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The Qld Drug & Alcohol Council is looking for an enthusiastic and innovative nursing professional to work as part of a multi-disciplinary team within a newly established residential facility working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Mareeba.

A full position description and selection criteria can be downloaded from www.gcdrugcouncil.org.au

Candidates from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply.

To apply: Please submit your CV and a short response (max 2 pages) on how your experience, abilities, knowledge and personal qualities would enable you to meet the requirements of this position.

The successful applicant will undergo a criminal history check.

All applications to be emailed to jillianz@gcdrugcouncil.org.au, or posted attention to Jillian Zietsch, PO Box 2655, Burleigh BC, Qld, 4220. Please quote reference: Nurse EEN on your application.

Applications close:

Monday 23rd January 2012.

For more information about this position or the project please contact Mary Alcorn, on 07 5535 4302, or marya@gcdrugcouncil.org.au



Careers with Queensland Health

Advanced Health Worker (Child Health)

Health Home Visiting Program, Child Youth and Family Health, Division of Family, Women's and Children's Health, Upper Coomera, Gold Coast Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$69 812 p.a., comprising salary between \$55 492 - \$61 187 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (005) (Applications will remain current for 12 months). **Duties/Abilities:** Promote, educate and support the health and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health infants, children and their families residing in the Gold Coast Health Service District using a primary health care framework. Be responsible for the provision of programs supporting families in the period of conception to three years of age under Queensland Health's Health Home Visiting Program (HHVP) with a focus on the postnatal period to three years. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People Act 2000 (Qld)* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People prior to appointment to this position. Your appointment to the position is subject to the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian issuing you with a favourable suitability notice. Queensland Health will meet the cost of this check and future renewals. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Job Ad Reference: H11GC12407

Advanced Health Worker (Early Years)

Child, Youth and Family Health, Division of Family, Women's and Children's Health, Upper Coomera, Gold Coast Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$30 816 p.a., comprising salary rates: \$24.76 - \$27.24 p.h., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Part time position, 38 hrs p.f. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) **Duties/Abilities:** Promote, educate and support the health and well being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health infants, children and their families residing in the Gold Coast Health Service District using a primary health care framework. Be responsible for the provision of programs supporting families in the period of conception to three years of age under Queensland Health's Best Start Early Years program with a focus on the antenatal period. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position. Your appointment to the position is subject to the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian issuing you with a favourable suitability notice. Queensland Health will meet the cost of this check and future renewals. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Job Ad Reference: H11GC12414.

To apply for positions grouped above:

Enquiries: Vicki Attenborough (07) 5519 2608.

Application Kit: (07) 5537 0394 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Friday, 27 January 2012.

You can apply online at www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

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Business and Economic Support Officer Cairns, QLD

- * **Make a difference in this key position!**
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Hunter New England
Local Health District

Applications can be lodged online at www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment
Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4926 7626.

Clinical Support Officer

The Maitland Hospital

This is a targeted Aboriginal Position. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act.

Enquiries: Karin Ravazdy 4939 2479

Reference ID: 60813

Closing Date: 22 January 2012

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage & Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

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The *Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation (CLCAC)* was established over 25 years ago in Burketown to represent the rights and interests of Traditional Owners. CLCAC currently have two exciting roles on offer:

Ranger Coordinator - Mornington Island, QLD

In this pivotal role you will be supervising and assisting the CLCAC's Wellesley Island Rangers plan and implement natural and cultural resource management projects in the Wellesley Islands region.

You will enjoy an attractive salary circa **\$58,717 to \$77,268**.

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Land and Sea Manager - Cairns, QLD

In this key role you will be coordinating and managing the work and staff of the CLCAC's Land and Sea Management Unit.

You will enjoy an attractive salary circa **\$74,296 to \$93,868**.

www.applynow.com.au/job30769

Both roles will also enjoy salary **sacrifice options, relocation assistance and generous leave provisions**. Escape the rat race and explore the beautiful Australian outback today! **Apply Now!**



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Mount Isa Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service T/A Gidgee Healing

Operations Manager

The Mount Isa Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service T/A Gidgee Healing is calling for Expressions of Interest for the position of Operations Manager.

Reporting to the Board of Directors you will be responsible for managing the delivery of primary health care services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Mount Isa region.

Essential Qualifications / Experience:

- Demonstrated senior management experience in a comparable not for profit, government or private sector organisation;
- Demonstrated knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Health services and the issues facing these organisations.

A competitive salary package will be negotiated with the successful applicant.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply.

For more information and to obtain a copy of the Position Description please refer to our Website www.qaihc.com.au or e-mail recruitment@qaihc.com.au. Applications must include a brief covering letter (addressing the job responsibilities) together with a current resume.

Applications close on the 27th January 2012.

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Call Ucki at the CRS Australia Broken Hill office on **08 8082 5288** or come in and see us at 265 Argent Street, Broken Hill. Alternatively, visit www.crsaustalia.gov.au to find out more.

*Additional eligibility criteria may apply



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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.

Smart Centres Division/ Call Operations branch - various locations

Customer Service Apprentices (numerous positions available)

- 12 month apprenticeship – on the job training and support
- Remuneration – Apprenticeship (APS Trainee) \$47, 675
- Based in 5 locations including WA, VIC and NSW

Opportunities currently exist for an exciting career that will provide you with training and support in call centre duties and reward you with a nationally recognised qualification. We will help you to be able to display excellent customer service to people from a diverse range of backgrounds and have the ability to serve customers in challenging circumstances. You will be trained in communicating effectively with customers by phone and assist them with queries whilst operating in a computer-based environment and use online research tools. There are several positions available at each call centre location.

In short, we can offer you • an apprentice salary • on-the-job training • leadership support • a nationally recognised qualification • and the potential to work in one of Australia's largest and most innovative organisations.

Please call the following contact officers for enquiries and Application packs:

- **Coffs Harbour, NSW** - Geoff Duffey 02 6648 6008
- **Tweed Heads, NSW** - Jason Pearson 07 55694680
- **Port Macquarie, NSW** - Sheryl Turner 02 65865194
- **Traralgon, VIC** - Danny McCafferty 03 51776010
- **Bunbury, WA** - Jodi Jones 08 97929179

For further information please visit www.humanservices.gov.au and follow the path to careers to locate **position number 640-201112**

Applications close Friday 27 January, 2012

The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* and is restricted to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

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Research Administration Officer

Research and Analysis Branch, Longitudinal Study of Indigenous Children Section
APS Level 5 (\$65,194 - \$67,690)
Western Sydney, NSW

Do you have an understanding of the issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in the Western Sydney area? We are seeking a motivated person, who learns quickly, to conduct interviews with families living in the area who are participating in Footprints in Time - The Longitudinal Study of Indigenous Children.

The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*. The Special Measures provision allows for the targeted recruitment of Indigenous Australians into the Australian Public Service (APS) while adhering to the employment principles set out in the *Public Service Act 1999*.

How to apply

For further information visit "Careers in FaHCSIA" at www.fahcsia.gov.au or contact Recruitment on (02) 6200 9514. We welcome and encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with diverse culture and linguistic backgrounds and people with a disability.

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NSW Police Force
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Communications Officer – Aboriginal targeted positions

Various positions
Communications Group, Operational Communications and Information Command,
Specialist Operations
Communications Officer

Permanent Part-Time (up to 17.5 hours per week)
SURRY HILLS / PENRITH / NEWCASTLE / TAMWORTH
Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/351

Salary Package: \$65,884. **Salary:** \$48,324 - \$59,705. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Part-Time salary will be at the pro-rata rate.

Job Description:

Communications Officers provides assistance to the community by dispatching and coordinating Police Officers responding to reports of crime and emergency incidents. They do this by dispatching information by the Police Radio System and processing Triple Zero (000) and other phone calls. This critical role involves 24 hour / 7 days a week shift work using the latest technology in a highly skilled team environment.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, *Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.
- Permanent Part-time positions are currently available – one (1) each at Surry Hills, Newcastle and Tamworth and two (2) positions at Penrith. Applicants must indicate location preference.
- All applicants who are short-listed from the application stage will be required to undergo a range of computer testing conducted by the NSW Police Force Communications Group including typing speed, data entry, comprehension, short-term memory, etc. Only applicants who rank highest in this process will proceed to the interview stage.
- Training will commence in early 2012 on a full-time basis for 10 weeks in Sydney and is fully paid. Successful applicants for positions outside of the Sydney Metropolitan area may be entitled to accommodation at no expense during the training period.
- Successful applicants will be required to perform shift work under the flexible rostering system and be prepared to work 24-hour rotational shifts, 7 days per week. Shift Penalties will be paid as appropriate.
- For your application to be considered you must attach an up-to-date resume **and** a written response addressing each of the selection criteria listed in the advertisement. If not, your application will be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- High level keyboard skills and experience in Windows applications.
- Superior customer service and communication skills.
- High level reading and comprehension skills.
- Demonstrated capacity to control multiple situations occurring simultaneously and make decisions under pressure.
- Ability to perform as a member of a professional disciplined team.
- Effective short term memory and capacity to learn tasks quickly.
- Voice and diction clarity.

Enquiries: Kerry Hughes on (02) 9285 3976 or communications@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications must be submitted via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00000RMQ

Closing Date: Tuesday 31 January 2012

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Administrative Officer

Centre for Indigenous Education and Research

**Yalbalinga Indigenous
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Life Without Barriers is a not-for-profit organisation operating throughout Australia and New Zealand. Our innovative care and support services deliver meaningful outcomes for children, young people, families and communities, promoting rights and valuing relationships.



LWB is currently recruiting a permanent full time Case Manager, Aboriginal based in Wollongong.

The Case Manager is the lead worker in the placement team, which is the group of people dedicated to the safety, welfare and wellbeing of the children and young people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage in out of home care, through the support and development of positive, stable, foster and residential care placements. The Case Manager oversees the day-to-day provision of services to the child or young person to ensure that it is effective, efficient and in accordance with the child or young person's case plan.

The successful applicant must be identified as a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander decent and have a current drivers licence. LWB considers that being from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

An attractive remuneration package exists that includes; salary sacrifice, a fully maintained motor vehicle with private use and a mobile phone. All applications must address the selection criteria which is available in the application package. To download an application package, please visit our website at www.lwb.org.au. Applications to be forwarded to nswrecruitment@lwb.org.au

For all enquiries, contact **Adrienne Nally** on (02) 9508 4077

Applications close Friday, 20 January 2012

The successful applicant will be required to undertake suitability checks. LWB is committed to the principles of EEO and we encourage people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background or people with disabilities to apply for the position.

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Support Coordinator – Indigenous Staff Support

Use your direct experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to help us develop culturally sensitive training programs for our staff, as well as contribute to the review and development of our program delivery.

Working closely with the Program Manager and key stakeholders, you will play a key role in supporting the Family Wellbeing unit to enhance understanding and build evidence based programs and resources in our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander services.

As well as your community experience, you will have held senior roles in research and be able to demonstrate your ability to develop and deliver new initiatives.

For further information, please visit our careers page at

redcross.org.au

For enquiries please contact Karen Bavea on (07) 3367 7409.

Applications close 5pm Friday 20 January.



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Customer Service Advisers (Smart Centre)

Salary range \$38,075 - \$62,783

Reference Number: 638-201112

The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 and is restricted to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

The Department of Human Services is seeking to fill a range of Customer Service Adviser positions at various levels at the Batemans Bay (South Coast NSW) Community Hub which is due to open in March 2012. Successful applicants may be offered ongoing (permanent) or non-ongoing (temporary) positions.

The role of a Customer Service Adviser (CSA) in the Department of Human Services Smart Centre involves answering telephone enquiries and/or processing in relation to the delivery of payments and services on behalf of government. The work environment is typically busy and continually changing. Customer interactions are predominantly over the telephone, but may also involve written correspondence. CSAs use computerised systems and databases to support customer-related interactions.

We would like to hear from you if you can offer:

- customer engagement skills;
- ability to work in a team environment;
- ability to work in a demanding and changing work environment;
- problem solving and decision-making skills;
- sound computer literacy skills; and
- ability to quickly acquire knowledge and understanding of relevant legislation and policies.

Comprehensive training will be provided in all aspects of the CSA role.

Applications will be assessed against the job criteria and offers of employment will be made depending on an applicant's demonstrated skills and personal attributes.

Applicants must hold Australian citizenship, and will be required to undergo a criminal history and a medical check prior to commencement.

The Department of Human Services is proudly committed to workplace diversity and encourages applications from the broad community including Indigenous Australians, youth, people with disability and people of mature age.

To apply: Go to <http://dhs.dfp.com.au/batemansbay> or telephone 1300 138 337 for more information.

Applications close Wednesday 1st February 2012.

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Remuneration Package: HEW Level 9 \$100,882 to \$107,733 p.a. (comprising Salary \$91,427 to \$97,636 p.a. plus 9% Superannuation and Leave Loading). There will be a 5% salary increase effective from 11 May 2012.

This is an identified position and applicants must be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Being an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised under Section 14(D) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

The UWS Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Students) leads activity to develop student recruitment and student experience at the University.

The Manager, Indigenous Outreach reports to the Associate Director of Marketing and is responsible for managing the delivery of Indigenous outreach services including marketing strategy development, planning, implementation and assessment.

The Manager will also lead a small team of Indigenous outreach and student recruitment staff and will also work collaboratively with the Dean of Indigenous Education and the University's Indigenous Education Centre, Badanami.

The successful applicant will be an experienced, degree qualified marketer with experience in developing and implementing marketing plans and have high level client service skills and experience in a complex, client service driven, marketing environment and will also have considerable experience in delivery of Indigenous education policy advice.

This is a contract position which will conclude on 17 August 2012.

Position Enquiries: Robert Palin, Associate Director of Marketing, (02) 9678 7513 or r.palin@uws.edu.au

Applications Close: 6 February 2012 .

**How to apply: Please visit the UWS Website:
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Training & Development Manager Alice Springs, NT

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- * **Great benefits including company vehicle!**

Ngaanyatjarra Council has an exciting opportunity for a dedicated **Training & Development Manager** to be based in Alice Springs, with some travel to the Ngaanyatjarra lands and occasional travel to Perth. In this key position you'll be **leading the operation of all Training and Development division activities**, including strategic planning and the leadership of staff. Be significantly rewarded with a **competitive remuneration**, plus a host of outstanding benefits including **district allowance, 5 weeks leave, salary sacrificing** and a **company vehicle!**



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clinician



Take Two Aboriginal Team

- **Full time, Morwell location**
- **Time-limited until February 2013**

Take Two, an integral part of Berry Street, is a statewide service established to provide high quality therapeutic services to children and young people who have suffered significant abuse or neglect and are clients of Child Protection.

We are seeking a qualified Clinician to join our Aboriginal Team. The successful applicant will provide clinical services of assessment and treatment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children referred to Take Two and will provide secondary consultation and training concerning the mental health needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, their families and Communities.

To be successful in this role, you will have a relevant tertiary qualification in Psychology, Social Work or a related discipline, knowledge and experience in working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, a demonstrated ability to form effective working relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and a sound understanding of the complexities of the service system.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for this position.

Queries to Chris Tanti on 0429 388 786. More information, including details on how to apply, can be found in the Position Description, available on our website.

Applications close 13 January 2012.



tauondi college

Want to make a difference with a great deal of satisfaction as an education leader? ...

Then here is an exciting opportunity for you! ...

Executive Director

Tauondi College is an exciting interdisciplinary teaching and training organisation governed by an elected Aboriginal Council of Management. Tauondi has been delivering quality accredited and non accredited training to Aboriginal people for over 35 years by providing specifically designed training programs, delivered in a culturally appropriate learning environment. Tauondi continues to be a significant Aboriginal community organisation in the South Australian Aboriginal community.

Tauondi is moving into an exciting new phase and is seeking to appoint an Executive Director with exceptional proven managerial experience and entrepreneurial flare combined with a strong academic/teaching record in an education or training institution. This appointment needs to position Tauondi at the cutting edge of the provision of adult education/training to maintain the status as a preferred provider for Aboriginal people.

The Executive Director is accountable to the College Council for the effective management and academic leadership of the College. The successful applicant will be responsible for the implementation of Tauondi College's Strategic Plan by providing effective leadership of the Senior Management Group and supervision of the teaching and administrative staff.

The Executive Director will be required to effectively manage and maintain complex relationships with Aboriginal communities and government and non-government organisations in the pursuit of the goals of Tauondi College.

An attractive performance based contract including salary will be negotiated commensurate with qualifications and experience of the successful applicant.

More information regarding Tauondi College can be found at: www.tauondi.sa.edu.au

For more details on the position of Executive Director and to obtain a job and person specification, please contact the Chairperson of the Tauondi College, Professor Peter Buckskin on 08 8302 9148 or via email peter.buckskin@unisa.edu.au .

All applications marked confidential to be forwarded to:
Professor Peter Buckskin
Chairperson Tauondi College Council
Tauondi College
PO Box 409
Port Adelaide SA 5015

Indigenous people with appropriate qualification and experience are encouraged to apply.

Application for position close Tuesday 31 January 2011

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Health
Western Sydney
Local Health District

ABORIGINAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH – TRAINEE

TFT (up to 16/01/18), **Salary:** \$807.70–\$897.30 pw.
Enquiries: Helen Ptolemy, (02) 9840 3603 or ptolemh@wahs.nsw.gov.au
Cumberland Hospital Ad No: 54839 Close: 20.01.12

For further information and to apply visit:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=54839>

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Administration Officer/Bookkeeper



- **Located in Mareeba**
- **\$40,000 per annum + Salary Packaging + Superannuation + Full-time**

Do you want to make a difference in the community? Are you passionate about helping make a difference in peoples' lives? We are only looking for a highly flexible person, with a 'can do' attitude who is able to adapt easily to change and is self motivated to work as part of a team within a newly established residential facility working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Mareeba.

Your duties will include:

- administrative support
- phone and reception duties
- banking, petty cash, accounts payable.

What we are looking for:

- previous experience in a similar role
- some experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients preferred
- strong communication, organisation and problem solving skills
- extensive knowledge of MS Office
- a friendly and helpful attitude and ability to work autonomously

A full position description and selection criteria can be downloaded from www.gcdrugcouncil.org.au

To apply: Please submit your CV and a short response (max 2 pages) on how your experience, abilities, knowledge and personal qualities would enable you to meet the requirements of this position.

The successful applicant will undergo a criminal history check.

All applications to be emailed to jillianz@gcdrugcouncil.org.au, or posted attention to Jillian Zietsch, PO Box 2655, Burleigh BC, Qld, 4220. Please quote reference: Administration Officer/Bookkeeper on your application.

Applications close Monday 23rd January 2012.

For more information about this position or the project please contact Mary Alcorn, on 07 5535 4302, or marya@gcdrugcouncil.org.au



Education & Communities

Regional Consultant, Aboriginal Education and Engagement

Senior Education Officer 2 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time position - Position Number: 137581
New England Region - Armidale/Moree/Tamworth – To be negotiated

Total remuneration package valued up to \$129,462 p.a. (salary \$117,319) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Providing high level support and advice to schools, regional office personnel and other key stakeholders on all aspects of Aboriginal education and engagement.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Teaching qualifications and recent school based experience. Demonstrated high level experience and/or knowledge in the following key domains as they relate to Aboriginal students:

- Readiness for School
- Engagement and Connections
- Attendance
- Literacy and Numeracy
- Quality Teaching
- Pathways to Real Post-School Options.

Demonstrated high level leadership, excellent communication skills and proven experience in senior level negotiations, with the ability to influence a broad range of stakeholders, including Aboriginal communities and the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. Proven outstanding project management experience and organisational abilities including high level skills and proven experience in the writing and preparation of reports, submissions, presentations, briefings and speeches. Proven ability to analyse and apply data to inform localised strategies to improve literacy, numeracy, attendance and retention outcomes for Aboriginal students. Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education. Knowledge of, and commitment to, the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Conditions: This is a temporary appointment up to 28 January 2013, with the possibility of extension. Administrative hours and conditions apply. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Recent school-based experience is that which has been undertaken within the last three years. Recent school-based experience may include experience in providing direct classroom support to teachers and students in schools.

Inquiries: Sue Coleman (02) 6757 3033

Email: Susan.Coleman6@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Susan Cull (02) 6755 5051

Email: Susan.J.Cull@det.nsw.edu.au

It is a requirement that all applicants apply online.

To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs

Closing Date: 1 February 2012

The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

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Health Hunter New England Local Health District

Applications can be lodged online at
www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment
Application Information Packages are available at this
web address or by contacting the application kit line on
(02) 4926 7626.

Enrolled Nurse

Muswellbrook District Health Service

Enquiries: Hilary Walker 0428 101 986 or Kathryn Holland
02 6542 2021

Reference ID: 60820

Closing Date: 22 January 2012

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage & Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

CLINICAL MANAGER



- \$130K ALL INCLUSIVE WITH MOTOR VEHICLE
- Full Time Position
- Located in Mareeba
- Strong Clinical Leadership Opportunities
- Salary Packaging Options
- Professional Development

We are seeking an enthusiastic Clinical Manager to manage a newly established facility working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Mareeba.

What we are looking for:

1. Tertiary qualifications in Nursing/Psychology/Social Work or Health Science.
2. Experience in Mental Health and or Drug & Alcohol services.
3. Demonstrated ability and experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in a residential facility or similar environment and to foster a healing of the spirit as a primary tool in recovery.
4. Experience in leading and managing teams.
5. Demonstrated skills in reporting and managing budgets are essential.

If this sounds like the challenge you have been looking for then don't hesitate to submit your application immediately. Or if you know someone who you think would excel in such a role then please forward this on to them.

A full position description and selection criteria can be downloaded from www.gcdrugcouncil.org.au

To apply: Please submit your CV and a short response (max 2 pages) on how your experience, abilities, knowledge and personal qualities would enable you to meet the requirements of this position. The successful applicant will undergo a criminal history check.

All applications to be emailed to jillianz@gcdrugcouncil.org.au or posted attention to Jillian Zietsch, PO Box 2655, Burleigh BC, Qld, 4220. Please quote reference: 'Clinical Manager' on your application.

Applications close COB Monday 23rd January 2012.

For more information about this position or the project please contact Mary Alcorn, phone 07 5535 4302, or marya@gcdrugcouncil.org.au

COOK-HOUSEKEEPER – MAREEBA



- 2 PERMANENT PART TIME POSITIONS & 1 RELIEF POSITION
- Possible job share
- Attractive working conditions
- - rotational roster
- \$16.57 – \$22.33/hr (depending upon experience)

We are seeking Cooks-Housekeepers to form a team for a newly established residential facility working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Mareeba. We require a full time worker and part-time worker; or two part-time workers; and an on-call emergency cook. Workers will be responsible for supplying food to residents during week days and preparation of hampers and travel sets for weekends.

The successful applicants will be responsible all aspects of food management from delivery, safe preparation and storage – while complying with strict WPH&S regulations. Applicants must have previous experience in a busy industrial or residential kitchen setting – qualifications desirable.

A full Position Description and Selection Criteria can be downloaded from www.gcdrugcouncil.org.au

Candidates from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply.

To apply: Please submit your CV and a short response (max 2 pages) on how your experience, abilities, knowledge and personal qualities would enable you to meet the requirements of this position.

The successful applicant will undergo a criminal history check.

All applications to be emailed to jillianz@gcdrugcouncil.org.au, or posted attention to Jillian Zietsch, PO Box 2655, Burleigh BC, Qld, 4220. Please quote reference: Cook - Housekeeper on your application.

Applications close COB Monday 23rd January 2012.

For more information about this position or the project please contact Mary Alcorn, on 07 5535 4302, or marya@gcdrugcouncil.org.au

Ranger Coordinator and Land and Sea Manager

- * **Escape the rat race in these key roles!**
- * **Relocation assistance + generous leave!**



The *Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation* (CLCAC) was established over 25 years ago in Burketown to represent the rights and interests of Traditional Owners. CLCAC currently have two exciting roles on offer:

Ranger Coordinator - Mornington Island, QLD

In this pivotal role you will be supervising and assisting the CLCAC's Wellesley Island Rangers plan and implement natural and cultural resource management projects in the Wellesley Islands region.

You will enjoy an attractive salary circa **\$58,717 to \$77,268.**

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Land and Sea Manager - Cairns, QLD

In this key role you will be coordinating and managing the work and staff of the CLCAC's Land and Sea Management Unit.

You will enjoy an attractive salary circa **\$74,296 to \$93,868.**

www.applynow.com.au/job30769

Both roles will also enjoy salary **sacrifice options, relocation assistance and generous leave provisions.** Escape the rat race and explore the beautiful Australian outback today! **Apply Now!**



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Housing Manager – Pathways

Bridge Housing Limited (BHL) is committed to building sustainable communities and to providing a high quality and responsive housing services to its tenants.

BHL is also responsible for providing services to those seeking social housing assistance through the Housing Pathways register. This is a chance to join BHL and the Pathways Team as it works to maximise the housing opportunities of those in housing need.

Based in Redfern, this is a role which requires a background in housing management and, more specifically, the Housing Pathways system.

The successful applicant will be responsible for assessing and processing housing applications, facilitating access to temporary accommodation and providing advice on the range of housing options from the private sector to crisis accommodation.

They will have a strong commitment to providing excellent customer service, have the ability to respond sensitively to people in crisis and possess a detailed knowledge of the Housing Pathways system.

To apply for this position you will be required to submit an up to date resume.

Closing date for applications is Wednesday 18th January 2012

To find out more about this opportunity, contact Dan Evans at BRC Recruitment phone 02 8245 1400 or send your CV to dan@brcrecruitment.com.au



NGAANYATJARRA media (Aboriginal Corporation)

Media Trainer - IT Savvy

Ngaanyatjarra Media is seeking to employ an experienced, dynamic and self-motivated Media Trainer who is IT savvy, to work with Indigenous people in a remote, dry community media centre.

Ngaanyatjarra Media is a pioneering Indigenous-owned media organisation supporting 14 remote communities in the Western Desert region of Western Australia. By providing open access to media and new technologies Yarnangu (Aboriginal people of the region) are encouraged to develop new skills and tell stories using their own voice. Our dynamic team of professional media practitioners work alongside Yarnangu to actively promote Aboriginal self-representation and language and cultural maintenance using all forms of media and the performing arts. Ngaanyatjarra Media has an Indigenous Board of Management who determine the strategic direction and policy for the organisation.

Ngaanyatjarra Media is based in Irrunytju (Wingellina) Community, WA, which is 10km from the Tri-state border (WA, SA and NT), with core business undertaken at the new Ngaanyatjarra Media and Communications Centre in Irrunytju. The position involves travel to the 14 communities represented by Ngaanyatjarra Media to undertake ongoing consultation, program planning and delivery.

Our activities include:

- Cultural Performance and Recording
- Radio Training and Production Broadcast
- Film Training and Broadcast Production
- Music Festivals, Recording and Distribution - Training
- Training and Communication
- Technical Services Unit
- Archiving, website development and communications infrastructure.

MAIN DUTIES

This person will provide support and training in the use of Community Resource Centre and media centres operation, equipment and facilities and assist in online access and IT communication services. The role will be involved in website and digital media development, networking and promotional activities, desktop publishing, digital photo printing, laminating online content creation for NGTV. This role will also provide IT support for the media centres. The role will commence in February. Initial interviews will be conducted via Skype. Closing date: 20th January, 2012.

For further details about the role and selection criteria please visit our ad on www.seek.com to apply.



New England Division of General Practice

Full-Time
**Female Aboriginal
Health Worker**
Armidale NSW

The New England Division of General Practice (NEDGP) is a not-for-profit organisation based in Armidale, Northern NSW. The New England, North West Slopes and Barwon Divisions of General Practice are currently transitioning to the New England Medical Local (NEML) which presents exciting opportunities in primary health care across the region.

An opportunity exists for a **motivated and enthusiastic woman** to join our team in 2012. This **full-time** position is a part of a broader Aboriginal Health Services team of 22 people across the New England Division region and includes a focus on supporting access to antenatal care with existing services in Armidale.

For a full position description and information on how to apply for this role, please contact Natalie Green on (02) 6771 1146 or by email at ngreen@nedgp.org.au

Applications close 5pm Friday 3rd February 2012.

Late applications and those which do not address the selection criteria will not be considered for the position.



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Justice and Community Safety

Ever considered a career in ACT Corrections?

Are you prepared to play a crucial role in protecting the community and assisting in the rehabilitation of offenders?

ACT Corrective Services is looking for persons with maturity and life experience, with high personal integrity, self-confidence, good communication skills, the ability to operate individually in a team and the capacity to deal with people in a wide range of different situations.

Correctional Officers at the Alexander Maconochie Centre are required to maintain a safe and secure environment for prisoners as well as contribute directly to their well-being and rehabilitation.

There is also the opportunity to work within the Court Transport Unit providing safe care and custody within the ACT Courts and also providing transportation of prisoners or within the Periodic Detention Centre providing an effective alternative to imprisonment for ACT offenders. Detainees perform unpaid community work while serving their detention on weekends.

Shortlisted candidates will receive extensive training prior to undertaking work within ACT Corrective Services facilities. Candidates who successfully complete training will be recruited on a permanent and or casual basis which will lead you to a career in one of the best paid corrections jurisdictions in Australia.

If you would like to be considered for the next training course in April 2012 you would need to lodge an application by Tuesday 24 January 2012. Applicants will be required to undertake pre-employment testing including psychological, confrontational, literacy and fitness.

An information and application kit can be downloaded from www.jobs.act.gov.au or further information can be obtained by contacting Anne O'Hara on 02 6207 0150.



Catchment Management Authority Murray

Department of Trade and Investment,
Regional Infrastructure and Services, Department of Primary Industries,
Murray Catchment Management Authority

Aboriginal Communities Support Officer

Clerk Grade 4/5

Deniliquin

Remuneration package range up to \$80,227 which includes salary range \$63,425 - \$72,702 and employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. Temporary position to 30 June 2013.

This job is for you if you...

- Have a commitment to increasing local Aboriginal people's capacity to participate in natural resource management projects and activities that help connect to Country and build strong partnerships that maintain cultural heritage.

In this role you will:

- Support Aboriginal Communities to participate in natural resource management projects that support Aboriginal heritage and culture in the Murray catchment.
- Be required to occasionally attend community meetings in the evening and on some weekends.

Selection Criteria:

(You are required to address each criterion in your application)

- Must be of Aboriginal decent and have an understanding of local Aboriginal cultural heritage issues and natural resource management issues.
- Demonstrated ability in working with aboriginal community groups.
- Good written, facilitation and oral communication skills, including basic computer skills.
- Ability to plan and organise events and projects including report writing and record keeping.
- Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team/network.
- Ability to liaise with government agencies, other organisations and individuals.
- Understanding of funding processes and ability to identify funding sources.
- Current driver's licence and the willingness to drive.

Inquiries: Kim Krebs (02) 6051 2204

How to apply: For information package and how to apply go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au and quote job reference number 00000RWU.

Closing Date: 22 January 2012

NOTICE OF INITIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971
SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that **SOUTHERN COAL HOLDINGS PTY LTD** ACN 142 504 827 ("**SCH**") of Level 9, Kyle House, 27-31 Macquarie Place, Sydney NSW 2000 proposes to undertake mining operations in an area located within Exploration Licences No. 4631 and No. 4671 held by **SCH** described below.

A description of the area of Land ("Land") upon which mining operations may take place is as follows:

(a) **Lake Pidinga Area** (Exploration Licence 4631) approximately 210 km northwest of Ceduna bounded by coordinates commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°34'S and longitude 131°55'E, thence east to longitude 132°01'E, south to latitude 30°35'S, east to longitude 132°02'E, south to latitude 30°39'S, east to longitude 132°04'E, south to latitude 30°40'S, east to longitude 132°05'E, south to latitude 30°44'S, east to longitude 132°07'E, south to latitude 30°46'S, east to longitude 132°09'E, south to latitude 30°47'S, east to longitude 132°10'E, south to latitude 30°50'S, east to longitude 132°11'E, south to latitude 30°52'S, west to longitude 132°10'E, south to latitude 30°53'S, west to longitude 132°08'E, south to latitude 30°54'S, west to longitude 132°06'E, south to latitude 30°56'S, east to longitude 132°09'E, south to latitude 30°58'S, west to longitude 132°04'E, north to latitude 30°46'S, west to longitude 132°02'E, north to latitude 30°45'S, west to longitude 131°59'E, north to latitude 30°35'S, west to longitude 131°55'E, and north to the point of commencement;

(b) **Pidinga Area** (Exploration Licence 4671) approximately 200 km northwest of Ceduna bounded by coordinates commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°45'S and longitude 132°01'E, thence east to longitude 132°02'E, south to latitude 30°46'S, east to longitude 132°04'E, south to latitude 30°58'S, west to longitude 132°00'E, north to latitude 30°55'S, west to longitude 131°59'E, north to latitude 30°52'S, east to longitude 132°00'E, north to latitude 30°49'S, east to longitude 132°01'E, and north to the point of commencement;

(All the above latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on page 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated 6 October 1966.)

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

SCH proposes to carry out exploratory and drilling operations on the Land to determine the geological

structure of the land and presence of mineralisation, including in particular coal mineralisation. Those operations will include reconnaissance, rotary mud drilling, downhole-probing, sampling and radiometric testing of drill cuttings, hand held photography and may include: gridding; mapping; aerial photography; airborne and ground magnet, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical sampling, water sampling, hydrological studies: rotary air-blast drilling: core drilling: and include all things necessarily incidental to any such operations.

The proposed operations are or will be authorised by the Exploration Licences No. 4631 and No. 4671 (which are subject to Native Title Determination Application SAD 6008/1998 Far West Coast Native Title Claim) (including any extensions or renewals of any of these exploration licenses and any future exploration authority under the Mining Act over the Land or any part of it).

SCH seek to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

TAKE NOTICE that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the Land, there are no native title parties in relation to the Land to which this notice relates, **SCH** may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land.

ANY PERSON who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the proponents, **SCH**, for the purposes of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

TAKE NOTICE that if within four (4) months of the initiation of these negotiations, **SCH** and any native title party or parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining operations on the Land.

If you require further information, please contact:

Southern Coal Holdings Pty Ltd
Attention: Heath Roberts (Director)
PO Box N239
GROSVENOR PLACE NSW 1220
Ph: 02 9251 1044 Fax: 02 9247 3434
www.wpgresources.com.au



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Department of Families,
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The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) is all about people. We are committed to providing a meaningful and rewarding career in a supportive environment. We value respect, collaboration, professionalism, results and innovation. People working in FaHCSIA provide support that touches on the lives of every Australian family and community in some way. We are responsible for about a quarter of the government's budgetary outlays and we are the government's principal source of advice on social policy and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues.

FaHCSIA is looking for an energetic and motivated person for the Project Officer role in Queanbeyan. The Queanbeyan ICC Project Officer will be part of a team responsible for negotiating outcomes for local communities based on the principles of Social Inclusion and Closing the Gap.

Project Officers are key players representing FaHCSIA in the implementation of the Australian Government's collaborative approach to Indigenous program management and service delivery. They work in a dynamic environment focused on developing solutions to overcome community disadvantage including Indigenous disadvantage. The Project Officer is required to nurture internal and external relationships; negotiate persuasively; understand and deal sensitively with Indigenous issues in line with FaHCSIA's policy. This position will specifically focus on project management, Indigenous community engagement and maintaining of community profiles including service mapping and data collection.

The successful applicant must be innovative and flexible with an understanding of the issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. They will have strong analytical skills, high-level oral communication and negotiation skills, good written skills and proven project management skills.

This is a temporary vacancy until 30 June 2012, with a possibility of extension.

Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

For further information on the position, contact: Jeanette Hill on (02) 6152 5101

How to apply:

Apply on-line at www.fahcsia.gov.au/careers/vacancies

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Notice of an application for
determination of native title in
the state of Northern Territory



National
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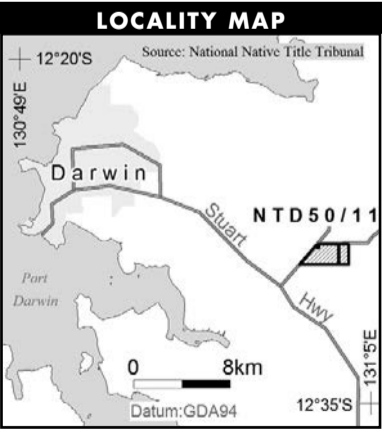
Notification day: 25 January 2012

This application is a 'non-claimant application', an application made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves. The applicants have an interest (which is not a native title interest) in the area, set out in their application as described below. They want the Federal Court to determine whether anyone has a native title interest in the same area.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. **Becoming a party to the application may be the only opportunity for people who claim native title rights and interests in the area to have their rights and interests recognised in the Federal Court's determination.**

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 24 April 2012. After 24 April 2012, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before 24 April 2012 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.



Data statement: Non-claimant application boundary data compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal normally from data sourced from the Department of Lands and Planning and Department of Resources.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Victor Lovett on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

AG57688

Applicant's name: Northern Territory of Australia

Non-native title interest: Minister(s) responsible for administering the *Crown Lands Act 1992* (NT) and/or the *Land Title Act 2000* (NT)

Federal Court File No: NTD50/11

Description: The application area covers about 5 square kilometres, located approximately 15 kilometres east of Darwin as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within the local government authority of the Litchfield Municipality.



ACT
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Justice and Community Safety

Corporate
Governance

Executive Assistant

Administrative Services Officer Class 4

Salary Range: \$54,956 - \$59,668 (PN: 08039)

Justice and Community Safety (JACS) is seeking a self motivated and highly organised individual with excellent communication skills to provide administrative and secretarial support to the Executive Director Governance.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Well developed computer skills including experience with the Microsoft Office suite is highly desirable and a current driver's licence is desirable. This is a designated security assessed position. Confirmation of appointment is subject to a satisfactory outcome of the security clearance.

Note: A new Enterprise Agreement is being negotiated with the expected pay rise of 3.5%.

Contact Officer: Rachael Jackson (02) 6207 4813
rachael.jackson@act.gov.au

Applications Close: 24 January 2012

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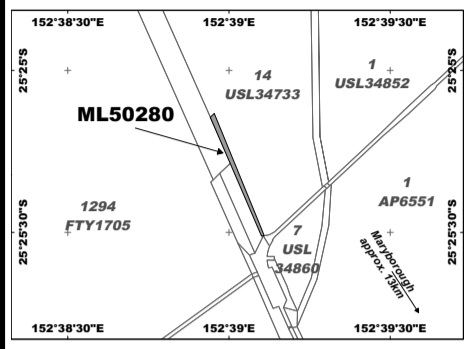


NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF A MINING LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

Mining Lease 50280 sought by Colton Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 140 768 636, over an area of 1.5721 ha, centred approximately 30km NW of Maryborough, in the locality of Fraser Coast Regional Council.



Queensland Government

Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Leases under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease Application be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland 4002.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application may be obtained from the Mining Registrar Brisbane, Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3733.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Mining Leases. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 25 January 2012

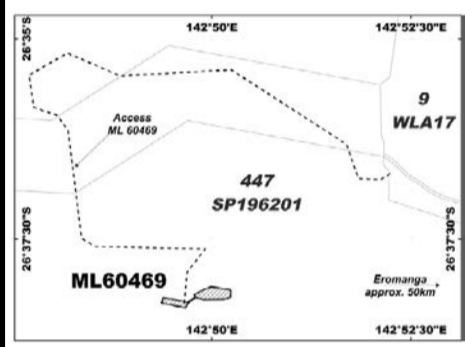
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINING LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

Mining Lease 60469 sought by Ashleigh Theuerkauf, over an area of 24.21 ha, centred approximately 50km West of Eromanga in the locality of Quilpie Shire Council.



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Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Leases under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* for a term not exceeding ten (10) years with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding ten (10) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease Application be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland 4002.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application may be obtained from the Mining Registrar Brisbane, Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3733; Mining Registrar, Quilpie Mining District, Court House, Buln Buln Street, Quilpie, Qld 4480. Telephone: (07) 4656 1266.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Mining Leases. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 25 January 2012

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN AUTHORITY TO PROSPECT AND PROPOSED ADDITION OF EXCLUDED LAND INTO AUTHORITIES TO PROSPECT

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect 659 shown below under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* and of the proposed addition of excluded land to the Authorities to Prospect 683, 689 and 747 shown below under section 100 of the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)*.

Nature of Act(s): Grant of an Authority to Prospect under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* authorises the holder to explore for petroleum for a period not exceeding twelve (12) years. Under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

It is also proposed to amend Authority to Prospect Numbers 683, 689 and 747 by adding Excluded Land under section 100 of the *Petroleum and Gas (Production & Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)*. If the Excluded Land is added to the area of the Authority the land ceases to be excluded land. This authorises the holder to explore for petroleum on the Excluded Land for the current term of the Authority to Prospect. A holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

It should be noted that this land will not be granted over a National Park (Scientific), National Park (Aboriginal Land), National Park (Torres Strait Islander Land), National Park (Recovery) or Conservation Park that are in existence on the date of effect of this authority.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6 Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

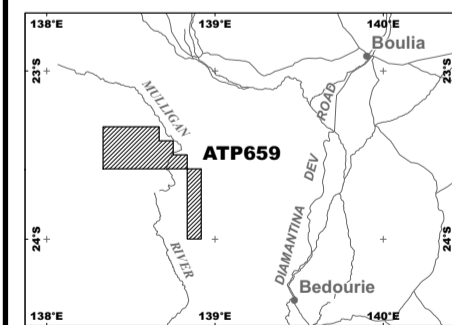
Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3803.

Notification Day: 25 January 2012



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Authority to Prospect 659 sought by Patrick James Fennell over an area of 500 sub-blocks (1559 km²), centred approx. 148km SW of Boulia in the locality of Boulia and Diamantina Shire Councils.

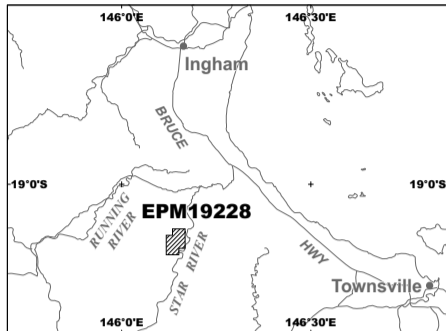


NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS

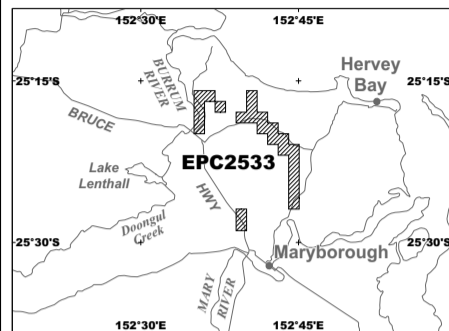
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits for Minerals and for Coal shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

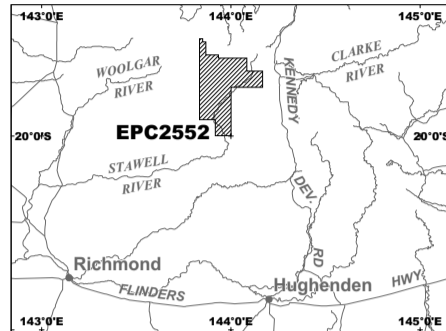
Exploration Permit 19228 sought by Rimatara Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 149 317 466 over an area of 10 sub-blocks (32km²), centred approximately 69km West of Townsville, in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



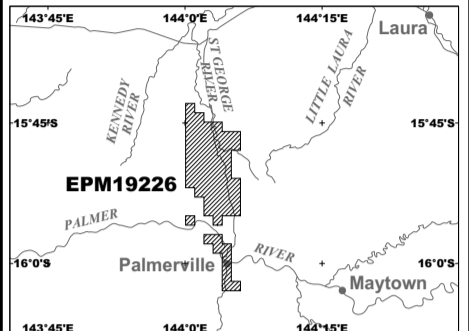
Exploration Permit 2533 sought by Howard Burrum Pty Ltd, ACN 150 841 366, over an area of 24 sub-blocks (74km²), centred approximately 20km North of Maryborough, in the locality of Fraser Coast Regional Council.



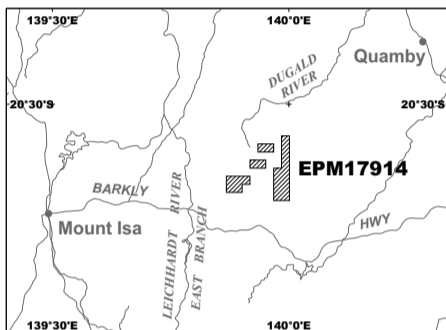
Exploration Permit 2552 sought by Linc Energy Ltd, ACN 076 157 045, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (965km²), centred approximately 123km NNW of Hughenden, in the locality of Flinders and Etheridge Shire Councils.



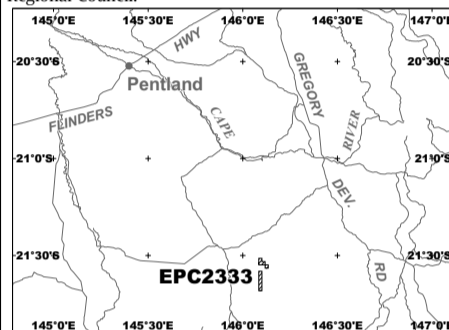
Exploration Permit 19226 sought by Mungana Goldmines Ltd, ACN 136 606 338 over an area of 64 sub-blocks (211km²), centred approximately 13km NNW of Palmerville, in the locality of Cook Shire Council.



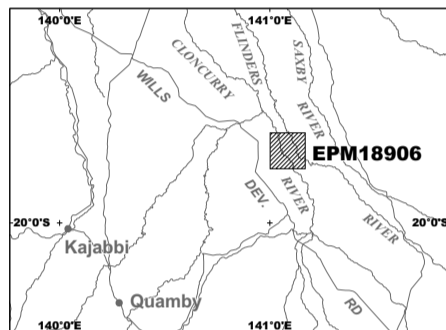
Exploration Permit 17914 sought by Mt Isa Metals Ltd, ACN 120 212 017, over an area of 21 sub-blocks (67km²), centred approximately 47km ENE of Mount Isa, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



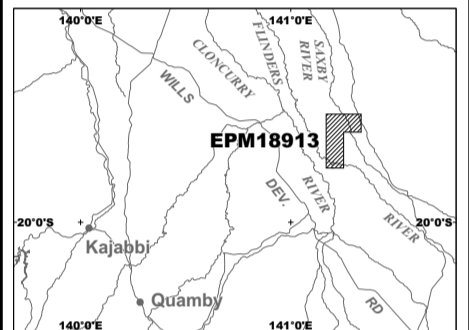
Exploration Permit 2333 sought by TPL Corporation Ltd, ACN 088 749 008, over an area of 10 sub-blocks (32km²), centred approximately 169km South of Charters Towers in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council and Isaac Regional Council.



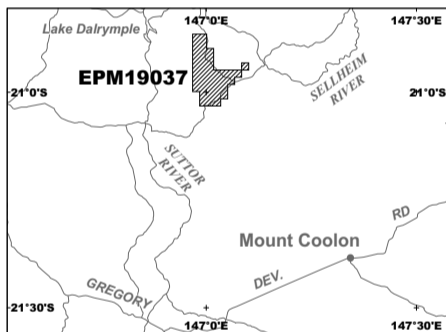
Exploration Permit 18906 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (323 km²), centred approximately 113km NE of Mingela, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



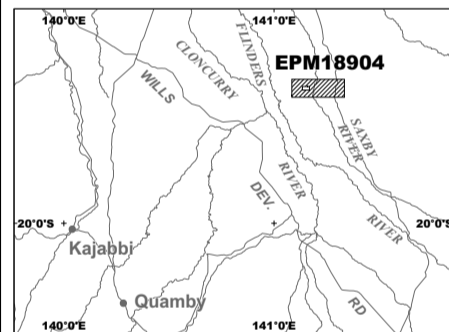
Exploration Permit 18913 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (323 km²), centred approximately 130km NW of Quamby, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



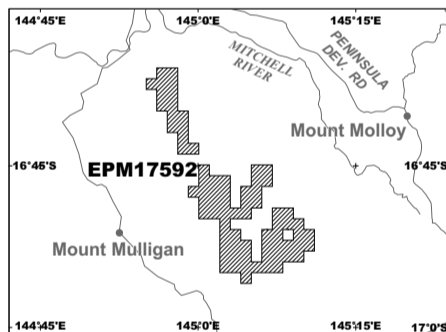
Exploration Permit 19037 sought by Drummond West Pty Ltd, ACN 112 104 668, over an area of 39 sub-blocks (125km²), centred approximately 58km NNW of Mount Coolon in the locality of Whitsunday Regional Council.



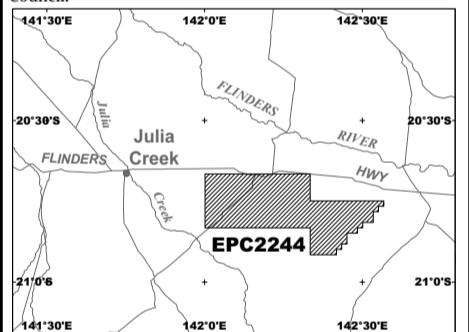
Exploration Permit 18904 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 73 sub-blocks (236 km²), centred approximately 145km NE of Quamby, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



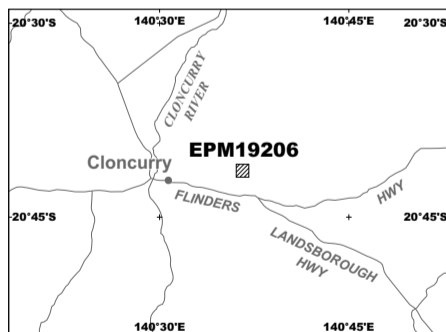
Exploration Permit 17592 sought by International Metals (Qld) Pty Ltd, ACN 126 370 474, over an area of 74 sub-blocks (242km²), centred approximately 21km NE of Mount Mulligan, in the locality of Tablelands Regional Council.



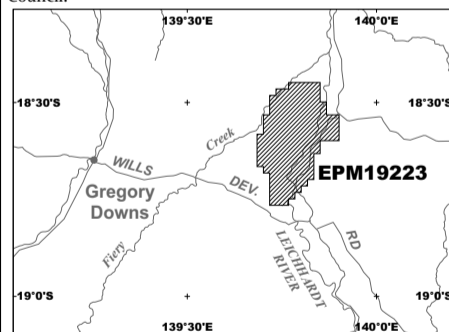
Exploration Permit 2244 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 295 sub-blocks (943km²) centred approximately 57km ESE of Julia Creek, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council and Richmond Shire Council.



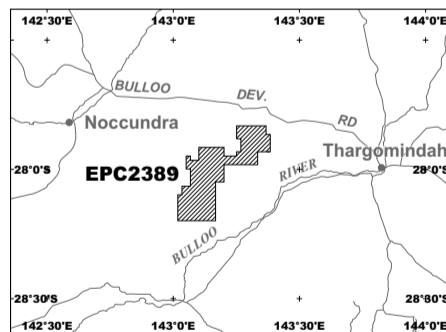
Exploration Permit 19206 sought by Giddee Mining Pty Ltd, ACN 150 701 296, over an area of 1 sub-block (3km²), centred approximately 10km East of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



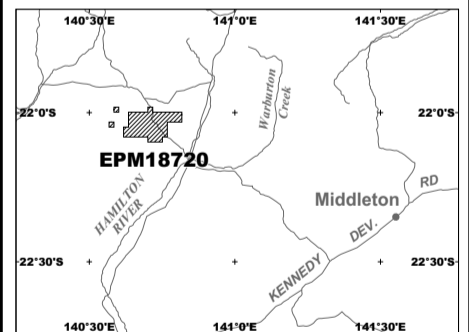
Exploration Permit 19223 sought by Mt Isa Metals Ltd, ACN 120 212 017, over an area of 158 sub-blocks (513km²), centred approximately 57km East of Gregory Downs, in the locality of Carpentaria Shire Council and Burke Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 2389 sought by Geomex Natural Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 139 714 284, over an area of 201 sub-blocks (609km²), centred approximately 60km West of Thargomindah in the locality of Bulloo Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18720 sought by Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd, ACN 108 925 284, over an area of 54 sub-blocks (172km²), centred approximately 94km WNW of Middleton, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals and for coal specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an on objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3006 5946.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR COAL
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Exploration Permit for Coal shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

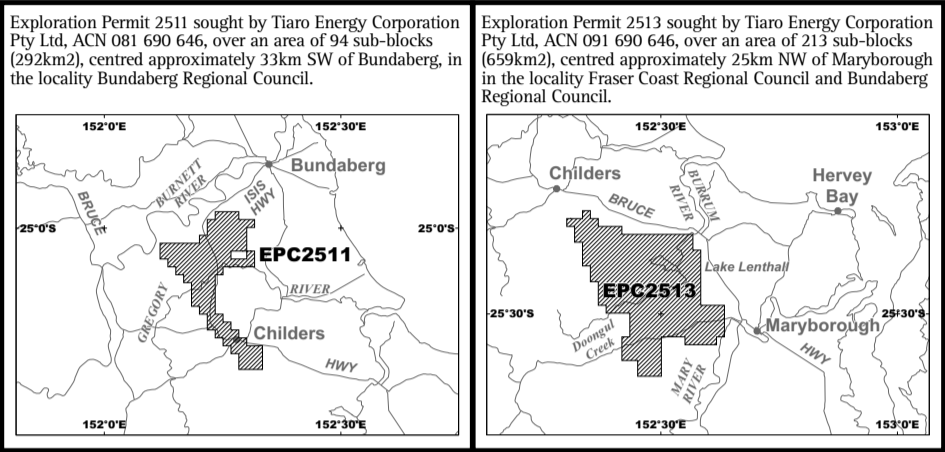
Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for coal for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit for coal to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless within a period of four (4) months after Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3006 5946.

Notification Day: 01 February 2012



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
Prospecting Licence	15/5660	HOUSE, Colin Aubery	4.86HA	23km NW'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 20' S Long: 121° 24' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5661-4 & 15/5669	AUZEX RESOURCES LIMITED GGG RESOURCES PLC	797.67HA	23km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 4' S Long: 120° 58' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2750-3	BROADARROW GOLDMINES PTY LTD	588.73HA	38km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 120° 58' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4602	PHOTIOS, Michael John	174.84HA	71km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 120° 55' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4603	HAYTHORNTHWAITTE, Glenn Alan	200.01HA	67km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 120° 54' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2217	TATTERSON, Timothy Vincent	4.07HA	21km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 44' S Long: 121° 41' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2218	TATTERSON, Timothy Vincent	1.91HA	21km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 44' S Long: 121° 41' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2219	TATTERSON, Timothy Vincent	8.16HA	21km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 121° 40' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3859	HARD ROCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	115.28HA	6km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 48' S Long: 121° 28' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3876	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	192.52HA	7km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 121° 28' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3879	INTEGRA MINING LTD	20.97HA	39km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 56' S Long: 121° 57' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2107	ALTER, Roger Scott	129.49HA	53km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 121° 44' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2111	CARRICK GOLD LTD	174.79HA	55km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 17' S Long: 121° 40' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	31/2010	ZEEDAM ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	116.09HA	115km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 3' S Long: 122° 21' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8061	NAVIGATOR (BRONZEWING) PTY LTD	99.24HA	65km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 30' S Long: 121° 10' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8123	ST BARBARA LIMITED	56.29HA	1km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 121° 20' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/3973	STRATEGIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	197.32HA	8km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 40' S Long: 122° 21' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/3982	MAZZA, Bernard Peter	199.94HA	52km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 122° 51' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/3984	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	76.16HA	79km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 35' S Long: 122° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5223	BYRNE, Mark Francis	197.96HA	106km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 33' S Long: 122° 36' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5225 & 39/5227	ORO DEL SUR PTY LTD	402.93HA	61km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 121° 57' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5226	ORO DEL SUR PTY LTD	206.45HA	61km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 121° 56' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5229	NOWLAND, Dale Cameron	71.48HA	39km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 122° 0' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5248	STEWART, Sydney George	180.37HA	76km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 17' S Long: 122° 13' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5249	ISSLER, Natacha Andrea	169.66HA	79km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 17' S Long: 122° 13' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1288	LING, Monte Justin	165.40HA	44km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 16' S Long: 121° 27' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1289	WILTSHIRE, Peter Andrew	25.19HA	47km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 17' S Long: 121° 27' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1291-2	WHITE CLIFF NICKEL LIMITED	231.31HA	46km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 17' S Long: 121° 28' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2759	SEERY, Eric Lein	49.00HA	48km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 16' S Long: 118° 49' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1547	SEERY, Janina	176.69HA	74km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 13' S Long: 121° 3' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1555-8	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	684.83HA	64km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 41' S Long: 120° 12' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1559	HOOD, Clinton Dean	65.57HA	61km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 40' S Long: 120° 14' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1560	HOOD, Clinton Dean	61.17HA	68km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 34' S Long: 120° 9' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1562	HOOD, Clinton Dean	40.80HA	64km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 39' S Long: 120° 12' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1563	HOOD, Clinton Dean	119.12HA	69km SW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 7' S Long: 120° 30' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1573-4	CONDOR METALS LIMITED	373.23HA	62km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 50' S Long: 121° 24' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1290	GOLD & MINERAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	47.69HA	64km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 119° 30' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1897-9	SANDERCOCK, Alan James	445.8HA	17km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 5' S Long: 121° 54' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	70/1596	MORTON, John Laurence	192.76HA	29km N'ly of Perth	Lat: 31° 41' S Long: 115° 50' E	WANNEROO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4076	ECLIPSE RESOURCES PTY LTD	72.14HA	99km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 59' S Long: 119° 5' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4077-8	LOPRESTI, Stephen	364.13HA	96km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 57' S Long: 119° 24' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4079	LOPRESTI, Stephen	201.24HA	98km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 56' S Long: 119° 24' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4080	LOPRESTI, Stephen	82.94HA	72km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 49' S Long: 119° 36' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4081	GOLDEN IRON RESOURCES LTD	38.24HA	60km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 119° 50' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4085	GRUNDY, Robert James	9.01HA	30km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 27' S Long: 119° 28' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4088-9 & 77/4092-4	GOLDEN MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	857.7HA	33km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 43' S Long: 118° 57' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4090	GOLDEN MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	196.80HA	27km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 118° 59' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4091	GOLDEN MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	55.13HA	25km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 47' S Long: 118° 58' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4095-6	GOLDEN MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	357.79HA	35km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 118° 58' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4097	GOLDEN MINING AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	20.25HA	28km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 118° 57' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4099	POLARIS METALS PTY LTD	23.21HA	7km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 119° 34' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4100	POLARIS METALS PTY LTD	119.33HA	14km SE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 53' S Long: 119° 37' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4101	LOPRESTI, Stephen	40.02HA	129km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 39' S Long: 119° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4102	LOPRESTI, Stephen	169.20HA	62km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 44' S Long: 119° 35' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4103	LOPRESTI, Stephen	14.41HA	55km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 40' S Long: 119° 33' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4104	STRANGE, Vernon Wesley	15.54HA	60km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 43' S Long: 119° 34' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4105	STRANGE, Vernon Wesley	9.15HA	59km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 42' S Long: 119° 34' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4106	TALGA GOLD LIMITED	16.95HA	10km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 18' S Long: 119° 22' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4107	SOUTHERN CROSS GOLDFIELDS LTD	12.99HA	17km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 119° 0' 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. Notification day: 11 January 2012 Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 11 April 2012. 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. 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. 11 May 2012), 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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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
General Purpose Lease	53/18	APEX GOLD PTY LTD	6.38HA	59km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 37' S Long: 120° 15' E	WILUNA SHIRE
The purposes of G 53/18 are: Stockpiling and subsequent treatment of tailings by a third party.						
General Purpose Lease	53/19	APEX GOLD PTY LTD	8.45HA	59km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 37' S Long: 120° 15' E	WILUNA SHIRE
The purposes of G 53/19 are: Stockpiling and subsequent treatment of tailings by a third party.						
Mining Lease	29/410	VAN BLITTERSWYK, Wayne Craig	493.28HA	5km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 44' S Long: 121° 3' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	29/417	NORILSK NICKEL CAWSE PTY LTD	1147.41HA	5km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 41' S Long: 120° 59' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	77/1260	GOLDEN IRON RESOURCES LTD	134.37HA	6km NW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 11' S Long: 119° 16' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Mining Lease	77/1261	POLARIS METALS PTY LTD	491.36HA	61km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 119° 58' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Mining Lease	77/1263	GOLDEN IRON RESOURCES LTD	194.28HA	123km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 42' S Long: 119° 26' E	MENZIES SHIRE

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Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years. Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years.

Notification day: 11 January 2012

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The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **11 May 2012**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

Notice of applications for determination of native title in the Northern Territory

Notification day: 25 January 2012



National
Native Title
Tribunal

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 any of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1806, Darwin, NT, 0801 on or before 24 April 2012. After 24 April 2012, 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.



Group 1 represents a cluster of 19 applications made over pastoral lease areas and a township in the vicinity of Larrimah as shown on the locality map. These applications fall within the Roper Gulf Shire local government authority area.

Descriptions of the Group 1 application areas:

The following 19 applications are identified by their Federal Court file number, application name and the date on which they were filed in the Federal Court.

NTD19/11 – Tarlee Pastoral Lease – filed on 2 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 600 square kilometres over Pastoral Lease number 982.

NTD20/11 – Avago Pastoral Lease – filed on 2 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 1590 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1191.

NTD21/11 – Gilnockie Pastoral Lease – filed on 2 September 2011

The application covers approximately 710 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1193.

NTD22/11 – Western Creek Pastoral Lease – filed on 2 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 1030 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1165 and Pastoral Lease 1176.

NTD23/11 – Lakefield Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 590 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1181.

NTD24/11 – Cow Creek Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 450 square kilometres over Pastoral Lease number 1172.

NTD25/11 – Gorrie Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 700 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1173.

NTD26/11 – Larrizona Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 700 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1199.

NTD27/11 – Wyworrie Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 430 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1192.

NTD28/11 – Sunday Creek Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 400 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1117.

NTD29/11 – Bloodwood Downs Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 580 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1197.

NTD40/11 – Dry River Pastoral Lease – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 670 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1198.

NTD41/11 – Birdum Creek – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 770 square kilometres over Pastoral Lease number 984.

NTD42/11 – Providence – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 530 square kilometres over Pastoral Lease number 1194.

NTD43/11 – Nenen – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 780 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1186.

NTD44/11 – Margaret Downs – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 610 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1196.

NTD45/11 – Banjo – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 580 square kilometres over Pastoral Lease number 1195.

NTD46/11 – Middle Creek – filed on 14 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 600 square kilometres over Pastoral Lease number 983.

NTD49/11 – Larrimah Township – filed on 19 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 1 square kilometre over the township of Larrimah as gazetted on 31 October 1984.



Group 2 represents nine applications made over pastoral lease areas generally between Tennant Creek and Elliott, as well as one application west of Borroloola as shown on the locality map. The nine clustered applications fall within the Barkly Shire local government authority area and NTD30/11 is located within the Roper Gulf Shire local government area.

Descriptions of the Group 2 application areas:

The following 10 applications are identified by their Federal Court file number, application name and the date on which they were filed in the Federal Court.

NTD30/11 – Broadmere Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 2610 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1046.

NTD31/11 – Anthony Lagoon Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 6430 square kilometres and is predominantly over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1016.

NTD32/11 – Helen Springs Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 5190 square kilometres and is predominantly over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1001.

NTD33/11 – Eva Downs Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 2820 square kilometres and is predominantly over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1017.

NTD34/11 – Alroy Downs Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area subject covers approximately 4390 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 985.

NTD35/11 – Brunette Downs Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 12,260 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 925.

NTD36/11 – Brunchilly Pastoral Lease – filed on 8 September 2011

The application area covers approximately 3340 square kilometres and is predominantly over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 945.

NTD48/11 – Banka Banka Pastoral Lease – filed on 19 October 2011

The application area covers approximately 3400 square kilometres and is predominantly over Pastoral Lease 1203 and Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 1204.

NTD51/11 – Rockhampton Downs Pastoral Lease – filed on 15 November 2011

The application area covers approximately 4900 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 927.

NTD52/11 – Powell Creek – filed on 21 November 2011

The application area covers approximately 4210 square kilometres over Perpetual Pastoral Lease number 948.

Data statement: application area boundaries compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from the Department of Planning and Infrastructure and Department of Regional Development, Primary Industry, Fisheries and Resources.

Registration test status of the applications: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* any of the 29 applications for registration.

Although the applications have not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the applications to the Tribunal or another body or person for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to them.

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Carissa Kok on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Exploration Licence	04/2132	SCARBOROUGH RESOURCES PTY LTD	75BL	34km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 36' S Long: 123° 41' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2133	SCARBOROUGH RESOURCES PTY LTD	42BL	54 km E'ly of Broome	Lat: 17° 47' S Long: 122° 42' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2134	SCARBOROUGH RESOURCES PTY LTD	45BL	51km E'ly of Broome	Lat: 17° 53' S Long: 122° 42' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2135	SCARBOROUGH RESOURCES PTY LTD	95BL	69km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 55' S Long: 123° 33' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2137	JML RESOURCES PTY LTD	30BL	88km N'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 25' S Long: 125° 19' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2143	GUNKIRK HOLDINGS PTY LTD	13BL	76km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 44' S Long: 125° 2' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2148	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	75BL	46km W'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 23' S Long: 123° 12' E	BROOME SHIRE, DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2149	BORAL RESOURCES (WA) LTD	13BL	53km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 47' S Long: 123° 40' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2154	BARACUS PTY LTD	7BL	86km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 31' S Long: 125° 9' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2006	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	61BL	60km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 59' S Long: 115° 53' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2043	TWELVE MILE PTY LTD	200BL	74km S'ly of Onslow	Lat: 22° 16' S Long: 115° 21' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2079	DE GREY MINING LTD	118BL	76km W'ly of Dampier	Lat: 20° 51' S Long: 116° 0' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2137	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	70BL	48km SW'ly from Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 55' S Long: 115° 58' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2215	PICKAXE CITY PTY LTD	124BL	97km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat: 22° 24' S Long: 115° 34' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2224	EASTERN GOLDFIELDS EXPLORATION PTY LTD	139BL	166km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 37' S Long: 115° 42' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2240	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	1BL	75km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 4' S Long: 116° 57' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2241	BORAL RESOURCES (WA) LTD	31BL	108km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 28' S Long: 115° 46' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2256	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	112km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 38' S Long: 116° 11' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2288	MALLINA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	66BL	147km S'ly of Onslow	Lat: 22° 57' S Long: 115° 19' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2297	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	1BL	74km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 9' S Long: 115° 52' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2313	CAULDRON ENERGY LTD	34BL	143km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 54' S Long: 116° 5' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2319	COAL FACE RESOURCES PTY LTD	200BL	86km SE'ly of Coral Bay	Lat: 23° 27' S Long: 114° 32' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, CARNARVON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2323	GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	70BL	63km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 45' S Long: 117° 50' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2325-6	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	334BL	121km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 41' S Long: 116° 1' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2328	QUARRY PARK PTY LTD	12BL	21km W'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 42' S Long: 114° 55' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2337	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	35BL	62km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 54' S Long: 115° 38' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2339	BARACUS PTY LTD	50BL	133km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 13' S Long: 116° 22' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2341	UNITED URANIUM LIMITED	42BL	119km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat: 22° 36' S Long: 115° 37' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2342	COMMODITE RESOURCES PTY LTD	46BL	80km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 47' S Long: 117° 13' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2343	COMMODITE RESOURCES PTY LTD	68BL	88km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 46' S Long: 117° 5' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2345	COMMODITE RESOURCES PTY LTD	59BL	92km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 43' S Long: 116° 58' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/434	JONES, Andrew	3BL	52km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 120° 53' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/435-1	AUSTRALIA MINERALS & MINING GROUP LIMITED	70BL	83km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 15' S Long: 120° 5' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/437	PHOTIOS, Michael John	4BL	55km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 120° 51' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/469	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	4BL	33km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 40' S Long: 121° 48' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/472	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	5BL	48km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 40' S Long: 121° 57' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/473	GEOLOGICAL RESOURCE SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	17BL	59km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 122° 17' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	27/449	RUBICON RESOURCES LTD	4BL	34km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 121° 46' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	27/472	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	6BL	44km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 34' S Long: 121° 53' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2125	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	7BL	69km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2156	MUSKETEE MINERALS PTY LTD	70BL	98km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 10' S Long: 122° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2176	AC MINERALS PTY LTD	68BL	128km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 122° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2180	GEL RESOURCES PTY LTD	12BL	143km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 10' S Long: 122° 48' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2187	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	70BL	170km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 39' S Long: 123° 30' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2195	INDEPENDENCE GROUP NL				
Exploration Licence	28/2196	RED RIVER RESOURCES LIMITED	30BL	81km SE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 30' S Long: 122° 26' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2199	CARRICK GOLD LTD	8BL	111km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 122° 31' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/845	GUIDE RESOURCES PTY LTD	7BL	87km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 122° 20' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	31/1000	POWER RESOURCES LIMITED	70BL	29km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 35' S Long: 121° 19' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1002	ST BARBARA LIMITED	65BL	136km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 50' S Long: 122° 42' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1004	VENTURE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	66BL	73km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 121° 49' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1005	VENTURE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	12BL	66km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 39' S Long: 121° 43' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/993	ST BARBARA LIMITED	2BL	148km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 56' S Long: 122° 41' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/993	ICARAS PTY LTD	62BL	67km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 24' S Long: 121° 41' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/786	STUBBS, Gregory Wayne				
Exploration Licence	37/1101	ST BARBARA LIMITED	7BL	12km W'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 53' S Long: 120° 35' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1106	SPARK ENERGY PTY LTD	30BL	48km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 120° 51' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2445	CENTRAL IRON ORE LTD	41BL	51km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 7' S Long: 121° 10' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2562 & 38/2592	ELECKRA MINES LIMITED	56BL	101km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 123° 54' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2606	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	129BL	92km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 28' S Long: 122° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2606	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	57BL	48km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 122° 26' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2637	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	52BL	80km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 122° 11' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2647	BLACK PEAK WA PTY LTD	17BL	109 km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 13' S Long: 122° 12' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2648	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	17BL	67km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 46' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2665	DRAGON ENERGY LTD	25BL	64km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 123° 30' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2668	MOTUEKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	6BL	41km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 56' S Long: 122° 38' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2671-5	KINGX PTY LTD	878BL	92km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 12' S Long: 123° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
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Victorians after their first title



VICTORIA fine-tuned its preparations for next month's Imparja Cup with a Twenty/20 cricket match last month against Papua New Guinea at Casey Fields, Melbourne.

In the week leading up to the game against PNG, selectors named the Victorian Imparja Cup side to contest the national Indigenous cricket carnival in Alice Springs from 5-11 February.

Northcote's Ben Abbatangelo will lead the Victorians, while North Melbourne's Brenden Miller and Keon Park's Michael White will make their debuts.

Former Australian Indigenous representative Barry Firebrace will return to the line-up.

Since the competition's inaugural match in 1994, the Imparja Cup has evolved into one of the nation's most cherished sporting carnivals that celebrates Indigenous culture and cricket.

While Victoria is yet to etch its name on the silverware, coach Stuart Clark remains quietly confident about the squad he has assembled for this year's tournament.

"You don't want to be bullish about your prospects, but provided we give it our absolute best, then hopefully we're good enough to get through to the finals and then who knows what can happen from there," Clark said.

"We hope that we can perform better



Big-hitting Keith Stevens wields the willow for Victoria against Western Australia at Traeger Park at a previous Imparja Cup carnival in Alice Springs.

than we previously have... but there's a lot of upside to our squad.

The Victorian team – also known as Noogal Toengorrt Tani – named for this year's Imparja Cup is: Ben Abbatangelo (capt – Northcote), Barry Firebrace (Keon Park), John Green (North Heidelberg), Sandy Hodge (Homers), Patrick Jackson (Pines), Alex Kerr (North Melbourne), Clayton McCartney (North Dandenong),

Brenden Miller (North Melbourne), Troy Oakley (Moe), Keith Stevens (Tocumwal), Fletcher Stewart (Fitzroy-Doncaster), Bohdi Walker (Sale City), Michael White (Keon Park).

Head coach, Stuart Clark; assistant coach, Rob Hyatt.

Team manager, Stephen Jackson; tournament acting head coach, John Watkin.



Williams to quit Wallabies



JIM Williams, the no-nonsense Wallaby assistant coach, is to leave his position with the Australian Rugby Union.

In a short statement, the

Australian Rugby Union (ARU) said Williams would leave the ARU at the completion of his current contract.

The former Wallaby forward first played rugby league, but switched to rugby union when he joined the army at the age of 17 and went on to play for Australia.

Williams has been an assistant coach to Robbie Deans since 2008.

Born in Young, in country NSW, he played rugby league in his home town.

But as a rugby union player, he was a member of Australia's winning World Cup team in 1999 and the 2000 Tri Nations competition.

He also was a member of the coaching staff in Munster's winning Heineken Cup (European club championships) over Biarritz in 2006.

It was not until he joined the army at the age of 17 that he began playing rugby union.

As a player, Williams was renowned for his uncomplicated approach, with a strong running game a feature.

Williams began his State career with the NSW Waratahs before moving to the ACT Brumbies for the 1998 Super 12 season.

Selected for the Wallabies in the 1999 Test against Ireland in Brisbane, Williams played another 13 tests and was a member of the winning 1999 World Cup and 2000 Tri Nations squads.

He moved to Munster at the start of the 2001-02 season and by his second season had been named captain. Williams remained with Munster as an assistant coach after his retirement in 2005, aged 36, and helped the team to a Heineken Cup final victory over Biarritz in 2006.

In 2007, he took over as Munster forwards coach, guiding the side to a second Heineken Cup title when the Irish club beat French heavyweights Toulouse in the 2007-08 final.

Department of Environment and Resource Management

Notice of proposed grant of an extension to a sales permit Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The current holder named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of an extension to the duration, area and quantity of a sales permit shown below under the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld).

Existing sales permit to which this notice applies:

Sales permit number and name	Location of sales permit (refer to map)	Description of area of application	Current holder ACN
SP131496 Thommo's Pit	Approx. 23 km north-east from Moranbah Local government area: Isaac Regional Council	Current land tenures Lot 18 on SP208194 - Term Lease 221638 (quarry, infrastructure area and access) Area of land applied for in the extension to the area of the sales permit: 298 ha plus the current access route through Lot 18 on SP208194, Lot 3 on CP907954, Lot 20 on SP156188, Lot 16 on GV313, Lot 4 on GV174, and Lot 3 on SP109690, and other Lots on Plan including but not limited to Lot 13 on SP178466 through which access may be required in the future to connect to State-controlled or shire council roads.	Crushing Industries Australia Pty Ltd 127 449 156

Nature of the acts: Grant of an extension to the duration, area and quantity of a sales permit under the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld) authorises the holder to get quarry material and carry out associated activities subject to the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld), for an additional term not exceeding ten (10) years, with the possibility of subsequent extensions each not exceeding ten (10) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the extension to the duration, area and quantity of a sales permit be granted under the *Forestry Act 1959* (Qld) by the Chief Executive, Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM), Forest Products, GPO Box 2454, Brisbane, Qld 4001.

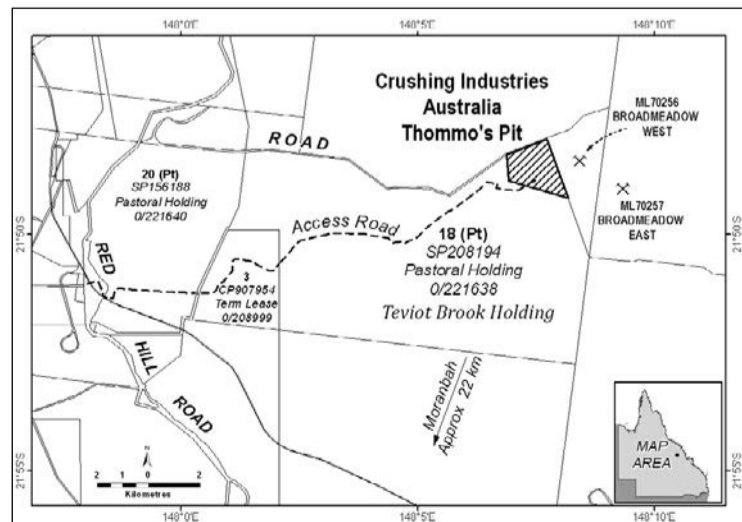
Further information: Further information about the proposed grant of the extension to the duration, quantity and area of a sales permit, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the extension to the area of the sales permit, may be obtained from DERM Forest Products, North Forest Management Area, 209 Bolsover St, Rockhampton, Qld 4702, phone (07) 4837 3308 or DERM Forest Products, Floor 12, 400 George St, Brisbane, Qld 4000, phone (07) 3330 6215.

Native title parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the extension to the duration, area and quantity of the sales permit. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, phone (07) 3248 1100 or email <qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au>.

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, phone (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification day: 16 January 2012



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Flying Boomerangs in the South Pacific



RUGBY league convert Israel Folau and Nic Naitanui joined the Flying Boomerangs at last month's Youth Australian Football League (AFL) Oceania Cup in Fiji.

They were ambassadors during the tournament, mentoring young players from their respective nations.

Eight South Pacific nations played in the carnival: Fiji, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Nauru, Samoa, Tonga, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu.

Won by New Zealand

The New Zealand Hawks won the 2011 Youth AFL Oceania Cup grand final, beating Nauru by 21 points in Suva. This was the third Youth AFL Oceania Cup. Previous winners are Tonga (2009) and PNG (2010).

AFL international development

manager Tony Woods said the number of Pacific-born players in AFL lists hopefully would increase over the next five years.

"The Oceania Cup was a chance for young players throughout the Pacific region to play AFL at a higher level. The week in Fiji also offered players the opportunity to test at an International Combine and for a place in the South Pacific Under-16 team that will play in Australia this year," he said.

The week-long carnival started on 13 December and also involved the AFL's Indigenous youth team, the Flying Boomerangs.

The squad of 24 15-year-olds was coached by AFL Community Engagement and Talent Manager Chris Johnson while Andrew McLeod, Xavier Clarke and Des Headland were assistant coaches.

The squad was selected following the

Under 15 National AFL KickStart Championships conducted in Brisbane in September.

The best 50 players from the Oceania Cup were invited to attend an International Combine on 16 December.

A South Pacific squad will also be selected to participate in the 2012 NAB AFL Under-16 Championships in Sydney.

In an exhibition match between the Flying Boomerangs and Oceania in Suva, the Flying Boomerangs won 21.15 (141) to 2.3 (15).

Man of the match

Isaac Rokeby was the man of the match.

The Flying Boomerangs played three matches on tour, comfortably winning all of them.

Darwin lad Michael Coombes appropriately won the Michael Long

Medal – decided by the players.

Coombes is Michael's nephew. He also is the nephew of the late great Maurice Rioli and Darryl White, and a cousin of Cyril Rioli and Austin Wonaleamirri.

The full squad was: Jarrod Pickett (Perth), Jarrod Garlett (Perth), Daniel Barnard (Geraldton), Anthony Champion (Kalgoorlie), Jamie Ryder (Perth), Dylan Nelson (Perth), Dino Ross (Perth), Jermaine Lewis (Perth), Warrick Wilson (Port Hedland), Tyler McKenzie (Port Augusta), Peter Von Heytmanek (Clare), Reece Hocking (Adelaide), Nakia Cockatoo (Darwin), Jake Long (Darwin), Michael Coombes (Darwin), Daniel Myers (Alice Springs), Zengrey Nona (Cairns), Isaac Rokeby (Cairns), Joel Hagan (Toowoomba), Djye Morgan (Shepparton), Bohdi Walker (Sale), Dakota Bannister (Newham), Kuam Anu-David (Coledale), Abaina Davis (Sydney), Jordan Etto (Sydney).

AFL goes to the heart of rugby league territory

THREE members of the AFL's Flying Boomerangs in the past two years have come from the Pyramid Power Junior AFL Club in Gordonvale, far north Queensland, in the heart of rugby league territory.

Proud club president Brett Kennerley told the *Koori Mail* that in 2010, Henry Mareko, from Badu Island, was the first lad from the Pyramid Power club to make it to the Flying Boomerangs.

"That was a fantastic achievement, and one which will always make the members of our club extremely proud," Kennerley said.

"But low and behold, just one year later, we have had another two of our young charges selected to represent the Boomerangs.

"You could have knocked me down with a feather.

"Isaac Rokeby, most recently from Weipa, but originally from Lockhart River and then Coen, and Zengrey Nona, from Badu Island, were selected to play for the Boomerangs' tour of Fiji in 2011.

"Rokeby was an absolute standout, being named as man of the match in one contest where the Boomerangs routed the Oceania side by 120 points.

"For these players to have all come from my little club, in an area that is historically a rugby league area, and succeed at their chosen sport, against the very best from the strongest regions of Australia, makes me extremely proud.

"It tells me we are doing something right at Pyramid Power Junior AFL Club."

Kennerley said 80 per cent of the club's players were Indigenous.



Flying Boomerangs assistant coach Andrew McLeod, player Reece Hocking and head coach Chris Johnson.



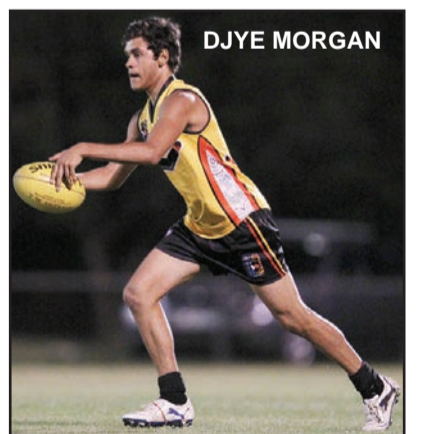
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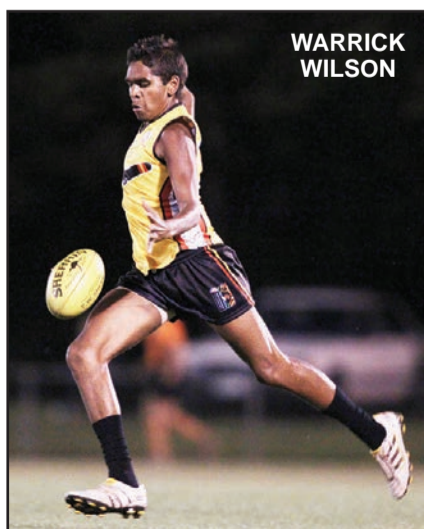
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WARRICK WILSON



Michael Coombes with the Michael Long Medal.

Silver City fish

By ELLYSIA OLDSSEN



TALENTED junior Indigenous swimmers Thomson Fleming, 9, and Jorjhara Koraba, 8, are making names for themselves in far west NSW and beyond.

Thomson, a descendant of the Barkindji tribe, and Jorjhara, a descendant of Saibai Island and the Bidjara and Birri-Gubba tribes, are members of the Silver City Swim Club in Broken Hill. They train under the experienced eyes of head coaches Neville and Ricky Shore.

"Jorjhara and Thomson are very talented, strong swimmers with huge potential and an exciting swimming future ahead," they said.

Although only eight years of age, Jorjhara has already qualified for the 2012 South Australian Country championships in the youngest age group – 11 years and under.

Thomson has not only qualified for Country, but also the South Australian State championships to be held in Adelaide this month.

Mighty effort

Last year, Thomson competed at the South Australian Country age championships, where he was a finalist in the 11 and under division – a mighty effort as a mere eight-year-old.

The dynamic duo's high standard of swimming has been rewarded by Swimming Australia through the Australian Junior Excellence (JX) Program for nine-to-13-year-olds.

Thomson has achieved gold star level, also creating history as one of the first Broken Hill swimmers to achieve this highest standard.

Jorjhara achieved silver standard times as a seven and eight-year-old, and will officially be rewarded when she turns nine.

Thomson and Jorjhara have posted impressive times and achieved outstanding results at numerous swimming competitions throughout NSW, SA and Victoria over the past season.

Thomson Fleming:
SA Country Superfish – three firsts, one third.

Sacred Heart School swimming carnival – age champion and six records.



Thomson and Jorjhara at a recent carnival.

Broken Hill Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) – junior champion and two records.

Silver City Swim Club championships – seven gold, two silver.

Port Pirie swim meet – three gold, one bronze.

Mildura Dust Buster meet – three firsts, three seconds.

Starplex competition (Gawler) – four gold, two bronze.

SA JX Series (Adelaide) – three firsts, one second.

Pentathlon JX Meet (Adelaide) – overall age champion, three firsts, one second.

Broken Hill carnival – six records, six gold, one silver.

Irymple Swim meet – four gold.

Jorjhara Koraba:

SA Country Superfish – second, third.

Sacred Heart School carnival – age champion and four records.

Broken Hill Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) – Record.

Silver City Swim Club championships – four gold, two bronze.

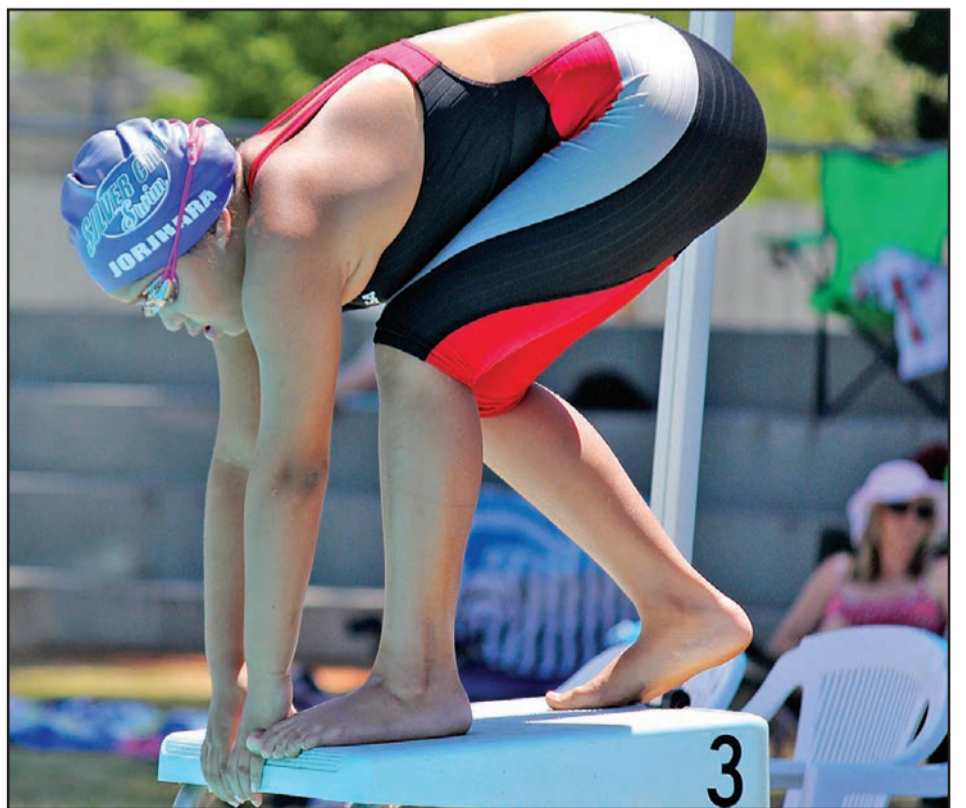
Mildura Dust Buster meet – two seconds, one third.

Kyabram Swim meet (Echuca) – four gold.

Broken Hill carnival – five records, six gold, one silver.



Thomson Fleming powers through the water in a breaststroke event.



Jorjhara Koraba on the starting blocks.

Keifer joins train-on squad



PROMISING south-west Sydney Aboriginal soccer player Keifer Dotti has been brought into A-League club Sydney FC as a train-on player with the Youth team.

At this stage he is not a member of the Youth team, but according to a Sydney FC spokesman, has been identified as a 'talented young player that we want to keep an eye on for next year and beyond'.

"We have a few train-on players who train with the Youth team to allow them to continue their development,"

spokesman David Mason said.

"Keifer is a very good prospect that we would love to help develop into a professional football player."

Surprisingly, Keifer, who played all his early soccer with Moorebank FC, has not represented NSW or Australia at any junior level.

Despite this, his proud dad Phil Dotti says there's a proud history in sport in Keifer's genes, with famous professional boxers and representation at national level in rugby league.

Keifer, a centre-back defender, has played NSW Premier League soccer since the age of 13 and has won

numerous awards. Last year he played with Sydney Olympic and won the Premier League's under 18 grand final.

Some say he is one of the best in the business for his age.

But what surprises his family is that while the Football Federation Australia (FFA) has an Indigenous Pathway program designed to fast-track the development of promising Indigenous players, no-one has shown any interest in Keifer.

In the meantime, Keifer has completed his entry exam for university – Business Management or Sports Science.



Keifer Dotti (right) with his nephew Khiarell following a game last year.

Ross' long road back

By PETER ARGENT



THE first steps in Joshua Ross' second coming have been taken.

Despite being beaten in his semi-final heat, running off scratch, Ross was among the marquee competitors in the 2011 Bay Sheffield professional sprint race on 27-28 December at Colley Reserve, in Adelaide's seaside suburb of Glenelg.

Earlier, he collected a comfortable win in his round 16 heat, despite giving his opponents a minimum of a 7.50 metre start.

Josh 'The Boss' Ross, who will turn 31 next month, still has a burning itch to compete in this year's London Olympic Games, and hasn't ruled out the 2016 Olympics in Rio

de Janeiro, when he will be 35.

Last month Ross won the Victorian 100 yards title in 9.79 seconds at the Zatopek meet before brilliantly flashing home for third in the Queanbeyan Gift on 17 December, running off the back mark of 0.75 metre, and being beaten less than a metre.

Previously, he endured two frustrating years with illness, injuries and other issues, but had an epiphany while flirting with playing American football in the United States.

He always maintained his sprint conditioning and recently began competitive running again.

Ross' achievements are simply outstanding.

He has won Australia's biggest foot races – the Stawell Gift (2003 and 2005) and the Burnie Gift (2004 and 2007) – the last three all off

the scratch mark.

The 2007 Burnie Gift was won in an astonishing time of 12.04 seconds.

His best performance at Adelaide's Bay Sheffield was a very close second in 2004 off 0.50 metre.

At the 2004 Summer Olympics and 2005 World championships, he reached the 100m semi-finals.

He won four consecutive Australian 100m titles during the mid 2000s, and then a fifth title in 2009.

Ross was a member of Australia's 4x100m relay team that finished sixth at the 2004 Athens Olympics.

He also owns the fastest 100m time by an Australian on Australian soil when he ran 10.08 seconds in March 2007.

An 'A standard' for qualifications in the London Olympics in the 100 metre sprint is 10.18 seconds.

From the sand to grass, Tjimmarri is just all-class

SOUTH Australian teenager Tjimmarri Sanderson-Milera – already a topline beach sprinter in surf lifesaving – is making a name for himself on grass.

The 18-year-old ended 2011 with a stunning win in the under 20 120m final at the Bay Sheffield professional foot race carnival in the Adelaide suburb of Glenelg.

The Bay Sheffield is South Australia's premier professional foot race carnival.

Tjimmarra's win capped off a great year for the youngster from suburban Grange.

Tjimmarra, who fits in working in customer service with Qantas Airways while continuing his promising sporting career, went to Henley High School.

For the past four years has attended South Australian and Australian surf lifesaving titles, specialising in beach sprinting.

State champion

His achievements last year included competing in the 2011 South Australian surf lifesaving Sate titles at Glenelg Beach, when he won gold in the under 19 beach

sprint and silver in the open men's beach sprint.

He took that form to the Australian titles at Kurrawa, on the Queensland Gold Coast, and won gold in the under 19 men's beach relay.

He also attended the 2011 Arafura Games in Darwin, winning a gold medal in the open men's beach sprint. He is a member of the 2012 South Australian team competing against other states in Sydney this month and will again compete in the Australian titles in March at Kurrawa.



Josh Ross running in last month's Bay Sheffield foot race.
Picture: Peter Argent

Hornets return to Rocky carnival



THE Curacao Crusaders, a team made up of players from Townsville and Palm Island, won't be back to defend their crown at this month's

Central Queensland Indigenous Development Reconciliation rugby league carnival.

But the Cherbourg Hornets, who have a proud tradition at Queensland All Black carnivals, and who won the first two CQID carnivals and missed last year, are returning.

This year's event, from 27-29 January, will be held at Central Queensland University (CQU), North Rockhampton.

It will be the event's third venue in its short four-year history.

Thirty-two men's team will play for \$50,000 prizemoney, with \$30,000 going to the winners, and \$10,000 to the runners-up.

There also will be an eight-team women's competition.

Carnival spokesman Jason Field said that close to 80 games would be played over the three days of the carnival on two adjoining ovals at CQU.

Teams beaten in the first round will enter a plate competition.

Teams beaten in the first round of the plate competition will enter a bowl competition.

Minimum three games

This means that every team is guaranteed a minimum of three games.

Field said that one team, from Kowanyama (Cape York), was spending \$50,000 coming to Rockhampton in an attempt to win the \$30,000 first prize.

However, he understood that the trip was part of a program where a DVD was being produced to assist the local community.

Traditionally, the Rockhampton carnival kicks off a series of All Black rugby league carnivals throughout Queensland.

Patty Mills 'released'



INDIGENOUS basketball star Patty Mills has slammed reports that he was faking a hamstring injury, as his Chinese club terminated the Australian basketball star's lucrative

contract.

Mills last week was released by Xinjiang Flying Tigers, with the club accusing the dynamic point guard of faking the hamstring injury which has troubled him since 23 December.

The 23-year-old signed with Xinjiang in November, leaving NBL team Melbourne Tigers on a deal reportedly worth upwards of \$1 million – but his relationship with the club has deteriorated as they debated the seriousness of the injury.

Mills took to Twitter to fire back at a club release from team general manager Hou Wei which said 'due to a fake injury, the Xinjiang team has cut the foreign player Mills'.

"Firstly, hammy is doing well and is on track to be back in full swing by next Saturday," Mills said. "That will be three (weeks since suffering the injury).

"I had both MRIs sent to my doctor in Aus.

"It was made clear from the start to EVERYONE that it was a torn hamstring and would take 3-6 weeks (to recover).

"So why the team and doctors over here are saying its not torn, only swelling and should be

playing totally defeats me.

"So basically everything in the Chinese media is totally inaccurate and false. I've been honest and professional throughout."

During his 12 matches with Xinjiang, Mills averaged 26.5 points a game, but his relationship began to sour after the club sacked coach Bob Donewald late in December.

It is believed a recent request by Mills to team management to be given two more weeks for his injury to heal was rejected.

In a further blow, Mills, who had played the past two seasons with Portland Trail Blazers, may be banned from returning to the NBA until March.

The Chinese Basketball Association introduced rules in its pre-season which allows teams to withhold a letter of clearance by the sport's governing body FIBA until their season is finished.

Xinjiang has already signalled its intent to do just that with Kenyon Martin, after they recently released the former Denver Nuggets forward.

Mills is expected to anchor Australia's national team at the London Olympics.

The Australian representative is reported to be keen to return to the NBA.

However, the Blazers have a full roster of 15 players, including three point guards – Raymond Felton, Nolan Smith and Armon Johnson.

Mills averaged 5.1 points and 1.5 assists in a reserve role for the Blazers last year. – With AAP

Individual brilliance

REGULAR readers of this humble column will know how much importance I place on putting the team before the individual.

This does not mean, however, that at certain times the team will not look to a key individual for a brilliant piece of play or a superior game to help them on the path to victory.

There can also be that certain day when everything falls in place for a player that allows him to excel and lead his team to an unexpected victory.

These are the performances that define special moments, or create the legends of our great game.

This year will have its share of these moments, but the true test is how well these performances will be remembered.

A number of special individual performances remain in my mind from 2011.

These include Jude Bolton's performance for the Swans against West Coast early last season where he recorded a staggering 19 tackles, setting a new League record - surpassing the previous best of 16 held jointly by Brisbane Lion Jared Brennan and Geelong's Jimmy Bartel.

He also had 23 disposals and kicked a vital goal, but it was his work-rate and willingness to summon his inner Brett Kirk that made him the most influential player on the ground.

The 31-year-old helped inflict what was to be West Coast's only loss on its home ground in 2011, a season in which Patersons Stadium once again became an Eagles fortress.

Having played along Jude, I can pay him one of the highest compliments by saying he was the player everybody else aspired to play alongside.

Turning from a veteran to a comparative rookie in Dustin Martin, whose performance for Richmond against North Melbourne was absolutely outstanding.

From the moment Martin the man-child was selected by Richmond at No 3 in the 2009 NAB AFL National Draft, the question wasn't if he would

become an elite midfielder, it was when.

The answer came in round five, when he announced himself as a genuine game-breaker in the Tigers' thrilling win against North Melbourne.

Martin, still 19, collected 33 touches - the vast majority contested - took eight marks and booted four goals against the Roos in just his 26th game.

He lifted Richmond off the canvas after the Kangaroos jumped out of the blocks, and helped seal the win with two goals in the final term.

Lance Franklin was always going to make his presence felt at some stage of the season, but unfortunately he decided to highlight his match-winning qualities against my beloved Swans in Sydney.

Broke curse

Opposed to quality opponents in Heath Grundy and Ted Richards, Buddy ran riot to ensure the Hawks broke an eight-year curse at the SCG.

The game was hotly contested for a half before Franklin took matters into his own hands.

He had 28 touches, including 11 contested, took nine marks and kicked 6.6 - his haul could easily have reached double figures, but it mattered little.

"When a player like Buddy Franklin gets quality clean ball they're pretty hard to stop," a rather understated Swans coach John Longmire said after the game.

The Swans suffered another mauling from one of the game's premier big men when Travis Cloke went on a rampage at ANZ Stadium.

The Magpie star booted six goals from ten shots, had 18 possessions, took nine marks with seven contested, including several vital pack-splitters in the final term as the Pies finally overcame a stubborn Swans outfit.

It was one of the most commanding performances by a key forward this season, with Cloke no doubt the difference between the two sides.

Then there are the consistent

Magic's Moments



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legends like Chris Judd, whose Round 18 performance for Carlton against Essendon 12.7 reinforced his greatness.

It's not often a small forward boots eight majors - including a Goal of the Year contender - but is clearly only the second best player on the ground.

But that's what happened when Carlton crushed Essendon at the MCG.

Eddie Betts' eight goals, and Andrew Walker's skyscraping screamer featured more prominently on the highlight reels, but Judd underpinned the Blues' complete demolition of the Bombers.

Judd collected 33 disposals (20 contested), had nine inside-50s, 12 tackles and seven score assists as his team ruthlessly embarrassed the Bombers in the second half after leading by seven points at half-time.

His dominance was matched by Stevie Johnson in Geelong's demolition of Melbourne at Skilled Stadium.

While the Cats' annihilation of Melbourne was akin to watching a man playfully beat up his much younger, defenceless brother, Johnson's all-round attacking

master class was still one of the finest of the season.

Nearly every Cat dominated during the 186-point shellacking that ended Dean Bailey's tenure as Melbourne coach, but Johnson was the standout.

He kicked seven goals and had a record 11 score assists, nine of which led to goals. His final stat-count was also impressive: Indeed, many midfielders would be ecstatic if they amassed 34 possessions, five clearances and six inside-50s.

However, it is another matter performing at this level in the games that matter and Josh Gibson's semi-final performance against the Sydney Swans 13.8 (86) at the MCG delivered under big match pressure.

Gibson came of age as a genuine key defender in 2011, narrowly missing out on All Australian selection.

His performance in the semi-final against the Swans was equal to any produced by a key backman this season.

The context of the game adds even more shine to his efforts, as the previous week, Geelong's monster quartet of James Podsiadly, Brad Ottens, Trent

West and Tom Hawkins had exposed Hawthorn's key defenders

It was a different story the week after, when Gibson seemingly took it upon himself to quash and then repel countless Swans' advances.

Third man up

The former Kangaroo hit countless contests as third man up and finished with a whopping 21 spoils, an all-time record. He also added 20 disposals and eight marks as the Swans could find no answer to his one-man roadblock.

When you are playing against the elite, these performances are memorable and bring the fans through the gate.

This year holds the expectation that every team will be competitive.

Within every team there will be a player waiting to play the game of his life where individual brilliance can shape the destiny of a game or a season.

As I work with the AIS Academy squads, I can feel the season just around the corner.

Bring it on!

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Lance Franklin's one-man demolition of the Sydney Swans at the SCG was one of the highlights of the 2011 season for Michael O'Loughlin. - Getty image



Harradine returns to the cage



BENN HARRADINE
- Getty image



COMMONWEALTH Games discus gold medallist Benn Harradine will use the Hunter Track Classic this month

to have some fun with his home crowd before he gets serious in the lead-up to the London Olympics.

To be held on 21 January at the Hunter Sports Centre at Glendale as part of the Athletics Australia National Series, it will be the third Hunter Track Classic and Harradine's first.

The Newcastle Herald said that Harradine, who finished fifth at the world championships in South

Korea last year after securing gold in Delhi a year earlier, would go throw for throw with 2009 women's world champion Dani Samuels.

The Herald said that although he was dealing with quadriceps and Achilles tendon injuries, Harradine had promised to engage with fans, who would be allowed on to the arena to surround the throwing circle.

"That's what makes us compete the best - having the crowd right there at the cage, clapping us in - that's what makes us perform well, rather than having no-one there and having to compete in an

empty stadium.

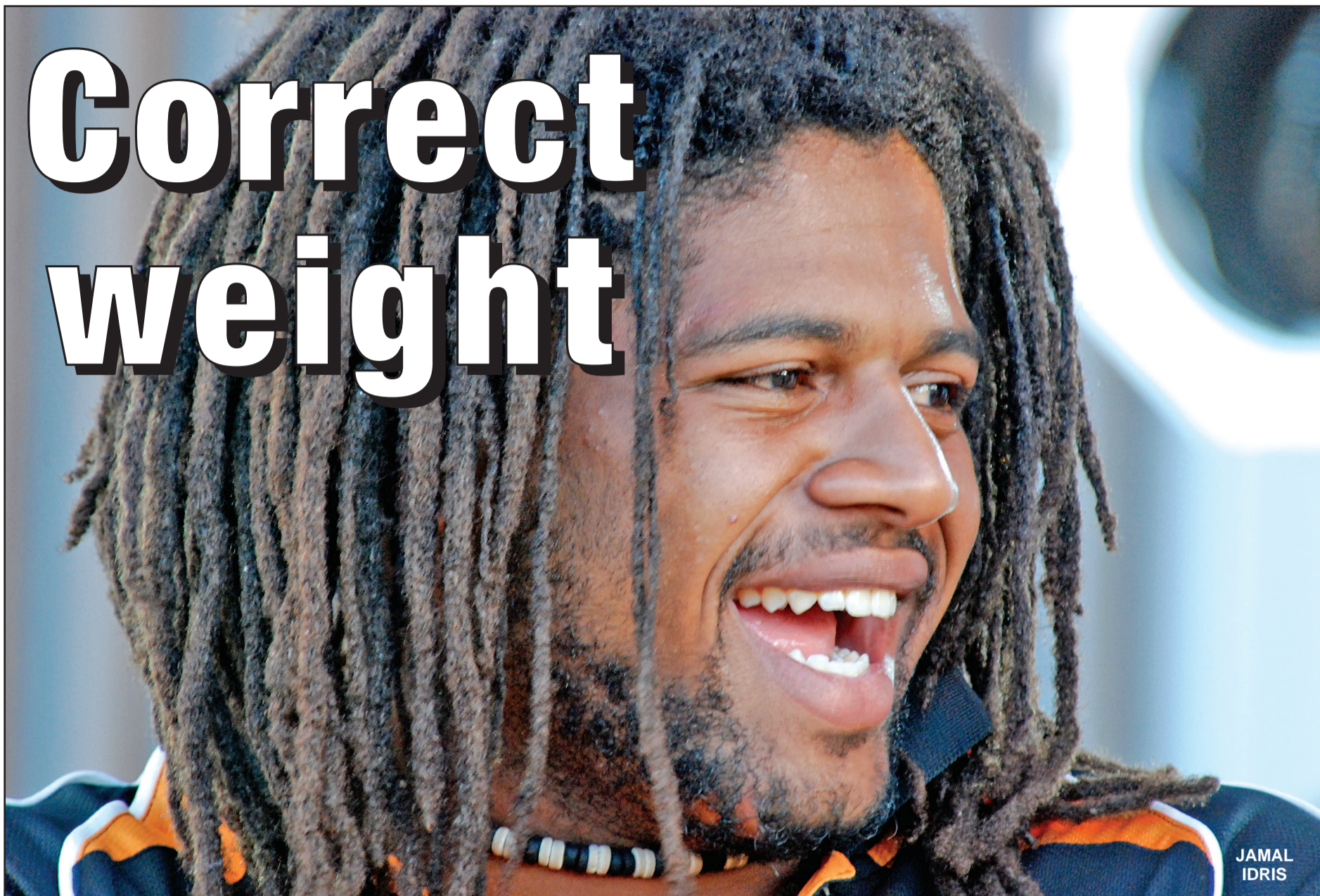
"For me, being a Newcastle person, it's going to be awesome just to have a crowd of people out here watching us compete.

"The only time most people get to see us is when we're covered in the paper or when we're doing a competition on TV.

"So to bring it home to Newcastle is going to be fantastic and hopefully draw the crowds in.

"I want to entertain. That's my number-one goal for this competition, just to give something back to the people and show that our sport can be a spectacle like football and AFL can be."

Correct weight



JAMAL IDRIS

I HAVE always been careful about not putting the weight of expectation on any young player.

But if there is one person big enough in character to take this on board, it is Jamal Idris.

Jamal has an extroverted character and a sense of fun that makes him seem to be the king of the kids.

But there is a deeper side to his character that gives me confidence that he can develop into a true champion.

The secret to Jamal is that he is comfortable in his own skin.

He is happy to be the person he is and that includes his pride in his Aboriginal heritage.

Having first met him when he was an 18-year-old playing in the Dreamtime team, I have always enjoyed his company and been a fan of how he plays.

Doomadgee trip

It was great to spend some quality time with him on our recent trip to Doomadgee.

I have also admired the way he has dealt with the expectations placed on him by the media and the fans.

As somebody who has struggled to put on weight, I have also admired the way he handled the focus on his weight.

Too often these days, body shape and fat tests seem to dominate people's assessment of a player's potential to succeed rather than his talent.

Jamal is still growing and is a true athlete, but more importantly, he is a talented footballer.

Nevertheless, he is desperate to start the new NRL season

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with the Titans in the best shape of his young career.

"I am always going to be a big guy," said the NSW and Australian representative, who stands at 194cm.

"I've been doing a lot of weights and feeling a lot stronger and have replaced some of the fat with muscle.

"But it's a case of watching what I do and ensuring I am in the best possible shape."

Idris has shed 4kg since reporting for pre-season and now tips the scales at 121kg.

He believes he can get that down further for the Titans'

season opener against North Queensland on 3 March.

Idris is also confident a change of environment will improve him as a player.

"I am only 21 and feel I can get better, and that my best is still to come," he said.

"I'm looking forward to working under Carty and playing my footy up here."

Titans coach John Cartwright has been impressed with the attitude shown by his new recruit.

"It is never easy for any player this time of year – we work them hard," he said.

"I'm happy with where Jamal is. Getting into full shape can take a little bit of time, but I believe he'll be fine."

Good head space

There is little doubt in my mind that one of the reasons Jamal is in a good head space is his anticipation of playing in the All Stars game in February and his immediate involvement in the Titans Indigenous programs, including the trip to Doomadgee.

Jamal is a natural in the way he relates to youth, but it is his serious side that leaves the greatest impression.

Put him in a yarning circle with a group and you see his genuine desire to make a real difference.

Jamal says that programs like the Titans Achievement Program make him think back to his own childhood – and how stereotypes very nearly crushed his ambitions.

"Everyone knows the stereotypes, they say all Aborigines are thieves," he said.

"People used to say things like that around me – and when you start believing it and lacking faith within yourself, it is a bit upsetting."

He wants the kids to change the way they see themselves.

"They see other people (dropping out of school) and they think they don't need to go through school either," Idris said.

"But I just wanted to let them know I did understand. It was also hard for me to get an education. I thought the world was against me and once I dropped out, I thought there is no way back."

Idris says that's why he now sees football as more than

just a game.

He sees the All Stars game as another opportunity to spread a simple message.

"I lived in the sort of community where I thought the world was against me as well," Idris said.

"I also couldn't be bothered with school. I had no motivation. "But luckily I signed with the Bulldogs and you had to have a job or go back to school. They gave me that option and I did Year 11 and Year 12.

"The way I look at it, it's a domino effect. If someone's parents haven't had a good education and haven't had enough money to get their children a good education, it keeps cycling down.

"But all it takes is for one person in that family to get a good education and then they give their children a good education and it keeps on going. It just takes one person to break that cycle."

Right now, Jamal knows he can do so much good just being himself.

"Hopefully, in my family, I have a lot of younger cousins and they are looking at me and thinking we can do something with our lives," he said.

"Football is only a game but it has the potential to give a lot of people so much more in their lives.

"I love footy, it's what I do. But what I see now is how you can change people's lives."

This is at the core of Jamal's ambition to do well this season. It is why I am confident that he is on track for a great season. The weight is right.



Jamal Idris takes a spectacular Aussie rules-type mark during his days at the Sydney Bulldogs.

– AAP image

Sailor to join fun of Goldfield Ashes

By ALF WILSON



FORMER Australian rugby league and rugby union representative Wendell Sailor will be amongst hundreds of Indigenous cricketers to compete at the world's biggest cricket carnival – the Charters Towers Goldfield Ashes from 20-22 January.

Sailor will be part of a Queensland Rail Bulls Masters team that will take on a Charters Towers Invitational XI on day two

of the Ashes.

Other former stars in the Bulls Masters team will be Jimmy Maher, Ian Healy, Geoff Foley, Ken Healy, Greg Ritchie, Glenn Trimble, Steven Farrell, Andy Bichel, Peter Clifford, Gavin Fitness, Allan Langer and Wayne Grady.

The carnival began in 1948 with just six teams and has grown in to 222 teams competing in six grades.

Men's grades include A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2 and social divisions and there will be a women's competition as well.

Games in the top divisions are played

over the 50 over format.

Lower grade men's matches are 35-over half-day encounters with bowlers restricted to seven overs and batsmen having to retire at the end of the over in which they reach 50.

70-plus fields used

More than 70 fields around Charters Towers will be used. Some are at the aerodrome reserve, others in the middle of the racecourse, at parks, school grounds, and private properties, including a cattle station aptly named Drinkastubbie Downs.

There are some bizarre and weird occurrences, especially in the lower grades.

Batsmen who fail to score have to wear a woman's dress when they field and keep it on until a team-mate fails to score.

That rule also applies to a fieldsman who drops a catch.

The carnival was recently given the status of a Queensland Iconic Event and in 2007 was recognised by Queensland Events as a regional event worthy of funding.

New and old faces

By PETER ARGENT



TWO of the young Indigenous men who were part of the AFL/Rio Tinto Footy Means

Business program last year have been selected in the final 2011 NAB Australian Football League (AFL) Rookie Draft.

Amos Frank was selected by Hawthorn and Callum Papertalk by the West Coast Eagles.

All club lists for the 2012 Toyota AFL premiership season are now finalised.

Footy Means Business is an AFL program in partnership with Rio Tinto that provides 18-to-24-year-old Indigenous men with exposure to elite AFL programs and training, along with networking opportunities in corporate environments to strengthen identity, leadership and teamwork skills.

From APY Lands

Frank comes from the APY Lands and is employed as a community constable in the Fregon community.

Papertalk hails from Geraldton, but moved to Perth after completing the program to join East Fremantle.

An interesting and diverse cross-section of Indigenous players have made their way onto lists.

As the national game travels into a brave new frontier with the AFL bringing an 18th franchise into the competition in 2012, the rookie draft has given another



Amos Frank gets set for a mark.

crop of players a chance at their dream.

Amos Frank and Callum Papertalk are among them. "One of the more interesting selection stories is sure to be Amos, who is a highly rated natural talent from remote South Australia," Hawks recruiting and list manager Graham Wright said.

He is the first player drafted from the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands, being collected by the Hawks, after their welfare officer travelled up to meet him before the rookie draft. Seen as a left field selection along the same lines as Liam Jurrah, the Hawks' second pick Frank, 22, hails from the Aboriginal community of Fregon – 1300km north-west of Adelaide, and impressed recruiters with his

lightning speed.

Frank is just 169 centimetres tall, but Hawthorn noted, along with his tremendous pace, he has impressive skills.

Callum Papertalk, another diminutive small forward, played for WAFL club East Fremantle in their Colts side (under 18s) in 15 games during 2011 after coming from the Chapman Valley, south of Geraldton.

"It's a good club to come to at this time," Papertalk said on westcoasteagles.com.au about his arrival at the Eagles.

"With finals (participation) last year, they're obviously looking for a premiership and that's good to be involved with at any club."

Meanwhile, three players were given football lifelines at the rookie draft.

Injury-prone Collingwood Magpie Brad Dick returns to WA to join the West Coast Eagles.

Livewire half forward Malcolm Lynch, after playing two games in 2007 with the Western Bulldogs, was collected by North Melbourne.

He was a member of Port Melbourne's 2011 premiership side in the VFL competition.

After being delisted at the end of the season, the Long name continues at the Bombers, with Anthony being redrafted back to the Essendon rookie list.

Dick confirmed he was surprised to land at the West Coast Eagles, but the former Magpies forward says he is simply happy to resume his career in his foundation State.

After a hectic 12 months where Jordan Wilson-King has worn a number of different jumpers – Darwin Buffaloes (NTFL), Northern Territory Under 18s (National under 18 championships), NT Thunder (NEAFL), Rostrevor College

(Adelaide college competition) and North Adelaide Reserves/Under 18s (SANFL) – he was collected by the Fremantle Dockers.

Wilson-King is noted for his fierce attack on the ball and his strong skill-set.

Gibson Turner, the Alice Springs lad who spent a part of the year at Glenelg, was collected by the Richmond Tigers.

Also a member of the Northern Territory under 18s side Turner has been described as a fast and skilful footballer with a natural leap and goal sense.

The Aboriginal rookie draft selections:

- #33 Callum Papertalk (West Coast Eagles)
- #34 Amos Frank (Hawthorn)
- #46 Malcolm Lynch (North Melbourne)
- #60 Gibson Turner (Richmond)
- #61 Jordan Wilson-King (Fremantle)
- #68 Brad Dick (West Coast Eagles)
- #85 Anthony Long (Essendon)



GIBSON TURNER



Callum Papertalk with Leigh Matthews.



JORDAN WILSON-KING



AMOS FRANK

Calling all potential New York Marathon runners...

FEEL like running in the 2012 New York Marathon? The Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP), backed by marathon legend Rob de Castella, is seeking expressions of interest from young athletes who feel they have the commitment to prepare for and compete in the world's biggest marathon in November.

De Castella has taken a team of Indigenous runners to the past two New York marathons and he can't wait to see what the future brings.

Nothing would give 'Deek' more satisfaction than seeing an Australian Indigenous runner in the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic marathon.

He said 2012 runner applications were open. The IMP wants to hear from athletes aged between 18 and 30. They should have some natural running ability, coupled with a strong sense of determination to undertake training required to run a marathon with just six

months training. No previous formal experience is required – just the right attitude and a commitment to achieving a personal best. Tryouts will be held around Australia in February-March. The application form is available at www.themarathonproject.com.au



Australia's Ashleigh Barty returns a shot to Russia's Irina Khromacheva during the girls' singles final at the All England Lawn Tennis Championships at Wimbledon in July last year. – AP photo

Ashleigh steps up



JUNIOR Wimbledon champion Ashleigh Barty was brought back to earth with a thud after suffering a 6-1 6-2 thrashing by American Vania King in the Brisbane International qualifying tennis tournament.

Coming off the back of her remarkable success in last month's Australian Open wildcard play-offs in Melbourne, the 15-year-old Ipswich schoolgirl struggled badly with nerves against the world No 76.

It was a tough first-up draw for Barty with King, a former top-50 player, the highest-ranked player in the qualifying draw.

The opening-day qualifying match lasted less than an hour at the Queensland Tennis Centre as Barty only held her serve three times in the match after it was broken in the first game.

Now in Tasmania

This week she is in Tasmania where she has a wildcard into the main draw of the Hobart International in the build-up to her Australian Open debut.

The 15-year-old Barty earned the chance to play against the world's best in the main draw of this month's Australian Open.

The junior Wimbledon champion

defeated second seed, Victorian Olivia Rogowska 7-6 (8-6) 6-2 in the wild-card play-off at Melbourne Park.

Barty, who scorched through the draw without losing a set, will be one of the youngest players to line up in a Grand Slam event.

From her opening defeat of in-form top seed Casey Dellacqua, Barty stunned seasoned rivals and surprised herself with her flawless form.

"I was just hoping to win a set," Barty said.

The world's No 3-ranked junior, Barty concentrated on junior tournaments this year and consequently her ranking slipped from a high of 545 in March to 681.

She is unsure of what to expect this month at Melbourne Park.

"Honestly I really don't know," she said. "I'll probably go out there and play some horrendous tennis and be nervous, but I'll go and try to have fun."

"I think I'll probably just keep to myself in the locker room, just stay in the corner and hide from everyone."

Barty said that even since Wimbledon, her game had shown signs of improvement in every area.

"My serve's a little bit bigger, my game's a little bit bigger and I'm moving a little bit better so everything's coming together really nicely," she said. – AAP

One body to control rugby league in TS

By ALF WILSON



A ZENADTH Kes Association looks set to be formed to administer rugby league in the Torres Strait, consisting of members of the Thursday Island-based Kaiwalagal Rugby League and the Outer Island Rugby League, which has indicated it will run a new competition in the 2012 season. A representative of the KRL expects that body to meet soon with OIRL members to discuss the formation of a Zenadth Kes Rugby League (ZKRL).

In late November the OIRL announced it would run a six-club competition consisting of teams from Badu Island, Moa Island, Mabuiag Island, Top Western Cluster and possibly a Kulkalgal team.

Long time waiting

OIRL president Sam Maka said his body had been waiting for this to happen for a long time.

"While we expect some teething problems, we believe the time is right to bring our game to the outer regions. We'll give it a go to see if it fits in with new developments being discussed regarding the representative pathways being promoted by the North Queensland Rugby League," Maka said.

KRL secretary LJ Shibasaki said a plan for a combined ZKRL was put in place at a summit on Badu Island two years ago and looked set to come to fruition.

"All efforts are under way in our bid to see Torres Strait go alone."

"It will not be about 'them and us' – it is about forming a Torres Strait League," LJ said.

Last season the KRL competition began with seven teams, including four from the mainland Northern Peninsula Area (NPA).

Due to financial considerations, the NPA sides withdrew in the latter part of the season, leaving just three sides, including one with players from Badu, to finish the season.

Thursday Island-based sides Suburbs and Roosters played off in the grand final.

Badu Island, with its excellent facilities, looks certain to be the host community for the OIRL.

But OIRL expects that in the not too distant future, there will be games at Dauan Island and Mer as they are having football facilities established in their communities.

The OIRL would like to start with a pre-season round-robin carnival in early March at which officials of all the invited teams will also discuss some of the responsibilities of the 2012 rugby league season and beyond.

Milton Thaiday set to return to boxing ring

By ALF WILSON



FORMER Newcastle Knights rugby league and NSW Waratahs rugby union star Milton Thaiday looks set to make a comeback this year to boxing – a sport in which he excelled as a boy. The 31-year-old Thaiday lives on the north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island and in the 2011 season, lined up with Townsville and District Rugby League competition Indigenous side the Bindal Sharks.

Thaiday also played in several All Blacks carnivals, including for Southern Balas at the Bindal carnival during October.

He also lined up for the Ipswich Purga Wagtails, who lost the 2009 Rockhampton Reconciliation All Blacks carnival to the Cherbourg Hornets and has regularly represented the Palm Island Barracudas at carnivals.

Thaiday played 14 NRL games for the Knights between 2005 and 2007, mostly at fullback, scoring seven tries.

He retired at the end of the 2007 season after suffering a serious injury in round five.

He also played for the NSW Waratahs in rugby union's premier competition.

In his younger days, Thaiday was a talented boxer when he lived at Batchelor, in the Northern Territory.

Milton Thaiday and Palm Island boxing trainer Ray Dennis.



He had 12 wins from as many bouts.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* on Palm Island, Thaiday said he won a NT boxing title for his age group in 1992 at age 12.

"I injured my knee last season and I think I'll have a go at boxing soon to keep up my fitness," Thaiday said.

He has maintained his football-playing weight of 78kg.

"Ideally, I would like to get down to about 75kg," Thaiday said.

Palm Island Boxing Club trainer Ray Dennis said Thaiday would be a welcome addition and would be a role model for the younger local fighters.

"People over here look up to Milton," Dennis said.

Campbell to be honoured with testimonial dinner

THE Gold Coast Titans club and the National Rugby League (NRL) are to host a testimonial dinner in honour of rugby league great Preston Campbell (pictured).

The *Koori Mail* columnist retired from the NRL competition last year after 267 games, a

grand final appearance with the Penrith Panthers in 2003 and a Dally M Medal in 2001. The diminutive fullback also collected a swag of other honours.

High amongst his personal highlights are being the instigator of the Indigenous All Stars versus NRL All Stars match, and

being named captain of the 2010 Indigenous All Stars team.

His dedication to community programs off the field is unrivalled in rugby league and his passion for his people and his commitment to improve the lives of Australian Indigenous youth has elevated his status as

one of the most influential Indigenous Australians. The NRL-Gold Coast Titans Preston Campbell Testimonial Dinner will be held on Thursday 2 February as a key event in the Harvey Norman All Stars week.

All funds raised by the dinner will be invested into Preston's

preferred community and charity programs.

The event will be held at Jupiters Hotel and Casino, Broadbeach, at 6pm – cocktail dress. Price: \$2145 for table of ten. Bookings: Robyn Eid at events@titans.com.au or phone (07) 5656 5650.

All Stars pinnacle



NEW Titan recruit Jamal Idris rates his selection in the Indigenous All Stars team as the crowning achievement in his NRL career to date.

"We have a great time out there, putting our bodies on the line for our people and there's no greater honour," Idris told NRL.com. "This is probably the pinnacle of the achievements we can do because there's no greater feeling than playing for your people."

"I rate it a nine out of ten – I'd say the ten out of ten for me was probably my under-16s grand final!"

The Indigenous All Stars and the National Rugby League (NRL) All Stars will meet for the third year at Skilled Park, Gold Coast, on 4 February.

The Indigenous team won the inaugural event, but the NRL All Stars balanced the ledger last year.

Can't wait

Idris, who played off the bench in last year's 28-12 defeat and was selected for the inaugural All Stars clash before injury forced his late withdrawal, says he can't wait for the start of the 2012 All Stars camp.

"It's a great honour obviously... the excitement never leaves us, especially when you are playing for your people," he said.

"If anything, it grows because you know what it's like. I just can't wait to get on the field."

"In the lead-up to the game, we do a lot of promotional work, we go out to communities, we see a lot of children... personally I like going out and dealing with the children, having fun with them and showing them some skills and stuff on the footy field which they really like."

"All of us here have a lot of nephews and nieces, so we all get along with all the children."

Although he's played most of his career at centre, Idris said he won't mind switching to the second row to accommodate the star centre pairing of Justin Hodges and Greg Inglis, players he has not teamed with

Ticket prices

TICKETS for the 2012 Harvey Norman All Stars match are available through Ticketek outlets, on 132 849 or www.ticketek.com.au

Category 1 prices: Adult \$95, concession \$75, junior \$65, family \$255.

Category 2: Adult \$64, concession \$50, junior \$40, family \$180.

Category 3: Adult \$35, concession \$30, junior \$25, family \$100.

before and who he can't wait to join on the field on 4 February.

"It's a good feeling – their level (of ability) on the field picks you up... and picks everyone else up," he said.

"It's just good even having them on the field – not even if they touch the ball, just having them around."

Idris said he was particularly looking forward to the innovative rules which will be trialled for the first time in the All Stars game, including the two-man 'power play' and the quirky 20/40 rule.

"The power play and the 20/40, a mix-up

from the 40/20... it's going to be interesting to see who's taking the kicks – it might be a couple of forwards," he said.

One player looking forward to the 'power play' rule is Indigenous All Stars colossus George Rose.

He believes the rule could make or break either teams' chances in this year's All Stars blockbuster.

The 115kg Manly prop says how and when each side deploys the rule – where two players on the defending side are banished to the sidelines for a five-minute stretch – will likely determine the winner of the 2012 season-opener at Skilled Park on 4 February.

But Rose told *NRL.com* it would also hinge on whether the attacking team could quickly create scoring opportunities with their two-man advantage, which each team will obtain once in each half.

"I think it's going to be interesting; it's always a big advantage if you can get the overlap on the other team," Rose said.

"So 13 on 11 is going to be massive – especially for that period of time depending how each team uses it... I think I might slot into halfback if they take JT (Johnathan Thurston) off, I'll jump into halfback and see what I can do!"

The other intriguing experiment is the 20/40 kicking option.

Rose said he was relieved fans

had once again rewarded him with selection in the Indigenous team after he was a part of their breakthrough 16-12 win in 2010 and again last year, when they fell 28-12 to the rampant NRL All Stars.

He said he had always maintained close ties with his Indigenous heritage.

"I'm originally from Walgett, in far north-western New South Wales – I'm a Kamilaroi man and my family are the traditional owners of that land," Rose said.

"That's my ties. I've always grown up as an Aboriginal man, I'm very proud of my culture and proud of my family, so I love this game and I love representing my people."

Like many of his fellow Indigenous teammates Rose is looking forward to siding with Indigenous rookie Chris Sandow.

"Yeah, there's a few new fellas in here... a couple of fellas I've really wanted to play with," he said.

"Young Chrissy Sandow – I've loved watching him play. Last year I thought he had a great season... to be on the same field as him is going to be great."

● **Preston Campbell talks about Jamal Idris – See 'Presto's' column on page 73**



CHRIS SANDOW

Koori v Murri: It'll be bigger than *Ben Hur*

● **From back page**

careers, 'Try a Trade' demonstrators, employment agencies, TAFE colleges and careers experts in sport and the arts.

Health organisations will also be offering information and free health checks.

Local and State Government organisations will also showcase their products.

The festival will also feature family entertainment, including stage-led activities, Indigenous performances and storytelling, music, street theatre, local Indigenous art, and junior league clinics run by Rugby League's One Community ambassadors, including David Peachey and Rhys Wesser.

"Each year we try to bring the community fresh and exciting elements to the Harvey Norman Rugby League All Stars Week, and the All Stars Festival aims to do just that," NRL commercial director Paul Kind said.

"Ten percent of NRL players have Indigenous heritage and we know this figure is much higher at a grassroots level and across our supporters in the greater rugby league community."

"This festival looks to celebrate the participation of Indigenous people at all levels of the game, while at the same time reinforcing the commitment All Stars makes to Indigenous Australia."

Entry to the Learn Earn Legend! Job Expo and the All Stars Festival is free.

There will be a \$10 entry fee to the Murri versus Koori game.



JOHNATHAN THURSTON

INDIGENOUS All Stars captain Johnathan Thurston can't wait for the big game on 4 February.

"I've played for my State and my country, but there is something extra special about representing my people in the NRL Indigenous All Stars side," Thurston said.

"Being captain of this team is not something I take lightly; it is a huge honour and is one of the highlights of my career."

"The game is a great way to showcase the amazing talent that our culture

possesses, but it is about more than that, it is about celebrating who we are, what we stand for and the amazing things we have achieved."

Thurston said the week leading up to the game was all about community.

"This year we have superstars Greg Inglis and Justin Hodges fit and raring to go, x-factor Ben Barba at the back, cheeky Chris Sandow alongside me in the halves, and an impressive forward pack consisting of fan favourites Sam Thaiday,

Jamal Idris, Greg Bird and big George Rose to name a few.

"There are also some new and exciting rules that we'll be looking to exploit with a powerplay option giving us a chance to fully showcase our dazzling array of skills – which is guaranteed to entertain as we throw the ball around."

"This is more than just a game of football, it is more than the players that take the field, it is about all of us, it is about our culture."

Christian hovers



Dan Christian in action in a Sheffield Shield match for South Australia.
— Picture: Peter Argent



AUSTRALIAN cricket coach Mickey Arthur last month spoke enthusiastically about how he loved having an all-rounder in his side for a Test match.

With Shane Watson out injured, Australia had picked a squad of 13 which included uncapped all-rounder Dan Christian.

And he's still uncapped.

Christian didn't make the side and Australia's gamble to go into the Boxing Day Test against India on a flat Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) pitch with only four frontline bowlers was exposed as early as day two in the game.

The game's greatest run-scorer Sachin Tendulkar came to the crease in the second-last over before tea on the second day and who did Australia skipper Michael Clarke turn to for the last over before the break?

Part-timer Michael Hussey with his slow-medium offerings.

It was not a moment where Tendulkar appeared to be under any great pressure.

Sure, the veteran picked up two cheap wickets in this month's two-Test series against New Zealand, but the going is a little tougher against the No 2-ranked side in the world.

Fifth bowler

It was thought selectors would seriously consider Christian as a fifth bowling option for the Second Test against India at the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG), with doubts lingering over Shane Watson's fitness.

"Our preference for balance of the team is always to try to have an all-rounder," Arthur said, having spoken of his joy at having superstar all-rounder Jacques Kallis at his disposal during his time as South African coach.

"Dan Christian has done

superbly well for South Australia. Stats will tell you that he could possibly be in our top six batters."

With Australia's top-order batting looking precariously brittle in games against New Zealand and India, Christian still could come in for consideration at the expense of one of the under-performing batsmen.

That would give Australia a four-pronged pace attack.

Ricky Ponting and Mike Hussey look to have re-established themselves in the eyes of the selectors, so for Christian to force his way into the Test team, selectors probably would have to drop one of the opening batsmen.

By making Hussey and Ponting automatic selections, Australia may compromise team balance because they could squeeze Christian out of the reckoning.

All Christian can do is to perform well in all forms of cricket to keep his name in selectors' minds. — With AAP

Legendary hit honoured

By PETER ARGENT



UNAARRIMIN, better known as Johnny Mullagh, the star of the 1868 tour of England by the

Aboriginal team, was further honoured with a special unveiling at Harrow, Victoria, on 4 December.

According to local folklore, Unaarrimin, during his century in a fixture at the town oval in 1878, as local legend has it, hit the ball 151 yards during this innings.

Back in that era, the pitch ran 'north-south' and the ball landed over the road and one-third of the way up the hill.

The stroke was measured and for many years a stone was placed to mark the spot where the ball landed.

Local identity David Edgar said his grandfather had taken him to the spot and explained about the mighty strike from Unaarrimin.

"A few decades ago, the stone disappeared," Edgar, 84, told the *Koori Mail*.

"My grandfather would take me to the spot when I was little and show me the original stone.

"The story has been common knowledge in the district and we felt it was time to commemorate the mighty hit."

During the lunch break of a contest between a Harrow XI and the Australian Cricketers Society side, a new stone was dedicated where the ball landed.

Local Aboriginal cricketers Johnny Day and Lenny Cooper, along with Edgar, were on hand for the dedication.

The game where this legendary

stroke was accomplished was played in November of 1878 against a team called Borders.

Unaarrimin was a key member of the famous Australian Aboriginal team that toured England in 1868, when they played a demanding total of 47 matches.

Along with Tom Wills, Unaarrimin was the one of the first cricket stars of the Commonwealth of Australia.

This was the first official cricket tour of England and a forerunner to Ashes series between the two countries.

A talented all-rounder, Unaarrimin hit 1698 runs at an average of 23 with the willow and took 245 wickets, averaging ten runs a wicket.

Turned professional

In 1869-70, he was appointed as a professional by the Melbourne Cricket Club, but he returned to Harrow after just six games.

Also during the 1878-79 season, he appeared for Victoria in just a single first-class game, becoming the first Indigenous cricketer to reach this level.

This was against an England XI where he scored four runs and a team high 36 in the second innings in front of 9000 spectators.

He also finished with 0/12 with the ball and this match earned £50 for him.

He was also known as a strong advocate of Aboriginal rights, refusing to live on one of the state-controlled reserves.

Mullagh lived as a rabbitier and continuing to play cricket until the last months before his death in 1891, the day following his 50th birthday.



● ABOVE: From left, Jonny Day, Lenny Cooper and David Edgar at the unveiling of the stone to commemorate Johnny Mullagh's 151-yard hit.

● LEFT: The legendary John Mullagh, the star of cricket in Harrow.

● RIGHT: The stone to commemorate Harrow's longest recorded hit.



By ALF WILSON



VETERAN
Tasmanian all-rounder Bernie Lamont is one of a handful of cricketers to have played in every Imparja Cup

Indigenous cricket carnival since it began in 2001 and is looking forward to the 2012 event from 5-11 February at Alice Springs.

The 39-year-old Lamont has been one of the genuine stars in the Imparja Cup and has been in great form for the Riana club in the strong Burnie League.

The *Koori Mail* spoke to Lamont on 1 January at Latrobe, near Devonport, northern Tasmania, and he is looking forward to travelling to the Northern Territory.

"The selectors have a youth policy this year and they must have picked me for my experience to help the younger fellows and I think we can do well," he said.

Palm Island-born Lamont is a medium-pace seam bowler and punishing middle-order right-handed batsman.

Hat-trick

Lamont took a hat-trick for Riana in a Twenty/20 match this season and has consistent good scores with the willow.

"I have made a couple of 30s and have scored four centuries for Tasmania at previous Imparja cups," he said.

Before moving to Tasmania, Lamont had played A-grade cricket in Townsville for Norths, and A-grade for Balmain in the strong Sydney competition.

In the Apple Isle he has played top grade in various leagues, including at Devonport.

"Life is pretty good for me as I work for dad and love my 12-year-old daughter Krystal. Also I have a new woman named Tammy. I met her through friends," he said.

Bernie in form in Burnie comp



Bernie Lamont, left, and younger brother Colin.

Lamont's 38-year-old brother Colin was also born on the north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island and plays for Spreyton club in the Tasmanian Mersey Valley competition.

While Colin is happy that his brother will be representing Tasmania, he believes he should also have been selected.

"I represented Tasmania at the Imparja Cup until 2007 and have not been since. They say it is a youth policy, but I am a year younger than Bernie. I think I haven't been picked because of a duty of care policy they also have as they think I am overweight. I am bitterly disappointed," Colin said.

Top order left handed

batsman Colin said he has a best score of 99 this season when he was run out.

"I also have a half century and was a good scorer for Tasmania at the Imparja Cup," he said.

Colin has been asked if he would like to be a part of a Legends Side in the Shield competition at the Imparja Cup. The team will consist of

prominent Territorians and is to be captained by Shane Franey.

"It has been recognised and discussed that there is an anomaly in the so-called youth policy, whereby players aren't selected for their respected States. I ask this – why receive an invitation initially to attend trials when these so-called set policies are put in place," he said.

"Over the past four years, Guy Grey and Bernie, who are older than me, have been given a Gig and I've missed out on the Tasmanian Imparja Cup side.

Still performing

"I've been a burly cricketer for a number of years at Imparja Cup and still placed in the top batsmen for aggregate runs. I have never been put through a fitness test.

"I understand that the decision back in 2008 regarding youth policy and duty of care still stands in the way of my selection."

Indigenous teams representing all states and territories in Australia, as well as major centres and communities of the Northern Territory, will compete at the Imparja Cup carnival.

Various competition formats are played, including Twenty/20, 40 overs and Super 8s.

NSW sending strong Imparja team

JOSH LALOR



JOSH LALOR, the latest Indigenous cricketer to break into first-class ranks, could be one of the headline acts at next month's Imparja Cup

national cricket carnival in Alice Springs.

Lalor is likely to turn out for NSW as the Blues attempt to win back-to-back Imparja Cup titles.

But his availability depends on whether he is required for higher-level duties with the NSW SpeedBlitz Blues.

He made his first-class for the SpeedBlitz Blues as a fast bowler last November, playing in Sheffield Shield and one-day matches.

He also played for the Chairman's XI against India in Canberra last month.

NSW is sending a strong team to Alice Springs. The team also will include Nathan Price, who has represented the NSW Second XI, while captain Jeff Cook and Pat Rosser are part of the NSW Country team.

Cook also played first-class cricket in England.

The Blues also will have the services of Andrew Gordon, who is the all-time leading wicket-taker in Imparja Cup history.

The NSW men's team for the 5-11 February Imparja Cup is: Jeff Cook

JEFF COOK



(captain – Central North), Matt Bradley (Sutherland), Ryan Bulger (Sydney), Damien Duroux (Strathfield), Andrew Gordon (Western Suburbs), Matt Jones (Northern District), Josh Lalor (Penrith) (dependent on State selection), Jack Manning-Bancroft (University of NSW), Aaron Muir (St George), Nathan Price (Randwick Petersham), Pat Rosser

(Western), Cameron Rosser (Western), Tyrone Thomas (Southern), Jake Turner (Eastern Suburbs).

Coach: Michael MacLennan

The NSW women's team has won the Alice Springs tournament for the past four years, going through last year's competition undefeated and comprehensively beating ACT in the final of their tri-series.

There are a few young guns to watch out for in the women's team – Ashleigh Gardner and Gemma Astley, who were part of the 2011/12 NSW under 15 team.

The team also contains Roxsanne Van-Veen, who represented NSW at the under 17 level in 2002/03, while Samantha Hinton has represented the NSW Second XI.

The NSW women's team are: Julie Muir (captain – St George-Sutherland), Gemma Astley (Newcastle), Ashleigh Gardner (Bankstown Sports), Taylor Gilbert (Penrith/Western), Veronica Gordon (St George-Sutherland), Samantha Hinton (Western), Nicole Honeysett (Western), Helen Laughton (Western), Rheanna Lotter (St George-Sutherland), Madison McCooey (Bankstown Sports), Nikki Squires (Northern District/Central Coast), Roxsanne Van-Veen (Western). Coach: Hamish Solomons.



A woman waves the Aboriginal flag during a tribute to former rugby league player Arthur Beetson at Suncorp Stadium in Brisbane, Queensland on Sunday 18 December. Beetson, 66, the first Indigenous Australian to captain his country in any sport, passed away on 1 December. – AAP image

Farewell Artie



A BRONZE statue immortalising Arthur Beetson is to be placed in Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium.

This was announced in the run-up to the special tribute memorial service for 'Big Artie'

was held at Suncorp Stadium on Sunday 18 December.

Another memorial service for the rugby league great was held in Sydney. It coincided with the Brisbane service.

Beetson, a pioneer for Indigenous athletes,

passed away on 1 December.

The bronze statue immortalising Beetson will join the Wally Lewis monument in the Northern Plaza of Suncorp Stadium this year.

His rugby league career spanned four decades.

He was the first Indigenous Australian to captain his country in any sport, and captained Queensland in the inaugural State of Origin game.

He is often regarded as Australia's 'best ever' forward.



Rugby league player Johnathan Thurston leaves Artie Beetson's funeral at the Redcliffe Leagues Club, north of Brisbane, on Friday 9 December. – AAP image

British tribute to rugby league great

BRITAIN'S Parliament last month honoured Australian rugby league great Arthur Beetson.

The Parliamentary Rugby League Group tabled an early-day motion recognising the achievements and legacy of former Hull KR prop forward Beetson.

"His loss will be felt by all in rugby league, including those fans of Hull KR who were fortunate to see him play," said Kingston-Upon-Hull East lawmaker Karl Turner.

Chairman of the Rugby League Group Greg Mulholland added:

"Artie was one of the greatest Australian players that has graced our shores and the loss of a player of his calibre and iconic status is a tragedy.

"I know all of us in the Parliamentary Rugby League Group were greatly saddened by Artie Beetson's passing and we offer our condolences to his family."



The Tribal Warriors perform a farewell dance at the tribute to Arthur Beetson at the Sydney Cricket Ground on 18 December. – AAP image



Oh, so close
to Test
selection

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Ashleigh gets thumbs-up from Evonne



Evonne Goolagong-Cawley on centre court at the Queensland Tennis Centre with rising Aboriginal player Ashleigh Barty. Evonne is holding the trophy named in her honour for the women's singles at the Brisbane International. "It is an amazing honour to have the Brisbane International trophy named after me," she said. "I have won a few trophies in my time, but I have never had a major event name their trophy after me." Ashleigh, who stunned the tennis world when she won a wildcard entry into this month's Australian Open at Melbourne Park (17-30 January), was beaten in the Brisbane International qualifying tournament, missing out on a place in the main draw. She is now in Tasmania as she builds towards her first appearance in a Grand Slam open event.

● Australian Open next for Ashleigh
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Koori versus Murri



THE Deadly Choices Interstate Challenge, matching the best Indigenous rugby league teams in NSW and Queensland against each other, could become one of the biggest events in Australian Indigenous rugby league.

The All Stars rugby league match at Skilled Park, on the Gold Coast, on Saturday 4 February will be the main event, but a day earlier, at Burleigh Bears' home ground at Miami, the inaugural Deadly Choices Interstate Challenge will feature the winners of the 2011 NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout (Mindaribba Warriors) and the winners of the 2011 Queensland Murri carnival (Southern Dingoes).

The NSW Aboriginal Knockout has a long and proud history and holds pride of place as one of the biggest Indigenous events of any kind in NSW.

The Queensland Murri carnival was held last year for the first time, but already has established itself as Queensland's premier All

Blacks rugby league carnival.

Fans will see the clash between the winners of the NSW and Queensland carnivals as an Indigenous 'State of Origin' – Koori versus Murri.

It will be played at 7.30pm on Friday 3 February at Burleigh Bears' Bob Singh Oval, Miami, with the winning team to be crowned the Australian Indigenous and Torres Strait champions.

Day-long activities

The match will be the feature of day-long activities at Burleigh Bears Oval.

The National Rugby League (NRL) and the Australian Rugby League (ARL) Indigenous Council have confirmed the All Stars Festival on 3 February as a new addition to the 2012 All Stars calendar.

The All Stars Festival will be held from 10am to 5pm.

A highlight will be the jersey presentation for the 2012 Indigenous All Stars side, with the founder of the All Stars concept and former

captain of the Indigenous team, Preston Campbell, presenting to the entire squad, as well as presenting jumpers to the Indigenous Women's All Stars team.

ARL Indigenous Council Chairman William 'Smiley' Johnstone, said: "We recognised the need to include an event in the All Stars Week that really celebrates and showcases Indigenous participation in rugby league.

"From school children to the club level, to the Indigenous under 16s and Indigenous Women's All Stars, and all the way to our elite Indigenous All Stars side, we want this to be known as a week for all Indigenous and non-Indigenous community members to be included in rugby league."

A primary focus of the All Stars Festival will be the Learn Earn Legend! Job Expo that will offer information on career steps from school or people seeking career changes.

It will feature stalls from universities, defence

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'SMILEY' JOHNSTONE

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