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Dark Mofo misses the mark



Pictured below are Jamie Everett and Brendan 'Buck' Brown on the banks of the Derwent River with the ningher – a traditionally built reed and bark canoe – they built for the opening of the annual Dark Mofo

festival at the Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) in Hobart.

But it wasn't all plain sailing during MONA's winter festival, with a provocative artwork deeply offending Tasmanian Aboriginal people.

As part of an installation, Swiss artist

Christoph Büchel erected a stall purporting to offer free DNA tests to determine Aboriginality. And Aboriginal artists had been unwittingly co-opted as part of the work.

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N-dump relief



OPPONENTS of a nuclear waste dump in the Northern Territory have won the battle, but perhaps not the war. The Northern Land Council (NLC) has been given three months to nominate another site for Australia's nuclear waste storage facility after abandoning

the Muckaty site, following a seven-year battle with traditional owner groups who launched a Federal Court challenge against the NLC for what they said was inadequate consultation and a failure to obtain informed consent from all traditional owners.

The NLC settled with opponents of the dump midway through a trial that had travelled

from Melbourne to Tennant Creek and 120km north to Muckaty, and was due in Darwin this week.

NLC chief executive Joe Morrison said the land council walked away to protect the Muckaty clans.

Five groups lay claim to the site nominated for the facility, with interwoven dreamings and intermarriages, resulting in divided

families over the issue.

"I feel sad we have been fighting all these years," senior Milwayi traditional owner Bunny Nabarula, 84, said.

"They tried to separate people. This hurt my feelings."

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion told ABC radio he hoped for another nomination of a northern site at

Muckaty, not susceptible to the conflicts of the first.

Spent nuclear fuel rods are due to be returned to Australia from France by mid-2015, and traditional owners are ready to continue their fight if Muckaty is circled again.

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My FAMILY Gary Williams – Goonellabah, NSW



● Pictured: Eileen Bolt, holding baby Jovan, Gary Williams and Nicholie Williams at the Lismore NAIDOC event at Lismore Showground.

FAMILY means looking after each other, being there for one another no matter what, in the good times and the bad. I've got four kids. Jada is the eldest, she's 13, then Braeden, 10, Shontali, 8, and baby Jovan, who's three months.

I love spending time with the kids, teaching them stuff, playing with them, making them laugh, doing all the fun stuff, going fishing, going to the footy.

The kids all get on with each other. They have their moments, little fights, but most of the time they do get along.

It's important to teach your children what's right and what's wrong and how to do things for themselves.

I explain to them that me and mum aren't going to be able to do everything for them for their whole lives, so you can't be relying on everyone to do things for you all the time. I want them to be ready and capable when they move out of the house and maybe even to a different town.

This photo was taken at the NAIDOC event at Lismore (NSW) Showground. I really enjoyed the day, sitting there watching kids

perform, the activities. Our kids performed with Wyrallah Road Public School. I was really proud to see them up there doing that.

My family all gets along and enjoy each other's company. I've got a few brothers and sisters – four girls, two brothers. I'm the eldest. I've got one family with mum and dad, and more with step parents. We're a big extended family, and we're all close.

We mainly get together with the family in Kempsey in the holidays, and with the family in Lismore just about every week.

What we do when we get together depends on the weather. Sometimes we go fishing, or to the beach, have a barbecue or do something outdoors, their kids and my kids all together. Otherwise we might catch up at the footy. Our local rugby league team is Northern United, the Dirrawongs.

All the kids get along. My kids are a bit older than the others but they all love to play together and they all love playing with the little fella.

Watching them all together feels good. They all look up to my eldest daughter. I love being with them.

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OUR CHILDREN



YOUNG Indigenous AFL players involved in a Victorian talent pathway program posted a convincing win in their first match as a team against the Victorian Country Under 16 side. Supported by the AFL, the Korin Gomandji Institute and AFL SportsReady, the 2014 Laguntas Program kicked off last month with more than 30 boys from around Victoria attending a high-performance camp. Led by Newborough's Anthony Young, Laguntas 14.12 (96) defeated Vic Country 8.15 (63), with Mickitja Rotumah-Onus, Kayle Kirby (who kicked three goals), Bohdi Walker, Kyle Thomas and Blake Rout giving impressive performances. The group visited historic Indigenous sites and monuments to learn more about their cultural heritage and listened to Laguntas mentors Dustin Martin (Richmond) and Neville Jetta (Melbourne) talk about their journeys to the elite level.

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Their Journey continues

Week in Top End for PM



EAST Journey, the band from East Arnhem Land (one of the members is pictured above), have just released their new single *Bright Lights Big City*. The band, with lead singer Rrawun Maymuru, a grandson of the late Dr Yunupingu, has been in the studio recording with members of Yothu Yindi. *Bright Lights Big City* is available on iTunes and you can check out the spectacular film clip on the band's website, www.eastjourney.com.au



YOTHU Yindi Foundation and Gumatj Corporation chair Galarrwuy Yunupingu has welcomed Prime Minister Tony

Abbott's decision to spend a week in Arnhem Land in September.

"At the Garma Festival in 2013, I invited the Prime Minister to spend a week with the Yolngu community, on Yolngu land, and I am pleased that he has accepted my invitation," Mr Yunupingu said.

"This is a significant commitment from Mr Abbott, and one that is very welcome. It will be the first visit of its kind by a sitting prime minister.

"The Prime Minister will have an opportunity to be a part of our community and to live and work side-by-side with Yolngu men and women.

"He will also have a number of opportunities to talk and engage with senior men and women who are landowners and who carry deep ceremonial and cultural authority. This is a chance to engage on a deeper level about the issues that continue to challenge all of us."

Mr Abbott said the visit would coincide with the anniversary of his first year as prime minister and he was committed to spending time in remote Indigenous communities.

Funding cut hits service



THE Abbott Government has made yet another cut to Indigenous

programs, this time axing funding to the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Prisoner ThroughCare program, a frontline service that assisted Aboriginal people integrate back into daily life after serving a jail sentence.

Set up after a recommendation of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, the Prisoner ThroughCare program employed one administration officer and five case workers to help prisoners before and after release from jail – and helped them to stay out.

ALS NSW/ACT chief executive Phil Naden said the

new cuts came as a shock.

"Six months ago the Government brutally stripped our budget by 4.5% over four years, and now we're facing even more cuts, this time with a program that is solely 'frontline'," he said. "We have heard so many public statements by Government, in the lead up to and after the 2014 Budget, that no frontline services in Indigenous Affairs would be cut.

"Our Prisoner ThroughCare field staff are engaged in vitally important work on the frontline to assist people leaving prison avoid further recidivism, and these public statements do not reflect what our Prisoner ThroughCare staff were accomplishing."

Mr Naden said he has contacted the funding body, the Department of Prime Minister

and Cabinet, to express his disappointment.

"Although only \$500,000 per annum to run, we have little expectation the government will reverse their decision," he said.

"We are already preparing to absorb a big funding cut to our operations, announced in the Government's mid-year Budget in December 2013.

"Cost-saving measures are one thing, but a direct hit to frontline services – losing the whole Prisoner ThroughCare unit – well that's just disappointing."

Shadow Indigenous Affairs Minister Shayne Neumann said he could not "understand (Prime Minister) Tony Abbott's rationale behind defunding of Prisoner ThroughCare services when Indigenous incarceration rates are increasing".



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THE times might be tough, but there's still plenty to celebrate. And NAIDOC is the perfect time to do just that. NAIDOC celebrations have been planned around the nation for the week, which officially starts this Sunday. Some have already started, such as in Perth, where NAIDOC

winners, including Female Youth of the Year Anika Gillespie (pictured at right) have been named. The national NAIDOC celebrations are at the Gold Coast this year, with the annual ball and awards on Friday, July 11. For a full list of events, go to www.naidoc.org.au



Appeal to give kids a hand



Ricky and Azaria are just two of the kids the 2014 Wall of Hands Appeal is aiming to help.



THE 2014 Wall of Hands Appeal is reaching out to kids in the remote communities of Indulkana and Mimili, 400km south of Alice Springs, to help improve their reading and writing skills.

The Australian Literacy and Numeracy Foundation (ALNF) has launched this year's appeal with the goal to raise \$400,000 to implement its Early Language and Literacy and Community Action Support programs in the two remote communities.

ALNF founder Kim Kelly said literacy changed lives.

"Four out of five Indigenous kids in very remote communities can't read at the minimum national standard. That's just not acceptable," she said.

"And that's what the Wall of Hands is all about – creating sustainable solutions to improve Indigenous literacy, one community at a time."

Ms Kelly said there were 148 kids in Indulkana and Mimili who needed help to learn to read and write.

"I hope people will take action and join the movement to close the Indigenous literacy gap. These kids desperately need our support," she said.

"Give the gift of literacy to the kids of Indulkana and Mimili and help these kids write their own futures."

Donations can be made at www.wallofhands.com.au

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Wottons in legal action

By ALF WILSON



LEX Wotton, his wife Cecilia and mother Agnes have started a class action against the State of Queensland and

the Police Commissioner over allegations of police discrimination following the death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee at Palm Island on November 19, 2004, and the riot a week later.

The action alleges that police unlawfully entered homes and held unarmed residents at gunpoint at the north Queensland community when arresting alleged participants in a riot that led to the Palm Island police station being torched a week later.

The riots were sparked by the death of Mulrunji.

A public meeting will be held on Palm Island to discuss the class action against the Queensland Police Service today, July 2.

Lawyer Stewart Levitt is acting for the Wotton family.

Mr Wotton was sentenced to six years' jail for his involvement in the riots and was released on parole on July 19, 2010.



Agnes Wotton leads a protest about her son Lex.

But under the conditions of his parole he cannot speak to the media or attend public meetings without permission from the Parole Board.

A large advertisement published in the June 23 edition of the *Townsville Bulletin* advised that anybody who may have been affected by the event could be a potential class member.

"Class members in a class action are not individually responsible for the legal costs associated with bringing the class action. Only the applicants are responsible for the costs,"

the advertisement read.

The action will allege that Queensland police unlawfully entered homes and held unarmed residents at gunpoint after the riot.

An autopsy found Mulrunji had a cut above his right eye, four broken ribs, a ruptured portal vein and his liver was almost cleaved in two.

The Coroner found Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, then the island's senior officer, had caused the injuries after he punched the prisoner when they fell through a doorway.

An appeal reversed the decision and Sen-Sgt Hurley was cleared of all charges by the Crime and Misconduct Commission in 2010.

The Wottons allege they were discriminated against by the police on the basis of their race.

The discrimination claim also alleges the police response to, and the investigation of, Mulrunji's death was deficient and that the declaration of an emergency situation on the day of the riots was unlawful.

They claim police unlawfully entered the homes of Indigenous residents on the island, held unarmed residents at gunpoint and arrested people without cause.



New tool's focus is on film and TV



A NEW digital tool will allow access to a wide range of sources of information about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander film and television.

Developed by Monash University researchers Dr Therese Davis and Dr Romaine Moreton, from the School of Media Film and Journalism, the Australian Indigenous Film and Television Digital Bibliography uses new media techniques to create digital research and study tools.

"Since the inception of Screen Australia's Indigenous Department in 1993, Indigenous filmmaking has developed at a phenomenal rate and we realised there wasn't a resource where students, teachers, researchers, filmmakers and the public could access a wide range of sources of information about the Indigenous screen industry in Australia," Dr Moreton said.

"There are now more than 600 titles, mostly shorts and documentaries but also 16 feature films and 23 TV dramas where Indigenous filmmakers have held a key creative role."

The tool can be accessed through Monash University's Faculty of Arts website. <http://artsonline.monash.edu.au/indigenous-film-bibliography/>

● **Pictured:** Marissa Gibson as Delilah and Rowan McNamara as Samson in the film *Samson & Delilah*, written and directed by Warwick Thornton. *Picture by Mark Rogers*

Planned WA heritage changes condemned



THE Western Australian Greens have joined forces with peak Aboriginal representative bodies in condemning proposed changes to the *Aboriginal Heritage Act*, which sets out the way in which sacred places and objects in the state should be preserved.

Mining and Pastoral Region Greens MLC Robin Chapple called on WA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier to withdraw the draft *Aboriginal Heritage Amendment Bill*.

And the Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation (YMAC), the native title body representing claimants in the Pilbara, Murchison and Gascoyne, says the WA Government has "wasted a unique opportunity to address the deep inequities embedded in the Aboriginal heritage protection regime".

YMAC chief executive Simon Hawkins said the current Act was more a licence to destroy heritage than a mechanism to protect it, and the proposed amendments only reinforced this view.

"YMAC supports changes that can increase efficiency in the

approvals process, however not at the cost of quality," he said.

"These amendments focus squarely on approvals for industry and will do little to improve processes for effective consultation and long-term protection and management of Aboriginal heritage."

Mr Chapple said there had been enough community backlash for the Minister to see people were "vehemently opposed" to the Bill.

fairness and consistency".

The Kimberley Land Council (KLC) is hopeful that increased penalties and prosecution procedures will encourage industry to work with Aboriginal people to ensure there is no damage to heritage sites from the very start.

"We hope that these new laws will work in practice as they are intended on paper; that means if companies and the Government genuinely engage with Aboriginal

Committee (ACMC), which used to assess all Aboriginal heritage site reports.

"Every instance of the word 'committee' in the old legislation, in reference to the ACMC, has been replaced with the word CEO. They have also removed the requirement for at least one member to have anthropological expertise in the area of Aboriginal heritage," she said.

Ms MacLaren said the ACMC

for consultation with relevant Aboriginal people when assessing the importance or significance of sites, or when deciding whether to issue permits to industry to carry out development activity.

The appeals process is also inadequate, YMAC says, with parties aggrieved by decisions to protect Aboriginal heritage sites able to appeal to the State Administrative Tribunal, while Aboriginal people continue to be denied any avenue to appeal a decision.

"These reforms fall well short of the protection afforded to non-Aboriginal built heritage in WA," Mr Hawkins said. "The State Government needs to actively involve traditional owners in the reform

process and take advantage of the collaborative approach they have developed with industry over the last decade."

Another aspect to come under fire is the eight-week consultation period for the proposed amendments, which Mr Chapple and the KLC say is too short.

Mr Chapple is urging people to write submissions before the August 6 deadline on what he called an "appalling piece of legislation".

"These amendments focus squarely on approvals for industry and will do little to improve processes for effective consultation and long-term protection and management of Aboriginal heritage." – YMAC chief executive Simon Hawkins

"The Minister needs to scrap this outrageous piece of legislation and enter into proper negotiations to ensure there is community involvement in the protection of Aboriginal heritage sites," he said.

The amendments were released for comment on June 11, with Mr Collier saying they offer "a balanced suite of reforms that will satisfy the needs of those who work within the boundaries of the Act, and that they will deliver an environment of certainty,

people from the start they will be rewarded with a speedier process, but if they don't they will be penalised," deputy CEO Frank Parriman said.

Another controversial change sees control of major decisions handed from a committee to a single chief executive.

Greens MLC Lynn MacLaren said the amendments made significant and disturbing changes to the function and power of the Aboriginal Cultural Materials

would now exist only on a consultative basis at the whim of the CEO.

YMAC has echoed concerns about overarching powers being given to one person who "not necessarily with any relevant expertise or experience in cultural heritage management, will have the discretion to protect or destroy Aboriginal heritage sites and objects".

YMAC says the draft reforms provide no clear requirement

Artists angered by DNA stand

By JILLIAN MUNDY



A STAND purporting to offer free DNA tests to determine Aboriginality has been removed from a major installation at the Museum of Old and New Art (MONA) in Tasmania, due to the offence it has caused local Aborigines.

Complete with DNA swabs, application forms and pamphlets, it formed part of a hoax shopping centre installation by Swiss artist Christoph Büchel.

Against the wishes of a visibly irate Büchel, the offending display was removed soon after it was seen by a group of Tasmanian Aboriginal artists who were preparing for fibre and kelp craft workshops in a 'community centre'.

Unknown to them at the time, the 'community centre' was another component of Büchel's installation.

The Aboriginal artists told MONA they would not work while the display remained.

Wendal Pitchford, the senior of the Aboriginal artists, said she felt like a tree had risen from the ground and smacked her in the face when she came across the stand.

"Even though it was a hoax, it was taking the mickey out of Tasmanian Aboriginal people," she said. "I think he wanted to stir the hornet's nest."

Denial and examination of Aboriginal identity has been a divisive issue in Tasmania for nearly 150 years.

Another of the artists, Lillian Wheatley, further explained why the display was so offensive. "We'd be laughed at again. Our people have been researched and analysed since the early 1800s, probably before then," she said.

"For example, Lady Franklin was gifted and honoured to take an Aboriginal head from Wybellanna, and have it looked at. She considered she had a rare specimen of the world.

"We've been traced for hundreds of years against our wishes. Everyone is interested in our genes. Putting that DNA installation up was the biggest insult to a community that has suffered this humiliation for years. It's rehashing this again.

"I get (Büchel's) concept. If he had



Standing strong: Tasmanian Aboriginal artists Lillian Wheatley, Fiona Hamilton (who produced the MONA ningher canoe project), Wendy Pitchford and Janice Ross, pictured at MONA where tensions arose over a hoax DNA collection stand.



The offending part of the MONA installation that has since been removed.

consulted with the Aboriginal community he would have had a little more understanding of our culture and why that would be so offensive."

Ms Wheatley said it was extremely disappointing. "It was an opportunity for our Aboriginal artists and community to have exposure to the international art world and

to share our knowledge," she said.

The women said one curator offered them money to go ahead with their workshops and just endure the offence.

"It offended us further," Ms Pitchford said. "I said, 'My community and culture are not for sale.' I hope it can be repaired. I hope we mend the rift."

MONA owner, millionaire professional gambler David Walsh, somewhat of a cult figure in the art world, who has not shied away from controversial art, apologised online for having "pissed some people off".

"We will find a way to resolve reasonable unaddressed issues," he wrote.

Mr Walsh said he believes much of Büchel's exhibition is relevant, clever and funny, but while pursuing his goals the artist doesn't care what the consequences are for others, unlike MONA.

He referred to Büchel as the most uncooperative artist he has encountered, who demanded if any element of the installation was removed that the entire exhibit was taken down.

"If Christoph fails to approve our action he will have the right to legal process, of course," Mr Walsh wrote.

It would not be the first time Büchel has taken legal action against a museum. In 2007 he took on the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art with the help of New York lawyer Sergio Sarmiento.

In his blog last week, Mr Sarmiento referred to the removal of the DNA stand as a cowardly act, saying it was "symbolic of the lamentable rebirth of identity politics and political correctness in the art world".

Mr Sarmiento blogged he was certainly ready for another moral rights battle.

Other material in the faux shopping centre installation include Starbucks Coffee, Estee Lauder and Hugo Boss signage, teller machines with no money, a display of cheap foreign-made souvenirs bearing Aboriginal art designs appearing as if they were for sale, and a poster advertising the 'Midden Bar'.

MONA is built on Aboriginal middens.

Mr Walsh said Büchel's installation explored, among other things, the unintended consequences of created utopias. "The colonisation/invasion of Tasmania by Europeans, and the debilities that resulted for its inhabitants, are among the areas explored," he explained.

Move to implement national health plan



THE Federal Government will begin work on developing a scheme for implementing the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan (NATSIHP). Speaking at the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation summit in Melbourne, Assistant Health Minister Fiona Nash said the Government was updating the Health Plan to reflect the Coalition's approach and priorities in Indigenous affairs.

"Higher education attainment, paid employment and safe communities are all connected with better health, and the Government is striving to ensure that these are delivered to improve the lives of Indigenous people

nationally," Senator Nash said.

"The Health Plan provides a useful framework to guide policy and program development. However, Indigenous health will only be improved by concrete action on the ground.

"The Government announced in the Budget that through a \$94 million investment in Better Start to Life, the Government will expand efforts in child and maternal health to support Indigenous children to be healthy and go to school.

"The Government is committed to closing the gap by ending the cycle of disadvantage which starts with poor child health. Focussing on the critical early years means Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children will get a positive foundation for life."

But NACCHO chair Justin Mohamed said the Federal



Justin Mohamed

Government also needed to implement the National Partnership Agreement on Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes,

which lapsed more than a year ago. "We are really worried that the millions of dollars being cut from across Aboriginal affairs at the federal level, plus the introduction of new arrangements in accessing primary health care and changes to unemployment benefits, could potentially push the closing the gap targets even further from reach," he said.

Mr Mohamed said that winding up the Council of Australian Governments Reform Council meant there would be no independent body evaluating close the gap targets.

Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Indigenous Health Warren Snowden said the original Health Plan was developed with the guidance of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Equality Council

(NATSIHEC), which the Abbott Government has axed.

"The Minister has sought to extol the virtues of the Budget for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, but the Assistant Minister has failed to explain how the Government's \$160 million cut from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health programs will improve Indigenous health," he said.

"(Prime Minister Tony) Abbott can't have it both ways.

"He can't be talking about health equality while taking the axe to funding for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, or by introducing a wicked Medicare co-payment which will only further disadvantage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and make it even harder to achieve equality in health outcomes."

Sultan on the road



DAN Sultan (pictured) has started the tour for his new album *Blackbird*, which has hit the ARIA top 10 chart. Having begun the tour last month in north-east Queensland, Sultan winds his way south this week for a feast of shows including Toowoomba tomorrow, July 3, and the Great Northern Hotel in Byron Bay on Tuesday, July 8. For a full list of gigs from the east coast to the west and to buy tickets, go to dansultan.com

Picture by Bryce Christensen

NT dump dumped



MARLENE Bennett might be "popping out of her skin" with relief that a national nuclear waste dump will not be located on her ancestors' lands, but her people remain wary.

The Northern Land Council (NLC) announced last month that it had settled with opponents of the dump and that Federal Court proceedings would be dismissed.

"We'll probably have one of the first good sleeps we've had in eight years," Ms Bennett said.

"However, we're still wary."

Plans to locate a national radioactive waste storage facility at Muckaty Station, 120km north of Tennant Creek, have been in development since 2006, with several Aboriginal clans from the Muckaty Land Trust challenging the NLC's determination that the

Lauder family of the Ngapa clan were rightful owners of the land that would house the dump.

There has been no admission of liability in settling the court case, with the NLC maintaining it consulted properly and obtained informed consent.

Opponents say it was secretive and shut out rightful owners of the site in favour of the Lauders.

"I think NLC should be thoroughly ashamed of themselves," Ms Bennett said.

"They're supposed to be there to protect the interests of Indigenous people, protect the land, law, culture, rights. They're not there to try and divide family groups, damage their relationships, all for that big dollar sign."

The Federal Government offered \$12 million, including a charitable trust for the whole community, a new road and

educational scholarships, but that will now be scrapped.

Kwementyaye Lauder, who has since passed away, was key in negotiating the dump.

"Like many people in this region she understood poverty and understood the importance of opportunity; it was this she was trying to create for the families of the region," NLC chief executive Joe Morrison said.

Healing

Healing a fractured community was the main reason given for dropping the case, but it may be easier said than done.

"We need to forgive that cousin for what she's done, because she was used," Ms Bennett said.

"Rich and powerful people will do what they want because they have the money. They don't care who they hurt; they just have to find the right person for the

right price. I think it's insulting that they targetted her and had discussions with her under the table."

The NLC maintains these claims are fraudulent.

"I feel sad we have been fighting all these years," senior Milwayi traditional owner Bunny Nabarula, 84, said.

"They tried to separate people. This hurt my feelings."

Kylie Sambo and a number of family members said the NLC had broken their trust. They are seeking a boundary shift so Tennant Creek might once again be part of the Central Land Council (CLC), which has been sympathetic to their battle against the facility.

CLC director David Ross praised the "conviction and courage" of the traditional owners who fought the nomination, but said he was concerned about the

National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010, which allows the Commonwealth Government to override many important considerations in the selection of a site for a radioactive waste facility.

"The legislation is fundamentally flawed because it subverts processes under the *NT Land Rights Act* and is clearly designed to reach the outcome of a dump being located on Aboriginal land in the Northern Territory, whether that's the best place for it or not," he said.

"A transparent, credible and scientifically rigorous process is needed to settle on a new location for a national radioactive waste dump, not a mere process which seeks to entice Australia's most economically disadvantaged people with promises of financial rewards." — *With AAP*

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All about *Who We Are...*



A NEW documentary *Who We Are: Brave New Clan*, directed by

Leah Purcell, will screen for the first time in NAIDOC Week on Foxtel.

The doco follows the lives of six young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people showing how they engage with their communities, history and culture.

The young people are actor Miranda Tapsell, 27, (*The Sapphires*, *Love Child*); rapper Kaylah Tyson (also known as Kaylah Truth), 26; rugby player James Saunders, 28, who also runs a digital PR business; electrical linesman Joshua Toomey, 28; Dr Kim Isaacs, 34; and engineering student Harry Sabatino, 19.

Who We Are: Brave New Clan screens on Foxtel's Bio channel, Thursday, July 10 at 7.30pm.

● Pictured right: engineering student Harry Sabatino, 19, from Saibai Island in the Torres Strait and currently living in Brisbane.



Rights given to Kulkalgal



THE Kulkalgal people have been granted exclusive native title rights and interests over the uninhabited island of Zuizin in the Torres Strait, bringing to 22 the number of determinations in the region.

Federal Court judge Andrew Greenwood made formal orders at the Thursday Island Magistrates Court appointing Kulkalgal (Torres Strait Islander) Corporation RNTBC as the Registered Native Title Body Corporate for the claim. A ceremony was held at the Gab Titui Cultural Centre after the court proceedings to mark the event.

The Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) legally represented the Kulkalgal at the hearing.

Milestone

TSRA chairperson Joseph Elu said being awarded the rights over Zuizin is another important milestone for Torres Strait Islanders as they work towards finalising native title matters in the region.

"This comes just weeks after Mabo Day 2014, when we celebrated the High Court's historic decision in 1992, which inspired Torres Strait Islanders and Aboriginals to fight for native title rights," he said.

"The TSRA acts as a representative body for traditional owners seeking native title rights and assists in negotiating Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs). While these processes can take time, our native title office has negotiated over 55 ILUAs and other agreements in relation to land and waters in the Torres Strait region to date.

"The majority of these ILUAs were entered into by native title claimants to facilitate the making of consent determinations of native title.

"We anticipate that all remaining native title matters will be finalised by the end of 2015."

Wild Rivers victory

By RUDI MAXWELL



QLD

ABORIGINAL groups from Cape York were celebrating last month after winning a four-year legal battle to challenge

the former Queensland Government's Wild Rivers legislation.

The Federal Court declared invalid the April 2009 development restrictions on the Archer, Lockhart and Stewart basins, made under the Beattie Government's *Wild Rivers Act 2005*.

Justice Andrew Greenwood said procedural errors had been made with the declarations, adding the former Labor government had exercised an invalid use of power

under its own laws. The Cape York Land Council launched the legal challenge to the Wild Rivers declarations in 2010 on behalf of the Wik, Umpila and Lama Lama people of Cape York.

Cape York Group chairman Noel Pearson said the judgment meant new horticulture and tourism projects could begin.

"Traditional owners should decide whether they want conservation or a mixture of both," he said.

"We don't want this unilaterally imposed on them by political deals in Brisbane."

Traditional owner Martha Koowartha, the widow of 1980s Cape York land rights campaigner John Koowartha who successfully challenged Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen's Government, was

elated at the judgment. "I'm so happy," she said.

The Wilderness Society said the judgment meant the Stewart, Archer and Lockhart river catchments would be "exposed to risky industrial development" such as open-cut mining, dams and irrigation.

"Up there with Mabo"

Indigenous activist Tracey Ludwick told the *Koori Mail* that the decision was "up there with the outcomes of Mabo".

"We wanted to put it back on the Government that you can't just walk on to country and take over people's rights. They need to respect the rights of Indigenous people. Our Elders fought the hard fight for recognition of those rights," she said.

"The debate was framed as conservation versus development, but without discussing with traditional owners what we want to do. If we want the option to run a small eco-tourism business, we deserve the right to be able to choose that.

"First and foremost will always be the preservation and conservation of our land; our people have been looking after our land for 40,000 years, and we've done a damn good job."

Ms Ludwick said green groups, including the Wilderness Society, had done themselves a disservice by not engaging with traditional owners and arranging pro forma submissions on the legislation.

"Most of those people from down south in their ivory towers have never been to Cape York, so

they don't know what we think," she said. "These rivers are our Dreaming places, our cultural sites. They are where we go fishing and swimming. Green groups need to respect our rights as Indigenous people, and understand what we want for our country."

The Liberal National Party is moving to repeal the *Wild Rivers Act* by August, and introduced an alternative Cape York regional plan last November, covering catchments affected by the court judgment. However the draft plan also came under heavy fire from traditional owner groups on the Cape, who say they were not consulted and it doesn't do enough to protect the region's cultural and environmental heritage. — *With AAP*



"A Group of Aborigines", 1952, Russell Drysdale with permission from NSW Art Gallery

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Anti-smoking message on track



MELBOURNE'S number 86 tram has had a makeover as part of the

Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) Tackling Tobacco Team's campaign to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander smokers to quit.

The tram, which travels through the northern suburbs of Melbourne where many Aboriginal people live, features vibrant Aboriginal art and local Aboriginal role models talking about quitting smoking.

Yorta Yorta and Gunai man Dixon Patten designed the artwork, and the photography was courtesy of James Henry.

Quit Victoria Aboriginal programs manager Kylie Belling said it was hoped the tram would encourage Aboriginal smokers to give quitting a go and call the Aboriginal Quitline on 13 78 48.

"We've got four Aboriginal counsellors who are ready to yarn with smokers who are interested in cutting down or stopping smoking," she said.

One in five Aboriginal deaths is attributable to smoking and it is a key factor in the life-expectancy gap between Aboriginal and other Australians.

Victorian Aboriginal Health Service chairman Michael Graham said tobacco use was not a traditional part of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.



In front of Melbourne's number 86 tram, from left, Jungala Ellis, Kylie Belling, Dixon Patten, Aunty Beryl Booth, Kasey and Brent Edwards, Denise McGuinness and Laura Thompson.

"Many Aboriginal people became highly addicted to tobacco as introduced tobacco use became normalised, and this continues today," he said.

"But what I'd say to Aboriginal

people is that our mob is quitting and you can too. Recent data showed the number of (Indigenous) people who smoke daily has dropped 10 percentage points in the last decade."

Tackling Indigenous Smoking National coordinator Tom Calma said Indigenous smokers could access free or discounted nicotine patches through their GP. "We hope the VAHS Tackling

Tobacco Smoke-Free tram will be a constant visual reminder for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander smokers who travel on it that support to quit smoking is there when they need it," he said.

Defence contract is a first



IN an Australian first, the Defence Department has awarded a \$6 million contract for new Royal Australian Navy facilities in Sydney to an Indigenous construction company.

Defence employed a little-used exemption to hand the job to Sydney-based Pacific Services Group Holdings (PSG), the first time this has been done for a Commonwealth construction project.

That exemption allows Federal Government contracts to be awarded to businesses with at least 50 per cent Indigenous ownership without a full tender process – providing they can still provide value for money.

PSG will be head contractor to build berthing, training, maintenance and storage facilities for new landing craft at HMAS Waterhen on Sydney Harbour.

Defence is buying 12 of the landing craft that will be deployed aboard the two new landing helicopter dock ships. Work started last month and finishes next year.

PSG was established by Indigenous businessman Shane Jacobs and has offices in most capitals.

"Our goal is to train and employ Indigenous men and women in order to provide lasting careers in the various industries that we work with," the company's website says.

Parliamentary Secretary Alan Tudge said the Federal Government had been poor at procuring from Indigenous businesses. Out of \$39 billion worth of contracts last year, just \$6 million worth went to Indigenous business.

"Yet it offers a tremendous opportunity for Indigenous advancement by supporting entrepreneurialism and Indigenous wealth creation and Indigenous employment," he said.

"Indigenous businesses are 100 times more likely to employ Indigenous people."

Mr Tudge said the Defence Department decided which vendor to choose. "Clearly they have decided this company offers value for money and can do the job," he said. – AAP



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Greens move to protect account



THE Australian Greens have thrown their weight behind a push by the Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC) to protect the \$2 billion Land Account from potential government interference.

The Greens introduced a Private Member's Bill to the Senate last week aimed at strengthening the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Account and the ILC. The Greens' move follows the ILC Board's release of its own draft Bill on March 24.

The ILC welcomed the Greens' move and said the Bill introduced to Parliament includes many of the reforms of the ILC's draft.

"I am particularly pleased that reforms to strengthen and protect the Land Account can now be the subject of debate in the Parliament," ILC chair Dawn Casey said.

"Meet needs"

"I congratulate the Australian Greens for their leadership on this issue. The Bill, if enacted, would also introduce a mechanism for the Land Account to grow over time to meet the land needs of a growing Indigenous population.

"It is very important for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples that the Land Account is protected and strengthened for our future generations."

Greens spokesperson on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues Senator Rachel Siewert said the measures in the Bill would strengthen the Land Account and prevent it from being utilised for any purpose other

than its original intended purpose, of acquiring and managing land for the environmental, social, cultural and economic benefit of Indigenous people.

"With talk of merging the Indigenous Land Corporation and Indigenous Business Australia, safeguards are needed in legislation to protect the Land Account from changes that weaken its capacity," she said.

"This Bill provides an important assurance that the account will be protected for the benefit of future generations, and includes provisions which enable it to grow over time.

"Our Bill also emphasises the importance of having an independent and Indigenous-controlled ILC board, strengthens the appointment processes to ensure Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have input into who runs the ILC, and implements very strong corporate governance and transparency measures to provide confidence that the ILC and Land Account funds are being managed in accordance with the highest standards."

Dr Casey welcomed the provisions to increase Indigenous input in the management of the Land Account, and enforce stricter accountability standards for use of Land Account funds. "We know that all political parties represented in the Parliament have the best interests of Indigenous Australians at heart. The Prime Minister ... has said that, on the subject of Indigenous affairs, 'our Parliament is at its best'," she said.

"The Bill represents progressive public policy at its best and should be supported by the Government as well as all other parties in the Parliament."



Ochre Contemporary Dance Company dancers Yilin Kong and Kenny Johnson.
Picture courtesy of Dana Weeks

Stories in dance



WESTERN Australia's mixed Aboriginal and non-Indigenous group the Ochre Contemporary Dance Company is telling Australian stories through contemporary dance in its upcoming season of

Articulating Landscapes. Inspired by texts written by two renowned Western Australian authors, Kim Scott's *That Deadman Dance* and Stephen Scourfield's *As the River Runs*, the ensemble of dancers will make four performances only.

Presented by Ochre as part of Perth's Winter Arts Season, *Articulating Landscapes* will provide an opportunity to view the dancers in an intimate studio

setting as well as a one-night-only performance in a new state-of-the-art theatre, All Saints College Centre of Performing Arts.

Featuring established Australian choreographers Gary Lang and Penelope Mullen alongside emerging choreographers Floeur Alder, Jesse Martin and Matthew Tupper, the performances offer an interplay between movement and the written word.

Articulating Landscapes is on July 22, 23 and 24 at Masonic Contemporary, 6 Broadway, Nedlands; and July 31 at All Saints College Centre for Performing Arts, Ewing Avenue, Bullcreek. Tickets are \$15 from Trybooking – www.trybooking.com/ERNB



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Anti-Intervention protesters march in Sydney.
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7 years on, Intervention under attack

By MEZ FISHER



PROTEST rallies were held in Sydney and Alice Springs on June 21 to mark seven years of the NT Intervention, calling for an end to the controversial legislation and for Aboriginal people to be empowered to solve their own problems.

Up to 150 people joined the Intervention Rollback Action Group (IRAG) on the Courthouse Lawns in Alice Springs to protest against the laws, introduced in 2007 by the Howard Government and continued under Labor with the 'Stronger Futures' legislation.

IRAG founding member Marlene Hodder said the Government has not listened to the people. "The Intervention has done untold damage for Aboriginal people, in demonising them and creating lack of respect," she said.

"It's increased racism – but people are going to start standing up now. It's about empowering the people."

IRAG claims the laws "were founded on an ideology of land acquisition, control and assimilation" and that children are being taken away from their parents in higher numbers than at any stage during the era of the Stolen Generations because of so-called neglect.

But Ms Hodder said it is poverty that was a direct result of years of government policy cutting funding for Aboriginal services, education, health care and real jobs in communities.



Rosalie Kunoth-Monks addresses the Northern Territory rally, held in Alice Springs.

"The underlying issue is that the Government wants to get people off the land," she said.

That view was echoed in Sydney, where more than 200 people at the rally organised by the Stop The Intervention Collective Sydney (STICS) heard how "\$1 billion had been spent on these draconian laws which have only resulted in the further disempowerment of the people".

Aboriginal representative of the National Union of Students Kyol Blakeney asked the gathering exactly what 'emergency' the Government was responding to.

"I can tell you, it's not the health of Aboriginal people and it's not the wealth of Aboriginal people, not housing, not infant mortality or deaths in custody. What they are responding to is the natural resources below those sites, the land itself," he said.

Indigenous Social Justice Association president Ray Jackson said the Intervention "was brought in on gross lies, on a smoke screen to cover up the theft of land already won back by the traditional owners of the Northern Territory. The lands were now lusted after for their minerals".

In the NT, IRAG is now organising a strategic campaign to bring about an Intervention rollback and galvanise support for the cause.

The group has prepared a statement for Prime Minister Tony Abbott and NT Chief Minister Adam Giles, calling for change.

"The Howard Government implemented policies to justify their blatant lies of our men, demonising them, by labelling them as paedophiles, sex offenders, organising sex slaves rings. This was the Howard Government's excuse to further control; to destroy self-determination, ownership of land; implement Stolen Generation, income management (what we eat, where we shop, what we buy, etc)," the statement reads.

"It is now our time to expose the blatant lies to all our people and the rest of the Australian people, to take actions upon these false allegations."

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At Cummeragunga Farm, from left, Damian Morgan-Bulled, Joseph Byrnes, Uncle Alf Turner, Chris Fry, Rob Walker and Uncle Col Walker.

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Yorta Yorta people buy farmland



INDIGENOUS Business Australia (IBA) has sold 720 hectares of

productive farmland unencumbered to the Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation (YYNAC), returning the land to its traditional owners and lifting their prospects of creating a sustainable economic future.

IBA bought Cummeragunga Farm, located near the Barmah township in the Southern Riverina district of NSW, in 2005.

The organisation implemented a range of works on the farm, including renovating the residential house and installing new external boundary line fencing to add value to the property. The redevelopment provided employment and training opportunities for the local Indigenous community.

IBA chief executive Chris Fry said the sale to the YYNAC was a fantastic outcome that saw the control of prime agricultural land returned to its previous owners.

"Aside from the economic development value this purchase provides, Cummeragunga Farm also holds significant cultural value for the traditional owners," he said.

The YYNAC approached

"Aside from the economic development value this purchase provides, Cummeragunga Farm also holds significant cultural value for the traditional owners."

— IBA chief executive Chris Fry



IBA about buying the farm in June 2013, and the two organisations worked to ensure that a smooth ownership transition would take place with minimal impact on the farm's operations.

IBA also introduced the YYNAC to Australia's largest tomato processing company, Kagome, with the intent of signing a long-term farm lease.

Since acquiring the property, now known as 'Ulunja' (meaning 'home' in Yorta Yorta language), YYNAC has undertaken an agronomist survey of the property and completed a whole-of-farm plan to ensure that future activities are conducted in an economical and efficient manner in line with cultural,

financial and ethical guidelines.

In May, YYNAC entered into a contract agreement with NSW-Murray Local Land Services for the revegetation project of Sand Ridge Woodlands, to protect biodiversity and cultural assets of the Murray Region.

YYNAC chief executive Damian Morgan-Bulled said it had taken many years to regain an important part of country.

"Being able to have a commercially viable sustainable agribusiness owned and managed by traditional owners, whilst keeping its cultural aspects intact, will lead to a best-practice model for others to follow," he said.

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Ningher fires up festival

By JILLIAN MUNDY



TASMANIAN
Aborigines were
central to the
opening of the
MONA Dark Mofo
Festival's winter
solstice celebration, ceremoniously
bringing fire and song to Hobart's
waterfront last week.

About 1000 onlookers gathered
for the highly anticipated arrival of
a ningher, a traditionally built reed
and bark canoe that was to have
been paddled 14km from the
Museum of Old and New Art
(MONA) on the banks of the
Derwent River, where it was built,
to Hobart's waterfront carrying a
flame to ignite a fire at the festival.

While the journey did not go to
plan, onlookers were not
disappointed.

The canoe was on display at
the water's edge beside the fire
that burnt during the ningher's
construction and Aboriginal singer
Kartanya Maynard sang a song of
country in palawa kani (Tasmanian
Aboriginal language).

Darrell Maynard and the
ochred-up ningher builders,
Brendan 'Buck' Brown and Jamie
Everett, carried the flame on fire
sticks to light the fire at the centre
of the festival, as Ms Maynard
sang and the crowd joined in a
procession.

The launch of the canoe at
sunset the day before, while
ceremonious and visually
stunning, resulted in the vessel



Brendan 'Buck' Brown heads out in the ningher on the icy waters of Hobart's Derwent River on the eve of the year's shortest day.

being damaged as it hit a rock.

Being unable to complete the
trip down the Derwent River was
disappointing, but Mr Everett said
that disappointment had turned to
inspiration.

He and Mr Brown are looking

forward to returning home to Cape
Barren Island and experimenting
with different reeds and fibres,
away from the public eye, and
intend to build a much larger
vessel.

"It's still trial and error to get it

down pat. It's a part of our culture
that has been dormant. We're still
in the process of reviving it," Mr
Everett said.

"We want to get more people
involved. Two heads are better
than one – maybe six heads better

than two. I'm sure the old fellas
didn't just wake up one morning
and make a canoe."

It is more likely that the craft
was refined over years, if not
generations.

Canoes in Tasmania were built
from materials specific to locality;
stringy bark in south-east
Tasmania, paperbarks in the north-
west, and reeds on the east coast.

Mr Brown said there were
records of Tasmanian Aborigines
travelling 14 nautical miles over
treacherous seas in canoes big
enough to hold half a dozen
people, dogs and a fire.

While Aborigines have made
some stunning display and
ceremonial canoes over the past
decade, the only one known to the
Koori Mail to make a significant
journey was a traditional stringy
bark canoe that travelled from
Bruny Island to mainland
Tasmania and back with two men
on board.

The MONA ningher was the
first attempt in modern times to
make a significant journey in a
traditional canoe constructed from
reeds and in such a public setting.

Cultural producer of the MONA
ningher project Fiona Hamilton
said it was never simply about
making a canoe, but about the
journey of building the canoe and
the cultural exchange between
MONA visitors and the canoe
builders.

"There is no failure; a journey is
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Royal Commission Victorian Aboriginal Forum Ballarat Lodge, Tuesday 22 July 2014



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The Victorian Coalition of Aboriginal Agencies is pleased to announce that Commissioner Helen Milroy will be speaking at a state wide forum at Ballarat Lodge, Tuesday 22 July 2014.

The forum will focus on the current Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and will be open to all Aboriginal community members, staff and workers.

The Royal Commission has been set up to investigate instances of child sexual abuse that occurred in institutions such as foster homes, state care, schools, churches and children's homes.

Support is available for those people who would like to tell their story to the Royal Commission.

WHEN: Tuesday 22 July 2014

WHERE: Ballarat Lodge, 613 Main Road, Ballarat

TIME: 11am-3pm

Lunch provided

Financial assistance for transport is available to communities.

For more information, please contact Alistair McKeich at the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service on 03 9418 5999 or Jeannie McIntyre at Link Up on 03 9470 3666 or go to www.healthepast.org

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If you were sexually abused as a child while in the care of an Australian institution and wish to share your story with the Royal Commission, you can register your interest by phoning 1800 099 340 or by email registerinterest@childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au

For more information about the Royal Commission visit www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au

Produced by the Coalition of Aboriginal Services Responding to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse



Awards give recognition to very best



ROSALIE Kunoth-Monks won the first Dr Yunupingu Human Rights Achievement Award presented at the inaugural National Indigenous Human Rights Awards night held last month at NSW Parliament House, Sydney.

The awards seek to give recognition to Indigenous Australians and their struggle for human rights and social justice.

"This event has two aims," NSW MLC Shaoquett Moselmane said.

"To recognise the phenomenal contribution that many Indigenous Australians make to human rights and social justice, and to also recognise Indigenous rights as Australia's greatest human rights and social justice struggle."

"The Indigenous rights struggle is ongoing – and the inspiration behind this event is to recognise this, but also to recognise the contributions of Indigenous Australians in their community and broader Australian society."

Three awards were established: the Dr Yunupingu Human Rights Achievement Award; the Edward 'Koiki' Mabo Social Justice Award; and the Anthony Mundine Courage Award.

Leader

Arnernte Elder Rosalie Kunoth-Monks received her Human Rights Achievement Award in recognition of more than half a century of work as a community leader in Utopia, Northern Territory, and as a stateswoman leading First Peoples and others towards greater justice and equality.

"For the first time in my life I am left speechless, in tears... These awards are the most important yet because they are for our people, by our people in every layer," Ms Kunoth-Monks said.

Multilingual educator and Arnhem Land Elder Yalmay Yunupingu, the widow of Dr Yunupingu, presented Ms Kunoth-Monks with the award.

The Mabo Social Justice Award was presented to Anna Murray on behalf of her parents, the late Arthur and Leila Murray, in recognition of their work in the north-east NSW town of Wee Waa fighting for wages equality for their people and their 30-year struggle for justice following the loss of their son, Eddie Murray, in police custody.

The Courage Award was awarded to Gamilaroy woman Barbara McGrady, for her photography and documenting of the Aboriginal rights struggle over four decades.

Keynote speakers at the awards ceremony were Yalmay Yunupingu and Gail Mabo, with Wiradjuri woman and NSW Opposition Deputy Leader Linda Burney acting as MC.



Rosalie Kunoth-Monks is congratulated by journalist Jeff McMullen for winning the Dr Yunupingu Human Rights Achievement Award.



Yalmay Yunupingu and Gail Mabo at the awards ceremony.



Award recipient Barbara McGrady with Anthony Mundine.

Culture is alive on rejuvenated ferry



QUANDAMOOKA artist Lincoln Costelloe's work is featured on the rejuvenated *Minjerribah* ferry, which was recently unveiled as part of Stradbroke Ferries' 50th year servicing the Moreton Bay region in south-east Queensland.

Mr Costelloe used traditional totems of the Quandamooka and Nunukul people such as the carpet snake (Kabul) in his drawings, and says his art keeps him strong and connected to family and home when he's not on the island. Other animals

prominent in his drawings include the dugong, dolphin, manta ray and turtle.

His inspiration for painting began as a child when Aunty Kath Walker – or Oodgeroo Noonuccal – taught art and culture at the Dunwich Primary School on North Stradbroke Island (Minjerribah).

In 2005, the *Minjerribah* was introduced into the Stradbroke Ferries fleet and named with the Aboriginal term for North Stradbroke Island. The 67m vessel was built in China and can carry 50 vehicles and 400 passengers.



The revamped *Minjerribah* off North Stradbroke Island, Queensland.

Woman set to be free of jail



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda says the imminent release of Rosie Ann Fulton from a Western Australian prison is long overdue.

Ms Fulton, 24, was charged over crashing a stolen car but, as she has foetal alcohol syndrome and the mental age of a young child, was considered unfit to stand trial and handed a custody order that effectively meant an indefinite sentence.

Mr Gooda said it was unclear how many other people were in a similar position and called for a national audit of Australia's prisons.

"What we get told is eight in the Northern Territory and around about the same number in Western Australia," he said.

"I'd say one person sitting in jail without being convicted of anything is one too many."

WA is scrambling to find a way to deal with such cases, with its proposal to build disability justice centres or 'declared places' in suburban areas met by opposition from residents.

Unjust, ineffective

A recent review of custody orders by the Office of the Inspector of Custodial Services concluded the state's current system for managing mentally impaired accused was unjust, under-resourced and ineffective.

For Ms Fulton, it is a system that has kept her in Kalgoorlie Prison for the past 21 months.

This week, she was due to be moved to her home town of Alice Springs, where she will live under the supervised care of staff from the Northern Territory Health Department.

Her guardian, Ian McKinlay, told ABC radio that if Ms Fulton had been fit to plead, she would have been released long ago.

He said Ms Fulton was feeling a little apprehensive, but was very much looking forward to going home.

The Office of the Inspector of Custodial Services review recommended giving WA courts greater flexibility to deal with mentally impaired accused including community-based alternatives.

Other recommendations included increasing the number of dedicated forensic mental health beds in hospitals, developing transitional mental health units at Bandyup Women's Prison and at least one male prison, and pushing ahead with the establishment of declared places. – AAP

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Royal commission forum for Ballarat



A FORUM focussing on the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse will be held in the Victorian city of Ballarat on July 22. Commission member Helen Milroy will address the forum, which has been arranged by the Victorian Coalition of Aboriginal Agencies and will be open to all Aboriginal community members, staff and workers.

Also speaking will be a representative from 'knowmore', a legal service set up to assist people with the royal commission.

Knowmore employs male and female Aboriginal liaison officers who can assist Indigenous people with legal queries.

The royal commission has been set up to investigate instances of child sexual abuse in institutions such as foster homes, state care, schools, churches and children's homes.

Aboriginal and mainstream support services are available for those who would like to tell their story to the commission.

The Ballarat forum will be held from 11am-3pm at Ballarat Lodge, 613 Main Road. Lunch will be provided, and financial assistance for transport is available.

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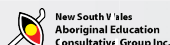
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Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer Steven Ciobo, Prime Minister Tony Abbott, AIATSIS chair Professor Mick Dodson and AIATSIS principal Russ Taylor at the launch of the AIATSIS 50 cent coin.

Coin marks 50 years of AIATSIS



Department of
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Have your say on the development of Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Regulation

NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI), in association with the Aboriginal Fishing Advisory Council, has prepared a consultation paper to assist development of Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Regulation.

The consultation paper is available from the DPI website at www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/info/cultural-fishing-regulation. Print copies are also available on request – call (02) 4424 7400.

Written submissions are invited from Aboriginal people on the proposals in the consultation paper and on cultural fishing aspects generally. Details on how you can make a submission are available on the DPI website.

Community meetings to discuss the proposals are scheduled for:

- Narooma – 16 July 2014
- Wollongong – 22 July 2014
- Crescent Head – 5 August 2014
- Yamba – 6 August 2014
- Condobolin – 12 August 2014
- Narrandera – 19 August 2014
- Brewarrina – 26 August 2014

Check the DPI website for meeting details and updates.

Closing date for submissions is Monday 15 September 2014



THE Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) is

marking its 50th year with a newly minted commemorative 50 cent coin launched last month by Prime Minister Tony Abbott at Parliament House, Canberra.

AIATSIS chairperson Mick Dodson said it was an honour to have the work of the Institute commemorated on Australia's newest 50c coin.

"The coin design features an element of our logo which has been with us since the very beginnings of the institute when it was adopted by the interim council in 1963," Professor Dodson said.

"Derived from the boomerang totem of the Gu:nani (Kunjen) people from the Mitchell River region of the Gulf of Carpentaria, the shield is a significant piece in AIATSIS' priceless collection.

"This is a special year for the



The collectible 50 cent uncirculated coin marking the 50th anniversary of AIATSIS.

institute, marking 50 years since it was formed under an Act of Parliament. We are very proud of our achievements and want to share our stories with all Australians.

"We hope the coin will raise awareness of the significance of our work and help us in achieving our vision – a world in which all Indigenous people's knowledge and cultures are recognised, respected and valued."

Created in partnership with the Royal Australian Mint, both a circulating coin and a special collectors' edition have been produced. The uncirculated collectors' edition features a colour printed version of the AIATSIS logo.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer Steven Ciobo said the commemoration recognised AIATSIS' contribution to Australia's identity and further understanding of cultural heritage.

"Over the past 50 years, AIATSIS has focussed on researching and collecting information on all Indigenous people's knowledge and culture and since become an internationally renowned institution," he said.

The collectible 50c uncirculated coin marking the 50th anniversary of AIATSIS retails for \$13.50 and is available from the Mint's eShop <https://eshop.ramint.gov.au>, on 1300 652 020 or in store at the Royal Australian Mint, Deakin.

Frank David and Torres Strait Regional Authority chairman Joseph Elu during the *Lag / Meta / Aus* opening at the National Museum in Canberra.



Crocodile Headdress by James Eseli. The wooden crocodile carving depicts totemic representation of Torres Strait Islander culture. Picture by George Serras, National Museum of Australia.



A NEW exhibition at the National Museum of Australia (NMA) in Canberra features stories from the

Torres Strait Islands exploring World War II, the pearling industry and the Mabo decision.

The exhibition title *Lag / Meta / Aus* uses the word for 'home' in the region's three languages. It reflects on the complex nature of the Torres Strait, which encompasses more than 200 islands spread across 48,000 square kilometres. The southern-most island lies just off the tip of Cape York, while the northern-most is only 3.5km off the Papua

NMA homes in on Torres Strait

New Guinean coast.

The exhibition features objects, stories and people from the Torres Strait, including linocut

prints and masks from leading artist Alick Tipoti, fish scoops from Mer (Murray Island), a rare cassowary feathered headdress

from Saibai and elaborate dance machines by master artist Ken Thaiday.

It also includes stories of

Torres Strait Islander Eddie Koiki Mabo's native title battle, the violent early interaction between Captain Bligh and Tudu Island warriors, and the service of the Torres Strait Light Infantry Battalion during World War II.

The exhibition marks a changeover of the National Museum's Torres Strait Islander gallery.

Lag / Meta / Aus features audiovisual components including contemporary oral histories and one of the earliest films ever shot in Australia – a 60-second clip from the 1898 Cambridge anthropological expedition to the Torres Strait, shot on Mer (Murray Island).

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Aboriginal community representatives Rocky Sainty and Ruth Langford before they headed to Doha in the Arabian state of Qatar. Picture by Jillian Mundy

Jubilation at forests ruling



THE United Nations World Heritage Committee (WHC) has delivered a

rebuttal to the Australian Government, rejecting its request to cut Tasmania's World Heritage Area so it can be logged.

The WHC, meeting in Doha, Qatar, last month, refused an Australian application to wind back 74,000 hectares of protected forest added last year.

The area was initially part of 170,000 hectares protected under Tasmania's forest peace deal struck by former state and federal Labor governments.

Green groups had accused the Abbott Government of

pursuing the unprecedented delisting for ideological reasons.

Speaking from Doha, Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre secretary Ruth Langford told the ABC she was overwhelmed when she heard the news.

"I tell you, when we heard that bang of the gavel and the protection was given, both my brother Rocky Sainty and I, well we burst out crying," she said.

"To hear that that land will be protected for future generations, we were so excited – it was amazing."

Tasmanian Aboriginal community representatives Ms Langford and Mr Sainty partnered with environment groups in Doha to oppose the Australian Government's

proposal. "We can return home in celebration and assure our Elders that Tasmanian Aboriginal heritage and culture is important to the world," Mr Sainty said from Doha.

"As custodians, we have felt the weight of responsibility to protect the burial places of our ancestors, some of the oldest rock art in the world and our magnificent forests, from the Australian Government's irresponsible proposal."

Ms Langford said the next job was to ensure that the Government honours the request of the World Heritage Committee to undertake an extensive cultural assessment in negotiation with Tasmanian Aboriginal people. – with AAP

Inmates will hit airwaves



THE voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander inmates from six Victorian

prisons will be heard across the airwaves in a live radio broadcast during NAIDOC Week, July 7-11.

Beyond the Bars is a community project by radio station 3CR dedicated to giving Indigenous prisoners a voice. It is one of the only live prison broadcasts in Australia, and this year has expanded to involve more than 100 men and women.

The broadcasts feature stories, songs, opinions and poems by inmates of the Dame Phyllis Frost Centre, Barwon Prison, Fulham Correctional Centre, Marngoneet Correctional Centre, Loddon Prison and Port Phillip Prison.

For musician and one of the founders of the project, Kutcha Edwards, the broadcasts are an important way of empowering Indigenous prisoners.

"Why is there a revolving door when it comes to Indigenous community and incarceration?" he asked. "What sort of justice is it when our people's parole conditions are so stringent that they

are constantly back in prison?

"To hear the answers to those questions, you need to tune in to *Beyond the Bars*."

The *Beyond the Bars* project began in 2002 and has won several awards including the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Radio Award in 2004 and the Community Broadcasting Association Contribution to Indigenous Broadcasting award in 2013.

Community Broadcasting Foundation president Peter Batchelor said the project gave a voice to a community rarely heard or understood.

"This award-winning project is an outstanding example of community broadcasting at its most powerful, providing a voice to some of the most marginalised people in our community," he said.

Beyond the Bars receives financial support from the Community Broadcasting Foundation, the Koori Justice Unit and Corrections Victoria at the Department of Justice, and the City of Melbourne.

The broadcasts can be heard on 3CR 855AM, 3CR Digital, streaming live on 3cr.org.au, and simulcast on 3KnD 1503AM.



Participants in *Beyond the Bars*, where Indigenous prisoners broadcast on Victorian radio station 3CR. Picture by Jessie Boylan



NSW Carers Advisory Council – Seeking Applications for Membership

The NSW Carers Advisory Council will have a number of vacancies at the end of 2014 and is seeking applications for membership from people who have relevant knowledge of and experience in matters relevant to carers.

Carers provide unpaid care to person(s) with disabilities, mental illness, chronic health conditions, frail age or dementia.

The NSW Carers Advisory Council was established under the NSW Carers (Recognition) Act 2010, to advance the interests of carers and to review and provide advice to the Minister on legislation, policy or other matters having a significant impact on carers.

The majority of Council members will be carers. Academics, researchers, individuals or organisational representatives with relevant knowledge of carers are also encouraged to apply.

Carers come from all walks of life and we encourage all carers including young carers, male carers, working carers, Aboriginal carers, carers from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and carers from regional and rural areas to apply.

Appointment will be for four years. Sitting fees and associated costs will be paid.

An information package and application form including selection criteria and further information is available at www.carers.nsw.gov.au under the Carers Advisory Council tab.

For enquiries, please contact the Office for Carers in the NSW Department of Family and Community Services on (02) 9248 0870 or by emailing nswcac@fac.nsw.gov.au. Applications close at 5pm on Friday 25 July 2014.

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Moree club scores grant



THE Moree Boomerangs Rugby League Club is celebrating the news that the South Moree Sports Facility will receive a much needed upgrade, including a second sporting field, amenities block and canteen.

The Boomerangs and Moree Plains Shire Council successfully applied for

funding under the ClubGRANTS scheme and will receive nearly \$1.8 million.

"This project is about much more than rugby league; it's about improving social amenity and social infrastructure in South Moree," Barwon MP Kevin Humphries said.

"They (the Boomerangs) have been rewarded for improving the quality of life

for people in their community."

NSW Hospitality, Gaming and Racing Minister Troy Grant said the project would revitalise the sporting precinct.

"This upgrade will improve access to sporting opportunities and facilities for the South Moree area, surrounding Aboriginal communities and wider Moree community," he said.



Member for Barwon Kevin Humphries with members of the Moree Boomerangs and local residents.

Carbon Media founder Wayne Denning with performer Jessica Mauboy, *Sesame Street*'s Cookie Monster and Amber Moran.



Carbon Media a winner



AN Indigenous media company commissioned to produce a segment for children's TV show *Sesame Street* has won the 2014 Telstra Queensland Small Business Award. Carbon Media, founded by Birri Gubba man Wayne Denning, is the first Australian company commissioned by *Sesame Street* to produce a film for its letters and numbers segment.

The achievement has been a door-opener for Carbon Media, a Fortitude Valley-based company that develops content for TV, radio, websites, mobile applications and public awareness campaigns.

Carbon Media's mixed-media film, titled *Five Kangaroos*, starred singer Jessica Mauboy and aired on the famous children's show earlier this year.

After attending New York's annual Kidscreen Summit in

February this year, Mr Denning said Carbon Media was looking to cement partnerships with international broadcasters in the kids' entertainment industry and to start developing some more children's programs.

His company was one of four recipients of the Screen Australian Enterprise Funding program and also produced the children's TV program *Handball Heroes*, which aired on ABC3.

Comment sought on NSW cultural fishing regulation



THE NSW Department of Primary Industries (DPI) is

encouraging Aboriginal people to have their say on the development of Aboriginal cultural fishing regulation.

DPI director recreational and Indigenous fisheries Peter Turnell says a consultation paper has been released and the department is seeking feedback from Aboriginal groups.

Following this initial consultation, other interested groups, including recreational and commercial fishing representatives, will have the opportunity to comment.

"The cultural fishing regulation is being developed to formalise arrangements providing a fishing regime Aboriginal people can confidently use for their cultural needs," Mr Turnell said.

"The *Fisheries Management Act 1994* includes recognition of the spiritual, social and customary significance of the fisheries resource to Aboriginal people, and seeks to protect and promote the continuation of Aboriginal cultural fishing.

"The cultural fishing regulation will build on interim fishing arrangements in supporting the objectives of the Act, providing a separate management framework related to accessing the fisheries resources for cultural purposes.

"The Aboriginal Fishing Advisory Council (AFAC) is actively involved in the development of the regulation proposals."

Meetings

Regional community meetings will be held in seven centres across the state during July and August to discuss and explore issues.

The consultation paper, community meeting details and further information can be found at local fisheries offices and on the DPI website at www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/aboriginal-fishing/

The consultation period will close on Monday, September 15.

Submissions can be sent to NSW DPI by email cultural.fishing@dpi.nsw.gov.au or fax (02) 4424 7449 or post to Cultural Fishing Regulation LMB 3020, Nowra, NSW 2541.

CMC asked to probe donation



THE Queensland corruption watchdog has been asked to investigate if a donation to the state's Liberal National Party led to an extension of sandmining on North Stradbroke Island – against the wishes of the Quandamooka people, the traditional owners, and the conditions in their Indigenous Land Use Agreement.

The previous Labor government had legislated to end all sandmining by 2025, but last year the LNP Government extended Sibelco's lease for its main Enterprise mine from 2019 to 2035.

Sibelco spent \$90,000 helping Premier Campbell Newman win the Brisbane seat of Ashgrove off Labor in 2012.

As part of the campaign, Sibelco orchestrated a massive letterbox drop lobbying voters in the seat to oppose the phase-out.

As revealed in the previous

edition of the *Koori Mail* (June 18 – see tear sheet) Premier Newman fast-tracked the legislation.

Opposition environment frontbencher Jackie Trad has written to the Crime and Misconduct Commission's acting chairman Ken Levy asking for an investigation.

In her letter, Ms Trad said Natural Resources and Mines Minister Andrew Cripps had met with Sibelco on eight occasions over a two-month period but saw the Quandamooka people only once.

"Evidence collected by the Labor Opposition and the Quandamooka people, as well as the perspective from a senior

legal counsel in Queensland, indicates that preferential treatment may have been given to the mining company Sibelco at the expense of the Quandamooka people," Ms Trad said.

"I believe there is sufficient evidence to warrant an investigation." – *With AAP*



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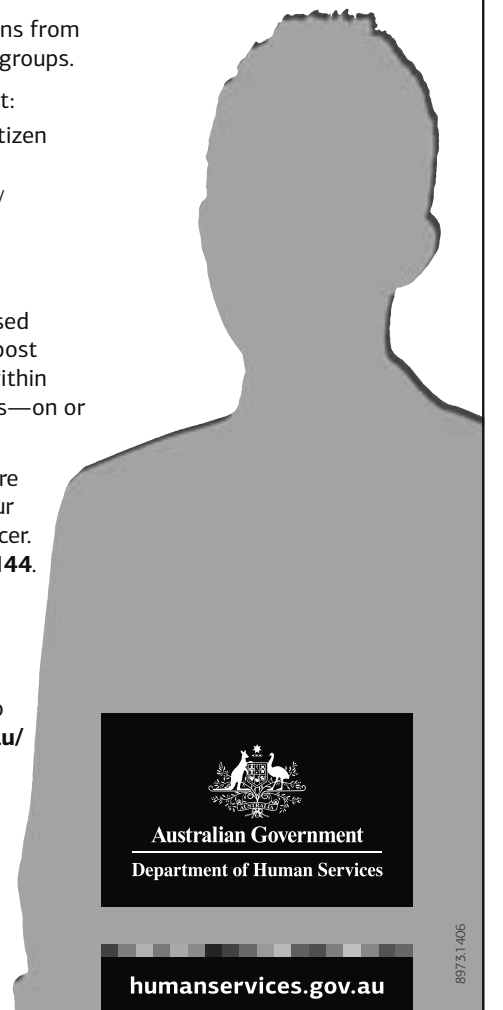
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A couple of friends and family.

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I would love to have a budget to cater for our people through hampers and vouchers, and just give more to the community.

Quote



“Why is there a revolving door when it comes to Indigenous community and incarceration?”

– **Victorian musician Kutcha Edwards**

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Unquote

The art of doing the right thing

ARTISTS have a licence to push boundaries. But that licence doesn't mean there aren't any limits at all.

Swiss artist Christoph Büchel crossed a line with his installation at the Dark Mofo Festival at the Museum of New and Old Art (MONA) in Hobart last month (story page 6).

As part of the installation a group of Tasmanian Aboriginal artists had been misled about what they were at the festival to do. The artists believed they were to work in a community festival, when in fact they were part of a display that included a stand purporting to offer DNA testing of Aboriginality. And that's simply not fair or honest.

Provocation is one thing – but hoodwinking people is another.

Senior Aboriginal artist Wendal Pitchford said she felt like a tree had risen from the ground and smacked her in the face when she came across the stand.

“Even though it was a hoax, it was taking the mickey out of Tasmanian Aboriginal people,” she said.

While MONA officials eventually did the right thing and dismantled the offending stand, it shows questionable judgment to have erected it in the first place.

And even more questionable was the curator who offered the Tasmanian artists money to stay.

As Ms Pitchford responded: “I said my community and culture are not for sale.”

Büchel can moan about censorship,



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but co-opting people into an artwork without their knowledge is dishonest, unfair and exploitative. And downright disrespectful.

It is to be hoped MONA has learned a valuable lesson.

The Northern Land Council has done well in dropping the nomination of Muckaty for a nuclear waste dump in the Northern Territory. With the issue splitting community and families, it was time to think again.

But by this time next year, spent radioactive rods containing waste products from Australian uranium will return to our shores.

And as Central Land Council director David Ross says, there needs to be a fair process to work out where that waste will be stored.

“A transparent, credible and scientifically rigorous process is needed to settle on a new location for a national radioactive waste dump, not a mere process which seeks to entice Australia's most economically disadvantaged people with promises of financial rewards,” he said.

That sounds like a pretty reasonable idea.

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Music man living a life in harmony

By RUDI MAXWELL

As a child, Mirning man Bunna Lawrie felt the music. "When I grew up, my father used to sing and play guitar, vibrations from his heart. It was the sound of human beings, of creation, and it would vibrate through my body," he said.

"As I grew up I learned a lot from the land and my people.

"My greatest inspiration comes from stories of my mother, grandmother and grandfather, about connecting to earth, to culture. It's all about healing and unity. It gives life, gives hope. It's the dance of life and the circle of creation.

"I began to understand and sing songs to give hope to my people, Aboriginal people, songs like *Black Boy*, when I was inspired to connect identity to earth.

"Connecting to earth gives hope and life. It's all about being connected and healing, caring and sharing, living in harmony."

Lawrie is a songman, artist, medicine man and storyteller from South Australia.

He is the frontman of Coloured Stone, a band formed at the Koonibba Mission, west of Ceduna. He has also performed as a solo artist, in the Black Arm Band, with other musical luminaries including Jimmy Little, Midnight Oil and KD Lang, and with his band Bunna Lawrie and the Whaledreamers. He has won many awards for his music, including the NAIDOC Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012, and Coloured Stone was inducted into the National Indigenous Music Awards Hall of Fame in 2011.

Lawrie credits his grandmother with teaching him about connecting to culture.

"I learned that by healing yourself you can then help heal other people, then you inspire other people and give them hope, pass energy and messages on," he said.

"I pass the beautiful energy of my music on, from the vibrations of my father singing songs, to the vibrations of life."

And storytelling and music are in his blood.

"My grandfather was a song and dance man, an ancient man, who used clap sticks, and instruments made from tree trunks that sound when the wind blows and makes music, like the didge," he said.

"Stories on my country come from the whale, which is my totem.

"I've seen people make music



Bunna Lawrie on stage:
"I'm sad to say that the greed of the white man has spread to Aboriginal people's lives. Some work the land for money, not respecting our culture."

blowing on leaves, you name it. Music came from the land and I'm really grateful that I carried on this beautiful journey sharing culture and music.

"You've got to tell good stories. When I was a kid and I'd get up at night after sleeping at the foot of my grandmother, who was a medicine woman, a healer, I learned language from her.

"My mother was a great storyteller, about the yowie, snake, shark, dingo stories, ghost stories, stories of the land. Now I tell the stories of our beautiful land."

Champion

Lawrie is a tireless champion for Aboriginal culture and living in harmony.

During the 1950s, Anangu

people were forced off parts of their land due to nuclear testing at Maralinga.

Survivors were moved to Mirning country. And Mirning people were moved inland to the Koonibba Mission, away from their coastal country and the whales.

"Maralinga, the treeless plain. My father was working on the Wheatbelt at the time, on a

horse and buggy in the 50s, and saw the big smoke 200km away, black smoke," he said.

"He was scared, no-one had been told what was happening, none of our people.

"The British army was testing to see what atomic bombs did.

"In the 1970s and 80s our people were dying of cancer.

"No-one asked our people. It is our country, our people lived 90km away and there are sacred whale sites ... we still have to get permission to go there. It's not right.

"I'm sad to say that the greed of the white man has spread to Aboriginal people's lives. Some work the land for money, not respecting our culture.

"Mirning country, along the coast, we have the story of our ancestral being, the giant whale, who gives our children great spirits, gave us our language, food, and traditional way of life.

"This is what we should be doing now, going back to square one, fighting the whitefella, not the blackfella.

"Money is the root of all evil. We were living peacefully before the whiteman.

"There is a curse on our country and a curse on our people, and we need to find a way to unlock the curse, live in harmony."

Need for unity

Lawrie is convinced of the need for unity among Aboriginal people.

"Me, I'm almost 64. I'm a gypsy of the Dreamtime. I haven't got a permanent home," he said.

"This land doesn't belong to the white sailor.

"As it says in our song: 'black boy, black boy, the colour of your skin is your pride and joy'.

"The day is going to come when we are treated equally, and the days of working for nothing, for sugar, flour, tea, will be over.

"We need to look after the land. Every tribe has a garden in their own country, and duties to be carried out.

"Everything is a part of earth; water to whales, it all works together in harmony.

"People are greedy in so many different ways. Our spirit has been lost, brainwashed.

"It all comes down to the same thing, respect. If we respect one other, look after our people, show people our respect and unity, our culture, traditions, identity; if we respect all ways, all parts and live in harmony and unity, that's the way curse will be lifted."

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Flash cabaret



THE 2014 Spirit Festival came alive to the sounds of sensational live cabaret with the

premiere of *Flash Blacks* in Adelaide's Victoria Square recently – and the group is gearing up for a special performance at the Adelaide NAIDOC Ball on July 14.

Producer and MC Pascoe Braun introduced several Indigenous performers including Miss Colleen Davidson, James Muir, James Stanley, Bethany Rose Marshall and Eleanor Lange.

Mr Braun, a former NITV host, said the NAIDOC crowd could expect a fabulous show.

"There's nothing like singing live to an audience with a band of great musicians and cabaret can mean many things to many people," he said.

"*Flash Blacks* is a pathway for our people to perform in cabaret style and we will eventually take the show all around Australia."

The show has been designed so that when it plays at festivals, local Indigenous performers are able to join in and belt out their favourite tunes.

"A lot of our people don't do traditional dancing and dot paintings and our people performing cabaret has never really been tapped into and this show is going to change all that," Mr Braun said.

"This is traditional cabaret with an MC and live musicians, very much like the movie *Cabaret*."

"*Cabaret* is also comedy."

"We had a wonderful old friend of mine playing Queen Victoria in a parody style but



● Queen Victoria (Caroline Susta), James Muir, Bethany Rose Marshall and drummer James Stanley perform in *Flash Blacks* live cabaret.

● MC Pascoe Braun lights up the *Flash Blacks* stage at the Spirit festival in Adelaide's Victoria Square.



also respectfully, as this show is not about offending anyone.

"It was hilarious and added another dimension but we really brought her in as the event was held in the iconic Victoria Square and it was like we're taking it back."

Flash Blacks will perform at the 2014 Adelaide NAIDOC Ball, where Christine Anu is also set to wow the crowd on Saturday, July 14, at the Adelaide Hilton.

Gay ways on stage

By RUDI MAXWELL



COMPOSER, performer, writer and artist David Page will play charming host to

Native Gayze, a show exploring sexuality and Indigenous heritage, at the Sydney Opera House during NAIDOC Week.

"I think homosexuality in Indigenous communities can be a complex question but it's really a matter of respect, of family and tradition," Page said.

"I was always led to believe when I was growing up that being gay was ok, it's fine. I've talked to a lot of Elders from my mob, my father's mob and my mother's mob, who all told me that in the past it wasn't a big deal – a lot of gay men and women had important roles in Indigenous communities, possibly a medicinal role. They certainly weren't shunned, quite the opposite."

"My perception is that role fell apart over the years when we started living the white man way, particularly with the influence of Christianity."

"It's just sexuality, love is love, so if you love someone, it's no different if you're straight or gay."

The show will feature Mohawk singer Kinnie Star from North America and other Indigenous performers.

"When you go to traditional communities, like Yirrkala or Elcho Island, the sistagirls have an important role. They also make everyone laugh – and can they dance!" Page said.

"I've got six sisters older than me, and they used to dress up us six younger boys in high heels. You see men on the footy show dressed up as women and it's all fun – you have to wonder, what is sexual discrimination about?"

"Discrimination is more dangerous if it's hidden. When it surfaces it's good, because you know it's there and you can deal with it."

"It's like we do with Bangara. We've been going for 25 years, and it's the same thing. We re-educate people about our culture, how proud we are, how strong – and we ain't going down without a fight."

Native Gayze will play at the Sydney Opera House from July 4-6.



David Page will host *Native Gayze* at the Sydney Opera House during NAIDOC week.
Picture by Myles Formby

Need for awareness

I'M A Year 12 student from Alkira Secondary College in Victoria.

As a strong advocate for the increase in awareness of Indigenous culture, I believe it is time we start the introduction to a new view of Indigenous culture.

As part of my media assessment, I have decided to take a personal approach to the personal aspect of my Indigenous heritage. As an Indigenous Australian myself, I believe in the fair treatment and the opportunities that had been stripped from our culture those many years ago.

I am writing in an attempt to advocate for appropriate action to be done, and for support.

I believe a change is needed.

Awareness is lacking and, as a community, as Australians, we have the opportunity to change the problem that we have spent our entire lives pretending doesn't exist. The problem is, it does exist.

Organisations such as Close the Gap



and AIME (Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience) and many more are working towards a common goal to get

Indigenous children along the same path as mainstream Australians.

These organisations also need the awareness of Indigenous Australians, and should be commended for their efforts, as the progress that has been made has been significant.

I am also a part of the YMCA's Youth Parliament (meeting this week). I will be debating a 'Bill' about the 'closing of the gap' between Australians.

We have made the first step into reconciliation, now it is time for the change of perception – the stereotypical perception that we have of Aboriginal people.

Awareness is needed so that these stereotypes are removed and we can live harmoniously alongside other residents of this beautiful country.

SHAYLENE BLACK

Narre Warren/Cranbourne, Victoria

Time to reconcile

I JUST wanna know, when is one of these so-called Aboriginal leaders in the political world gonna stand up and point out that this is still rightfully and legally Aboriginal land?

There are trespassers on our land, and I don't mean my white neighbours who live in a home they pay for and live with their families.

I mean the greedy foreigner who I see on the news and in the papers every day digging up the land, constructing new property on a land space they have intent to make money off but no right in doing so.

Big businesses and mining companies can make dollar after dollar off a land that doesn't belong to them. We have never handed it over, and unless one of our leaders steps up and does something, it will never be pointed out and we will never get it back.

I know our people do have politicians and activists who have been, and still are, pushing for justice. I found my passion for politics from my Elders, who taught me everything I know about my culture. If it wasn't for these people I wouldn't possess the passion I do for my culture.

(Prime Minister Tony) Abbott keeps saying he's thinking about putting it into the Constitution that we are Australia's First

Peoples. He's been saying that for the last year.

Yeah, and he eventually might. But first he's gotta figure out a way for us to not have any rights after he does that so we can't make any money off our land. Maybe something like removing the Racial Discrimination Act, which is what he has been talking about doing.

But he doesn't realise the Aboriginal people's values, and the last thing we care about is money.

I know our traditional people out there in central Australia just want to live their ways without any control by white government thinking they know best.

If white government knew best, then why is there a blatant genocide with Stolen Generation happening right now again? But worse, why are our Indigenous children in remote Aboriginal communities plagued with disease? Why is the youth suicide rate for Aboriginal teenagers the worst in the world?

Why? Because they wanna kill our culture and apparently 'breed us out'.

Well, I'll tell you what. I'm a light-skinned Koori from Wiradjuri land. I ain't no Aboriginal or Indigenous person for that fact.

Like NT leader Rosalie Kunoth-Monks said on the Q&A program on the ABC: "I am

a sovereign person of this country. We were born here and our ancestors never ever left here."

We originate from this country, not Africa; we never rowed down through Asia in canoes. Tell white scientists to grab a canoe now and go row to New Zealand and see how far they get.

Enough is enough!

Our people are a silenced race. No-one cares what's going on here in this country right now, but they want to discuss the occupation in Israel?

Australia is an occupied country right here, right now in 2014! This is stolen land! Let's bring all our voices together as one and do what's right before it's too late.

We can coexist together in a multicultural society and all be healthy and happy, but first we must be recognised and accepted for who and what we are and I'm talking about all Australians.

Money ain't worth more than anybody's life. Let's bring this to a stop.

I love my culture, I love my land and I love my people. And I don't just mean my black brothers and sisters – I mean all people.

It's time to reconcile.

CORBEN CARNEY
Dubbo, NSW

POETRY

White Man In The Desert

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The White Man Would Be
Lost
He Wouldn't Know What To
Eat
After The City Road He'd
Crossed.

Tell Me, Where Will He Go
And What Would He Do
There Are Wild Animals
Around
And The Big Red Kangaroo.

How Long Would He
Survive?
And Can He Live Off The
Land
Could He Even Start A Fire
Or Find The Honey Ants.

All Of These Questions
I'd Really Love To Know
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I belong to the earth
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Imprison me behind bars
With concrete under foot
Will be my undoing
I would rather be dead then
caged.

I belong to the earth
My bare feet need to grip
into it
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Larisa Lee

Territory MP guilty of assault



NORTHERN Territory politician Larisa Lee has avoided jail after pleading guilty to assaulting her niece.

Lee, 31, faced the Katherine Magistrates Court last month, when she pleaded guilty to common assault and disorderly conduct charges.

The court heard that on April 24, the Palmer United Party MLA found out her niece Sherese Dooley, 18, was having an affair with her partner Benjamin Ulamari after finding photos on his phone.

She tracked her niece to the Katherine Centrelink and called her outside to discuss the affair, before assaulting her.

"Instead of talking through the issues, you responded in a different way," Magistrate Elisabeth Armitage said.

"You got out of the car when you saw her, you went up to her, grabbed her by the hair and dragged her across a concrete driveway.

"You didn't stop there, but then proceeded to punch her a number of times to the head with a closed fist. You swore at her and threatened her."

Ms Dooley escaped the assault with a cut to her knee and many people witnessed the incident.

"Humiliated"

Lee's lawyer Ron Hope said her "emotions boiled over" and that she had been "totally humiliated" by the events leading up to the assault, known by all in the small Katherine community.

Ms Armitage said Ms Dooley was also humiliated by the attack, but noted Lee was unlikely to ever commit such an offence again, had no prior criminal history and had contributed significantly to the community.

Lee was convicted of common assault and received a \$1000 good behaviour bond, with no jail time to be served.

She received no conviction for the charge of disorderly conduct, but received a \$300 fine along with \$300 to be paid as a victims' levy.

Lee will retain her seat of Arnhem, which she won in 2012.

"As individuals we all go through experiences that we have to overcome. It's either going to make us or break us. This situation actually made me," she said.

"I'm a person, at the end of the day. Betrayal is something nobody wants to face; nobody wants to go home and find their niece in bed with their partner.

"I'm going to move forward from this and I look forward to my job. I look forward to representing my electorate and doing the best I can.

"People need to control their emotions better; I shouldn't have done what I've done. I'm very sorry to the public and the people of Katherine for that matter, and it will never happen again." – AAP



Tornell Williams and Ilesha Hickling in front of the community bus they decorated.

Community bus is looking deadly thanks to students



TWO young Aboriginal women from the far northern NSW community of Muli Muli have seen their

stunning design decorate a community bus. Tornell Williams and Ilesha Hickling, both 17 and in Year 12 at Woodenbong Central School, said they had come up with the ideas for their design two years ago.

"We wanted to do something to represent our three communities (Muli

Muli, Urbenville and Woodenbong)," Tornell said.

The girls involved younger children, getting Kindergarten kids (now in Year 2) to put their handprints on the design.

"Really friendly"

"Muli is really friendly, with nice people. It's small and everyone gets along," Tornell said.

On the side of the bus it says "Julgumboonj (Mt Lindesay), Home

is where the mountain is".

Transport NSW organised funding for the project, which was done under the auspices of the Aboriginal Transport Program of Northern Rivers Community Transport.

Aboriginal transport development officer Lesley Mye paid tribute to everyone who had contributed to the program and said they had "beautiful" feedback about the bus and it had featured on the cover of two transport publications.

Gaps still wide, figures reveal



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander people are still three times more likely to die from

avoidable diseases than other Australians.

The latest figures on Indigenous health show there are improvements in some areas like child deaths, but the gaps in others are not closing quickly enough.

Indigenous people are twice as likely to suffer from heart attack, lung cancer and severe psychological stress, and will live for about 10 years less than non-Indigenous people.

That life-expectancy gap is reducing slowly but is not on track to close by the 2031 target.

The Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Reform Council released its final report

"It is a tragedy to think of all of those taken before their time purely because they did not receive care early enough, or did not make the lifestyle changes to prevent disease." – COAG Reform Council chair John Brumby

last month, when chairman John Brumby addressed the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation summit.

"It is a tragedy to think of all

of those taken before their time purely because they did not receive care early enough, or did not make the lifestyle changes to prevent disease," he said.

The main causes of

preventable deaths are a lack of access to primary health care, health promotion and preventative health.

The study found one in eight Indigenous people avoided the

GP because of cost while one in three didn't fill a prescription for the same reason.

Health groups are concerned the Government's plans to introduce a \$7 co-payment may further deter Indigenous people from accessing primary health care.

However, the report did show the number of child deaths has reduced by 35% in the past five years, mainly due to increased immunisations.

The COAG Reform Council, which was created to report on COAG targets, will close on July 30 as part of the Abbott Government's Budget measures. – AAP



Aunty Mary helps Gulliver stay warm



AUNTY Mary Hooker has long been a champion of the underdog, campaigning for the

Stolen Generations, for the repayment of stolen wages and for the vision-impaired.

Now she has also become a champion of Australia's giant guide dog, Gulliver, ensuring he will stay warm over winter and fly the colours of the Aboriginal flag.

Aunty Mary, who is vision-

impaired and uses a cane – also coloured in black, red and yellow – knitted a huge scarf for Gulliver, the massive mascot of Guide Dogs NSW/ACT.

With blindness rates in Aboriginal adults more than six times the rate of other Australians, both Aunty Mary and Gulliver raise awareness of the services provided by Guide Dogs NSW/ACT.

● Pictured: Mary Hooker, far right, holding knitting needles, and friends hold up the huge scarf.

Welfare change under attack



THE NSW Mental Health Commissioner has taken a swipe at planned federal changes to youth welfare, after a Mission Australia report showed one in five young people are dealing with mental illness – and the rate is even higher for young Indigenous people.

John Feneley was speaking at the launch of Mission Australia and The Black Dog Institute's 2014 Mental Health Youth Report, a study of 15- to 19-year-olds across the country that found 21% of the 15,000 surveyed were battling a probable mental illness.

As part of its May Budget, the Federal Government said people under the age of 30 would face a six-month wait for unemployment benefits and must work for the dole.

But Mr Feneley said the plan potentially abandons young people at a key transition point in mental health development, leaving school.

“Just nonsense”

“When we have policies that somehow suggest that people can survive for six months of the year without any support, because miraculously some family in the background will take care of them – it's just nonsense,” he said.

“Are we saying you should live on the street, or find perhaps less lawful ways to get by in life?”

“It is really telling that we would do this at a time when we're trying to raise awareness of those transition points.”

Mr Feneley said that for many young people, conflict at home means they cannot turn to family for help.

The report found girls are nearly twice as likely to suffer from mental illness.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and young people with a disability were more likely to have mental illness.

However, less than 40 per cent felt comfortable seeking information, advice or support from community agencies, online counselling or telephone hotlines.

The Youth Mental Health Report was based on a survey that asked respondents to answer questions about their experiences of anxiety and depressive symptoms over a period of four weeks. – AAP

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Tranby branches out



Tranby Aboriginal College chief executive Belinda Russon and ambassador Kay Sadler.

By YATU WIDDERS HUNT



TRANBY Aboriginal College, in Sydney's inner-west, launched its Learning Ambassador Initiative at an event last month.

The initiative, part of the Tranby Tree Project, is designed to start a national conversation on Indigenous adult education and promote Tranby's courses.

The college took a community-focussed, grassroots approach which involved going to different parts of the country to encourage people to pursue adult education, using the experiences of recent graduates or ambassadors as inspiration.

Close to 70 community meetings were held and 2000 personal connections made throughout the process, which Tranby says has resulted in a 210% jump in student numbers, the largest increase in enrolment in more than a decade.

The initiative also created a website which has video stories of current and former Tranby students, as well as a promotional booklet, 5000 of which will be distributed to communities.

At the launch, Tranby College chief executive Belinda Russon said using graduates to promote adult education meant they made genuine connections with community.

"Without our students being involved, we never would have reached as many people as we did," she said.

Ambassador Glenn Hannah, who previously studied Business Governance at Tranby and is now studying Community Development, said it was a wonderful initiative.

"It's really all about giving older applicants a second bite at the cherry," he said.

"A lot of us haven't done much formal study or are coming back to study after a big break, so this place is a great foot in the door.

"It's also good for people who are thinking about going to university, because it's a practical step to get there."

In his personal written story for the campaign, Mr Hannah reflected on the benefits of Tranby as an organisation.

"It's one of the better institutions I've attended over the years," he said.

"It's not only culturally appropriate, it's also more relaxed and you feel welcome. It doesn't matter what part of the country you're from, we're all brothers and sisters here."

The college hopes the initiative continues to promote positive messages about the benefits of Indigenous adult education.

The initiative is part of the Tranby Tree Project, funded by the Department of Innovation for Adult Learners Week 2013.



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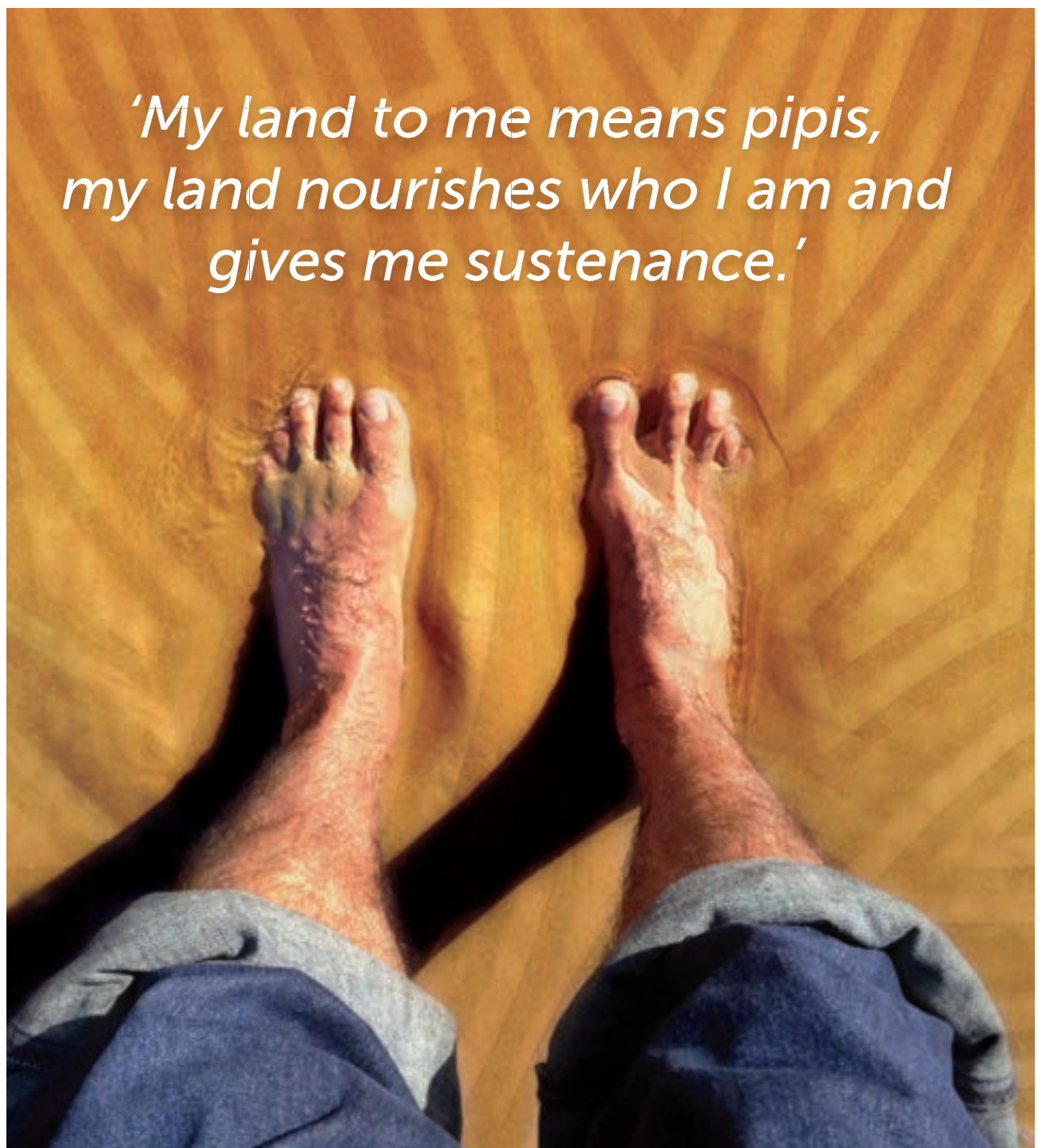
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Annette Peardon leads Dave Warrener and Sara Maynard into Launceston airport. They carry the remains of ancestors stolen nearly two centuries ago.

Old folk are home at last

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE stolen remains of three Tasmanian Aborigines were welcomed home after almost two centuries to emotionally charged scenes at Launceston airport last week.

"We bought our old folk home where they belong. They are finally home after all these years," David Warrener said.

"Be proud my brother and sisters, be proud."

Tasmanian Aboriginal delegates Mr Warrener, Annette Peardon and Sara Maynard had travelled to America to repatriate their ancestors' skulls from the Chicago Field Museum of Natural History.

All that is known about the remains of the one female, one male and another whose gender

is unknown, is that they were taken from Tasmania to a small museum in England in the 1830s and in 1958 ended up in the American Museum.

Exhausted from 24 hours of travelling, the proud and emotional delegates were greeted by a jubilant crowd.

"From the time we were delivered those old people we never let them out of our sight," Ms Peardon said.

"I felt very humbled."

There will be a viewing opportunity for the Aboriginal community before they are respectfully laid to rest in their own country.

The delegates also discussed the return a waddy, spear, fibre necklace, shell necklaces and casts of heads and faces with the museum. They praised the Field Museum for their respect and said dealings with them were positive.

"Unlike many museums, they agreed without fuss to return our ancestors to us, but were bound by American legislation to make repatriations to Indian tribes their priority," Ms Maynard said.

"When they had finished with that, they let us know."

Micheal Mansell, who was among the welcoming crowd and has been instrumental in the repatriation campaign that started in 1970, said there were still human remains of Tasmanian Aborigines held by institutions in Austria, Vienna, France, Belgium, America and England.

The bodies of hundreds of deceased and murdered Tasmanian Aborigines were stolen in the 1800s, prized as curiosities and scientific specimens. They ended up in private collections and institutions across the world, where many still remain.



Karen Brown, Clyde Mansell and Nola Hooper were handed the remains upon arrival in Launceston. They are pictured here with the delegates and welcome party.

ABORIGINAL HERITAGE AMENDMENT BILL 2014

On the 11th of June 2014, the State Government released the draft Aboriginal Heritage Amendment Bill 2014. These proposed changes remove any kind of community involvement in the protection of Aboriginal heritage sites and concentrate all power over these matters into the hands of one public servant, the CEO. With their main purpose to speed up the approvals process, these amendments make significant and disturbing changes to Aboriginal Heritage in WA and need to be challenged.

Read more about the Bill changes at www.robinchapple.com/AHA

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Top women share secrets



SUCCESSFUL Indigenous women have shared their secrets on rising to the top of their

fields at a Masterclass for Leading Indigenous Women in Canberra.

The event, organised by the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) in partnership with multinational professional services firm Ernst & Young, provided insights into the achievements of leaders who have defied the odds to build their careers.

"There are amazing lessons in leadership and perseverance to be learned from these Indigenous leaders, who have overcome not just a glass ceiling, but issues of race and social background to achieve amazing outcomes," AILC chief executive Rachelle Towart said.

The event focussed on ways to improve governance by helping emerging leaders understand how they can improve the efficiency, effectiveness and legal compliance of community and corporate organisations.

It featured a panel of successful Indigenous women including Aboriginal Hostels CEO and director of the Fred Hollows Foundation Joy Savage, and Indigenous Community Volunteers chief



At the AILC Masterclass, from left, Joy Savage, Robyn Forester, Stephanie Harvey and Rachelle Towart.

executive Stephanie Harvey. "Governance and leadership are two of the most important

issues confronting not just Indigenous communities, but all of Australia," Ms Towart said.

"The whole nation stands to benefit as we work to build up the skills, networks and

capabilities of these extraordinarily talented emerging leaders."

New CEO at NAILSMA



THE North Australian Indigenous Land and Sea Management Alliance (NAILSMA) has announced Robert 'Bo' Carne (pictured) as its new chief executive

officer. Mr Carne is an Aboriginal man with links to the Bardi and Jabirr Jabirr people from the Dampier Peninsula of Western Australia. NAILSMA chair Peter Yu said Mr Carne brought substantial experience in the development and implementation of Indigenous fisheries policy and management in the Northern Territory, as well as international experience in Canada and the United States gained through a Fisheries Research and Development Corporation Indigenous Scholarship in 2012.

"Bo's experience engaging with Indigenous rangers, industry, and researchers is a natural fit for NAILSMA's mission to support Indigenous people in the management of their lands and seas through a culture-based economy approach," Mr Yu said.

"Bo's commitment to promoting good governance, strong leadership, partnerships and alliances, innovation and diversification will all contribute to an exciting future for both NAILSMA and the Indigenous people we support."



Act comments spark response



NORTHERN Territory Community Services Minister Bess Price sparked a spirited response from other Aboriginal leaders after commenting that the *Land Rights Act* is holding

Aboriginal people back from achieving their full economic potential.

Labor's Senator Nova Peris, and the Northern and Central Land Councils strongly disagreed with Ms Price.

Speaking at a Developing the Territory conference in Darwin last month, Ms Price said jobs would break the current spate of dependency in communities.

"It is well known that my people have become addicted to sit-down money," she said. "Welfare has become the reason for my people not to look for work."

But she said the other significant blockage for Indigenous economic development was the *Land Rights Act*.

Instituted by then Prime Minister Gough Whitlam in the 1970s, the Act has locked Aboriginal land away, Ms Price claimed.

"It's clear it has now become outdated and a hindrance to moving forward in our communities. It's clear this piece of law is now forcing our people away from their traditional lands," Ms Price said.

"I plead with Prime Minister Tony Abbott and (Indigenous Affairs Minister) Senator Nigel Scullion to give Aboriginal people their land back. When Aboriginal people are free to trade and deal with their lands, social, business and

economic opportunities will flow."

Under the *Land Rights Act* in the NT, landowners must negotiate with a land council for an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) before they can sell or use their land for commercial purposes.

A complicated process ensues as the NT Government surveys the land and issues title.

Lending institutions prefer 99-year leases in order to guarantee funds for people to buy their own homes or launch businesses, which can only be approved by the federal minister.

Communal rights

NLC chief executive Joe Morrison said other Indigenous people around the world would love to have legislation like the *Land Rights Act*, which includes communal property rights.

He said Ms Price and her government had been preventing Aboriginal people from participating in economic advancement by not setting up a strategic water reserve for Indigenous people to access water allocations from an aquifer to irrigate and develop their lands.

"Because there's a separation of land and water titles, just having land doesn't mean you can develop it; you need water to be able to develop agricultural enterprises and the NT Government's position has been to effectively shut out Aboriginal people from that process," Mr Morrison said.

Central Land Council director David

Ross said an important function of the *Land Rights Act* was that informed consent of the traditional owners must be sought for any dealings on Aboriginal land.

"The minister is playing a dangerous political game and putting at risk nearly 40 years of struggle to have land returned to its traditional landowners, without stating what the real problems are or offering any detailed alternatives," he said.

"It is simply not good enough to just spout rhetoric on complex issues or to pretend that traditional owners are leaving their land because they have land rights. Blaming tenure is easy, but you only have to look at Tennant Creek, Kalkarindji or Finke to see that remote towns situated on NT freehold title are not faring any better than communities on Aboriginal land."

Ms Price said a "river of jobs" would flow from unlocking Aboriginal land, in tourism, arts, mining, and the primary industries.

However, Mr Ross said it was "utter nonsense" to suggest that there was a river of jobs being held back by the *Land Rights Act*.

"It is worth pointing out that one of the biggest impediments to young people gaining employment is their tragic lack of education, and the NT Government looks set to remove secondary education from all remote schools," he said.

"Progress will be made in small, steady steps, and through hard work. The CLC is intent on doing exactly that and we urge the minister to work with us." — *With AAP*

Ministerial praise for Dawn Casey



FEDERAL Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion has paid tribute to the work of former of Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) chair Dr Dawn Casey, whose five-year term ended on June 28.

"Dr Casey has made a significant contribution to improving the lives of Indigenous Australians through the Indigenous Home Ownership Program which is administered by IBA," Senator Scullion said. "Under Dr Casey's leadership, the IBA's Strategic Economic Development Initiative has assisted many Indigenous entrepreneurs to create sustainable employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians."

A process is under way to appoint a new IBA chair. Deputy chair Anthony Ashby will fill the position on an interim basis.

Senator Scullion said the Government would continue to work with Dr Casey in her capacity as the chair of the Indigenous Land Corporation.

Mining conference registrations open



REGISTRATIONS are now open for the annual Aboriginal Enterprises in Mining Energy and Exploration (AEMEE) conference in Darwin on October 14 and 15. The title for the two-day conference is 'The Lifelines for Business Success'. Day one's theme is 'Learn from Success' and day two's is 'Adapt and Thrive'.

The AEMEE board is expecting a strong representation from Aboriginal people in business, from the resource sector and from Government.

Directors said there was clear evidence from the 2013 Surfers Paradise conference that AEMEE was having a positive influence in developing and connecting Aboriginal businesses around Australia. More details at www.aemee.org.au

Budget blow for young jobseekers



FEDERAL Budget cuts have hit Novaskill's Australian Apprenticeship Mentoring Program (AAMPED) based in Newcastle, NSW.

AAMPED has assisted more than 1500 young people, including 155 Indigenous youth, since its inception in 2012.

Labor Indigenous Affairs spokesman Shayne Neumann said the cuts would create more barriers for young Indigenous people in Newcastle entering the workforce.

"This is a government which speaks about 'earning or learning' and expresses a desire to close the gap in Indigenous education and employment participation," he said.

"However, Tony Abbott's Budget axed funding to support for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander apprentices and jobseekers, especially those living in regional areas such as Newcastle. This is on top of more than \$500 million gutted from Indigenous Affairs programs.

"Tony Abbott needs to understand you can't cut your way to closing the gap."

Hobart venue for leadership course



THE Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) will hold a Certificate II in Indigenous Leadership course in Hobart next month. Australia's only national provider of accredited leadership

and governance courses for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the AILC runs programs across the country.

The AILC says it will draw on Hobart-based graduates to help deliver the Certificate II course, providing local connections and examples to which students can relate.

The Certificate II in Indigenous Leadership is designed to give students knowledge and skills to enable them to start pivotal roles in Indigenous Leadership.

More details on the course from Genevieve Dwyer on 0420 534 739.



Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority compliance staff and Apudthama rangers conduct final briefings before sea country surveillance flights over areas at risk.

Gudang anger at hunting



GUDANG (Cape York) traditional owners are angry with people hunting dugong and turtles in their sea country without permission or taking too many animals.

The traditional owners are working with the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA) to stamp out the illegal activities.

Gudang sea country extends north from the Jardine River to Cape York and south along the east coast to Captain Billy

Landing. Most of this area is in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

Under the *Native Title Act* and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Zoning Plan, traditional owners have hunting and fishing rights in the marine park.

Gudang people are worried and angry that people are not respecting traditional lore by hunting dugong and turtle "the wrong way". They say poaching is being carried out by people who do not have native title rights or permission

"To hunt in someone else's sea country without

permission or taking too many animals is the wrong way and against our lore," traditional owner Trevor Lifu said.

The Gudang people are developing a management plan for their sea country, including rules for hunting of dugong and turtle.

"We are setting up a system to make sure hunting happens the right way and is sustainable," Mr Lifu said.

Legislation exists under the *Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act 1975* and the *Queensland Nature Conservation Act 1992* to investigate and prosecute

instances of illegal hunting.

The GBRMPA has been conducting compliance patrols in sea vessels and helicopters with Apudthama Rangers to support the Gudang traditional owners in managing their sea country.

Recent patrols have identified illegal incidents and action will be taken in partnership with Gudang traditional owners.

People wanting to report suspicious activities are encouraged to contact the Indigenous Compliance Unit of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority on (07) 4726 0588.

UN forum hears of suicide issue



WAKKA Wakka (Queensland) woman Julie Turner has placed the issue of Indigenous suicide on the world stage after presenting a paper at a

United Nations forum in New York.

Ms Turner, a teacher from the Northern Territory who lost a daughter to suicide in 2006, presented her paper on Indigenous suicides in remote schools to the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

She said she was determined to present her paper to the 2500 delegates representing Indigenous people around the globe.

"I was really determined; I begged to be allowed to speak and my name kept getting pushed further and further down the list. Then on the second last day after being there for three weeks, I said 'please, Madam Chair, please allow healing to come to my spirit', then I was called up and it was incredible," she said.

Ms Turner said the response was very positive and a number of countries had indicated they intended to adopt and implement her recommendations in their countries.

"Youth suicide in schools affects societies around the world," she said.

"The issue has been a particularly painful and sensitive topic of a number of Indigenous peoples who have experienced disproportionately high rates of youth suicide within their schools."

Ms Turner's recommendations include funding for training in suicide prevention and mental health awareness



Julie Turner with *Modern Family* star Jesse Tyler Ferguson in New York.

for staff in all Indigenous schools.

"Schools need to ensure that training for teaching and non-teaching staff on suicide prevention and mental health is incorporated into both entry-level and ongoing training," she said.

Immediately after she presented her paper, chair Dalee Sambo Dorrough extended an invitation to Ms Turner to return to the UN next year to address the General Assembly in New York.

She said Ms Turner would be asked to report on whether the Australian Government had adopted any of her recommendations – and if not, why not.

Ms Turner is now preparing a written proposal to present to the Northern Territory Government, which includes setting up an advisory group to oversee the implementation of her UN recommendations on Indigenous suicide in remote Indigenous schools.

"I will facilitate workshops within the Darwin region with other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their organisations with the knowledge and experiences gained from the UN forum," she said. "The workshops will include discussions on the outcomes, invitation and encouragement of other Indigenous people to become part of a bigger process of socioeconomic and international development in the areas of leadership and mentoring."

Although she was in New York on serious business, Ms Turner did enjoy a few lighter moments on her first trip overseas. She even had a couple of brushes with fame, meeting Hollywood heartthrob Denzel Washington and *Modern Family*'s Jesse Tyler Ferguson – and she has the photos to prove it.

Overall, Ms Turner said the experience in New York had been very emotional and the response to her paper had been overwhelming. Since returning to Australia, she's been special guest on a two-hour American talkback radio show, and an Indigenous television crew from Sweden has asked to film an interview with her.

"I feel wonderful. I feel very empowered. I feel like I am doing a really good thing for my people both locally, internationally and globally," she said.

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WEDNESDAY 2ND JULY

12:00 NITV News (News)
12:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
1:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
2:00 On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
3:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
4:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G (Entertainment)
5:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary series)
11:00 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
11:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary series)
12:00 By The Rapids PG (Comedy)
1:00 Characters Of Broome G (Documentary series)
1:30 RHEF PG (Series)
2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken Best Of NC (Current affairs)
8:00 Fusion Feasts G (Lifestyle)
8:30 A First Step G (Documentary)
9:00 Sugar Slaves PG (Documentary)
10:00 The Forgotten PG (Documentary)
10:30 Kill The Matador M (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary series)

THURSDAY 3RD JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
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10:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary series)
11:00 Awaken Best Of NC (Current affairs)
11:30 Fusion Feasts G (Lifestyle)
12:00 A First Step G (Documentary)
12:30 The Best Of Yalukit Willam PG (Entertainment)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
9:00 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
10:30 By The Rapids PG (Current affairs)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary series)

FRIDAY 4TH JULY

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
1:30 Defining Moments G (Documentary series)
2:00 Away From Country G (Documentary series)
3:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
4:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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10:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Documentary)
12:30 Gamma Live PG (Documentary)
1:30 Australian Biography G (Documentary series)
2:00 By The Rapids PG (Current affairs)
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6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
8:00 Shaq Vs G (Series)
9:00 Jazz PG (Documentary series)
10:00 The Boondocks MA (Comedy)
10:30 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)

SATURDAY 5TH JULY

12:00 Timber Cup 2014 NC (Sport)
1:00 The 42nd Koori Knockout: The Documentary G (Documentary)
1:30 Murri Carnival: The Documentary G (Documentary)
2:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
3:00 The Best Of Yalukit Willam PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
12:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
2:00 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
2:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
3:00 Kimberley, The Land Of The Wandjina G (Documentary)
4:00 Lagau Danalaig - An Island Life G (Documentary)
5:00 Destiny In Alice PG (Documentary)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current affairs)
7:00 Unearthed G (Documentary series)
7:15 Unearthed G (Documentary series)
7:30 Rose Against The Odds PG (Series)
8:30 2014 FIFA World Cup Match Of The Day NC (Sport)
9:30 Live And Become M (Documentary)

SUNDAY 6TH JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
9:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G (Ent)
10:00 OFC Nations Cup NC (Sport)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
12:30 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
1:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Ent)
2:00 Naidoc Awards 2013 PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
6:00 Awaken Best Of NC (Current affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps On NITV PG (Entertainment)
7:00 Ngurra G (Documentary series)
7:30 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
8:00 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary series)
8:30 Suddenly Sami PG (Documentary)
9:30 Barking Water M (M)
10:50 The People Of The Kattawapiskak River PG (Doc)

MONDAY 7TH JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
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9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Australian Biography G (Documentary series)
10:30 Awaken Best Of NC (Current affairs)
11:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
11:30 Dreaming: The Art Of Aboriginal Australia PG (Documentary)
12:00 Ngurra G (Documentary series)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Strong In The City PG (Documentary)
8:00 Larger Than Life PG (Documentary series)
8:30 Utopia M (Documentary)
10:30 Yellow Fella PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)

TUESDAY 8TH JULY

12:00 2014 FIFA World Cup Match Of The Day NC (Sport)
1:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
5:00 Sisters In League PG (Documentary)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
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10:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)
11:00 Strong In The City PG (Documentary)
11:30 Larger Than Life PG (Documentary series)
12:00 Two Laws PG (Documentary)
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6:30 Desperate Measures PG (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary series)
8:00 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
8:30 Small Island Big Fight PG (Documentary)
9:00 Secret Country PG (Documentary)
10:00 Sir Doug Nicholls Cup NC (Sport)



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12:00 NITV News NC (News)
12:30 Desperate Measures PG (Documentary series)
1:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
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8:00 Fusion Feasts PG (Lifestyle)
8:30 Awaken Special - Identity NC (Current affairs)
9:30 Dark Science PG (Documentary)
10:30 Among Us PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Our Footprint PG (Documentary series)

THURSDAY 10TH JULY

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6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire PG (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 (Sport)
9:00 AFL Collingwood V St Kilda NC (Sport)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire PG (Documentary series)

FRIDAY 11TH JULY

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
1:30 Defining Moments PG (Documentary series)
2:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary series)
3:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
4:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire PG (Documentary series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
12:30 AFL Collingwood V St Kilda NC (Sport)
2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
8:00 Shaq Vs G (Series)
9:00 Jazz PG (Documentary series)
10:00 Strong In The City PG (Documentary)
10:30 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)

SATURDAY 12TH JULY

12:00 The 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
5:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review (News)
12:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
2:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
2:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)
3:00 Desperate Measures PG (Documentary series)
3:30 Our Footprint PG (Documentary series)
4:00 Around The Campfire PG (Documentary series)
4:30 Unearthed PG (Documentary series)
5:00 Ngurra G (Documentary series)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review (News)
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current affairs)
7:00 Unearthed PG (Documentary series)
7:30 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (Documentary)
8:30 2014 FIFA World Cup Match Of The Day (Sport)
9:30 Che: Part One M (M)
11:30 Unearthed PG (Documentary series)

SUNDAY 13TH JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
9:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G (Ent)
10:00 OFC Nations Cup NC (Sport)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review (News)
12:30 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
1:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Ent)
2:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Goin' Troppo In The Toppo PG (Documentary)
4:00 Unearthed PG (Documentary series)
4:30 Korraiyin G (Documentary)
5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review (News)
6:00 Living Black NC (Current affairs)
6:30 Awaken Special - Identity NC (Current affairs)
7:30 Burning Daylight PG (Documentary)
8:00 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary series)
8:30 Once A Queen G (Documentary)
9:30 Rabbit-Proof Fence PG (M)
11:00 Awaken Special - Identity NC (Current affairs)

MONDAY 14TH JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Australian Biography G (Documentary series)
10:30 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
11:00 Awaken Special - Identity NC (Current affairs)
12:00 Goin' Troppo In The Toppo PG (Documentary)
12:30 Burning Daylight PG (Documentary)
1:00 Once A Queen G (Documentary)
2:00 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary series)
2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Roads To Memphis PG (Documentary)
9:30 Love Patrol M (Drama)
10:00 Blackstone M (Drama)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 2014 FIFA World Cup Match Replay NC (Sport)

TUESDAY 15TH JULY

1:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)
2:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
5:00 Torres To The Thames PG (Documentary)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Surviving G (Documentary series)
11:00 Last Yolk In The Sami Forest PG (Documentary)
12:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
12:30 Roads To Memphis PG (Documentary)
2:00 Bush Plum G (Documentary)
2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures (Documentary series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary series)
8:00 Memory Tree PG (Documentary)
9:00 By The Rapids PG (Comedy)
9:30 The Boondocks MA (Comedy)
10:00 VFL Grand Final 2013 NC (Sport)

Narooma High sistas sparkle on catwalk

By LAURELLE PACEY



MANY nans, pops and parents shed a tear or two when nine Narooma High Aboriginal girls took to the catwalk in a public fashion show at the school.

"It was just awesome," said student Mariah Tiedt, a feeling shared by all the girls.

Their Diamonds in the Rough fashion show was part of the south coast NSW school's Sistat Speak program that promotes the wellbeing of Aboriginal girls in Years 7 to 10.

The girls were nervous at first but also excited and said the best thing was "dressing up and looking good".

"For me, the best thing was seeing the others go out for the first time," Rhianna Thomas said. "I felt really proud."

The girls prepared for eight weeks and were helped by mentors, including Auntie Marilyn Campbell, Cathy Thomas of National Parks and Wildlife Service of NSW, Jody Pitt of Narooma, who has worked as a model and did their make-up, hairdresser Kate Britton of Bodalla, local florist Carol Auston, Year 12 student Courtney Mumbulla and many others, including several teachers.

"A major element was grooming and hygiene, but it was also about looking after other people's things, team work and peer support," Aboriginal education officer Cherrie Sandford said.

"The wider Aboriginal community became involved



Rhianna Thomas leads the girls down the catwalk with Mariah Tiedt, left, and Hayley Stark, right.



Backstage before the fashion show with supporter and mentor Auntie Marilyn Campbell, left, and Aboriginal education assistant Cherrie Sandford. Back, from left, Marion Bell, Kora Daley, Hayley Stark, Taleha Ardler, Leena Campbell, Riana Foster, Cathy Thomas (NPWS), Rhianna Thomas, Mariah Tiedt, Tayla Ryan, with young Will in front. Pictures courtesy of Narooma High School

and would pop in, sometimes with little kids, and the rest of the school community became quite excited."

Their clothes were mostly sourced from Vinnies and other opportunity shops, teachers and family.

Each girl wore three outfits

— casual, dinner wear and formal — and they were able to keep at least one outfit.

The girls made and distributed flyers for the show.

Riana Foster (Year 10), of Wallaga Lake, volunteered to be MC. She had been in the first fashion show last year.

"I was excited and so proud of the girls," she said.

Riana spoke glowingly of the Sistat Speak program, adding she had "learned heaps" over the past four years, "like getting up and speaking in front of everyone". "My Mum was proud of me... yes, she did have tears in her eyes," she said.

A welcome to country was given by Auntie Viv Mason, and the local Djaadjawan Dancers, including another 'Sista', Nyeasha Hoskins, performed. Four of the girls spoke in front of a full school assembly the following day, describing the show and their experience.

This is the fourth year the school has run Sistat Speak, which is a Department of Education and Communities program.

"Over that time, Narooma has taken it to a new and different level largely due to the girls' initiatives," Mrs Sandford said. "The fashion show is just one part of the program where the girls learn about making informed life choices and feeling good about themselves."

"Through the program they learn about what constitutes good personal relationships, and are also encouraged to think about the connection between education, career and economic independence."

Some of their activities raise funds that help finance other projects.

The NSW Government's Local Land Services is the major sponsor of Narooma's Sistat Speak program.

Red Cross seeking Indigenous helpers



RED Cross Emergency Services is looking for volunteers from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island communities in the NSW Northern Rivers for its personal support teams. Personal support teams work mainly in evacuation or disaster recovery centres during emergencies such as floods and fires. Teams provide a listening ear, information and practical help to those affected by the disaster, as well as assisting in running the centres.

Duties can include reception, child minding, and helping those with special needs. Team members also often check that people are okay and provide them with information. They may also assist with community meetings after a disaster.

Anyone interested in becoming an emergency services volunteer can call Kerrie on 0429 151 112. The training is for one day and it's free.

Meanwhile, the Red Cross is also seeking volunteers for its TeleYarn service.

The service provides phone calls to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living across NSW who would benefit from a regular yarn.

Participants receive a call from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander volunteer for a yarn once a week, allowing them to share stories and catch up.

Those who can help or believe they might need the service can also call Kerrie on 0429 151 112.

Good business on agenda at forum



INDIGENOUS Business Australia (IBA) brought together representatives from more than 20 Indigenous organisations to share ideas and experiences in the pursuit of developing a common set of

Indigenous investment principles at a recent forum.

IBA CEO Chris Fry said the forum built on the initial Pathways to Prosperity forum held last December.

"The latest forum was fortunate enough to again receive the assistance of David Murray who was the inaugural chair of the International Forum of Sovereign Wealth Funds that developed the Santiago Principles, which represent a best practice approach to the operation of Sovereign Wealth Funds," he said.

Mr Fry said a range of representatives from Indigenous organisations from all states and territories attended the forum, including Kimberley Land Council, NSW Aboriginal Land Council, Yamatji Marlpa, Torres Strait Regional Authority, Tasmanian Investment Corporation and Nyamba Buru Yawuru. He also welcomed the participation of key figures including academic Marcia Langton and Voyages Indigenous Tourism director Ian Ward-Ambler.

Mitakoodi out of administration



THE Mitakoodi Aboriginal Corporation in north-western Queensland has come out of special administration. The housing corporation, based at Cloncurry, has resolved governance issues which over the past two years had resulted in two terms of special administration.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven said the corporation had for many years provided affordable housing to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the local area. At the start of the special administration it owned and managed 71 properties.

"This is a corporation that has a long and proud history of delivering a much-needed service for local people but over recent years it has fallen down on governance issues," he said.

"The second special administration was necessary because the former directors placed the corporation and its houses at risk."

The corporation now has a policy that all tenants must pay rent, look after their house and not disturb their neighbours. The former directors allowed a small number of tenants access to some Mitakoodi houses without a tenancy agreement and without requiring them to pay rent. The tenants had previously been evicted after a history of damaging Mitakoodi houses and causing significant disturbances to neighbours.

Cape groups in native title win



SIX clan groups from Napranum, Weipa and up to Mapoon along the western side of Cape York are celebrating a native title determination over a parcel of land extending nearly 100km along the coast.

The area includes the Mapoon township, substantial parts of the Napranum Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) lands and the former Mapoon DOGIT lands, and significant parts of the Comalco (now RTA Weipa) and Alcan South Pacific Mining Leases.

The claim group consists of people who identify from the Anathangayth, Thanakwithi, Yupungathi, Tjungundji, Taepadhighi and Mbakwithi people.

Their application was first put forward in 1997 and they have waited 17 years for the determination.

Taepadhighi Elder Harriet Flinders said

she was happy, as well as a little sad.

"I feel good for my people. I am happy for this determination. We have been doing this for a long time and now it's come to an end," she said.

"I am sad for my family that have passed, but they have given me the strength to carry on. I am happy to get our land back. It makes us feel like we have been recognised as traditional owners."

Thanakwithi Elder Grace Johns also acknowledged the passing of ancestors.

"Happy and excited"

"I am very happy and excited," she said. "This means my grandchildren can grow up on country and understand what our struggle was and is all about."

"It is sad that our ancestors are not here to enjoy this celebration, but this will embrace our young people, to respect what our Elders have achieved for them."

Looking to the future, Thanakwithi

Elder Steven Hall said he believed their children would appreciate their efforts.

"Two things I believe right now — I am so happy to get our country back," he said.

"(And) I think and believe our children will appreciate what we have done for all these years."

"I am looking forward to running my country and returning to my homelands. I am looking forward to the celebrations, and know that we'll have support to know where we stand on our country."

"I feel I can go back to country to teach my grandchildren the ways of my people." Yupungathi applicant Linda McLachlan also expressed sadness that so many Elders had passed on and would not be able to appreciate the special day, but said they were present in spirit.

"This give us recognition as the first people. It also means our culture will continue. It's a very emotional and meaningful time," she said.

Women share stories at camp



ABORIGINAL women from the Lower Clarence region got together recently for a camp at Woody Head on the NSW north coast.

Yaegl Elder Lillian Jean Williams said it was great for the women to have a bit of time out on their own to relax and talk about different issues.

"We should never lose sight of culture. We need to teach culture to the young ones," she said.

Dee Kapeen felt it was important for women, young and old, to relax together and share stories.

"I think we've bonded more, and reconnected," she said.

Diane and Cindy Randall agreed that stronger connections had been forged.

Lenore Parker said that when she'd arrived at the campsite she'd felt like she was leaving stuff behind.

"It's a place to come, to be, to see things in a different environment," she said.

"A lot of the time we don't listen to the land or the birds. I'm so grateful to the women who put this on, did the hard yakka.

"Sometimes leaders in Aboriginal communities are on their hands and feet, giving so much until they're empty – and



Participants at the Lower Clarence Aboriginal women's camp at Woody Head.

no-one gives back to them; no-one feeds and nurtures them.

"This has been an opportunity for us to nurture each other and simply laugh out loud. There's

been a lot of laughing."

Marie Kapeen pointed out that the proximity of the campsite to the river also nourished the spirit.

"Slow flowing, fast flowing, like it taught our old people, the river is still flowing and the lifeblood flows through it," she said.

The Lower Clarence Aboriginal women's camp was organised by Yaegl Local Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Noeline Kapeen.

Workshops help create careers

By YATU WIDDERS HUNT



TALENTED Indigenous visual arts students from high schools

around NSW participated in the Djurali Youth Arts Careers Workshops at Sydney's Museum of Contemporary Art Australia (MCA) last week, to gain an insight into creative career pathways. Fifteen young people from Years 9-12 attended a four-day workshop, run by MCA curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs Keith Munro.

Mr Munro said many of the workshop topics were inspired by his own experience of growing up wanting to go to art school but not knowing much about the process of applying.

"A lot of the ideas really came about because I could see where the gaps were in my own experience and I know what would have helped me," he said.

Mr Munro, a graduate of the College of Fine Arts (COFA), said the program was a mix of university pathway education and lectures, talks from MCA's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff and artist-led activities.

Vernon Ah Kee addressed



Student Peta Toohey at a Djurali performance art movement workshop.

the group as a visiting artist, something Mr Munro said was one of the most valuable parts of the program.

"It's so important for the participants to see and meet living examples of people who have successful careers in the arts," he said.

"Many of the young people who participate in the workshops are the first ones in their families to go to university, so it's great that we can give them that practical support about what they need to do, by helping them get a folio of works together and things like that."

Participant Peta Toohey, from Katoomba, said the workshops had opened her eyes.

"It has just shown me so many different possibilities," she said. "I never would have thought that going to COFA to study would even be an option for me, but after visiting the campus and meeting people there, I really want to apply."

"It's just so motivating being part of the program and I know it's an opportunity that a lot of young people don't get so I really want to make the most of it."

The workshops have expanded to encompass a range of art forms including sculpture, digital art, performance art and multimedia. The program began in 2006 and will be running again in 2015.

NT urged to rethink jail plans



THE North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) and the Human Rights Law Centre (HRLC) have called on the Northern Territory Government to amend

planned imprisonment laws.

The groups say the proposed Correctional Services Bill will not address the over-imprisonment of Aboriginal people and fails to respect basic rights.

The NT has the highest incarceration rate of Indigenous people in the country, with more than 85% of the adult prison population and 95% of the youth prison population Aboriginal.

NAAJA manager of law and justice projects Jared Sharp said the Bill needed to have a greater focus on the rehabilitation and reintegration of offenders.

"What we don't want to see is people returning to prison because they haven't received culturally relevant programs that help rehabilitate people so they stop offending," he said. "This Bill is a timely opportunity for the Government to enshrine basic access to programs and services for prisoners and address the NT's significant reoffending rates."

HRLC senior lawyer Ruth Barson said

the new laws should protect the rights of prisoners. Other jurisdictions, such as Victoria, have clauses that explicitly state that prisoners have rights, such as to food, to see a doctor, and to practise their religion.

"Ensuring that prisoners are treated fairly is part of effective rehabilitation," she said. "The laws should require the humane treatment of prisoners, and specify that prison services must be delivered in a way that respects diversity of culture, language and gender."

Obligations

Parts of the Bill may not be compliant with Australia's human rights obligations, such as the provisions that allow for strip searches without there being a requirement that the search be conducted in the least restrictive way possible, and only in exceptional circumstances. Other provisions are also questionable, such as allowing medical treatment without the prisoner's consent.

NAAJA and the HRLC have recommended that the Bill have more safeguards, more independent review mechanisms, and that it should address the reality that most of the NT prison population is Aboriginal, and therefore should be culturally relevant.

Koori parents learning to lead



PARENTS on the NSW Central Coast have attended a leadership and engagement program at Wyong Public Primary School.

The Koori Parent Leaders program, developed by Tree5 global, works with parents of the Central Coast and Lower and Upper Hunter regions under a Parent and Community Engagement (PaCE) program funded by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Tree5 global directors Veronica Williams and Trevor Satour designed 'cafes', which parents and caregivers attend to build their skills in developing partnerships with schools.

Participants undertake an initial three-day leadership program and develop a personal or community leadership activity. They then have the option of doing a follow-up course to become accredited Indigenous mentors, where they facilitate a mentoring

relationship and develop a mentoring plan.

"One of the best things about this course is that they workshop the challenges of keeping our Koori children in school and completing Year 12 from a school, individual or community perspective and then they work on how to overcome these challenges," Ms Williams said.

"We understand that culture is an essential component of human development and represents a source of identity, innovation and creativity.

"Leadership skills enable our communities to give each other permission to provide sustainable transparent practices of working together, and not against one another, at an individual, community or system level."

Ms Williams and Mr Satour have delivered leadership and empowerment courses to more than 3000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over the past few years.



Parents and caregivers taking part in the Koori Parent Leaders program held recently at Wyong Public Primary School on the NSW Central Coast.

Healthy lifestyle team disbanded as funds run out



THE Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia's (AHCWA) 10-person Tobacco and Healthy Lifestyle Team is being disbanded as a result of the Federal Government failing to renew \$1.3 million in annual funding.

With the funding running out this week, the team's staff members were given two weeks' notice.

Two of the staff worked in King Edward Memorial Hospital for maternity patients and with the David Wirrpanda Foundation, which helps Indigenous youth.

AHCWA chief executive Des Martin said the Federal Government had been irresponsible in its delays and called for the immediate announcement of renewed funding.

"These anti-smoking programs are vitally important to the health and wellbeing of Western Australia's Aboriginal community, and their funding should be a priority for government," he said.

Mr Martin also said the council

was lobbying for the Federal Government to commit to renewed funding for programs delivered by 20 Aboriginal medical services around WA.

And there was also a lack of certainty around \$140,000 in State Government funding for an Aboriginal liaison officer who works with patients from regional

and remote communities to make them comfortable when travelling to Perth to get treatment.

"Without this, many patients needing treatment may not get it," Mr Martin said.

He said the role was crucial in facilitating effective communication between the Aboriginal health sector and state-based programs.

"AHCWA has spent three years building up and training a high-quality team and it

would be a tragedy if we lost all of these great people," Mr Martin said.

"Our staff are mostly young people, many of them with mortgages, and the funding uncertainty is creating great stress in their lives." – AAP

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Gulf area protection welcomed



A NEW Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) has been declared in the southern Gulf of Carpentaria, covering more than 186,850 hectares of largely pristine country.

The Nijinda Durlga IPA covers the traditional country of the Gangalidda people, between Burketown and the Northern Territory border.

Murrandoo Yanner, traditional owner and chair of the Gangalidda Garawa Native Title Aboriginal Corporation, said Gangalidda country was some of the most pristine in the world.

"We are proud of the condition our ancestors have left our country and we are now proud to declare it an Indigenous Protected Area," he said.

"We will manage this land for its rich cultural and ecological significance and we will protect this country for our children just as our ancestors did for us."

Voluntary agreement

The IPA is a voluntary agreement entered between traditional owners and the Federal Government that includes areas of country on the National Reserve System.

Traditional owners receive funding to assist them to manage the country for conservation.

Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation (CLCAC) chair Tommy Wilson thanked the Government for its involvement in the initiative and said he looked forward to developing the burgeoning relationship.

"Indigenous Protected Areas are providing the resources for management of our traditional lands in the Gulf of Carpentaria," he said.

"From this we can build more economic opportunities that embrace conservation and development."

"Responsibility"

"For Indigenous people, conservation is not a choice, it is a responsibility," Mr Wilson said.

The Carpentaria corporation has developed an extensive plan of management in consultation with the Gangalidda people. Gangalidda and Garawa rangers have been actively managing country since 2007.

The holistic management plan will include the Gulf Savannah Fire Management Guidelines released by CLCAC in 2013 and will provide a clear direction for the rangers.

The plan will also indicate to external organisations where assistance would be most needed for the continued delivery of environmental services.



Confessions of a Pyromaniac producer and director Shakara Walley.

Fired up for new show



CONFESSIONS of a Pyromaniac. That's the title of a new production by The Blue Room Theatre and Imprint

Productions, in association with Perth-based Yirra Yaakin, which opens this month.

Written and directed by a team of Aboriginal Australian theatre makers and featuring a cast of Aboriginal performers, the show looks at the struggles faced by a character whose past is marred by childhood pyromania.

In the play, set in the suburbs, Max, his fiancée Sarah and their housemate Dave are getting ready to move out. Max's sister Chris, a recovering pyromaniac, is under the impression that the house is half hers and decides to fly over from Perth to help out.

Destructive ways

Memories from her past begin to ignite and she starts to slip back into her old destructive ways.

Director and producer Shakara Walley says it's important to encourage and

support new works by all types of Aboriginal performers, writers and theatre makers.

"I know that there is a lot of interest in Aboriginal performers at the moment and I think we work in a difficult industry," she said.

"There are a lot of performers willing to work, but there's not enough work out there."

Confessions of a Pyromaniac is part of season one at The Blue Room Theatre. Written by Mathew Cooper, it features actors Katya Shevtsov, Calen Tassone and Stephanie Somerville.



Black and White Art exhibition works *The Selector* by Gordon Bennett, (left) and *Paddy Melons* by Minnie Perle.

Black and white theme at Artworx



BLACK and white is the theme of two events at the University of Southern Queensland in Toowoomba this

month. *Black and White: an art talk at Twilight* is being held as part of the visual exhibition *Black and White Art* at USQ Artworx.

The art talk, on July 9, explores the notion that Aboriginal art is a white invention.

The exhibition includes works from major Australian institutions.

"The art I have chosen comes from some of the country's leading museums and galleries as well as from USQ's own art collection," *Black and White Art* curator David Akenson said. "The show reflects sensitive but important issues informing debates surrounding the politics of Aboriginal art."

"As part of this exhibition there is *Black and White: an art talk at Twilight* where panel members Richard Bell, Rex Butler and I look into this intriguing conundrum through historical, theoretical, cultural and aesthetic perspectives. Richard Bell is an award-winning Australian artist and political

activist, while Rex Butler is director of research for the School of English, Media Studies and Art History at the University of Queensland. In 2011 he won the inaugural Arts Faculty Research Excellence Award.

"In both the art talk and exhibition we explore what is the relationship between urban political Aboriginal art and regional and remote 'neo-traditional art', in particular art from the Western Desert and Arnhem Land regions."

Influence

"The dust is far from settled on the question of artistic authorship – how much influence does the white consumer have on the development of Aboriginal Western Desert art, and how much is driven by cultural heritage," Mr Akenson said.

Black and White Art is at the USQ Arts Gallery until July 31. Entry is free.

Black and White: an Art Talk at Twilight is on Wednesday, July 9, from 6pm in the USQ Arts Theatre. Costs apply. For more details, go to www.usq.edu.au/artworx or call (07) 4631 1111.

Exhibition features a spiritual connection



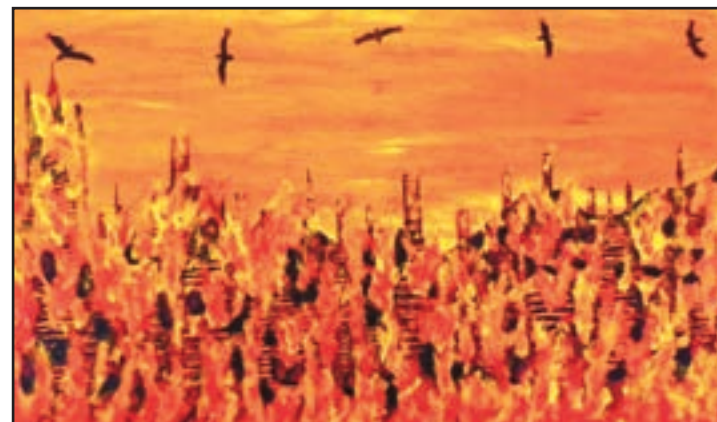
WORKS by Wiradjuri/Wongaibo artist Graham Toomey are now on show

at the Art Atrium in Sydney's Bondi Junction.

The exhibition, called *A Spiritual Connection*, continues until July 26, with part of the sales proceeds going to Gunawirra, a not-for-profit organisation based in Redfern aiming to improve the lives of Aboriginal families.

Toomey says his works express his spiritual connection to his people, ancestors and country.

"My work reflects and symbolises my people's traditional values, beliefs and stories," he said. "It can be seen as educational in terms of how my people survived and how



beautiful, magical and spiritual my culture is."

Toomey is a director of Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative in Sydney, a member of the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council and an art and cultural educator and

adviser at Gunawirra Children's Services.

For more details on the exhibition, go to www.artatrium.com.au

● **Pictured: *Armageddon*, acrylic on canvas, by Graham Toomey.**

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Talk to Coordinator Andrea Briggs (02 8202 0112), and host your own *Black Screen* screening.

NATIONAL FILM & SOUND ARCHIVE





A photograph of one of Cherbourg's early football teams.

Exhibition looks at Cherbourg sport



THE story of sport in Cherbourg is being told in a new photographic, multimedia and oral history exhibition.

Called *Play the Ball*, the exhibition will be launched at the south-east Queensland community on July 7.

Organiser Sandra Morgan says it aims to encourage reflection, discussion and reconciliation, while honouring Cherbourg's sporting heroes.

"We will show the proud undefeated teams, the big characters, the tragedies and achievements," she said.

"And we'll also celebrate the many unsung heroes, the

ordinary players who play for the love of their game, their team, and their community.

Play the Ball will include:

- a rugby league room, featuring a video loop and photos and artefacts from 100 years of the sport in Cherbourg;
- a hall of fame, featuring images of, and texts about, nationally known sportspeople

like Eddie Gilbert, Jerry Jerome and Frank Fisher;

- a timeline wall showing the sporting history of Barambah-Cherbourg, including sports like athletics, basketball, netball, tennis and martial arts, besides the more well-known rugby league, boxing and cricket.
- a marching girls display highlighting the history of girls in

Cherbourg competing and participating in parades in Queensland and Victoria;

- a Jeffrey Dynevor display, celebrating a great Cherbourg boxer; and
- a community wall in which the local people will post their personal sporting images.

More details on (07) 4169 5753.

Artists on exchange to Korea



CENTRAL Australian Aboriginal painters are now in Korea as part of an artist exchange to the Asian country.

The artists, from Papunya, Haasts Bluff, Yuendumu, Amata and Ernabella, have been supported by art organisation Desart and the Northern Territory Government as part of the exchange.

"China and Korea are fast developing a taste for Australia's Aboriginal art and we're keen to make the most of this emerging market," NT Chief Minister Adam Giles said.

"The NT Government is pleased

to be supporting this international art exchange as part of its Asian engagement program by providing export marketing advice and financial assistance."

Desart CEO Phil Watkins said the artists were excited by the opportunity to travel to Korea and share their arts and culture.

"One of the artists has been involved in a previous international exchange with China, but most have never done anything like this before," he said.

"Securing opportunities in these emerging Asian export markets is critical given the challenges of a decline in traditional art markets in Europe and North America."

Jobs goal of partnership



THE Darwin Festival and The Smugglers of Light Foundation have launched a partnership to develop careers for aspiring Indigenous arts workers.

Under the partnership, an Indigenous arts worker will be placed with the festival production team for eight weeks. An industry mentor will

guide them throughout their placement.

The partnership aims to create training and employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people wanting a career in the music and arts sectors, with a focus on project management in a multi-arts festival.

More details on the partnership at www.smugglersoflight.com

CAIRNS INDIGENOUS ART FAIR

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Michael Nona, 'Yazau Ulakal' (detail), 2010, relief print black ink on arches paper from hand carved vinyl plate, 112 cm x 77 cm. Photo: Michael Maizik.

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Cairns Indigenous Art Fair is a unique three day event, celebrating Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art and cultures.

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Healthier life the goal of new app



THE National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) has launched a new mobile application it says will help to generate more awareness of healthy lifestyles in Indigenous communities.

The app has been designed to improve the opportunity for Indigenous Australians to achieve their health and lifestyle goals.

NCIE Life Program coordinator and head of tackling tobacco Sean Appoo led the project as part of his commitment to changing access to information and

motivation tools for healthy diet and exercise in Indigenous communities.

"We know that physical exercise is good for a person's social and emotional wellbeing and reduces the risk of many health problems," he said. "Combined with a healthy diet, it can completely change an individual's quality of life."

"We've been working on developing an application that encompasses the unique cultural values of Indigenous communities to ensure they can learn more about healthy lifestyles in a way that connects with their sense of self."

The Life Tree app features a health and wellbeing questionnaire targeting individual diet, exercise and family history. Once the questionnaire is complete, the information is calculated into a personal diet and exercise 'life tree'. The app includes a graphical representation of a personal 'tree', which shows individual growth.

"The Life Program is part of a broader commitment by the NCIE to develop a range of initiatives that support healthy lifestyles and improved wellbeing for Indigenous Australians," NCIE chief

executive Jason Glanville said.

"All of the programs, including the Life Tree App, have been designed by Indigenous people for Indigenous people."

"It's important that we have programs in the community that service and reflect the needs of varying individuals. For us, it's been instrumental to have direct involvement by a number of Indigenous communities to design and deliver effective programs."

The Life Tree app is free and can be downloaded by visiting: <http://ncielifeapp.com/>

SA body a winner



COUNTRY Health SA has been recognised for innovation in implementing new and enhanced service

improvement projects across rural South Australia. The Country Cancer Services team took out the top honour in the general category at the National Lead Clinicians Group 2014 Awards for Excellence in Innovative Implementation of Clinical Practice.

And the organisation also was runner-up for its mental health occupational therapy project in the Cultural Competence in Indigenous Care in the Management of Chronic Disease category.

Dedication

Country Health SA chief executive Maree Geraghty said the awards recognised the dedication of Country Health SA staff to improving health care in the state.

"Two years ago, Country Health SA started a program to deliver safe cancer services in dedicated chemotherapy units across South Australia," she said.

"This award recognises the phenomenal amount of work that has gone into delivering these new services, from designing and building chemotherapy units, to training local staff to deliver the lifesaving cancer treatment."



Country Health SA award winners, from left, lead cancer pharmacist Bel Morris, director of cancer services Jacqui Adams, Rural and Remote Health Service Aboriginal liaison officer Lynne Thorne, advance clinical lead occupational therapy Adrian Leet and senior project officer, cancer services and clinical planning Alexis Nicholson.

Ms Geraghty said Country Health SA's mental health occupational therapy project demonstrated a commitment to improving overall Indigenous health care and would also help

to close the gap between Indigenous and other health outcomes. "The team has worked extremely hard to develop the first adapted and standardised 'culturally safe' occupational

therapy assessment for Aboriginal South Australians," she said.

"This tool means that any Aboriginal South Australian identified as needing occupational therapy input will have this

managed in the most culturally appropriate way."

The National Lead Clinicians Group 2014 Awards recognise and reward clinical leadership, collaboration and innovation.

Focus on sexual health



CONVERSATIONS about sexual health are often lacking in medical consultations with Indigenous men, but making health services 'culturally safe' could change that, according to a letter in the latest *Medical Journal of Australia*. Letter authors Dr Mark Wenitong, Dr Michael Adams and Dr Carol Holden argue that there are many factors influencing health service access and help-seeking behaviour for Indigenous men, particularly when it comes to discussing sexual issues.

These include societal concerns such as illness-related stigma and sex-specific differences in health, as

well as cultural – for example traditional gender-related lore, masculinity and gender roles.

The authors argue cultural competency training is essential to overcome barriers affecting how Indigenous men access health services, and they suggest some culturally appropriate strategies for discussing sexual health issues.

"It is very important to provide a safe, private and comfortable environment that supports open and free dialogue," lead author Dr Mark Wenitong said.

"Men may not open up in the first consultation – it takes time to build trust and respect. It can be helpful to make the clinic conducive to talking about sensitive issues."



**Are you a registered nurse?
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All applications for postgraduate midwifery student positions in NSW public hospitals and a small number of not for profit private hospitals for 2015 will be processed online through NSW Health.

Applicants are able to select up to six hospitals for their clinical training, and will be interviewed at their first preference hospital.

Applications open on July 1, 2014.

Applicants will be required to provide a letter addressing the selection criteria, as part of their application.

For more information about the application process, go to <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing/employment/Pages/MidStART.aspx>





With the new app, from left, Gippsland Elder Wayne Thorpe, and Gippsland Medicare Local Closing the Gap officers Michelle Dow and Michelle Stankovic.

Gippsland's Black Pages goes mobile



GIPPSLAND Medicare Local (GML) has launched a mobile app

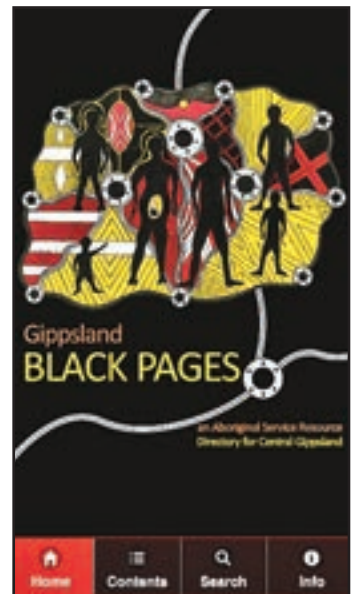
for its Black Pages, a health and support services directory for health professionals and Indigenous people in the Gippsland region.

The Black Pages concept was developed following community and health professional feedback that there was a need for better linkages for Aboriginal people seeking the services they need, when they need them.

GML board chair Dr Nola Maxfield said the Black Pages mobile app was an evolution of the resource which would ensure it was more readily and easily available.

"The Black Pages is an excellent resource for health professionals, helping them to make culturally appropriate referrals, but also for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to have easier access to available services across Gippsland," she said.

"Anyone with an iPhone or Android can download the app for free, and navigate their way around the Aboriginal-specific health services, community



The Black Pages app.

supports, employment, education, legal, justice and transport services available across Gippsland.

"The launch of the app has created significant interest across the primary health and Aboriginal health and community service sectors. It's a concept we are extremely proud of and have found highly successful in our region.

"GML is committed to further developing and improving access to services and support for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community."

Cardiac care plan



THE National Heart Foundation of Australia has published a framework aimed at improving

systems of care for Indigenous people who have a heart attack.

The *Medical Journal of Australia* publication *A framework for overcoming disparities in management of acute coronary syndromes in the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population* calls for reforms

across the health system, outlining measures to help eliminate the differences in diagnosis, cardiac care and outcomes compared with non-Indigenous patients.

Cardiovascular disease is a major contributor to the gaps in life expectancy between Indigenous and other Australians (10.6 years for men and 9.5 for women).

Northern Territory cardiologist Dr Marcus Ilton, who was lead author on the work, said every

Syndrome (ACS) guidelines.

"To be able to quickly investigate a patient's heart, we need a coordinated approach across the healthcare system including pre-hospital and hospital services, such as the ambulance, emergency and cardiac services," Dr Ilton said.

surgery, through to attending cardiac rehabilitation."

Recommendations from the framework consensus statement include:

- the development of coordinated, patient-centred pathways of care supported by Indigenous cardiac coordinators

attack and the importance of calling triple zero (000);

- a system that supports early diagnosis and patient-centred care;

- individualised care plans developed in partnership with patients and families;

- culturally appropriate in-hospital education supported by Aboriginal liaison officers; and

- effective follow-up and referral to cardiac rehabilitation.

"Improvements have been made by many states and

territories, however there are still considerable variations in the standard of cardiac care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the country," Dr Ilton said.

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Indigenous patient, regardless of where they live, should be provided with the same level of care as non-Indigenous Australians as outlined in national Acute Coronary

"The optimal management of ACS requires seamless integration right from when the patient telephones triple zero (000), to inserting a stent and administering drugs or having

and Aboriginal liaison officers (ALOs);

- pathways provided by clinical networks which support strategies to improve recognition of the warning signs of a heart

Fellowships on offer



THE Lowitja Institute, Australia's national centre for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research, is offering two fellowships to help build capacity among future Indigenous leaders in the health research sector.

The inaugural Lowitja Institute Fellowships will be available to two Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander senior researchers with a doctorate or equivalent experience and

whose research focusses on Indigenous health.

Institute CEO Lyn Brodie said the fellowships were designed to meet an identified need to build leadership and executive skills in Indigenous researchers.

"During their fellowship, each of our fellows will complete at least one major leadership and/or executive education course per year," she said.

The Lowitja Institute will fund all travel and associated expenses and time will be shared between

the institute and the fellow's employer.

"Many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians are performing at high levels in research and academia and there is an increasing demand for them to fill key leadership roles, in universities and research institutes as well as in government and industry," Ms Brodie said.

"Support for these candidates tends to focus on enhancing academic career progression, but our fellowships will assist them to

take the next step into leadership roles whether it is in academia or any other sector. The executive leadership component will not be related to their academic research and aims to build a future in which our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders are ready to move into executive roles."

The fellowships will be appointed at senior researcher level and will require a two-year commitment.

For more information, visit www.lowitja.org.au



Lowitja Institute patron Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue



Students and guests at the Batchelor Institute graduation ceremony in the Top End.

Students shine at graduation



MORE than 240 Indigenous students from 70 communities across the Northern Territory and interstate were honoured with awards at this year's Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education main graduation ceremony.

The colourful ceremony, at the institute's campus south of Darwin, was a highlight of the organisation's 40th anniversary celebrations.

Indigenous students received awards in the fields of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander primary health care, arts and media, business, children's services, community services, conservation and land management, construction, education, Indigenous environmental

health, Indigenous knowledges, kitchen operations, language and linguistics, and training and assessment.

Special achievement awards were presented to outstanding students in their field of study. They included:

- The Northern Territory Department of Business – VET Award to Samantha Chalmers, from Woodridge, in recognition of the most outstanding achievement by a VET graduand;

- NBC Consultants Award to Julie Namina, from Tennant Creek, in recognition of the most outstanding student who has completed a Certificate I, II or III in Business;

- *Koori Mail* Award to Edgar Richardson, from Allens town, in

recognition of outstanding achievements by a student enrolled in Broadcasting or Media Studies (this scholarship also encouraging further study in the media field);

- Harry Wilson Memorial Scholarship to Stuart Nugget, from Elliott (NT), in recognition of an outstanding student in the Certificate III Media Studies. This award was sponsored by the Top End Aboriginal Bush Broadcasting Association (TEABBA).

"Batchelor campus graduation was a very special event on our 40 years anniversary calendar as it was a day that we got to recognise and celebrate the achievements of our students, many of whom have had to overcome numerous challenges during their learning journey," institute director Adrian Mitchell said.



Batchelor Institute Certificate IV in Screen and Media graduate and winner of the *Koori Mail* Award for his outstanding achievements in broadcasting and media studies Edgar Richardson.

'Incredible honour' for NAAJA lawyer



NORTH Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) lawyer Sandra Wendlandt has received the 2014 Justice James Muirhead Churchill Fellowship.

The fellowship will allow Ms Wendlandt to travel to New Zealand, Canada, Britain, Belgium, Germany and South Africa for study and to further her career.

"It is an incredible honour to be given this opportunity. I am looking forward to this challenge and hope my fellowship can make a real difference on the ground," Ms Wendlandt said.

The Justice James Muirhead Churchill Fellowship was established in 2012. Justice Muirhead (1925-1999) was passionate about helping Indigenous people in the legal system and he worked to improve the system in which they

were tried. His vision was to empower people, communities, agencies and government to reduce the number of Indigenous Australians in the justice system.

The family of Justice Muirhead decided to honour his memory and his life's work by sponsoring a Churchill Fellowship for award in the Northern Territory. The successful applicant must present a clear and practical topic of research to enhance the capacity of people, communities, agencies and/or government in the Northern Territory to reduce the negative impacts of the justice system on Indigenous people (including strategies that reduce contact with the justice system in the first place).

Ms Wendlandt's project will explore alternative and culturally specific programs which aim to divert Indigenous first-time offenders from the

criminal justice system. She was also the recipient of the Law Institute of Victoria's 'Rising Star of the Year' award in 2012 which she received for her work defending clients charged with people smuggling.

The purpose of the fellowship is to determine what the NT authorities can learn from initiatives in other countries to address indigenous over-representation in the justice system. In Canada, for example, indigenous people comprise 4% of the population yet 23% of the prison population.

"NAAJA is very proud of Sandra's terrific achievement in being awarded the 2014 Justice James Muirhead Churchill Fellowship," NAAJA CEO Priscilla Collins said.

"We look forward to hearing about diversionary strategies that are being used in other countries, and that could be used here to help our clients."



Sandra Wendlandt



Margaret Anderson

Margaret to master cookbook



IF there's one thing Margaret Anderson loves it's cooking and food. That's why the Torres Strait Islander woman from far north Queensland is

undertaking a Master's degree in Creative and Performing Arts with CQUniversity.

The home economics teacher at Bentley Park College in Cairns recently visited CQU in Rockhampton to join in training for researchers, as well as to visit the university library, Office of Research and Office of Indigenous Engagement.

Her master's course focusses on Torres Strait Islander cooking and food, and she aims to use her research to produce a cookbook and DVD of traditional recipes from the Torres Strait.

Ms Anderson has been invited to present at this year's Home Economics Institute of Australia (HEIA) conference. Her attendance will be supported by CQUniversity and the National Indigenous Researcher and Knowledge Network.

One of her master's degree's supervisors, Professor Bronwyn Fredericks, praised Ms Anderson's goal. "In Margaret documenting the history of Torres Strait Island food and food ways through her research, traditions and customs will be kept alive for future generations," she said.

Ms Anderson, who has a Bachelor of Education (Home Economic/ Design and Technology) degree from the University of Newcastle, says study and research is vital.

"Making the time to focus on my studies is important to me in terms of my progress and success," she said.

Students win scholarships



TWENTY-ONE Year 10 Victorian Aboriginal students have won two-year \$5000 Wannik Education Scholarships. The scholarships are designed to give students support to complete Year 12.

State Education Minister Martin Dixon said the scholarship recipients had a wide range of aspirations, including teaching, nursing, graphic design, medicine and art.

Among the 2014 scholarship recipients

are Charlotte Franks and Alex Honeysett, who have been accepted into the University of Melbourne's Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program, an academic enrichment program for high-achieving students.

Strong growth

Mr Dixon said the recent strong growth in the number of Indigenous students completing Year 12 reflected the work being done across the education system and within the Koorie community, including

the Wannik Education Scholarships.

"More Indigenous students are completing Year 12 than ever before, and the percentage of Koorie students entering university has increased from 22% in 2008 to 40.3% in 2013," he said.

Last year, 384 Koorie students graduated from Year 12 in Victoria, up from 257 in 2010. Of these, 319 students were from government schools, 28 from Catholic schools and 37 from independent schools.

Partnership puts Ricki-Lee on course for bright future



COOLOONGUP woman Ricki-Lee Dabb is looking forward to a new career thanks to an Aboriginal business trainee

partnership. Challenger Institute of Technology and South Metropolitan Health Service launched the partnership program in 2013, with Ms Dabb one of five inaugural graduates.

The 19-year-old student completed her health traineeship at Rockingham General Hospital and said the hands-on experience had been interesting and rewarding.

"During the traineeship I worked in hospital departments ranging from mental health reception and medical administration to assisting the safety, quality and risk staff," Ms Dabb said. "Moving around the hospital has helped me become more confident and aware of my skills and areas that need improvement."



Ricki-Lee Dabb with WA Training Minister Kim Hames at Challenger's 2014 Student Awards ceremony.

"The traineeship has opened up so many pathways for me I didn't even know existed. Before I started the course I always

thought that because I was never a strong mainstream student, and didn't complete Year 12, my career options

would be limited.

"I now know that with a little bit of help and support, people like me can accomplish great things."

Ms Dabb completed her training in the hospital's executive office and now divides her work duties between the executive and the patient information management teams.

She is also studying a Certificate IV in Human Resources course at Challenger Institute's Rockingham campus.

Challenger Institute business lecturer Ann O'Neil said the 12-month competency-based training initiative provided entry-level career pathways for Indigenous people. "The program incorporates workplace training and assessment as well as off-the-job training, including networking meetings, workshops and tutoring," she said.

Ms O'Neil said Ms Dabb was an outstanding student who had been a great role model for other trainees.

Indigenous Healthy Ageing and Wellbeing Expo



Women at the expo: from left, Urbenville health workers Kerry O'Shea and Marianne Close, Rebecca Green of Muli Muli, Urbenville health worker Jacklyn Barton and Muli Muli residents Freda Jarrett and Lavina Williams.



Freda Jarrett, of Muli Muli community, has a cardio-respiratory health check from nurse practitioner Ann-Maree Cheffins.

Kyogle hosts popular event



Expo organisers: from left, Sue McMahon from Carer Respite Centre in Alstonville, Chris Vannucci of Alzheimers NSW, and Kyogle Shire Council's Nicola Mercer. Pictures by Jasmine Bolt



REPRESENTATIVES from a range of government and community organisations turned out for last month's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healthy Ageing and Wellbeing Expo in the far northern NSW town of Kyogle.

Designed to promote healthy mental, social and physical ageing, the expo was one of a series to be held in the region.

Indigenous people from across north-eastern NSW attended the event, which featured information stalls, healthy food and entertainment.

Local man Ron Randall, who gave the welcome to country, praised the initiative. "There was lots of important information available to our people throughout the day," he said.



Milly Murray, of Kyogle, with her daughter Amilliyah.



Pat Green, from Tabulam, with Casino's Gwen Hickling.



Singer Tom 'Blak Boi' Avery with Kyogle girls, standing from left, Helena Murray, Jemima Clark, Dannielle Murray, Kristelle Murray and Rhiannon Murray and, in front, Amilliyah and Madison Murray.



Grace Coughlan, left, of Kyogle, and Brenda Roberts, from Casino, at the expo.



Expo MC Ken McIntosh of the NSW Department of Aboriginal Affairs in Coffs Harbour, Diane Creighton representing the Casino Neighbourhood Centre, and Fred McGrady from Yarrabee Aged Care in Ballina.

We welcome items for our National Calendar of Events. Please keep them short and to the point, and include a daytime telephone contact number. They can be sent to any of the addresses listed in the panel on page 23.

National

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

The Better Start for Children with Disability Initiative. Children who are eligible for the program can access funding of up to \$12,000 each financial year for a range of early intervention services. Children must be registered before age six to be eligible. For more information, call the Registration and Information Service on 1800 242 636 or visit www.carersnsw.org.au

Community Yarn Up Project – expressions of interest. The National Centre for Indigenous Studies at the Australian National University, with industry partners, is undertaking the national oral history research project 'Serving Our Country: A history of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Defence of Australia'. The project will look at the history of Indigenous service men and women in the Australian defence and auxiliary services from 1890s to 2000. For details, call Craig Green on (02) 6125 0092 or email craig.greene@anu.edu.au

Until July 31: Art submissions for *Our Mob – God's Story* book project. The project will be a book of art featuring faith stories and paintings by Indigenous artists. Artists nationwide are invited to submit paintings that tell Bible stories or depict Christian symbols. Details: Louise Sherman on (08) 8292 4888 or email louise.sherman@biblesociety.org.au

NSW-ACT

Ongoing: National Museum of Australia 'Go on a Gallery Tour'. Explore Indigenous people's history, cultures, spirituality and connections to country on this one-hour guided tour of the permanent collection. Held at the National Museum of Australia, Lawson Cres, Acton, daily at 3pm. Costs apply. Details: (02) 6208 5000 or visit www.nma.gov.au

Ongoing: New Directions Mums and Bubs Program. A service helping to educate, support and provide professional care for mums, bubs and children aged up to eight. Held at the Bullinah Aboriginal Health Service, 120 Tamar St, Ballina, northern NSW, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am-5pm. Details: (02) 6681 5992.

Ongoing: TeleYarn Project: A Red Cross project that provides phone calls to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people living across NSW who would benefit from a regular yarn. Details: Kerrie on 0429 151 112.

Until July 5: Bangarra Dance Theatre's performance *Patyegarang*. Held at Sydney Opera House, Bennelong Point, Sydney at 2pm & 8pm. Cost: \$29-\$89. Bookings: (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneypoperahouse.com

Until July 13: *Sense of Self...through the eyes of Jarjums*. This exhibition provides a window into the creativity of the kids at Jarjum Preschool. It also features the announcement of the silent auction successful bidder and closing party on July 10 at 5pm. Held at the Lismore Regional Gallery, 131 Molesworth St, Lismore. Details: (02) 6622 2209.

Until July 18: *Hereby Make Protest*: an exhibition honouring the Australian Aboriginal Progressive Association (est 1924) and the Aborigines Progressive Association (est 1937), featuring new works by artists Jacob Nash, Karla Dickens and Nicole Foreshow. Held at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson St, Eveleigh daily, 10am-6pm. Includes an artist floor talk on July 12 at 1pm and Klub Koori on



Miranda Tapsell with Hamish and Roary MacLennan in *Vote Yes*, a short film about the 1967 referendum, to screen next week in Byron Bay, northern NSW.

Top Flickerfest films for Byron



THE Arakwal Corporation, Flickerfest and eco centre iQ will present Indigenous short films selected from the finalists of Flickerfest 2014 as part of NAIDOC celebrations in Byron Bay, northern NSW.

Highlights of the screenings, from 6.30pm on July 8 at the Byron Community Centre, include:

- *In The Air*, a romantic comedy from the Kimberley about a camp cook, Sue, who goes from the frying pan into the fire trying to get her man;
- *Ngarrity*, about a little white corella with a big attitude who flies around the Yolngu community of Galiwin'ku (Elcho Island, NT) visiting everyone and speaking the local language;

- *Vote Yes*, set during the 1967 referendum on Aboriginal rights where two women unite as a family comes to terms with the prospect of change. It stars Miranda Tapsell (*The Sapphires*);

- *Aboriginal Heart*, where a young city doctor's first job in an Indigenous community takes a turn when some savvy local Aboriginal women compel him to buy all their artwork;

- *Cannibal Story*, which brings to life the dangerous carnivorous beings that live beneath a salt lake in the heart of the Western Desert; and

- *The Chuck In*, where three 16-year-old boys concoct an elaborate plan to buy a carton of liquid gold. It is written by Bundjalung filmmaker Jon Bell. The full program is at iq.org.au

July 10 at 7pm. Admission fees apply. Details: (02) 8571 9099 or visit www.carriageworks.com.au

Until July 20: *Old Masters* exhibition. Selected barks on display in this exhibition that celebrates Australia's master bark artists. Held at the National Museum of Australia, Lawson Cres, Acton, Mon-Sun, 9am-5pm. Cost: \$8 child, \$10 concession, \$15 adult, \$30 family. Details: (02) 6208 5000 or visit www.nma.gov.au

Until July 26: *A Spiritual Connection* exhibition. Works by Graham Toomey, an Aboriginal artist and descendant from the Wirajuri and Wongaibon people. Held at Art Atrium, 181 Old South Head Road, Bondi Junction, Mon-Sat, 11am-4pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 9388 9908 or visit www.artatrium.com.au

Until July 27: Making Connections Lindt Research Project. Featuring the portraits of Aboriginal people of the Grafton region taken in 1874 by John William Lindt. Held at Grafton regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton on Tues-Sun, 10am-4pm. Entry by gold coin donation. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

Until August 11: *20 Questions*, a cabaret and talk show rolled into one. Each Monday night a new Indigenous performer will be asked 20 questions. Held at Belvoir St

Theatre, 25 Belvoir St, Surry Hills. Cost: Full \$68, snr/industry/group \$58, concession \$48, previews \$48. Details: (02) 9699 344 or visit www.belvoir.com.au

July 4: Nimbin NAIDOC Week 2014. A line-up of music and activities for the whole family, including a community march, welcome to country, guest speakers, bush tucker, face painting, jumping castle and more. Held at Nimbin Community Centre, Cullen St, Numbin from 10am. Free. Details: Darren or Jeddah on (02) 6689 1709.

July 6: Terry Randall Memorial Golf Day. Great prizes to be won, enjoy 18 holes, three-person ambrose. Cart hire available. Held at Maclean Golf Club, Golf Links Rd, Ilarwill, 9.30am shot gun start. Cost: \$20 a person. Details: Trevor on 0422 403 524.

July 6: NAIDOC La Perouse Black Markets. Activities include guest speakers, Aboriginal dance, storytelling, authentic Aboriginal products, bush tucker, catch 'n' cook, boomerang making and more. Held at Bare Island, La Perouse, from 9.30am-2pm. \$2 entry. Details: Sarah on 0408 113 407 or visit www.firshandsolutions.org

July 6-11: Mindaribba Local Aboriginal Land Council NAIDOC Week. Held over six days, events include a corroboree, flag-raising, march, barbecue, Elders luncheon, disco, museum launch, a family fun day and

masquerade ball. Details: Tamika on (02) 4015 7000.

July 7-11: Shoalhaven NAIDOC Week 2014. Activities include remembrance march, film festival, a fun day, Cullunghutti Art Exhibition, NAIDOC Ball and children's disco and more. Activities held in various locations. Details: John Bolt on 0412 678 986.

July 7-13: Lismore NAIDOC Week events 2014. Held over a number of days, includes a flag-raising, art exhibition, Little Miss and Mr NAIDOC, Aboriginal workers' dinner and more. Details, contact Lizette Twisleton on 1300 878 387.

July 8: Seventh Arakwal NAIDOC film screening. A program of seven films from a selection of Indigenous short films selected from the finalists of Flickerfest 2014. Held at the Byron Community Centre, 69 Jonson St, Byron Bay. Tickets at door only \$8/\$5 conc. Details: Shane on (02) 66845577 or visit www.flickerfest.com.au

July 9: Richill Park NAIDOC Family Fun Day. Includes sports activities, dance group, beading, jumping castle, barbecue lunch and more. Held at Richill Park, Constitution Hill, from 10am-2pm. Free event. Details: Ini on (02) 9631 7055 or Billie on 0421 423 674.

July 10: The Annual Young NAIDOC Parade. The parade provides Aboriginal boys and girls ages seven-11 and 12-21 with an opportunity to celebrate NAIDOC and show their flair. Includes dress rehearsal at 12.30-4.30pm. Held at the Lismore Shopping Square, Brewster St, Lismore at 5pm. Details: (02) 6622 3143 or visit www.ycnc.com.au

July 10: 'More Than Service Black Diggers and the Great War' forum. In commemoration of the centenary of World War I, guest speakers include Prof John Maynard and Prof Mick Dodson. Held at Metcalfe Auditorium, NSW State Library, from 9.30am-4pm. Places are limited and bookings essential. Details: (02) 9252 8715 or email admin@historycouncil.nsw.gov.au

July 12: Rouse Hill House and Farm NAIDOC Week event. Join Darug Elders as they share cultural knowledge of woodcarving and the use of stone tools. Held at 21 Guntawong Road, Rouse Hill. Free event, but bookings essential. Details: (02) 9627 6777.

July 16-18: Southern Cross University (SCU) NAIDOC 2014 Family Day. Celebrate NAIDOC at Southern Cross Uni's three campuses. Activities includes music featuring Archie Roach, information stalls, face painting, workshops and bush tucker. Held at Coffs Harbour Campus on July 16, Lismore Campus on July 17 and Gold Coast campus on July 18 from 10am-2pm each campus. Free event. Details: (02) 6659 3643, (02) 6620 3377, (07) 5589 3010 or visit www.scu.edu.au/scuiecc

July 17-19: Bangarra Dance Theatre's performance *Patyegarang* at Canberra Theatre Centre, London Circuit, Canberra at 7.30pm. Cost: \$30-\$63. Bookings: (02) 6275 2700 or visit www.canberratheatrecentre.com.au

July 29: Free eye tests. Wellington Aboriginal Medical Service will hold free eye testing for the Parkes Shire Indigenous community. Held at Parkes Neighbourhood Centre, 80-82 Currajong St, Parkes. To book, call Amanda Corcoran on (02) 6862 4140.

Victoria

Until July 27: *Danie Mellor's Exotic Lies Sacred Ties* touring exhibition. On tour from the University of Queensland Art Museum, featuring works by award-winning artist Danie Mellor. Held at TarraWarra Museum of Art, Yarra Glen Road, Healesville, Tues-Sun, 11am-5pm. Cost: \$5-\$7.50, under-16 and concession holders free. Details: (03) 5957 3100 or visit www.twma.com.au

Until October 5: *The Empty Coolamons: A Memoriam to the Stolen Generations*

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exhibition. Indigenous artist Robyne Latham brings recognition to the Stolen Generations. Held at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum, Nicholson St, Carlton. Cost Adults, \$10, children and concessions, Free. Details: (03) 8341 7141.

Until July 26: 2014 Mr and Miss NAIDOC entrants wanted. Victorian NAIDOC Committee is calling for more participants for Mr NAIDOC, Miss NAIDOC and NAIDOC Patron this year. All young Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people encourage to participate. Details: Robert McGuinness on vicnaidoc@gmail.com

July 5: The Back to Black Cabaret. Includes a three-course dinner and live entertainment. Held at Aborigines Advancement League, 2 Watt St, Thornbury from 7.30pm-midnight. Cost: \$50 a head, semi-formal dress. Details: Esme on (03) 9480 777 or email ceo@aal.org.au

July 6-12: 2014 Victorian NAIDOC Week. Events include flag-raising ceremonies, radio open day, Koori idols, Bunjilaka Museum family activities, 3on3 basketball tournament, Elders' Luncheon, NAIDOC disco, movie day, music events and more. Details: Robert McGuinness on (03) 8459 4800

July 9: Victorian Government NAIDOC Week Reception 2014. Join the Premier of Victoria, the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and the Victorian NAIDOC Committee as part of NAIDOC celebrations. Held at the Queen's Hall, Parliament House, Spring St, Melbourne from 6-8pm. Details: (03) 9208 3253 or email Katrina.touzeau@dpc.vic.gov.au

July 9: 'The Right to be Bigots' public forum. Some of Australia's leading sociologists will discuss section 18C of the *Racial Discrimination Act (1975)* and its role in Australian multiculturalism. Held at The Wheeler Centre, 176 Little Lonsdale St, Melbourne, from 6-7.30pm. Details: Joshua Roose on 0404 811 796

July 12: 2014 Victorian NAIDOC Ball. Featuring a lineup of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entertainment including Brett Lee and Tambo Company Band. Held at Main Hall, Melbourne Town Hall, 80-120 Swanston St, Melbourne from 6.30pm. Cost: Corporate \$150 a person, Community \$115 a person, table of 10 available. Details: Emma or Sheree on (03) 8459 4800 or email vicnaidoc@gmail.com

July 13: Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria NAIDOC Mass. Held at St Francis Catholic Church, cnr Lonsdale and Elizabeth streets, Melbourne from 11am. Light lunch provided. Details: Sharon on (03) 9926 5751 or email sharon.balcombe@acm.org.au

July 16: Moreland City Council flag-raising ceremony. Held at Moreland Civic Centre (in front of Coburg Town Hall) from 10-11.30am. Morning tea provided. Free. Details: (03) 9240 2372

July 18-27: Gertrude Street Projection Festival. Bright lights and colour-scapes will adorn sites on and around Gertrude Street, illuminating everything from the trunks of trees to entire buildings. Held Gertrude St, Fitzroy, each night from 6pm. Free (excluding special events). Details: 0414 893 or visit www.gspf.com.au



Dancers at a recent Garma Festival.

Garma on way



A PROGRAM focussing on responsibility, reform and recognition will ensure that Garma 2014 continues to set the national agenda on Indigenous affairs, the Yothu Yindi Foundation (YYF) says.

The Garma festival, held each year in Arnhem Land, is on from August 1-4.

YYF CEO Denise Bowden said the festival's key forum would run over three days, with each day devoted to an aspect of the responsibility, reform and recognition theme.

"The key forum is a chance to discuss ideas, debate policies, and share knowledge," she said.

"These are fascinating talks for the audience at Garma, but they are part of a bigger conversation we're having with Australians everywhere."

"Through this conversation, the Yolngu (local Aboriginal people) can share their vision for a

better future, and together we can work towards that vision and make it a reality."

YYF chairman Galarrwuy Yunupingu will deliver the annual Garma Institute keynote lecture, addressing land rights and land ownership.

"Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders, politicians of all persuasions and from all levels of government, academics and others will also share their thoughts and insights throughout the key forum," Ms Bowden said.

"There will be a special focus on education, an update on the important Empowered Communities initiative launched last year, and sessions on the push for constitutional recognition."

The Garma program also features a range of artistic and cultural performances, workshops, exhibitions and other activities.

The full program will be released soon. Details at www.yyf.com.au

July 22: Royal Commission Victorian Aboriginal Forum. Includes guest speaker Commissioner Helen Milroy. Held at Ballarat Lodge, 613 Main Road, Ballarat from 11am-3pm. Lunch provided. Details: Alister McKeich on (03) 9418 5999 or Jeannine McIntyre on (03) 9470 3666 or visit www.healthpast.org

South Australia

July 3-5: *Pecan Summer* opera, composed by Deborah Cheetham, tells the story of the 1939 walk-off from Cummeragunga mission in Victoria. Held at Her Majesty's Theatre, 58 Grote St, Adelaide, from 7.30pm. Cost: Adults \$45-\$95 a person. Details: 131 246 or visit www.shortblackopera.com

Queensland

Ongoing: Kuril dhagun Interactive Space. It showcases and explores Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and cultures through exhibitions, installations and spaces. Held at Kuril Dhagun, Level 1, State Library of Qld, Stanley Place, South Bank, daily from 10am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (07) 3842 9836 or visit www.kuril.dhagun@slq.qld.gov.au

Until July 12: *Warlu on Fire* exhibition. An exhibition profiling the works of artists from Warlukurlangu Artists Aboriginal Corporation in

Yuendumu, NT. Held at FireWorks Gallery, 52A Dogget St, Newstead, Tue-Fri, 10am-6pm, Sat, 10am-4pm. Entry fees may apply. Details: (07) 3216 1250 or visit www.fireworksgallery.com.au

Until July 13: *Yirrkala Drawings* exhibition. Features more than 80 crayon drawings by senior leaders of the Yirrkala community in 1947. Details: (07) 3842 9844 or visit www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/yirrkala

Until July 31: *Black and White* Art exhibition. Featuring works from some of the country's leading museums, galleries and art collections. Held at the University of Southern Queensland Artsworx, West St, Toowoomba daily from 9am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (07) 4631 1111.

July 5: Moreton Bay NAIDOC 2014. A community and cultural celebration includes live entertainment, performances, workshops, kids' activities, bush tucker, information stalls and more. Held at Barujaugan Park, Bayview Terrace, Deception Bay (behind the Deception Bay Library) from 10am-3pm. Free event. Details: (07) 3205 0555.

July 7: Brisbane NAIDOC 2014. Celebrate the launch of NAIDOC Week with entertainment, including contemporary performers, traditional dance groups, markets, arts and crafts. Held at Reddcliff Place

(across from the casino), Brisbane Square, from 10am-3pm. Free event. Details: Stephen on 0438 159 175 or email admin@nguinnwarrup.com.au

July 7: *Play the Ball* exhibition launch. A photographic, multi-media and oral history exhibition that tells the story of sport in Cherbourg. Held at the Boys' Dormitory Building, The Ration Shed Museum, Cherbourg, from 10am-1pm. Details: Sandra Morgan on (07) 4169 5753 or email rationshed@bigpond.com or visit www.rationshed.com.au

July 9: *No More* mini LP launch. Singer, songwriter and storyteller Getano Bann's new mini EP features the tracks *Mabo* and *Stop da Boats*. Held at the Library Café, State Library of Queensland, Stanley Pl, South Brisbane at 4pm. Reply to getanob@gmail.com. Details: (07) 3840 7666.

July 10: Ipswich 2014 Family and Cultural Celebration. The event includes arts and crafts, rides and entertainment, food and information stalls. Held at Briggs Road Sports Club, 121-135 Briggs Road, Flinders View from 10am-2pm. Free event. Details: (07) 3810 6655 or visit www.ipswich.qld.gov.au

July 11: 23rd Annual Musgrave Park Family Fun Day. Showcasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture with dance, song, food, art and stories. It includes an Elders' tent, rides, information stalls

and more. Held at Musgrave Park, South Brisbane, from 9am-5pm. Details: 0478 789 386 or visit www.musgraveparkffd.com.au

Western Australia

Until July 9: *Kimberley Ochre Artists/Tiwi Carvings/Mini Masters* exhibition. Includes ochre paintings from the Kimberley, sculptures and carvings from Bathurst Island and canvases by major desert artists. Held at Japingka Gallery, 47 High Street, Fremantle, Mon-Fri, 10am-5.30pm and Sat-Sun, noon-5pm. Free entry. Details: (08) 9335 8265 or visit www.japingka.com.au

Until August 17: *Noongar Country 2014 - Koorliny Mia, Coming Home* exhibition. This display features new work by Indigenous artists and community members living on Noongar country. Held at the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries, 64 Wittenloot St, Bunbury, daily from 10am-4pm Free entry. Details: (08) 9721 6390.

July 5-6: Rural Health West will host the Aboriginal Health Conference at the Parmelia Hilton Hotel in Perth. More details and a conference program at www.ruralhealthwest.com.au or call (08) 6389 4500.

July 6-12: NAIDOC Week celebrations in Perth. A large program of events has been planned for the annual celebration. Visit www.naidocperth.org for more details.

July 9-19: *Confessions of a Pyromaniac* production. The production features a cast of local Aboriginal performers. Held at The Blue Room Theatre, Perth Cultural Centre, Northbridge on Tues-Sat at 7pm. Bookings on (08) 9227 7005.

July 12: Bandarai Ngarri Festival and Flying Trapeze Centre and Circus School. As part of the festival, the trapeze performance is raising awareness of children affected by Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder (FASD). Held at Fitzroy Valley High School, Fitzroy Crossing, at 4pm. Details: Jennie on (08) 9191 5284.

July 22-24 and 31: *Articulating Landscapes* dance performance. This OCHRE Dance Company special performance will be held at Masonic Contemporary, 6 Broadway, Nedlands, from 7pm, and All Saints College centre for performing arts, Ewing Avenue, Bull Creek, on July 31 at 7pm. Cost: \$15 from www.trybooking.com/ERNB. Details: Emma on (08) 9386 5033.

Northern Territory

August 7-24: Darwin Festival 2014. This year's program includes the annual National Indigenous Music Awards, Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair and the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards. Details: Mary Thompson on (03) 9419 8837 or www.darwinfestival.org.au for full program.

Tasmania

August 18: Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) Certificate II in Indigenous Leadership course to give students the knowledge, skills and behaviours to start Indigenous leadership roles. Held in Hobart. Details: Rachelle Towart on (02) 6251 5770 or 0431 772 377 or Genevieve Dwyer on 0420 534 739 or email genevieve@fiftyacres.com

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Sgt Annie Dufficy, from Bamaga, was all smiles at the expo.



Chaplain Tom Neliman, of Mabuiag descent, and student Jay Lane-Kabay (Masig), both from the Flexible Learning Centre.

ADF expo popular

By ALF WILSON



BRISBANE-based Australian Defence Force (ADF) recruiter Sergeant Annie Dufficy is delighted that more young Indigenous people are joining the armed services.

Sgt Dufficy, who hails from Bamaga in the Northern Peninsula Area of far north Queensland, is part of the Tamwoy family with descendants at Bamaga and on Badu Island.

She was at the ADF Careers Expo in Townsville last month.

"I have been back home to Bamaga recently to catch up with family and friends, and a lot of young people from there and the islands are joining the navy because of their association with the sea," the army sergeant said.

"It is good to see more also now are looking at the army and air force as careers."

Australian Public Service program officer in Defence Indigenous Affairs Clara Tabuai, of Saibai and Murray descent, was at another career stall and

was also impressed by the number of Indigenous youths seeking information.

The expo was organised by Defence Force Recruiting, with support from Royal Australian Navy, Australian Army and Royal Australian Air Force units in north Queensland.

Guidance

The expo started with a session open only to invited secondary school students and school guidance officers. More than 900 students, including many of Torres Strait Islander

heritage, took part.

Chaplain Tom Neliman, of Mabuiag descent, and student Jay Lane-Kabay (Masig), both from the Townsville Flexible Learning Centre, were there.

"This provides a great opportunity for students to look for a career," Chaplain Neliman said. An expo highlight was an F/A-18F Super Hornet aircraft simulator with air combat officer desks, allowing participants to experience flying a mission in the strike fighter.

There also were displays by military working dogs as well as a

number of career information sessions, from details on the ADF Academy to Reserve service, general entry, officer entry, trade entry and a women in defence information session.

A key focus for the expo was to highlight and profile careers for women. There are currently opportunities for women in aviation careers, including pilot and aviation technical trades, and in the navy as marine and electrical technicians.

For information on ADF careers, visit www.defencejobs.gov.au or call 13 19 01.

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Location: Broome, Western Australia

Job Description:

This position is responsible for the following:

- Coordinating the Desert River Sea: Kimberley Art Then & Now project regional office
- Developing and delivery of the project's remote regional outcomes
- Developmental work within Indigenous art-making communities across the Kimberley region of Western Australia
- Pursuant of Section 50(d) of the Equal Employment Opportunities Act 1984, the occupant of this position must be of Aboriginal descent.

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: 6552 7499 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Lynne Hargreaves on 08 9492 6605

Location: Broome, Western Australia

Closing Date: 16 July 2014 at 4pm (WST)



**KATUNGUL
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
COMMUNITY AND
MEDICAL SERVICES**

Aboriginal (Clinical) Health Worker

Katungul ACC&MS is currently seeking expressions of interest for the position of Aboriginal Health Worker (AHW) to deliver services from Batemans Bay to Eden. The AHW will assist the doctors, nurses and senior Aboriginal health staff in providing a community based holistic health care approach to meet our client's needs.

Criteria

1. Certificate 4 - Clinical Aboriginal Health Worker is preferable or equivalent qualification or experience in community health
2. Have the willingness to commit to a full time position and travel within the service area
3. Have demonstrated ability to work effectively both independently and as part of a team in both a clinical and community setting
4. Have the ability to organise and prioritise work (and study) activities
5. Be performance driven for achieving outcomes for Katungul and community members
6. Be of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander decent *

Please apply with CV, covering letter plus two current referees marked *Confidential* to: Mr Stephen Kelly, Katungul ACC&MS PO Box 296, Narooma, 2546. More information can be sought by contacting Stephen Kelly on 0244 762155.

Application close: Friday 18th July 2014

Practice Manager

Katungul AMS is a community controlled organisation looking for an enthusiastic, flexible and experienced Practice Manager. This position is responsible for the day to day effective running of a busy AGPAL accredited practice with three clinics delivering comprehensive primary health care to Aboriginal people on the south coast.

Key responsibilities of the role include managing existing primary care including engagement, collaborative agreements for care, clinical and corporate governance including compliance, assurance and risk management; building the capacity of the workforce; continuous quality improvement and risk management; excellent HR skills with knowledge of current legislation; and the ability to keep up morale. Capability to adapt to a new funding environment will be an advantage.

Previous management experience is required. Generous salary circa \$110,000 with the option for salary packaging will be offered.

Please apply with CV and covering letter plus two current referees, marked *Confidential* to: CEO - Mr Jon Rogers, Katungul ACC&MS, P.O. Box 296, Narooma, NSW, 2546. More information and a copy of the selection criteria to be addressed in the application can be sought by contacting Jon Rogers on (02) 4476 2155.

Application close: Friday 18th July 2014.

Department of Justice

Executive Assistant Koori Justice Unit



- **Melbourne CBD location**
- **Expand on your stakeholder management skills**
- **Salary range \$58,630 - \$71,189 plus superannuation**

The Koori Justice Unit is currently seeking an experienced Executive Assistant to support the Director, Koori Justice Unit.

In this role you will provide high level executive and administrative support, maintain administrative systems and procedures and manage the Director's emails, diary and correspondence.

As our ideal candidate you will have:

- an understanding of the Victorian Koori community, society and culture
- excellent interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills
- self-management skills, planning and prioritising work with limited direction.

For further information on this position and to submit your application please visit careers.vic.gov.au by Wednesday 16 July 2014.

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Department of Justice

Manager, Strategic Projects Koori Justice Unit



- **Dynamic division with diverse projects**
- **12 month fixed-term opportunity**
- **Salary range \$102,725 - \$137,467 plus superannuation**

The Koori Justice Unit within the Department of Justice's Service Strategy Reform Branch, is primarily responsible for coordinating implementation of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) across the Victorian Government and justice system.

As the Manager, Strategic Projects, you will manage a range of new initiatives under the third phase of the AJA, including:

- coordinating responses to the recommendations
- coordinating 2014/15 activities with regard to the consideration of the business case in the budget process
- overseeing the development of options to maximise Koori women's diversion
- supporting initiatives developed under the first phase of the AJA.

The role liaises with Victorian Koori communities, senior management, program staff and other key stakeholders on the program scope, direction, development, governance, service delivery model and implementation issues associated with the establishment of new programs and program reform.

To be successful in this role, you will need extensive project management experience, together with an understanding of the Victorian Koori community, society and culture.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au before Wednesday 16 July 2014.



GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICER

Aboriginal Targeted Position
Blue Mountains Local Area Command, Springwood & Katoomba
Clerk Grade 1/2 – Permanent Full-time
Jobs.NSW Requisition No: 000030IC

Salary Package: \$67,162. **Salary:** \$55,985 – \$60,863. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Blue Mountains Local Area Command, focusing on quality advice and high level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

Job Notes:

- This position is open to Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants **only**, in accordance with *Part 6, Clause 23 of the Government Sector Employment Rules 2014*.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines.
- The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- For your application to be considered, you **must**:
 - Give written responses addressing each of the selection criterion using the text boxes provided in the online application; **or**
 - Attach a document addressing each of the selection criterion to your application.
 - Attach an up-to-date resume to your application.
- The successful applicant will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history check) prior to commencement.
- **Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.**

Enquiries: Christine Upton, Local Area Manager, on (02) 4751 0203

For the selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 000030IC.

Closing date: Sunday, 13 July 2014

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Label Assistants – ABC Music

The ABC strives for equity and diversity in the workplace and to promote a culture of opportunity. Indigenous Australians are strongly encouraged to apply for these positions.

We're looking for two Label Assistants to join the ABC Music team based in Sydney. You'll have strong administrative experience, with some exposure to marketing and a keen interest in Jazz, Classical or Contemporary music.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers

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Department of Justice

Koori Family Violence Support Workers



- **Two fixed-term opportunities until 31 December 2014**
- **Provide support and guidance to Koori victims and offenders**

The Melbourne Magistrates' Court has two fantastic opportunities available for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to take on these key roles in the Family Violence Programs and Initiatives Unit.

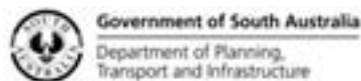
As the **Koori Men's Family Violence Support Worker** or the **Koori Women's Family Violence Support Worker**, you will provide gender appropriate support and guidance to both victims and perpetrators of family violence in all jurisdictions of the court, specifically intervention order, Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal and criminal matters.

You will conduct risk assessments for clients, make appropriate referrals to a range of services and develop plans for clients to address family violence issues. You will also build stronger links between the community, support services and the courts.

Our ideal candidates will have a demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Koori community, particularly around issues associated with family violence. They will also have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, including the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with members of the Victorian Koori community.

For further information on these positions and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au before 13 July 2014.

These are Aboriginal Designated Positions, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.



Aboriginal Program Support Officer

Vacancy Number: T4157/2014
Full Time, Temporary for 12 months
(More than one position)
Location – Adelaide CBD (Grenfell Street)
\$62,806 – \$65,709 p.a. (ASO4)

Duties: The Aboriginal Program Support Officer is accountable to the Manager, Community Programs for undertaking a range of activities to support efficient and effective administration of programs to support a positive road safety outcome for Aboriginal people and providing a customer liaison role in remote areas to deliver local licensing services. The role is also responsible for assisting clients to apply for licensing exemptions under Section 98AAG of the *Motor Vehicles Act 1959*, aimed at improving access to the driver licensing system and road safety outcomes for Aboriginal people living in remote areas of South Australia.

Special Conditions: This role has been classified as a position of trust. The incumbent is subject to a satisfactory criminal history / record check in line with departmental policies and procedures. The initial location of this position will be within the Adelaide CBD, but the occupant will be required to spend considerable time working in remote communities such as those within the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara and Maralinga Tjarutja Lands (APY and MT lands). Work outside normal hours and extensive inter/intrastate travel to remote communities for extended periods (involving absences of five days or more) is required. Significant duties will be required to be undertaken whilst working in remote communities (specifically but not limited to, APY and MT lands) which have extreme climatic weather conditions. A current driver's licence is essential.

Applications to: HR Customer Support, Level 14, 77 Grenfell Street (GPO Box 1533), Adelaide SA, 5001, telephone 8343 2600, email DPTI.Apply@sa.gov.au

Enquiries to: Ms Belinda Halling, Manager Community Programs, telephone 8402 1916.

For further information, please visit www.dpti.sa.gov.au/careers and search on the vacancy number.

Applicants are required to submit a written application of no more than two pages and a curriculum vitae demonstrating their suitability for the role. In addition applicants are required to complete the Cover Sheet quoting the vacancy number. All applicants need to complete and return an Employment Declaration with their application for employment. The SA Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer and safety is a core value.

Applications close: 5.00pm 11 July 2014

www.dpti.sa.gov.au

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NSW Federation of Housing Associations inc

Contract Trainers and Assessors

The NSW Federation of Housing Associations is seeking expressions of interest to form a panel of Trainers to deliver, assess and/or develop content in social housing and community services qualifications. Our online mode gives trainers the option to work from their own location. We are specifically seeking Aboriginal trainers and assessors to be members of the panel.

Candidates should hold, or be willing to undertake a TAE40110 and have relevant experience in the community sector. The Federation is an equal opportunity employer.

For further information please contact Kirsty Hayes at the Federation on 02 9281 7144 ex 216 or kirstyh@communityhousing.org.au or via the website www.communityhousing.org.au

position vacant

Aboriginal Family Preservation and Reunification Worker

MT Gambier
0.8 FTE (60.8 hpf)

An opportunity has arisen for an Aboriginal Family Preservation and Reunification Worker to join our Foster Care team in the Limestone Coast region.

This position provides culturally appropriate Family Preservation and Reunification Services for Aboriginal children, young people and families.

People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

If you require further information please contact Donna Hill (Program Manager, Foster Care Services, Limestone Coast region) during business hours on 8724 9211 or email: hr@accare.org.au

Applications are open until further notice.



www.accare.org.au

Youth, Families and Communities Manager

- **Canberra based**
- **Full Time, ongoing position**

Develop existing and new place-based community development programs. Focus on growing the footprint of Red Cross youth, families communities programs and initiatives throughout the ACT/SE NSW region, particularly with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, including Wallaga Lake. Demonstrated high level management experience in the community services sector.

Reference number: 495262

Contact: Leigh Skene on 02 9229 4109

redcross.org.au/careers

Applications close: 20 July 2014



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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

POSITIONS IN SYDNEY MEDICAL SCHOOL

The University of Sydney is currently seeking candidates of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent to join us in the following positions:

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
REFERENCE NO. 905/0414**

**ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER
REFERENCE NO. 1086/0514**

To perform this role, it is essential that the appointee be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. It is therefore an essential selection criterion and is authorised under the provisions of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Evidence of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent must be provided with application.

This is a great opportunity to join our internationally regarded medical school.

For more information and to apply, search by the reference number at sydney.edu.au/recruitment



Social Worker (Bringing Them Home: Stolen Generations) Dandenong, VIC

- * **Help improve the mental health & wellbeing of community members**
- * **Competitive remuneration offered + professional development opps!**



Dandenong and District Aboriginals Co-Operative has an opportunity for a culturally-sensitive **Social Worker** to join their Dandenong team. You'll be responsible for aiding in the delivery of a group support service for community members affected by the removal of children from families & community, as well as the forced adoption cases that separated birth mothers from their children (The Stolen Generation). In return, you'll enjoy a competitive remuneration package, plus salary sacrificing and access to ongoing professional development opportunities! Apply Now!



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I can enjoy the freedom of working in the community, meeting new people and using my skills to find solutions to complex problems. With my help, my clients, their families and the community can enjoy a better quality of health. At SA Health, I can draw upon ongoing education and team support to help my clients better manage their health and feel more empowered in life.

Clinician APY Lands
 Women's & Children's Health Network
 Child, Adolescent Mental Health Service

Job Ref: 539800

www.health.sa.gov.au/careers
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Griffith/Lake Cargelligo
Aboriginal Health Education Officer – Quit for New Life (Non Graduate)
Position No: 199819
Salary: \$23.63 – \$34.80 per hour

The Quit for New Life (QFNL) Aboriginal Health Education Officers will support the implementation of the QFNL program in the MLHD.

The QFNL program aims to deliver culturally appropriate, evidence based smoking cessation care, to pregnant Aboriginal women and pregnant women with Aboriginal partners and their household members for up to 3 months postpartum.

For further details please review the website <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au> or contact – Ms Sabrina Brown, on (02) 6058 1732, sabrina.brown@gsahs.health.nsw.gov.au

All applications must address the selection criteria outlined in the position description.

Don't wait, APPLY ONLINE NOW:
 We are voted by our employees to be one of the best employers in the industry.

Closing date: 15/07/2014

Delivering better health for regional people



Health
Murrumbidgee
Local Health District

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The Housing Trust is a leading provider of social and affordable housing in the Illawarra. We have been serving the Illawarra community for over 30 years. Due to continuing growth, we are excited to be able to offer the following positions.

Senior Community Housing Worker

Reporting to the Deputy Operations Manager, you will be responsible for leading a team of community housing workers in providing effective and high quality housing services to tenants.

Tertiary qualified and experienced in the social welfare/community housing sector, you will bring your exceptional team building skills and an ability to deliver outstanding outcomes for diverse and often complex needs client groups.

Community Housing Worker (Routine Inspections)

Your role will be to deliver quality client service by scheduling, organizing and undertaking routine inspections of tenant's properties on a daily basis, ensuring compliance with regulations, policies and procedures.

Along with your ability to work independently you will need relevant tertiary qualifications and/or a minimum 12 months relevant experience combined with strong client/customer service skills.

Community Housing Worker (fixed-term until Dec 2015)

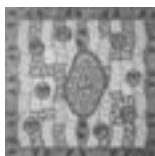
Your role will be to undertake a range of duties in our Demand Management Team including maintaining tenancy systems, providing advice and information to tenants, representation, reporting tenancy and maintenance issues and ensuring quality customer services.

To be successful you will need relevant tertiary qualifications and/or a minimum 12 months relevant experience combined with strong client/customer service skills.

For further information & how to apply please visit www.housingtrust.org.au or for a confidential discussion contact Jen Dixon on (02) 4254 1166.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Applications close Friday 18 July 2014



CEO (Aboriginal Medical Service) Taree, NSW

* Use your senior management experience to lead organisational change as CEO!
* \$150,000 - \$170,000 + super, salary sacrificing, work vehicle, laptop & phone!

Biripi Aboriginal Corporation Medical Centre has an exciting opportunity for a **Chief Executive Officer** to lead its professional team based in Taree, NSW. Reporting to the Board of Directors, this role will see you **responsible for the strategic and operational management of the corporation, including staff, finances, assets and other resources.** In return for your hard work, you'll enjoy an **attractive salary circa \$150K - \$170 + super, salary sacrificing, work vehicle, laptop & phone!** Biripi ACMC also provides a wealth of employee benefits to make your life easier, including **flexi-time and discounted dental and health care!** Applications close 5pm, 18th July, 2014.

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Apply Online
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WORKFORCE TALENT ACQUISITION OFFICER ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT

Job reference - 137440

For more information go to our website www.barwonhealth.org.au/Careers and 'View our vacancies'

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www.barwonhealth.org.au

Multiple Opportunities within Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Services

ReGen and Odyssey House are currently seeking suitably experienced and qualified people for a range of AOD Clinical Positions.

Full-time and part-time positions are available across a range of locations in the north and west areas of Melbourne.



For more information on these exciting new opportunities in the AOD sector, including position descriptions and how to apply, please visit the ReGen and Odyssey websites at www.regen.org.au and www.odyssey.org.au



COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFICER ROYAL COMMISSION – to February 2015

ALS provides high quality legal aid and community legal education to Aboriginal people in NSW/ACT. We currently have a vacancy for a community education officer to increase awareness about the activities of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and refer clients to the Royal Commission Legal Advisory Service.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES: Delivering community education and information sessions in remote and regional communities across NSW/ACT, and working closely with the Royal Commission Legal Advisory Service. The position will involve regular travel to communities across NSW/ACT.

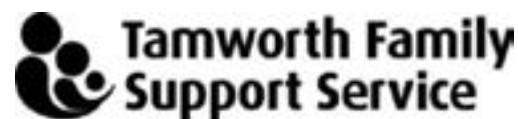
The successful candidate will have a demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal people, excellent interpersonal and communication skills, relevant work experience or qualifications in law, social services, community development or education.

For further information please contact Kelly Smith Specialist Unit Regional Manager kelly.smith@alsnswact.org.au or go to www.alsnswact.org.au/getinvolved/jobs

This an Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander identified position

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications close 14 th July 2014



Imagine working for a truly regional organisation whose 70+ employees share a singular vision: Families and Communities that Care, Share and Grow. We enjoy what we do at TFSS. We bring projects to life in the towns and communities in which we work, and we're driven by a set of values and common principles.

Innovation is built into every project we manage and every community we serve. We'll provide you with support in an environment that allows you to grow and succeed. Come share your passion with us.

HOMELESSNESS SERVICES

• Tamworth Homelessness Service 4 x Case Worker positions

• Youth Homelessness Service 4 x Case Worker positions

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People are encouraged to apply.

For further information about the positions and how to apply, please visit our website www.tfss.com.au or contact Alison on (02) 6763 2333 or via email info@tfss.com.au

Applications close: 4:00 pm, Wed 9th July, 2014.



LINK-UP (NSW) ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

Link-Up (NSW) Aboriginal Corporation was founded in 1980 to assist Aboriginal people of the Stolen Generations; those who have been fostered, adopted or raised in institutions under Government policies of their time.

Link-Up NSW is a research, referral and counselling service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who meet our criteria.

Link-Up (NSW) is relocating to brand new premises in Ropes Crossing and has undertaken a restructure resulting in the need to fill positions in the following areas:

- Link –Up (finding family and reunifying)
- Family Link (finding family for children affected by Family And Community Services and OOHC)
- Community Builders (assisting non-Aboriginal families connect Aboriginal children in OOHC with their culture)
- Hidden Carers (referral service for Aboriginal carers not recognised for caring for family who meet the ADHC criteria)
- Royal Commission counselling (counselling for people affected by the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses To Child Sexual Abuse).

Vacancies include:

1 x Program Manager

The salary range is \$75,000 to \$80,000.

2 x Full Time Counsellors

These positions are covered by the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Award, with a salary range of \$46,600 to \$62,000.

Suitable experienced applicants without qualifications will also be considered.

1 x Full Time Counsellor (Royal Commission)

The salary range for this position is \$65,000 to \$70,000.

1 x Executive Assistant

This position is covered by the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Award, with a salary range of \$42,330 to \$50,000.

4 x Full Time Case Workers 1 x Part Time Case Worker

This position is covered by the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Award, with a salary range of \$46,600 to \$62,000 (pro rata basis for the part time position).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

All applications for the above positions must be sent to employment@nsw.link-up.org.au

The salaries offered to the successful candidates will reflect the experience and qualifications of those applicants.

If you are looking to work within an environment that supports Aboriginal communities, offers ongoing professional development, access to tax effective salary packaging, a friendly team and a supportive environment then apply today.

To request an information package email employment@nsw.link-up.org.au

If you would like further information about the current vacancies after receiving the information package please contact Jane Wilson on 02 4759 1911 or free call 1800 624 332.

Aboriginality is a genuine requirement for these positions; however, we encourage qualified non-Aboriginal people to provide an expression of interest with their CV if they are seeking to join part of a dedicated team.

Should there be any position not filled by Aboriginal people those submitting an Expression of Interest will be contacted.

Applications must address the relevant selection criteria contained in the information package, and include a cover letter along with your resume.



Family & Community Services
Community Services

Casework Specialist

Vacancies now available across NSW

- Are you passionate about improving the lives of vulnerable children, young people and families?
- Do you want to be part of embedding practice reform and a culture of quality casework?
- Do you have a degree in social work or a related area?

The NSW Department of Family & Community Services (FACS) provides vital programs and services designed to help vulnerable children, young people and their families.

The NSW Government recently announced a reform package that places quality case work and early decision making at the heart of the child protection system to ensure that children and young people are safe and have a permanent and nurturing 'home for life'.

We are after sound practitioners to support practice development and the current team of Casework Specialists in locations across the state; so if you are resilient and courageous, model collaborative practice, and are committed to achieving quality outcomes, then FACS wants you.

Additional information:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply
- Successful candidates will be placed in a talent pool to fill vacancies as they arise

TO APPLY

Please visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au and quote reference number 0000303M, to go through to our application form.

Here you will be asked to:

- provide contact and general information about yourself
- upload your resume
- tell us how your skills and experience suit the role.

For enquiries, please contact Brendan McDonnell on (02) 9765 5500.

Aboriginal Targeted Solicitor, Legal Officer I-III, Civil Law, Central Sydney Office (Ongoing)

- Ongoing vacancy
- Package up to 109K
- Jobs NSW Reference No. 00002YKC

Enquiries: Lauren Finestone on (02) 9219 5924 or
lauren.finstone@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Applications must be submitted online at
www.jobs.nsw.gov.au to be considered.

Closing date: 9 July 2014

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**NGUNYA JARJUM
ABORIGINAL CHILD AND
FAMILY NETWORK INC.**

Ngunya Jarjum is the first Aboriginal, Out of Home Care Service on NSW to be accredited for 5 years by the Office of the Children's Guardian. We are able to offer exciting career opportunities to anyone with the skills and dedication to join our case management team. We are a dynamic service in the process of significantly increasing our capacity to enable us to provide additional care placements for our children, families and communities.

Re-advertised positions

Experienced ATSI Caseworkers

Full time permanent positions

Ngunya Jarjum is seeking to employ an Aboriginal worker for our Foster Care Support team with a minimum of 3 years' experience in casework practice in Human Services, particularly in OOH, social welfare, carer support or working with communities, families and children.

A satisfactory "Working with Children Check" and a medical will be conducted.

Salary: As per award - Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010. A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

In this position an applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination act 1977.

Location: Lismore.

Contact: Lenore Marlowe – CEO, email
lenore.marlowe@ngunyajarjum.com

Information Packages: Must be obtained prior to completion of the application and is available on request by contacting the office on (02) 6626 3700.

Send Applications to: Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 580, Lismore NSW 2480.

Previous applicants need not apply.

Closing Date: 18th July 2014.



Indigenous Personal Assistant

We're looking for an experienced Personal Assistant to help support the Head TV Strategy & Digital Products and TV Management based in Ultimo, Sydney. You'll need to have experience in a similar role, a positive can-do attitude and strong communication skills.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Equity and Diversity Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

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**Family &
Community Services**
Housing NSW

Housing Assistant (Targeted)

**Clerk General Scale
FaCS – Family & Community Services
Housing NSW**

- Illawarra Shoalhaven District
- **Location:** Wollongong
- **Total remuneration package valued up to \$58,687 per annum (Salary: \$27,109 pa – \$53,062 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.**

The role is an entry level position which supports the client service team. The main duties are administration and customer service, both face to face and over the telephone.

Job Notes: This is a full-time ongoing role located in Wollongong. Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the targeted questions.

This role is targeted for employment of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and is authorised in accordance with Part 9A of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Closing date: Wednesday, 9th July 2014

Learn more: To apply or learn more information, visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

For enquiries: Karen Lambert on (02) 4224 5776 or Toni Ordhorf on (02) 4224 5761

Thank you for your interest in this position.

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Department of Justice

Senior Project Officer Native Title Unit



- **Unique opportunity working with diverse projects**
- **Salary range \$83,749 - \$101,330 plus superannuation**

The Native Title Unit is responsible for leading the state's resolution of native title claims through the innovative Traditional Owner Settlement Act framework.

As the Senior Project Officer, you will:

- support the negotiation, implementation and development of policy projects
- work directly with Victorian traditional owners, leading negotiations on behalf of the state
- provide advice to the Attorney-General and Cabinet.

Our ideal candidate will have excellent project management, communication, negotiation, policy analysis and problem solving skills. Experience in working with Aboriginal communities, including community and economic development, land and natural resources, and governance, is highly desirable.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au before 16 July 2014.

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.



SENIOR POLICY OFFICER

(ongoing) – \$88,365 to \$94,365

Plus Statutory Superannuation & Salary Sacrificing arrangements
AIDA is the nation's peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander doctors and medical students, and advocates for improvements in Indigenous health in Australia. We are working towards improving the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, reaching parity of Indigenous health professionals across the entire health sector and creating a health system that is culturally safe, high quality, reflective of need, and respects and integrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural values.

This position will form part of AIDA's Policy and Programs team and requires:

- A strong commitment to improving the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
- Experience with policy and project work;
- Proven ability as an effective communicator; and
- Demonstrated ability to work in a changing and challenging environment

If you have excellent written and verbal skills, proven ability to work within a small and dynamic team, then we would like to hear from you.

The AIDA Secretariat is based at Old Parliament House, Canberra, ACT

As an Indigenous organisation we strongly encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for this position.

If you would like to discuss this position please do not hesitate to contact Ms Sam Crossman on (02) 6273 5013 or via email at samc@aida.org.au

Duty Statements & Selection Criteria can be found at <http://www.aida.org.au/positions/vacant.aspx>

Applications marked "Confidential" should be addressed to:

Ms Susan Granger
PO Box 3497
MANUKA ACT 2603
or by email to: susan@aida.org.au



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New South Wales

Deputy Ombudsman (Aboriginal Programs)

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The NSW Ombudsman considers that being Aboriginal is an essential requirement and is a genuine occupational qualification under section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)*.

This is a readvertised position and previous applicants will be brought forward.

For information about this role and application requirements visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au and search using the reference number 000030VD. Applications must be lodged through jobs.nsw, close at 11:59pm on Sunday 20 July 2014.

For further inquiries contact Anita Whittaker on (02) 9286 1037.

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Health

South Western Sydney
Local Health District

Aboriginal Female – Immunisation Liaison Officer

Ref: 195846

Salary: Dependent on qualifications

Temporary full-time (up to 04/09/2015) at Liverpool

Enquiries: Stephen Conaty, (02) 9515 9420

Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer (Graduate or Non Graduate)

Ref: 195079

Salary: \$46,856 – \$79,916 pa

Full-time at Narellan

Enquiries: Kerry Welsh, (02) 9780 2750

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Trainee Environmental Health Officer

Ref: 195819

Salary: \$846.70 – \$940.60 pw

Temporary full-time (up to 03/07/2020) at

Liverpool/Bankstown Hospitals

Enquiries: John Birkett, (02) 9515 9420

Closing date: 15 July 2014

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification for all three positions and is authorised under section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

**Please apply online by visiting:
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Anindilyakwa Services Aboriginal Corporation (ASAC)

Linguist

Anindilyakwa Services Aboriginal Corporation (ASAC) is located on Groote Eylandt, situated on the western side of the Gulf of Carpentaria, is a newly established entity with the core objective to relieve the poverty, improve the well-being, and promote the community development of the Anindilyakwa people.

Reporting to the Cultural Centres Project Manager, this project position is responsible for assessing the current linguistics operations and advising on the strategic direction of the Linguistics Centre into the future.

We are looking for an experienced, motivated Linguist who can engage with the community and effectively provide strategic

management advice regarding the future of the Centre, with the ability to manage the Centre's language projects and staff.

You will have excellent strategic business planning skills, exceptional communication and interpersonal skills and willingness to foster knowledge and understanding of Anindilyakwa language and culture.

This role is initially for 6 months to assist with our strategic planning; however the opportunity may exist for the right person to accept a longer term contract.

Applications close 16 July 2014

For further information and selection documentation please contact Amanda Strange on Mobile (0400) 905 050 or email astrange@alcnt.com.au



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Join us now and benefit from professional support and training, flexible working conditions, great career opportunities and a competitive salary.

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Rural Reporter

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ABC Radio has a brand new opportunity for a Rural Reporter based at Maroochydore on the Sunshine Coast. You'll have accomplished writing, reporting and presentation skills, and an in-depth understanding of rural and regional issues.

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A problem solver who appreciates the value of an energetic team environment and respects cultural diversity?

Bega Garnbirringu Health Services (Bega) is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation based in Kalgoorlie, Western Australia. Bega has a strong commitment to providing culturally appropriate and sustainable service delivery. We are rapidly becoming renowned as an employer of choice due to our positive work environment and very attractive terms and conditions. These include a 35 hour week, up to 6 weeks leave, salary sacrifice options, professional development opportunities and onsite childcare facilities.

In keeping with our vision and commitment to closing the gap in life expectancy between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people, Bega is leading the way in remote healthcare delivery through our innovative Mobile Clinic program. Comprising of 2 fully functional mobile clinics, services are delivered to rural and remote Aboriginal communities stretching from Esperance in the South to Laverton in the north. Bega is currently seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified and committed applicants to fill the following roles in the Mobile Clinic:

Registered Nurse

The Registered Nurse will be responsible for one of our two mobile clinics, under the direction of the Mobile Clinic Coordinator. The requirements for this role include a Registered Nurse qualification, current Police Certificate, and your "C" class driver's licence as well as a medium rigid licence (or willingness to work towards one). You will also be required to obtain a Working with Children's Check.

You will also have experience in communicating and working constructively with ATSI communities as well as a sound understanding of the health, social and emotional wellbeing needs of ATSI people. Travel will be required for this position.

A detailed position description can be downloaded from our website www.bega.org.au requested via email recruitment@bega.org.au or by calling the Human Resource Officer on 08 9022 5500.

This position will remain open until a suitable applicant has been appointed.

So if you feel you're up for the challenge and want to join the dynamic team at Bega, please send a cover letter along with a copy of your resume to Bega Garnbirringu Health Services, PO Box 1655, Kalgoorlie 6430 or email to recruitment@bega.org.au

Health Worker (x4)

The Health Workers for the mobile clinic will be an integral part of the program. You will be required to conduct health checks as well as assist the Registered Nurses in delivering holistic health care to outlying Aboriginal communities.

Health Workers may include an Enrolled Nurse, or an Aboriginal Health Worker (Cert III, IV or Diploma in Practice Stream).

To be successful in this role, you will have the up to date required qualifications of your profession as well as a current "C" class driver's licence, a medium rigid licence (or willingness to work towards one), a current police certificate and a Working with Children's Check. Travel will be required for this position.



**Bega
Garnbirringu**
HEALTH SERVICE

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

National Native Title Tribunal

Notification day: 16 July 2014

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003 on or before 15 October 2014. After 15 October 2014, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Woppaburra People
Federal Court File No: QUD738/2013
Date filed: 6 November 2013
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.
Description: Application covers about 584 sq km over the South Pacific Ocean, Great Keppel Island and surrounding Islands approx. 11 km east of Yeppoon.
Relevant LGAs: Livingstone Shire Council

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources & Mines, Queensland.
For assistance and further information about this application, call Tracey Jefferies on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

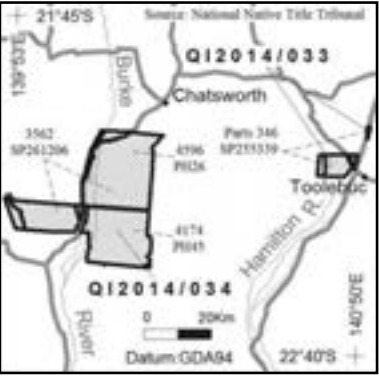
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Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

National Native Title Tribunal

State of Queensland
Notification day: 9 July 2014



QI2014/033 Yulluna People/Toolebuc ILUA
Description of the agreement area: Agreement area covers about 67 sq km over parts of Lot 346 on SP255339 (Toolebuc Pastoral Lease) approximately 7 kilometres north-west and 15 kilometres north of Toolebuc.
Relevant LGA: Cloncurry Shire Council.
QI2014/034 Yulluna People/Corrie Downs, Digby Peaks and Windsor Park (aka Willsdown) ILUA
Description of the agreement area: Agreement area covers about 900 sq km over Lot 4596 on PH26 (Digby Peaks Pastoral Lease), Lot 3562 on SP261206 (Willsdown Pastoral Lease) and Lot 4174 on PH45 (Corrie Downs Pastoral Lease) approximately 15 kilometres south-west of Chatsworth.
Relevant LGAs: Boulia and Cloncurry Shire Councils.
Agreement area boundaries compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

The Yulluna People are party to both agreements:
Brian Sullivan, Valerie Punch, Hazel Sullivan, Stan Sullivan and Allan Naumann on their own behalf and on behalf of the Yulluna People #3
C/- Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd
Level 10, 307 Queen Street
Brisbane QLD 4000
The other parties are listed in the table below.

QI2014/033 Yulluna People/Toolebuc ILUA	Andrew William Jesse Daniels, Samuel Donald James Daniels, Gabrielle Kennedy, Jeffrey Robert James Daniels and Luke William Jesse Daniels	C/- Thynne & Macartney GPO Box 245 Brisbane QLD 4001
QI2014/034 Yulluna People/Corrie Downs, Digby Peaks and Windsor Park (aka Willsdown) ILUA	Dulcie Carol Anderson, Phillip Martin Patrick Anderson and Donald James Grimshaw	C/- Thynne & Macartney GPO Box 245 Brisbane QLD 4001

The agreements do not contain any statements of a kind mentioned in either section 24EB(1) or subsection 24EBA (1) or (4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:
These two applications for registration of indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs) have been certified by the Queensland South Native Title Services Limited, the representative body for the area concerned. The area covered by each agreement is shown in the map. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by any of the agreements may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the agreements if they think that the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of any of the agreements (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the areas covered by the agreements) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, BRISBANE, QLD, 4000** by 9 October 2014.
Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.
For assistance and further information about these applications, call Tracey Jefferies on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES

MINING ACT 1971 - SECTION 63M

- PANDA MINING PTY LTD, ACN 137 548 237 OF PO BOX 1204 FREMANTLE WA 6959** proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land(s):
The land comprised within Exploration Licence 5218, being land located approximately 65km southwest of Olary in the area of Winnininnie and bounded as follows:
374,887mgE / 6,401,675mgN
381,149mgE / 6,401,752mgN
374,934mgE / 6,397,980mgN
381,193mgE / 6,398,056mgN (Total area 23km2)
- The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land(s) is as follows:**
Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation. The operations may include reconnaissance, geological mapping and gridding; rotary mud drilling, downhole probing, and diamond core drilling; sampling and radiometric testing of drill cuttings; aerial and other photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical sampling, water sampling, hydrological studies; and include all things necessarily incidental to such operations.
- The proposed operations are or will be authorised by Exploration Licence 5218 under the Mining Act 1971.**
- PANDA MINING PTY LTD seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.**
Note: If, two months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971, there are no persons registered under the law of the State of the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, the Company may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent **PANDA MINING PTY LTD** as follows:

- Contact telephone number: (08) 8210 1200
- Contact facsimile number (if available): (08) 8210 1234
- If a company:
 - ACN. 137 548 237
 - Contact person: Chris Alexandrides



All of Cape York Native Title Authorisation Meeting

All persons who, according to their traditional laws and customs, hold the common or group rights and interests in the land and waters of Cape York are invited to a series of authorisation meetings to provide information on and authorise a single native title claim for all land and waters of Cape York, as shown on the map below.
All Traditional Owners of Cape York and any person who claims traditional rights and interests in any of the land and waters of Cape York are encouraged to attend one or more of the authorisation meetings. See the attached map for the area of the proposed claim. This claim will not affect those areas that already have native title determined, however you are encouraged to attend even if you already have a native title determination on your country.
Traditional Owners are encouraged to attend any meeting which is convenient and it is not necessary to attend the meeting on your traditional country.

Date	Meeting Place	Venue and Time
14 July 14	Cairns	10 am at Rydges, 209-217 Abbott Street
16 July 14	Mareeba	10 am at PCYC
22 July 14	Laura	10 am at the Community Hall
23 July 14	Coen	10 am at the Cultural Centre
24 July 14	Pormpuraaw	10 am at the Sports Centre
28 July 14	Weipa	10 am at the CYLC Office, Evans Landing, Weipa
29 July 14	Aurukun	10 am at the BPO Conference Room
31 July 14	Lockhart River	10 am at St Michael's Church
4 August 14	Yarrabah	10 am at the Community Hall
5 August 14	Mossman	10 am at the Shire Hall, 8-14 Mill Street
6 August 14	Wujal Wujal	10 am at the Community Hall
12 August 14	Chillagoe	10 am at the Town Hall
14 August 14	Kowanyama	10 am at the Multi Purpose Centre
18 August 14	Thursday Island	10 am at the Port Kennedy Association
20 August 14	Injinoo	10 am the Community Hall
25 August 14	Townsville	10 am at the Mercure, Woolcock Street, Townsville.
26 August 14	Palm Island	10 am at the PCYC, Mango Avenue
28 August 14	Charters Towers	10 am at the Arthur Titley Centre, 101-105 Mossman St
1 September 14	Cherbourg	10 am at the Council Training Room
3 September 14	Woorabinda	10 am at the HACC Centre
8 September 14	Normanton	10 am at the Bynoe Cacs, 35 Old Croydon Road
10 September 14	Hope Vale	10 am at the Council Meeting Rooms
11 September 14	Cooktown	



Information
Cape York Land Council will be sending out information on the claim to all people on our contact list. If you would like a copy of this information please call Shilo Villaflor on free call 1800 623 548 to ensure that we have your current address. Please discuss this information with your family members before attending the meeting.
If you wish to attend any of the above meetings or you require further information, please call Shilo Villaflor on 1800 623 548. Cape York Land Council will provide lunch and refreshments.

Geale heads an Aussie slugfest



FIVE Australian boxers will fight for versions of a world title in a frantic burst of activity in the United States. Daniel Geale's much anticipated clash with WBA middleweight super champion Gennady Golovkin (29-0, 26 KOs) at New York's Madison Square Garden on July 26 represents the first of four successive weekends Australians will fight for a belt.

"This is a huge time for Aussie boxing," Geale (30-2, 16 KOs) said. "We have some great talent in Australia and it's time to bring some world titles back."

Australia has two universally recognised world champions in WBC super middleweight titleholder Sakio Bika and recently-crowned IBF middleweight king Sam Soliman. Bika (32-5-3, 21 KOs) has his second defence pencilled in for August 16, a rematch of his first, last December, which resulted in a draw with American Anthony Dirrell (26-0-1, 22 KOs).

"This time I can't give him a chance," said Bika of the rematch, which is again expected to be in New York. Also on that card, Western Australia's Daniel Dawson (40-3-1, 26 KOs) is set to fight former WBA light middleweight world champion Austin Trout (26-2, 14 KOs).

The bout will be for the WBA interim title or the number-one ranking in that division. Light-heavyweight Blake Caparello (19-0-1, 6 KOs) and middleweight Jarrod Fletcher (18-1, 10 KOs) will get their cracks at a world title in the first two weeks of August.

Caparello gets his world title shot against Russia's WBO light heavyweight champion Sergey Kovalev (24-0-1, 22 KOs) in New Jersey on August 2. Fletcher, who was initially authorised by the WBA as Golovkin's next opponent, will now fight American Danny Jacobs (27-1, 24 KOs) for the vacant regular WBA middleweight belt in New York on August 9.

"Things have worked out well; Gealey gets his opportunity and I get mine," said Fletcher who sparred 28 rounds with Geale last week. – AAP



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	16/538	PHOENIX GOLD LIMITED	159.06HA	43km N'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 35' S Long: 121° 0' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	24/950	GPM RESOURCES PTY LTD	38.82HA	42km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 24' S Long: 121° 16' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	26/832	ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	470.99HA	8km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 2 July 2014

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **2 October 2014**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 2 November 2014**), 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 3518.

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NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
04/1893	MERIDIAN (LENNARD SHELF PROJECT) PTY LTD	448330	1893.68HA	62km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 18° 41' S Long: 125° 52' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
27/485	TASEX GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	448793	46.18HA	38km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 121° 41' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 2 July 2014

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **2 October 2014**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 2 November 2014**), 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 3518.

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Resources & Energy

Mining Lease Application 469

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th).

Description of area that may be affected by the mining lease

An area of 184.35 hectares situated approximately 3.11 kilometres north-west of Ulan, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

Ulan Coal Mines Ltd (ACN 000 189 248) is the applicant of Mining Lease 469 (Act 1992), for a mining lease which would authorise the mining for coal and be granted for a term of 21 years.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Anthony Roberts, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Margaret Lannen; Titles Program, Trade and Investment NSW, Ph (02) 4931 6451 Fax (02) 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th) the notification day is **17 July 2014**. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



Mining Lease Application 470

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th).

Description of area that may be affected by the mining lease

An area of 21.98 hectares situated approximately 3.47 kilometres north-west of Ulan, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

Ulan Coal Mines Ltd (ACN 000 189 248) is the applicant of Mining Lease 470 (Act 1992), for a mining lease which would authorise the mining for coal and be granted for a term of 21 years.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Anthony Roberts, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Margaret Lannen; Titles Program, Trade and Investment NSW, Ph (02) 4931 6451 Fax (02) 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th) the notification day is **17 July 2014**. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



Mining Lease Application 475

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th).

Description of area that may be affected by the mining lease

An area of 280.8 hectares situated approximately 10.27 kilometres north-west of Ulan, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

Ulan Coal Mines Ltd (ACN 000 189 248) is the applicant of Mining Lease 475 (Act 1992), for a mining lease which would authorise the mining for coal and be granted for a term of 21 years.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Anthony Roberts, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Margaret Lannen; Titles Program, Trade and Investment NSW, Ph (02) 4931 6451 Fax (02) 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th) the notification day is **17 July 2014**. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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Injured Stokes to miss AFL games



GEELONG could be without in-form midfielder Mathew Stokes for an extended period as their Australian Football League (AFL) season enters a critical phase. Stokes hurt his ankle early in the Cats' loss to Gold Coast and coach Chris Scott confirmed the onballer would definitely miss last Friday

night's blockbuster against Essendon. "That's a reasonably significant ankle issue," Scott said. "The long-term prognosis is a bit more uncertain, but definitely not this week. "They're telling us somewhere between one and eight – it won't be eight, it will be more than one." Scott said the Cats had relied on Stokes this season and he was worth more than his

large number of possessions. The loss to the Gold Coast Suns put Geelong out of the top four and heightened speculation their time at the top of the ladder is coming to an end. But Scott pointed out they remained level on points with fourth-placed Fremantle. He added they were in a reasonably strong position despite several of their best players not showing top form. – AAP



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	Centroi	Shire
Exploration Licence	08/2557-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	26BL	110km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 22' S Long: 116° 37' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	69/3278	SULPHIDE RESOURCES PTY LTD	23BL	226km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 37' S Long: 125° 5' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	27/2188-9	MOORES, Martin Clive	335.51HA	58km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
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Prospecting Licence	37/8467	TUCKER, Fabian	48.20HA	64km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 19' S Long: 121° 9' E	LEONORA SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	37/8470	WILLIAMS, Norman Andrew WILLIAMS, Thomas Geoffrey BIGGS, Glen Neil	35.55HA	52km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 121° 4' E	LEONORA SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	39/5484-6	NEXUS MINERALS LIMITED	514.46HA	97km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 29' S Long: 122° 30' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5487	SIBRAA, Carl Jarrod SIBRAA, Kevin Peter SIBRAA, Matthew Kevin	199.49HA	94km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 26' S Long: 122° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	40/1349	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	81.47HA	53km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 121° 26' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1352	CASH, John Robert	59.86HA	41km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 15' S Long: 121° 18' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2922	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	153.96HA	42km SI'y of Shay Gap	Lat: 20° 54' S Long: 120° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2877-8	ORE TECHNOLOGIES PTY LTD	391.02HA	52km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 118° 12' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 2 July 2014

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **2 October 2014**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 2 November 2014**), 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 3518.

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Tjimarri wears national colours

By PETER ARGENT



SOUTH Australian sprinting ace Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera has just run in national colours for

the first time.

He displayed his speed at the Oceania Games in the Cook Islands, competing in the 100m, 200m and the 4x100m open relay.

"The experience was unbelievable," Sanderson-Milera told the *Koori Mail*.

"To be in the Australian uniform was a moment I will never forget, and makes me want to strive to make it to the top even more.

"The competition was good and there were some great runners.

"The entire Australian team – athletes, coaches and staff – were very supportive and the trip was rewarding."

He finished a creditable fifth in the 200m final.

In the glamour event, the 100m, Sanderson-Milera won his heat, but missed a place in the final when he missed the start in his semifinal and finished third.

"I was not happy with that result, but that happens and not all athletes perform at their best in every race," he said.

"It was frustrating as usually I'm a steady starter.

"I'm not happy with my placings, but overall I'm satisfied with my performance, especially given conditions and first time competing internationally.

"This is a base to work from."

In the Open 4x100m relay, the Australian quartet finished third.

In the 200m, competitors had to deal with storms and rain, while in the 100m semifinal, Sanderson-Milera ran into a 3.5

headwind.

He collected a silver medal in the open 200m at the state league titles in March and three gold medals at the state surf lifesaving championships that month.

He recently secured his second



Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera in Australian colours

Port Adelaide Athletic Club Open Male Athlete of the Year award.

He also picked up three 'sash' wins in the SA Athletic League this past summer season and finished fourth in the Bay Sheffield Gift.

He did not become a runner until 2009, when his Grange Surf Lifesaving Club coach Peter Burdett suggested he try athletics.

Contacting Indigenous former sprint king and Australia's fastest man Patrick Johnson via Facebook,

the dynamic Sanderson-Milera received training tips before the Oceania Games.

Johnson gave him a gym program to follow.

"If I had a question, I'd flick him a message and he'd answer

it," Sanderson-Milera said.

"I need to put on a bit more muscle and do a bit more strengthening.

"Being an Aboriginal, he (Johnson) has been an inspiration to me.

"I want to get to that level as well."

Sanderson-Milera says his long-term goal is to run at the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 16 July 2014



National Native Title Tribunal



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A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 on or before 15 October 2014. After 15 October 2014, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Elizabeth Sambo & Ors (Kaparn People) v State of Western Australia

Federal Court File No: WAD420/2013

Date filed: 11 November 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The application area covers about 83,900 sq km approximately 250 kilometers north east of Perth.

Relevant LGAs:

Shires of Coolgardie, Dalwallinu, Koorda, Menzies, Merredin, Mount Marshall, Mukinbudin, Nungarin, Sandstone, Westonia and Yilgarn.

City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate, WA.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Claire Smith on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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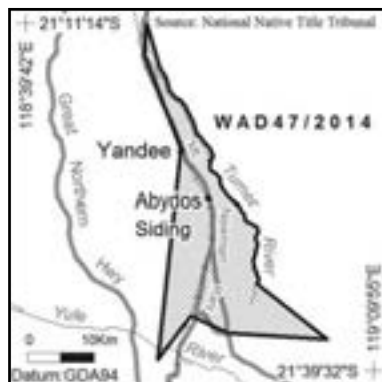
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Application name: Cyril Gordon & Ors (Kariyarra-Abydos) v State of Western Australia

Federal Court File No: WAD47/2014

Date filed: 5 March 2014

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 380 sq km east of the Great Northern Highway in the vicinity of Abydos Siding.

Relevant LGAs: Town of Port Hedland and Shire of East Pilbara.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate, WA.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Claire Smith on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Barty misses singles at Wimbledon



SIXTH-seeded Ashleigh Barty and Casey Dellacqua won their Wimbledon women's doubles first round match 6-4 7-6 (7-3) at the All-England Club.

They beat Eugenie Bouchard (Canada) and Heather Watson (Great Britain) on June 26.

The Aussie pair were drawn to meet Kimiko Date-Krumm (Japan) and Barbora Sahlavova-Strycova (Czech Republic) in the second round for the right to meet Anabel Madina Garrigues (Spain) and Yaroslava Shvedova (Kazakhstan) in the third round.

In the mixed doubles, 12th-seeded Barty and John Peers were scheduled to meet Jaroslav Levinski (Czech Republic) and Janette Husarova (Slovakia) in the second round on Saturday.

Barty and Peers had a first-round bye.

Earlier, Queenslander Barty failed to make the women's singles draw at Wimbledon when beaten in a qualifying tournament in Birmingham.

There, she lost 6-2 6-4 to Shuko Aoyama (Japan).

Along the way, Barty was too steady for Ukrainian Lyudmyla Kichenok, triumphing 6-3 7-5.

NT team set for national netball series



THE 2014 Australian Netball League (ANL)

season will begin in Perth on Friday, July 11 – and there are two Indigenous players in the Northern Territory Storm team.

They are Michelle Kerrin and Jamie Collins.

At the NT Storm season launch at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Alice Springs, on June 14, Siobhan Sefton was named captain of the team for the ANL season.

Newcastle school dominates first NAIDOC rugby 7s



Wallaby and NSW Waratahs star Bernard Foley with the Torres Strait team outside Allianz Stadium, Sydney.



Endeavour Sports High under 18 girls in possession against Torres Strait Islands.



HUNTER Sports High dominated the inaugural Australian Rugby Union (ARU) NAIDOC Cup rugby sevens tournament at Granville Park, western Sydney, on Tuesday, June 24.

Schools from across NSW and the Torres Strait Islands competed in four age divisions.

Qantas Men's Sevens star Shannon Walker and captain of the girls Youth Olympic Sevens Squad Tiana Penitani were at the tournament.

Hunter Sports High won the under 17

boys and the under 18 and under 15 girls' divisions.

Endeavour Sports High won the boys' under 15s.

ARU general manager rugby participation Andrew Larratt said he was pleased with the tournament.

"The fact that we had 12 teams competing in the competition's inaugural year was a great sign of the growth of sevens rugby in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island communities," Larratt said.

"Sevens is a fast growing Olympic sport that is ideal for young Indigenous athletes and we're really looking forward to expanding the competition."

ARU Indigenous participation coordinator Jordan Goddard said the tournament provided Indigenous athletes with another pathway in rugby.

"I've run rugby events and activities in Darwin, Alice Springs and Thursday Island, but the first NAIDOC Cup will certainly be a highlight for me," Goddard said.

"What we hope to achieve at Australian Rugby is to enhance the lives of Indigenous Australians through rugby."

"I know the kids enjoyed it and took a great deal from the day, and there is certainly a lot of goodwill to build on for future tournaments."



Hunter Sports High School under 18s girls winners with Tongan-born Australian sevens players Afa Pakalani, front left, Shannon Walker, right rear, and Paul Asquith, right front.



The Endeavour Sports High School under 15s winners.



Hunter Sports High under 16 winners.



Hunter Sports High, Endeavour Sports High and Torres Strait Combined team with Tiana Penitani and Evaina Pelite.



● ABOVE LEFT: Endeavour Sports High under 18 team with Australian rugby union youth sevens women's captain Tiana Penitani and Australian women's sevens rugby player Evaina Pelite.

● ABOVE: Australian youth women's sevens captain Tiana Penitani and women's sevens player Evaina Pelite.

Basketball showcase



INDIGENOUS girls from around remote Australian communities took part in the

seventh annual National Indigenous Girls' Basketball Showcase and Leadership Course at Cockburn Stadium, Perth.

More than 120 girls travelled from remote and regional schools in Western Australia, New South Wales and the Northern Territory. They came from Bunbury, Derby, Roebourne, Kununurra, Alice Springs, Darwin and Coonamble and competed over two days in a round of basketball play-offs, leadership training and extra curricular activities.

For some, it was the first time they had travelled on a plane or ventured out of their communities.

Role Models and Leaders Australia founder and CEO Ricky Grace said: "Encouraging girls' participation in sport is one of the catalysts for educational engagement and this event assists in closing the gap on Indigenous education and participation."

Role Models and Leaders Australia's academies have more than 850 girls enrolled and nearly all girls take an avid interest in sport.

The four semi-finalists were Roebourne, Fitzroy Valley, Centralian Senior, and Clontarf, with Fitzroy Valley and Clontarf advancing to the final.

There, Clontarf ran away with the game to win 47-15.

Clontarf girls Martina Karadada and Tissy Bedford were named in the All-Star team.



● **ABOVE:** All the girls who took part in the National Indigenous Girls' Basketball Showcase and Leadership Course at Cockburn Stadium, Perth. They came from Bunbury, Derby, Roebourne, Kununurra, Alice Springs, Darwin and Coonamble. For some girls, it was the first time they been on an aircraft or had travelled outside their communities.

● **LEFT:** The winning Clontarf team. They beat Fitzroy Valley 47-15 in the final.

2014 Flying Boomerangs named



FORMER Port Adelaide and Norwood (SANFL) player Eugene Warrior will coach the

2014 Flying Boomerangs squad to contest this year's NAB AFL under 16 championships on the Gold Coast in July.

The Flying Boomerangs squad will participate in division three and will take on the World team, WA North-West and the South Pacific.

The Flying Boomerangs is a personal development and leadership program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young men aged 14-15 years. It is supported by the Coles AFL Indigenous Program.

Selected by AFL talent managers following the 2014 national KickStart under 15 championships in Coffs Harbour, the squad of 25 Indigenous boys has been chosen based on school attendance, leadership skills and football ability.



Flying Boomerangs coach Eugene Warrior.
Picture by Peter Argent

AFL head of diversity Jason Mifsud said the Flying Boomerangs program was a great opportunity for the best rising Indigenous players in the nation to develop on and

off the field.

"The Flying Boomerangs will be exposed to the best training, coaching and mentoring, as well as personal development opportunities during the NAB

AFL under 16 Championships.

"The Boomerangs is more than a football program. It is preparing our next generation of young Indigenous leaders with the skills, qualities and experiences to become positive role models in their own families and communities.

"While on the Gold Coast the squad will be engaged in education programs, including a visit to the Gold Coast Suns Football Club, training at Goodlife Health Club, which is a support partner of the AFL Diversity program, as well as a visit to Coles' Southport store to learn about career opportunities and pathways."

The squad:

The 2014 Flying Boomerangs squad is: Tyrell Hocking (Salisbury, SA), Xavier Cubillo (Darwin, NT), Cameron Wild (Ceduna, SA), Nathan Kruger (Victor Harbour, SA), Adam Nichaloff (Alice Springs, NT), Jeffrey McDonald (Burunga, NT),

Rodney Baird (Palmerston, NT), Dominic Grant (Darwin, NT), Leslie Maroney (Darwin, NT), Tyrone Hayes (Lakes Entrance, Vic), Aiden Domic (Mt Clear, Vic), Joel Garner (Gruyere, Vic), Jamaine Morgan (Croyden, Vic), Tyran Mansell (Launceston, Tas), Liam Lupton (Canberra, ACT), Tere Yarran (Huntingdale, WA), Harley Stack (Ballajura, WA), Billy Johns (Koondoola, WA), Kris Ryder (Beldon, WA), Tyrees Miller (Quinns Rock, WA), Brendon Collard (Kalgoorlie, WA), Gregory Humphries (Bunbury, WA), Kyron Hayden (Koondoola, WA), Bowe Roads (South Perth, WA), and Sachem Parkin-Owens (Stradbroke Island, Qld).

The tournament will run from July 3 to July 13.

The Flying Boomerangs will play NW WA at Broadbeach at 3.40pm on Sunday, July 6; the World team at Broadbeach at 11am on Wednesday, July 9; and South Pacific at Metron 2, 11.30am on Saturday, July 12.

Cape Cluster divided into two zones

By ALF WILSON



ABORIGINAL communities Hope Vale and Wujal Wujal are again part of a rugby league competition after making their debuts in an expanded

Cape Cluster competition at Cooktown on June 21.

For the past few years, two Hope Vale sides, Wujal Wujal and Cooktown had contested the Three Rivers competition that became defunct after the 2013 season.

To ensure the survival of grassroots rugby league at these communities that have produced many quality footballers, the QRL Northern Division came up with a new format for the Cape Cluster competition that last year had been run as one competition.

It was split into two zones, with Hope Vale, Wujal Wujal, Cooktown, Pormpuraaw, Coen and Kowanyama in the southern one.

Northern Zone sides are Weipa Raiders, Goodline Breakers, Napranum Twal, Kookathi Natives, Aurukun, Lockhart River and NPA.

Round one of the southern zone was scheduled to start on June 14, but wet weather forced a postponement of one week.

Coen Colts and Hope Vale Rebels were the standout teams in the

opening round.

Colts scored a 52-10 win over Wujal Wujal Yindili and a 34-0 victory over the Crocs Warriors, made up of players from Cooktown and Hope Vale.

Rebels beat Pormpuraaw 26-12 and played a 22-all draw with Wujal Wujal.

QRL divisional coordinator David Maiden, who was one of the referees, said Cooktown was an ideal venue for the initial round of the Southern Cape Cluster.

"Teams from Coen, Pormpuraaw, Wujal Wujal and Hope Vale were there, but unfortunately Kowanyama were unable to attend due to a lack of suitable cars in the community. That is a common problem that teams in the Cape Cluster encounter," he said.

"Hope Vale Rebels and Warriors were due to face each other in the first game, but didn't arrive in time so the draw was redone so that travelling teams gained best value for the long trips they had undertaken."

Maiden said Coen looked very well drilled and appeared to have undertaken plenty of training as they were very impressive in both their games and would be hard to beat in coming rounds.

"We look forward to the next round in Coen on July 12, where Kowanyama are set to rejoin the competition," he said.



Pormpuraaw players start a backline movement. Picture by Gary Hutchison, Cooktown Local News



Andrew Krakouer

Stop-start Krakouer quits again

By CHRIS PIKE



ANDREW Krakouer's stop-start return to the West Australian Football League (WAFL) after his Australian Football League (AFL) career has hit its final hurdle with the 31-year-old star officially

announcing his retirement with his passion and body no longer allowing him to play at the top level.

Krakouer's career originally began in the AFL with Richmond after the Tigers drafted him ahead of 2001 season.

The son of Jim and nephew to Phil Krakouer went on to play 102 games with Richmond until the end of 2007 when he then returned to Western Australia to play in the WAFL with Swan Districts.

Things in his life then hit its biggest hurdle when sentenced to prison, but he was back for the 2010 WAFL season and delivered one of the most remarkable individual displays in history.

He dominated, winning every accolade available and culminating in a 40-possession, four-goal display in the one-point grand final victory over Claremont.

That led him back into the AFL with 2010 premiers Collingwood signing him and Krakouer made an immediate impact with the best season of his career on the national stage, ending up with him being one of his team's best in the 2011 grand final loss to Geelong.

Come apart

Things then started to come apart with a knee injury that required a full reconstruction in 2012 and by the end of 2013, he found himself out of the AFL again.

He decided to return to WA again but not to Swan Districts this time and he signed up with the reigning premiers West Perth. However, Krakouer didn't do a pre-season, twice changed his mind about playing, and was never in peak physical condition to have the impact he desired.

He ended up playing three matches in the reserves and four in the league team with West Perth, but has now decided that his heart is no longer at a level that requires such commitment.

He has already started playing amateur football with Bassendean.

Krakouer was disappointed things didn't work out on the field with West Perth in 2014, but is looking forward to continuing to help implement the

club's Indigenous community programs.

"A major factor in me retiring from AFL football was my depleted motivation to carry out the demands required to play at the highest level," Krakouer said.

"Upon my return to Perth at the end of 2013, my motivation to play the game at WAFL level was very high. However, I honestly feel that I can now no longer meet these requirements, and I feel that creating positions for up and coming talent will be more beneficial for West Perth.

"I am still very much committed to continuing with my role as a mentor to Indigenous youth within community as part of West Perth's community-based programs, and as agreed upon when I initially signed with West Perth. This area of work is a major passion of mine."

West Perth premiership coach Bill Monaghan wasn't too surprised at Krakouer's decision to retire given the limited impact he has had on the field in 2014.

However, he and everyone at the West Perth Football Club is excited that Krakouer will remain involved in the Indigenous community given the success it has already delivered in just six months.

That is in terms of the youth programs for players coming through the ranks in West Perth's zone, but also with the recent signing to the club of the hugely-talented 19-year-old Chris Yarran who lost his way after being on the verge of being drafted into the AFL only a couple of years ago.

"We are really excited that he is continuing to help us with our community programs. We see that there are some long-term benefits with that and that was a significant reason why we got him here. In fact, that probably came before the playing side," Monaghan said.

"It wasn't us deciding we wanted to get him to play and then doing community stuff, it was us seeing an opportunity to get a well-respected Aboriginal person to come in and help us with our programs, and if he was able to play, it was a bonus. Internally, we have always had that view, whether that's the external view or not really doesn't bother us. We are already seeing the benefits of that.

"This year is the first time we have fielded a side in the Nicky Winmar Cup, Andrew has played a part in Chris Yarran committing to us, and we have another group that has sprung out of the Nicky Winmar Cup called the Djinda Falcons. There are 45 to 50 young Indigenous boys running around as part of that."

Netball carnival approaches



ABORIGINAL communities are being invited to enter teams in the 2014 netball tournament to be

held at the Charlestown (Newcastle) netball courts.

The tournament is aimed at increasing participation of Aboriginal women in sport and will be held on October 24-25.

There will be open women, junior girls (15 years and under) and mixed open.

Each squad will be allowed a maximum of 14 players, with non-Aboriginal players capped at three per team.

Play will start at 5pm on Friday, October 24, and 8.30am on Saturday, October 25.

It will cost teams \$250 to enter.

Team registrations will close on Wednesday, October 22.

An Aboriginal women's breakfast will be held on the Saturday morning for all participants.

Details: (02) 4926 1633 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

Special rugby league match



Combined Indigenous Nations captain Bill Bussell, with captain of the NSW Physical Disability Rugby League Association All Stars David Grech. They're the best of mates off the field, but agreed their July 12 match will not lack passion.

Story and picture by
YATU WIDDERS HUNT



A COMBINED Indigenous Nations side will take on the NSW Physical Disability Rugby League

Association (NSWPDRLA) All Stars in Sydney next month during NAIDOC Week.

Former South Sydney Rabbitohs star Rhys Wesser will turn out for the Combined Indigenous Nations side as an able-bodied player at Redfern Oval on Sunday, July 13 at 11.10am.

The NSWPDRLA was established in October 2010 to conduct, encourage, promote, advance and administer physical disability rugby league throughout NSW.

It provides the framework for clubs to make it possible for those

who can't play elsewhere to play rugby league.

The Association has grown from its original two teams to a permanent and robust yearly competition comprising of teams representing South Sydney Rabbitohs, Sydney Roosters, Manly Sea Eagles and Newtown Jets.

Expanding base

The association's main focus is to increase its player base from 40 so that more teams can be formed. It is also working towards an interstate competition.

NSWPDRLA recently returned from a trip to Dubbo where it competed in a City v Country fixture alongside the NRL representative game.

Under modified rules with under 16s and those with certain disabilities wearing red shorts and playing touch football rules when

attempting to tackle or be tackled.

Other players play the standard full-contact tackle rules. Able-bodied players can and do play physical disability rugby league (PDRL). A maximum of two per team are allowed on the field at any time. Able-bodied players cannot score tries, kick goals or kick in general play, but help facilitate the game.

"I have a real passion and vision for how we can develop," said association founder and president George Tonna.

"As far as we know, this is the first Indigenous disability representative game of its kind in the world, but ultimately the dream would be to be included in the NRL Indigenous All Stars Week."

Mr Tonna said the idea for the match came about due to the high number of Indigenous players who were getting involved in the sport and hoped it would encourage

more people with a physical disability to play.

"We really just want to open the door for more people with a physical disability to play rugby league because there just haven't been many avenues to do that," he said.

Captains of the July 12 teams – Bill Bussell and David Grech – started playing when the association was established four years.

"I always loved rugby league and I always wanted to play, I just never thought I would be able to," Mr Grech said.

"I am really passionate about it. I have watched all the NRL grand finals from 1966 and train every day.

"I play halfback and really want to improve my kicking game."

Mr Grech and Mr Bussell say they were incredibly proud to be captaining their sides and agreed

that it was their friendly rivalry from club level that would make the game a passionate one.

"We are always competing with each other," Mr Bussell said.

Good mates

"But it's all good fun and off the field we're really good mates."

The association attracts players with a variety of disabilities, including cerebral palsy, amputees, acquired brain injuries and muscular atrophy.

It welcomes players from all backgrounds, cultures, genders and abilities.

The NSWPDRLA encourages anyone with an interest in playing to attend the game or visit www.nswpdrla.com.au

Sponsors of the July 13 game include Souths Cares, Kari Aboriginal Resources Inc, NTSCORP, Macarthur Disability Services and NSW Rugby League.

Olympic stadium makeover step closer

ANZ Stadium at Sydney Olympic Park.



FANS are set to get their first look at detailed plans to redevelop the home of the Sydney Olympics within the next month.

Operators of ANZ Stadium last week said they had received submissions from two construction giants bidding for the right to upgrade the arena and its surrounding precinct.

Brookfield Multiplex and Laing O'Rourke were to present their ideas, including design concepts, full cost and timing schedules, to an evaluation committee made up of a number of stakeholders.

The committee will then assess the two options over the next month before a final decision is made.

It is hoped planning of construction work on the reported \$250 million redevelopment will begin next year, pending necessary funding.

The stadium is expected to get a retractable roof, new seating closer to the field of play, as well as better facilities in and around the stadium, as outlined in a NSW government master plan released last year.

"The design concepts we have seen at this point from both consortiums are exceptional and will provide Sydney with one of the greatest

multi-purpose sports and entertainment stadiums in the world," Stadium Australia Operations managing director Daryl Kerry said.

"Stadium Australia Operations hopes to be in a position, within the next five weeks, to release at least some of the design concepts for the redevelopment, which should generate a lot of excitement."

More than 1.6 million people attended events at the stadium last year.

Features of the revamp will include:

- retractable roof;
- reconfiguration of the stadium's lower seating bowl to improve spectator viewing and playing field dimensions, including bringing spectators as close as five metres to the field of play at the northern and southern ends via the installation of moveable grandstands and creation of a perfect rectangular field for rugby league, rugby union and soccer, increasing the eastern and western perimeters to provide longer straight-hit boundaries for cricket, and a more traditional oval shape for AFL;

● new and refurbished player and spectator facilities including restaurants, bars, terraces and eateries; and

● development of the precinct outside the stadium, including new precinct bars, cafes and restaurants. – AAP



Brooke Peris at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival (AYOF) hockey field in Sydney in January, 2013. Picture: AAP

Another Peris off to the Games



BROOKE Peris last week became the sixth Indigenous athlete to join Australia's Commonwealth Games team when she was named in the Hockeyroos squad.

Another Aboriginal elite hockey player – Joel Carroll – missed selection in the men's Kookaburras team.

Peris, 21, is the cousin of former Olympic dual medallist Nova Peris.

Nova Peris was a member of the 1996 Olympic gold medal winning team and double gold winner at the 1998 Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur in the 200m sprint and 4x100 metres relay.

The Hockeyroos, who reached the final of the World Cup, named 15 of the 16 players involved in the tournament, with 21 year-old forward Brooke Peris the one addition to the World Cup group.

Skipper Madonna Blyth said nothing less than retaining the gold medal they won in Delhi four years ago would suffice for a team that contained 15 of the 18 players that performed so well in The Hague.

"We go to Glasgow pretty confident after winning silver at the World Cup and have won gold at the last two games," Blyth said.

"If we continue to play the same way as we

have over the last 18 months, then there is no reason why we can't win again."

Other Indigenous athletes who have booked their tickets to the Glasgow Commonwealth Games are track and field stars Benn Harradine (discus), Shannon McCann (100m hurdles), Robbie Crowther (long jump) and wrestlers Stevie Grace Kelly and Shane Parker.

Medal prospect

Parker, who competed at the last Commonwealth Games in Delhi as a Greco-Roman wrestler, is lining up in Glasgow as a 75kg freestyle wrestler and is being touted as a medal prospect.

He and Stevie Kelly spent last week with Australia's brightest young wrestling stars in Canberra as part of an eight-person squad preparing for Glasgow.

Harradine will be a favourite to win his second Commonwealth Games gold after his success four years ago in Delhi.

In men's hockey, the Australian talent pool is huge – so big that Northern Territorian Joel Carroll missed selection in the team for Glasgow.

But an even bigger shock was the non-selection of Jamie Dwyer – considered to be the world's best hockey player and hero of Australia's recent World Cup success.

Yesteryear's players to run out once more

By ALF WILSON



WHILE most former top rugby league players who reach 40 or 50 are content to play lawn bowls, there are some Torres Strait Islanders who occasionally attempt to revisit their youth.

They will line up for a Golden Oldies game during the Island of Origin rugby league carnival on Badu Island from July 3-5.

While they will be enthusiastic, most will be nursing sore muscles and bones for days after.

If the popularity of a similar match held during the historic 25th silver jubilee carnival in 2010 is an indication, this encounter will be a highlight of the iconic TSI sporting event.

In that encounter four years ago, two teams of former players aged over 45 found their old boots, pulled on jumpers, and ran on to the field.

Some of them participated in the initial Island of Origin carnival.

On the sideline, their children and grandchildren cheered and moaned and groaned.

Former Canberra Raiders, Brisbane Broncos, Queensland State of Origin and Test prop Sam Backo was one of them.

In that game Waii Blue team had tries scored by Kura Stephen and Frank Whap and drew with Sorbai Gold with Ezra Kris and Frank Cook crossing for four-pointers.

The game ended in an 8-all draw.

Oztag rules

2014 event organiser Jermaine Reuben told the *Koori Mail* that the 2014 Golden Oldies game would be played under Oztag rules.

Meanwhile, a PNG university invitational team has confirmed it will be on Badu competing in the men's competition.

"We are sorting out players insurance," Mr Reuben said.

Teams from at least seven Torres Strait Islands and the NPA look set to compete in the men's section of the Origin. The carnival will also include a women's competition.



Action at the last Golden Oldies on Badu. Many of the players will line up again.



Richard Grogan about to score at a previous Golden Oldies game.



Former Australian and Queensland prop Sam Backo leads a lap of honour at a previous Golden Oldies.

We need more Laurie Daleys

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

As a proud Blues supporter, I was pumped when the Blues finally ended eight years of Queensland domination of the State of Origin series.

As a proud Aboriginal man, I was equally proud of Laurie Daley's leadership of the team and showing the way for future Indigenous coaches at the top level.

It has always been great to celebrate the high level of Indigenous participation in rugby league, but we will have not really created a truly meaningful role in the game until we have more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in administration, coaching and decision-making positions in the game.

In recent times we have seen significant advances with the Australian Rugby League (ARL) Indigenous Council led by Linda Burney comprising of a group of highly credentialed Indigenous men and women.

We can also proudly point to Chris Sarra's appointment to the inaugural ARL Commission.

Shown the way

However, we need our people to see real career opportunities in the game and Laurie has shown the way over the last couple of years.

There have been others before him in similar roles, including the great Arthur Beetson, but in the new era of professionalism, we need current role models and Laurie has been that in so many ways.

Laurie has also underlined the importance of the All Stars concept given his performance in coaching the team in the last game to a comprehensive win over a highly favoured NRL side coached by Wayne Bennett.

I had the privilege to get to know Laurie in the context of a camp building up to a big game.

The highest praise I can give Laurie is that he is a player's coach.

By that, I mean he can speak the

players' language and empathise with them while at the same time commanding respect and authority.

This is always a balancing act, but the way that the likes of Greg Inglis and Johnathan Thurston responded to this approach speaks volumes.

It did not go unnoticed that these two players – amongst others – sought out Laurie after the Origin victory to congratulate him.

This was not only a great display of sportsmanship on the part of GI and JT, but also a sign of respect to a coach and mentor.

Laurie would have appreciated that immensely and it just reinforces the way he carries himself.

Criticism

Laurie copped a bit of criticism around his appointment as Indigenous All Stars coach about not acknowledging his Aboriginal heritage.

But Daley has always known who he is and is proud of it.

At the Raiders he always associated with the Indigenous boys and was proud of his history.

"My teammates always knew, all my friends knew, there was never any secret," he said at the time.



Laurie Daley

"I never set out to keep it quiet, not in a million years. It just never seemed like an issue to bring up, but I guess people in the rugby league public never knew."

"I'm extremely proud of who I am, proud of what I stand for, proud of what I believe in.

"I wasn't out there bringing it up every five minutes, but if I was asked, I always talked about it. It was just that I never thought of myself as being anything different to anyone else and then moving into football, I felt like I was always judged on my footy instead of my race.

"That's the way it should be. I suppose it goes back to how I was brought up. A small country town like Junee, it was about what you did in the community, how you treated other people. That's how you earned your respect. I know I was luckier than some others. I never came across any prejudices."

It was this sense of self and confidence that allowed Daley to immediately connect with the boys in the All Stars camp and is the same style that would have made him a winner with the Blues players.

Not that Daley has been without self-doubt, especially after the heartache of last year's State of Origin series defeat.

It is no secret that Daley struggled to overcome the disappointment, but on the eve of a potential series-clinching victory, the Blues coach has revealed the extent of the damage that series loss inflicted physically and emotionally.

So severe was the stress and exhaustion of the failed campaign in his first year in charge, Daley spent the next couple of weeks bedridden with shingles.

In his darkest hour, thoughts began to flood what was a confused and spent mind.

"I thought to myself, 'Shit, I don't know if I can do this any more'," Daley said.

"But once I realised that being involved in this is pretty special and that I'd chosen to go on a journey that I started, and while the first part of it wasn't successful, you have to keep going."

As a player, Daley had experienced the ultimate highs and lows for club, state and country.

He virtually did it all.

But the pain of an unsuccessful Origin campaign while as coach proved far more difficult to overcome than anything he had experienced in his playing days.

"It's different as a player because you're playing for your club so you have to move on pretty quickly," Daley said.

"But as a coach, you hang on to it a lot longer. That's why I must admire the guys who have done it recently and still were club coaches.

"I was drained just during Origin. I don't know how the hell they would have been able to do that and come through the other side. The emotion attached to it is massive.

"To gain someone's trust and respect, they have to know that you're there and you'll be there for them when they need you.

"You do everything to help them be at their best. If they see that, they start to build that trust and respect."

There is a message in there for us all.



Ryan James

Titans prop James out for season



GOLD Coast prop Ryan James' injury-ravaged 2014 National Rugby League (NRL) season is over, succumbing to his third shoulder injury of the year.

James will undergo minor reconstructive surgery on his left shoulder early this month.

The 22-year-old, managing to play only three games all season, said he had made the decision to have the surgery to enable him to be recovered fully in time for the 2015 pre-season.

"I weighed it up and it would've taken three to four months to heal on its own... we've opted for surgery and it should be fully up to strength by pre-season," he said.

It's a disappointing end to a year that began promisingly for James after signing a new three-year deal with the Titans in January.

No stranger to injury, James battled a serious knee issue and subsequent recovery throughout 2011 and 2012.

"I've had a couple of bad years so far so it's nothing new to me," he said.

"I've just got to work through it." – AAP

Campbell to mentor Kelly



THE Gold Coast Titans have enlisted club legend Preston Campbell as a mentor for Albert Kelly in a bid to get the playmaker's season back on track.

Kelly fractured his leg against the Tigers on April 27 and has played just two games since as he overcomes the physical and mental scars of the injury.

The Titans, who have been on a losing streak, had a bye last weekend, but Kelly put his hand up to play for Tweed Heads against Redcliffe in the Intrust Super Cup.

If coach John Cartwright elects to run him in reserve grade, the 23-year-old's return to action will come on the back of the affable Campbell's guidance.

In the first five weeks of the competition, Kelly ran for more than 100 metres in each game (with a top of 259m in round one) and scored five tries, but he ran for just 52m against Penrith and appeared a shadow of the player that had carried the Titans to the top of the table.

"It's obviously knocked him about," co-captain Greg Bird said of Kelly's confidence. "He's not playing the razzle-dazzle football we were playing at the start of the year.

"I don't know whether that's off the back of the forwards not getting forward and getting momentum in our attack, or the fact that he's coming off an injury, but it's obvious that he's struggling with the confidence."

The rising Sun

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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It is always exciting to see a young talent begin to realise his potential.

Harley Bennell has always been considered a special player on the rise and it was great to see him assume centre stage in the Gold Coast's defining win over Geelong.

What made it more special was the fact that it came just after he re-signed for the Suns, which is a great story for the club, the AFL and hopefully for Harley as he establishes himself as a key player in the team.

His story is a success because he has overcome early issues, including homesickness, while being part of a club where everybody was trying to find their feet.

The fact that he has signed not only suggests that he now feels accepted, but also that the club itself has matured and is ready to write a new chapter in its short history.

What is certain is that Harley can expect a lot more attention from opponents after his breathtaking display against Geelong.

Club record

Bennell's 27 disposals and club record-equalling six goals were a huge factor in the Suns' 40-point romp over the Cats to solidify their top-eight spot.

Teammate Jarrod Harbrow believes opposition will now have a target on the gifted 21-year-old's back.

While admitting the West Australian was on a "different level", the cool-headed Harbrow said Bennell had to keep his feet on the ground.

"We don't want to get too carried away at this stage," Harbrow said.

"I know he doesn't want to get pumped up too much because he knows he'll get a lot of close attention from the opposition.

"We've got a couple of tough



Harley Bennell in possession during the round 14 AFL match against the Geelong Cats at Metricon Stadium, Gold Coast, on Saturday, June 21. Picture: AAP

weeks coming up and he's going to get a lot of attention.

"His class and how he sees the game is a different level to most players."

Harbrow was a major influence on Bennell's early life at the Suns, housing the homesick teenager after Karmichael Hunt and his wife Emma had started to right the ship.

Bennell now well and truly calls the Gold Coast home, with his contract extension committing him to the club until the end of 2017.

Harbrow said Bennell had always had a good work ethic and attitude and his performance against the Cats was a reward for that.

"It was on the back of his

work rate. He went into the game with a defensive-mind focus," he said.

"His class and hard work offensively will play out naturally. His goals came off the back of his defensive efforts.

"He's not always going to have a massive game like that, but someone else will pop up next week and the week after."

Platform

Harley himself is confident that the Suns can build on that platform, no matter what the result against Hawthorn.

"The pressure was there and the boys really cracked in during that last quarter," he said.

"We went into the game looking for the win and had a few focus areas which I think the

boys really looked at."

While most pundits thought that Bennell stole the show with his electrifying career-best six-goal haul, Harley chose instead to redirect praise to his teammates.

"It gives me a boost, but I couldn't take away from our midfield and our backmen and I thank them very much," he said.

"I will try to take it week by week, do my best to recover before the weekend and I was lucky enough to play the way I played last night."

Those are the comments of a settled man and although he's a West Australian who grew up supporting Essendon, he is now definitely a rising Sun.

On his recent trip home and his decision to remain on the

Gold Coast, Bennell said he was always going to stay at the Suns.

"I always wanted to come home, just to see my family and that, but I never thought about coming home to play football," Bennell said.

"I just let my manager take care of that stuff (interest from other clubs). I'm just happy to stay at the Gold Coast.

"We've got a good bunch of boys. If we stick together, we'll start winning some more games."

Bennell reserved special thanks for fellow West Australians David Swallow and Brandon Matera, as well as Karmichael Hunt, who helped him through a difficult patch in his early days on the Glitter Strip.

"Dave and Brandon went over a year before everyone. They took me under their wing and showed me around the Gold Coast and helped me out a lot," he said.

"K and Emma Hunt took me under their wing in 2012, or late 2011; played a huge role in my football career, so I thank them very much."

It is that sense of family that saw Gold Coast coach Guy McKenna describe his young group as "like a band of brothers".

Bennell's re-signing follows on from several teammates who have committed to the club in recent months, and McKenna believes the brotherhood developed over a couple of tough initial seasons in the AFL has helped to keep the team together.

"We can't forget the first couple of seasons of the football club," McKenna said.

Tough journey

"That journey was tough and brutal on the boys. Now they're starting to see the light at the end of the tunnel.

"I think they now appreciate where this club is heading and they want to be a part of it."

Bennell was part of an outfit that won just six games over the 2011 and 2012 AFL seasons and McKenna said his young charges now wanted "payback".

"They've had their backsides kicked, if you like, for two years, and they want to have payback.

"They want to make sure this group sticks together.

"It's like a band of brothers.

"What was our great disadvantage will soon become our great advantage."

Being accepted and feeling past of that sort of culture would have been major factors in Bennell re-signing.

It is a culture in which Indigenous players will develop and blossom.

We're yet to see the best of Harley Bennell.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Gold Coast to host National Indigenous Sports Carnival



THE second annual National Indigenous Sports Carnival is set to go ahead on the Queensland Gold Coast in September.

It is being organised by the National Indigenous Sports Commission (NISC) and will be held in Sports Drive, Runaway Bay.

This year's carnival will involve cricket, basketball and netball and will

run from September 17 to September 22. In basketball, there will be men's and women's divisions and divisions for boys and girls from 12 to 17 years.

The format for junior basketball may change, depending on the number of entries.

NSIC spokeswoman Cherissma Blackman told the *Koori Mail* that if there are not sufficient nominations, organisers would allow 15+ to play in the open competition.

But officials are hoping to run a competition for 12-15 years, another competition for juniors 16-17 years and 18+ in the open divisions.

Ms Blackman said entries had been received for the open men's and women's competitions from throughout Australia.

Netball will feature men's and women's and mixed divisions.

Cricket teams will play for the Philip Minniecon Memorial Trophy.

It will cost basketball teams \$500 to nominate.

Netball nominations will be \$100 per player.

Cricket nominations also will be \$100 per player.

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Motlop magic is back

By PETER ARGENT



THE second generation of the Motlop clan continues to have an impact in the South Australian National Football League (SANFL).

Marlon Motlop is back in Roosters colours after negotiations with Port Adelaide as a contracted SANFL player fell through.

Since his return to North Adelaide, Motlop has been in stellar form, winning a mountain of possessions after he wore the jumper for the first time since since his return against Woodville West Torrens in round seven.

In North's massive victory over West Adelaide on Sunday, June 22, Motlop produced his best game, having 30 disposals in an 87-point win.

In a one-sided first half, he was instrumental in the Roosters' 14-goals-to-two harvest.

During his first five games back in SANFL football, Motlop averaged more than 25 disposals a match.

Over the previous couple of seasons, Motlop played in the West Australian Football League (WAFL) with Claremont and Peel Thunder, along with representing the WAFL at state level.

"Marlon returned to North Adelaide early this season and has performed at a very high standard in every game," North Adelaide football director Darryl Wintle told the *Koori Mail*.

"He is professional in his preparation and has provided good rebound and creativity through our midfield with his elite kicking skills.

"Marlon is driven to play again at the highest level and is an excellent role model for the juniors in our system."

After playing in the Wanderers Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) grand final loss to St Marys in March, Motlop endured some frustrations getting cleared



Marlon Motlop
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Peter Argent

from Peel Thunder.

"All I wanted was to get re-started in the SANFL and actually played a game with (cousin) Shannon at the Redcliff Tigers while the clearance issues were getting sorted," Motlop, 24, said.

"It was great getting back to Prospect. The facilities have improved 100 per cent.

"The administration is well run."

AFL dream remains

"The dream to return to the AFL is still alive and I just need to continue to play good footy," Motlop said.

Motlop said his first tenure with the Power was injury-riddled and he only played five senior AFL games in the black, white and teal.

"My body wasn't able to cope

with the rigours of an AFL pre-season back then," he said.

"Before that, up in Darwin, we'd play Aussie rules in the wet and rugby league in the dry; I hadn't done a pre-season.

"I have a much better understanding of my body these days."

Away from football, Motlop is involved in an Indigenous mentoring program at the University of SA, where students from 20 high schools, mainly in Adelaide's western and northern suburbs, are helped by volunteers as they complete their degrees.

The Motlop family history continues to grow each year in South Australian football.

In the mid 1980s Glenelg had

Marlon's uncle Mark Motlop involved in this premiership era, while his brother Paul, the current Wanderers coach in the NTFL, played at Norwood.

When Bay champion Chris McDermott coached at Prospect at the start of this century, the current generation of Motlops moved to North Adelaide.

Shannon Motlop played in the 2007 SANFL grand final loss to Central District, after finishing his career AFL with the Kangaroos and Melbourne.

His brother Daniel also had time with the Roosters while he was on the Power list.

Another member of the clan, Aaron (Mark's son) had a senior SANFL appearance with North Adelaide in 2007.

New York Marathon just the beginning for Nat



Nat Heath
Picture:



RUNNING one marathon is the ultimate sporting achievement for many people. Overcoming the mental challenge is often tougher than the physical.

But for 2012 IMP runner Nat Heath, crossing the finish line of his marathon was just the start.

He has since competed in two ironman races, City 2 Surf, three half-marathons and many shorter runs, including various park run events.

Nat's biggest goal is to qualify for the world's most iconic ironman event, the Hawaiian Ironman.

He would also like to one day run 50 marathons in 50 days through major Australian cities, but more importantly, NSW communities with a strong Aboriginal population.

Nat works as the centre manager at the Sydney University site of the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME).

AIME is an educational program supporting Indigenous students through high school and into university, employment or further education at the same rate as all Australian students.

Nat manages a team of six staff members and partners Indigenous

students with students from Sydney University to run through various sessions to help students succeed past Year 12.

His advice to young Indigenous people is to set goals and believe in your ability.

"Be proud of who you are as young Aboriginal people," he said.

"If you have ambitions or goals, you can make them reality if you work hard.

"There are lots of pathways and options in life and they can be positive or negative; it's up to you to decide which pathway you head down.

"Have fun."

Next challenge



WHAT do you get when you combine a boxer, an ironman, a soccer player, parents, a single mother and the geographically challenged?

An inspirational team set to tackle their biggest challenge yet – the Gold Coast Half Marathon in July.

The 2014 Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) squad will descend on the Gold Coast from some of Australia's most remote communities to run 21.1km.

Dubbo representative Nathan Riley is a boxer and brimming with

confidence after taking out the Western Region light-middleweight title, while Brendan Peeters finished his home town Cairns ironman event in June.

Elsie Seriat and Harold Matthew are role models in their community. Elsie and Harold train every day in their home town of Thursday Island, which is only 5km in circumference.

Elsie has lost more than 13kg and Harold more than 10kg since their IMP journey began.

Toni Daisy, from Townsville, is a single mother, and Katherine's Corrina Turner is a parent to four of her own children and guardian to three others.

Ruth Wallace is the first female Indigenous runner from Adelaide to be selected as part of the IMP and is also a representative soccer player.

The remote town of Galiwinku, in the Northern Territory, is home to Rachel Baker, who initiated the community-driven Milinginbi Deadly Fun Run on Saturday, June 21.

Setting examples

IMP head coach and manager Mick Rees said all members of the team were setting examples not only for their families, but for their communities.

"Not everyone in the team has

a sporting background, which is fantastic because this program is focussed on improving and encouraging healthy and active lifestyles," he said.

The IMP, now in its fifth year, has mentored and trained 32 Indigenous athletes cross the finish line of a number of major international marathons, including New York, Boston and Tokyo.

IMP founder and former world champion marathon runner Rob de Castella said running was an ideal vehicle to drive commitment, inspiration and change.

"Running is a very honest sport. You need to commit to your training plan and the results will

show," he said.

"Finishing a race is just the start for our runners. It instils a sense of achievement, pride and self-belief – running a marathon is much more a mental challenge than a physical challenge.

Achievement

"Crossing the line of any race – be it 5, 10, 15km, a half or full marathon – it's a test of stamina and determination. After the first run, people realise they can achieve what they put their mind to.

"That's what we are trying to inspire throughout Indigenous communities nationwide."



The 2014 IMP team at camp on a brisk Canberra morning. From left, Brendan Peeters, Allirra Braun, Sarah Carmody, Elsie Seriat, Corrina Turner, Toni Daisy, Adrian Dodson-Shaw, Harold Matthew, Ruth Wallace, Raymond Ingram, Nathan Riley, Rachel Baker.

Mills shines for Spurs in NBA finals

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After winning the championship alongside fellow Australian Aron Baynes, and with all-time greats Duncan, Parker and Manu Ginobili, and under five-time championship-winning coach Gregg Popovich, Mills showed where his heart lies, proudly holding up the Torres Strait Islands' flag.

Having gone through the pain of losing the previous year in the finals, Mills couldn't hide how special the feeling was to win a championship.

"It feels great. I still haven't really had that chance to let it sink in and I haven't taken my hat off since we won, and I probably need to so it can all sink in to my head properly," Mills said.

"It really does feel great knowing that you put so much hard work and effort into it, and all the hours and pain and sweat and sacrifices that you make that people

don't get to see or understand.

"That's what makes this so special and on the flipside of that, the teammates and the guys on this team make it even more special doing it with them."

Mills' stunning performances in the finals has him hot property in the NBA with a host of clubs set to make him big contract offers and bigger playing roles on-court without having to play behind Parker, but right now he just wants to enjoy the championship after all the hard work that went into it.

"I haven't even thought about next season. All I can think about right now is my teammates, that last game and holding that trophy up on stage. That's the only thing going through my mind and to share it with those guys is unbelievable," he said.

"I'm not balancing anything at all right now. It's all about living in this moment and enjoying what we have just achieved as a team. It doesn't come around too often and

I am trying to find that moment for myself to let it all sink in where I can just not worry about anything else. It's such a special moment that might never come around again in my career so I just have to let it sink in."

Mills only has a couple of weeks of rest, though before joining up with the Boomers team ahead of getting ready for Australia's participation in basketball's World Cup in Spain starting August 30.

"It kind of wears me out already just thinking about it. It has been a long season, but we will think more about approaching that part of the year when it gets closer," he said.

Long year

"Being involved in a World Cup makes the year a long one and it is a great chance to represent Australia on the world stage, though, and that's something that I am always proud of."

Not only does Mills always look forward to representing Australia, but he was blown away by the support he got from back home while winning an NBA championship with the Spurs.

"I really didn't understand the support I was getting back home in Australia," Mills said.

"Andrew Gaze won a championship here too and his era was probably the last time when basketball has been one of the top two or three sports in the country, and it has really struggled.

"But I didn't know until all these messages of love and support came through when I realised that Australia was really behind basketball for the first time in a long time.

"To know that has come off a championship run for myself and Baynes is very special and hopefully that support of basketball continues now in Australia for more years to come."



ISQ ambassadors Lloyd McDermott, above, and Darby McCarthy, below, at the ISQ awards night in Brisbane. McDermott was Australia's first Indigenous Wallaby and McCarthy had an illustrious career as a jockey – a career that took him around the world.



Basketball brothers Darryl Jnr and William McDowell-White with their ISQ Cathy Freeman Encouragement Awards.



Barbara Goodwin with the Leigh-Anne Goodwin Junior Award recipient, 400m sprinter Josh Robinson. Mrs Goodwin is the mother of the late Leigh-Anne Goodwin.



Brisbane Bullets basketball legend and 1992 Barcelona Olympics Australian basketball star Leroy Loggins spoke of his journey from "the wrong side of the tracks" in Baltimore. He is a naturalised Australian citizen and was inducted into the Australian Basketball Hall of



Arthur and Sonia Williams accepted the Eddie Gilbert Medal on half of their son Jesse, who plays for the Seattle Seahawks in the National Football League. They are pictured with Indigenous Sport Queensland chairman Wayne Coolwell.

Jesse Williams wins Eddie Gilbert

Story and pictures by GRAHAM HUNT



AMERICAN football sensation Jesse Williams is the 2014 Indigenous Sport Queensland (ISQ) Eddie Gilbert Medallist.

The medal is presented to a sportsman or woman in Queensland considered by a panel of judges to be the state's most outstanding for that year.

Williams, 23, is in the US and could not be present at the awards night in Brisbane on Friday, June 19. His award was accepted by his proud Brisbane parents Arthur and Sonia Williams.

Williams played a couple of pre-season National Football League (NFL) games for the Seattle Seahawks before succumbing to injury that kept him out for the rest of the 2013-14 season.

World's biggest

The Seahawks went on to win the NFA championship – the Super Bowl – regarded as one of the biggest events in world sport.

Williams became the first Australian to win a Super Bowl ring.

He joined the Seattle Seahawks as a defensive tackle after playing college football for the University of Alabama.

He weighs 147kg and can bench press 270kg.

Other award winners at the ISQ dinner

were track sprinter Joshua Robinson and basketball brothers Darryl and Williams McDowell-White.

The McDowell-White brothers, sons of former AFL Brisbane Bears and Lions star Darryl White, shared the Cathy Freeman Encouragement Award, and Robinson, a rising track sprinter, won the Leigh-Anne Goodwin Junior Award.

Robinson, 18, is a specialist 400m sprinter who is about to take on the world's next generation at the International Association of Athletics Federation (IAAF) Junior World Championships in Oregon, USA, from July 22-27.

He will depart on July 3 for Vancouver, Canada, where the Australian team will spend nearly two weeks at the University of British Columbia participating in warm-up events before heading to Oregon on July 16 to prepare for the World Juniors.

For now, Robinson has turned his back on enticing offers from National Rugby League (NRL) clubs.

Not surprisingly, Robinson idolises another 400m runner – 2000 Olympic champion Cathy Freeman.

The 18-year-old is ranked number two among Australia's hottest under 20 400m sprinters.

He has been offered an athletics scholarship by a US college and the Toowoomba Grammar student can't believe his luck.

Having turned his back on rugby

league, he wants to forge a career in athletics.

He was presented with the Leigh-Anne Goodwin Junior award by Leigh-Anne's mother Barbara Goodwin.

Leigh-Ann Goodwin, 27, was a rising Queensland jockey who died two days after a race fall at Roma, Queensland in December 1998.

She was the first female Aboriginal jockey to ride a metropolitan winner.

The McDowell-White brothers have already represented Australia at junior basketball levels and dream of one day playing for Australia and having a career in the US National Basketball League (NBL).

Off to China

They have been selected to join the world's elite junior players at the Nike NBA camp in China next month.

"This was just one step closer to fulfilling our lifetime goal of playing in the NBA," older brother Darryl said.

Darryl White Snr, who found his love for basketball at the age of 16, went on to have an AFL career, said it was overwhelming to have the two in the same team representing Australia.

"I loved basketball when I was drafted in the AFL and always wanted to play the sport, so it's great to see them on the other side playing basketball, living the dream I had when I was younger," he said.



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Why are we so good at sport?



KOORI Mail Australian football columnist and former elite player Michael O'Loughlin has long argued that the success of Indigenous

footballers has as much to do with sheer hard work as it has with natural ability.

And now a University of Sydney study aims to bust common myths about the remarkable achievements of Indigenous Australians in sport.

Chief investigator Dr John Evans will spend the next three years identifying the sociocultural and teaching factors that

have encouraged and enhanced Indigenous sports stars' excellence at the highest levels.

"The existing myths are that Indigenous players have freakish ability and are naturally gifted, ignoring the hard work and years of practice that are required to be an elite athlete," said Dr Evans, of the Faculty of Education and Social Work.

Out of proportion

Indigenous athletes account for between 10-14% of the elite player population in Rugby League and

Australian Rules, while Indigenous Australians account for 2.5% of the total Australian population.

"We are looking at AFL and rugby league due the extraordinary level of success in those sports by Indigenous athletes," Dr Evans said.

"We will work with current and recently retired players. We will identify the sociocultural and pedagogical factors through interviews and data collection by isolating the factors that lead to success."

Despite significant social disadvantage and alarming under-achievement in educational outcomes, Indigenous

Australians achieve extraordinary success across high-profile sports. Yet such success is often explained as a result of inherited racial characteristics.

Beyond the myths

Dr Evans' study will go beyond the myths to explore this achievement as a process of learning, to demand inquiry into how this learning occurs and what sociocultural factors facilitate it.

The study has received funding of \$327,033 from the Australian Research Council under the Discovery Indigenous Grants scheme.

Mills' magic

By **CHRIS PIKE**



AUSTRALIAN basketballer Patty Mills has made history by winning an NBA championship

with the San Antonio Spurs and not only did he become the first Indigenous player to achieve that – but was a star performer in his team's victory over LeBron James and the Miami Heat.

Now a free agent, Mills is preparing to make the biggest decision of his career as he weighs up whether to stay with the Spurs or consider potential offers of \$5 million from rival teams.

Mills was originally drafted out of St Mary's University by the Portland Trail Blazers and had some good moments in two seasons, but the NBA's lockout saw him out

of contract and out of work.

That saw him spend time in the NBL with the Melbourne Tigers and then also play professionally in China, but it appeared taking up that deal in China might cost him a chance to return to the NBA.

Came calling

However, it was the San Antonio Spurs who came calling with their assistant coach Brett Brown – the same man who had also coached Mills with the Australian team at the 2012 Olympic Games – instrumental in him getting signed.

Mills quickly fitted in and was a strong contributor in the Spurs team that made the 2013 NBA finals, but ended up losing to the Miami Heat.

That burnt a fire inside Mills; he wanted to make up for that loss and he and his Spurs team got the ultimate revenge by

beating Miami in this year's NBA finals winning the best-of-seven series in five games, 4-1.

Mills was a key part of the Spurs winning their fifth championship since 1999 – all anchored by champion big man Tim Duncan.

The 25-year-old Australian came up big all season long as back-up point guard to superstar Tony Parker, but playing the most minutes and the biggest role that he has in his four years in the NBA.

Mills' growth as a player was on show in the finals when he had 31 points and four assists in the championship-clinching games four and five.

It was Mills who delivered the dagger in both games with incredible three-point shooting, hitting nine bombs from long range.

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San Antonio Spurs guard Patty Mills, of Australia, shoots a jumper as Miami Heat forward Udonis Haslem defends in their NBA finals game five at the AT&T Centre in San Antonio, Texas, on June 15. The Spurs defeated the Heat to win the game and wrap up the series 4-1.

Picture: EPA

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