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# Tiwi lease on the way?

## Bridging a divide



Glebe man Graham Mooney showed his true colours during this month's celebrations to mark the 75th anniversary of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. He was one of hundreds of Indigenous Australians to join more than 250,000 people in a walk across the famous 'Coathanger'. Full coverage - Pages 38-39.

## Criticism, but deal is closer



Tiwi Islanders in the Northern Territory look like becoming the

first Aboriginal people to agree to a 99-year lease over their land under the amended *Aboriginal Land Rights (NT) Act 1976*.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough says he's optimistic that a head lease over 400 square hectares of Nguu on Bathurst Island, 70km north of Darwin, will be agreed on by the end of May.

And a spokesman for the negotiating team for the Mantjupwi traditional owners of the area says while it's not a done deal yet, things are looking 'very positive'.

In the face of criticism that 99-year head leases will take control of Aboriginal land out of Aboriginal hands, the Federal Government has been promoting them as a potential solution to the poverty and overcrowding

experienced in many Territory Aboriginal communities.

It says housing and business investment that would flow from secure land tenure could generate considerable income for traditional owners, and Aboriginal people who take out sub-leases would at last be able to finance and live in their own homes instead of having to rely on ill-suited and poorly-constructed welfare housing.

In recent weeks, NT Chief Minister Clare Martin, NT Senator Trish Crossin and others have urged the Tiwi Islanders not to be pressured into doing anything hasty.

But a spokesman for the head lease negotiating team and Tiwi Islands Training and Employment Board (TITEB) manager, Brian Clancy, told the Koori Mail on Friday that the Tiwi were keeping pace with the negotiations.

Mr Clancy is non-Aboriginal but is married to

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From left, Jane Dalton, 25, holding 10-day-old Malachi, Ickus Dalton, 7, Karen Dalton, 51, and Theresa Dalton, 21.

**T**his is me with my mum Karen, my big sister Jane and my two nephews Ickus and Malachi. We live in Lismore, NSW. We're Bundjalung originally from Casino, up the road.

I grew up in Casino but we moved to Bundaberg, in Queensland, when I was about nine years old.

We were there for about six or seven years before we moved back to Lismore.

In my immediate family, I also have two brothers. My eldest brother Colin passed away when I was in grade four. My other brother, Dennis, is 23.

Colin had three daughters, one of whom has also passed away but my

other two nieces, Loreal and Mary, live in Sydney.

Me, my sister and my mum are all very close.

Jane and the boys live with Mum and we see each other all the time.

We go places together, we like going fishing, to the beach or the park.

We fish all around this area but mostly at Ballina and Evans Head, wherever the fish are biting.

If we catch a big enough fish, we'll come home and throw it on the barbecue, but sometimes it's slim pickings.

My nephew Ickus has always been really energetic. He can get up to some mischief but he's a good little kid.

I'm his favourite aunty, Auntie Tia. My new baby nephew Malachi is adorable, so cute and always hungry! In my spare time, I like to relax by going to the beach for a swim.

I live with my boyfriend Jack. We've been together for four years and two months. We like burning around in the car and listening to music and hanging out with friends.

We live next door to some of Jack's friends, which can be a bit interesting but we have fun.

I also have extended family in Casino, Ipswich and Cherbourg. I don't get to see them as much as I'd like. That's one of the things I'd like to do more of.

## OUR CHILDREN



These children belong to Drum Atweme (pronounced Atoom), an Alice Springs children's drumming group. The children come from the town camps around Alice Springs and are trained by Peter Lowson, the Co-ordinator for Tangentyere Council Youth Services. The drum program started during February 2004.

Drum Atweme members have performed at more than 80 community, conference and festival events. Although strong support is provided by Alice Springs' Tangentyere Council, the drum group is largely self-funded. Peter Lowson is pictured here with some of the children.

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Accused Palm Island 'rioter' Dwayne Blanket, right, gives the thumbs up as he and supporters leave the Brisbane District Court after being cleared of charges over violence on the island following the death in custody of Mulrunji Doomagee in 2004. Also pictured are fellow cleared defendants John Clumpoint and William Blackman. - AAP Image

# Palm men acquitted over 'riot'

By ALF WILSON



The north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island is celebrating a District Court

jury's acquittal of four men accused of rioting on the island on 26 November 2004.

The police station, courthouse and an officer's house were razed in the riots that erupted after the watchhouse death of Mulrunji Doomagee a week earlier.

A 12-member jury deliberated for two days before deciding last Thursday that there was not enough evidence to prove William Blackman, 36, Dwayne

## Islanders celebrate 'justice'

Blanket, 26, John Clumpoint, 40, and Lance Poynter, 34, took part in the riots. The trial before Judge Milton Griffin was held in Brisbane after a survey suggested that residents of Townsville had racist attitudes towards Aboriginal people.

North Queensland Indigenous activist Grace Smallwood said on Friday that the jury's verdict was a good outcome.

"It's been very harrowing, not just for the family and the brothers that have been charged but - as we said - this is the first time in 217 years that we are seeing some sort of justice for all the oppression that has gone on in this country towards the Indigenous people," she told the Koori Mail.

Palm Island Deputy Mayor Zac Sam said news of the acquittal had been greeted on Palm Island with celebration.

"Everybody was in a good mood and started shaking hands and just being happy. It was great news over here," Cr Sam said.

He said that a huge crowd went to the Palm Island jetty on Friday to see if the four men

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# Jury acquits Palm Island 'rioters'

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had arrived back on the island after weeks away for the trial.

"They weren't and must have stayed down in Brisbane to celebrate with family and supporters, but will be treated like heroes when they get back," he said.

A Council meeting was to be held on the island last night (Tuesday), and Cr Sam said the Council would look at putting on a barbecue for the four men.

In other controversial news, the partner of Lance Poynter had given birth to a baby, recently which Cr Sam had heard had been taken away by Family Services.

"That is like the Stolen Generation happening all over again," Cr Sam said.

David Bulsey was originally charged with rioting but the charges were later dropped by the Director of Public Prosecutions due to lack of evidence.

Mr Bulsey drove around Palm Island talking to residents after the acquittal of his fellow islanders last week.

His 17-year-old daughter, Sophie, told the Koori Mail that her father was delighted about the developments.

"Dad is so happy and knows the stress they would have gone through. The mood on the island is good," she said.

Last Wednesday, before it had made public news, a Wulgurukaba Elder told the Koori Mail that the alleged ring leader of the 'riot', Lex Wotton, had pleaded guilty to charges of rioting, which carry a long prison term. The Elder said her sister had been at the Brisbane Court when Mr Wotton made the guilty plea.

However, it is understood that, just hours before the verdicts were read out for the four men eventually acquitted, Mr Wotton's lawyers made an application to



Palm Island Deputy Mayor Zac Sam

the court for their client's guilty plea be set aside. The application is expected to be heard this week.

For the past year, rumour had been rampant on Palm Island that prosecutors had offered Mr Wotton a plea bargain of two-and-a-half years' jail.

Mr Wotton had confirmed the rumour to the Koori Mail but said he refused it at the



David Bulsey on Palm Island

time so he could have his day in court.

Cr Sam said he understood that another plea bargain was offered to Mr Wotton more recently. Nine other Palm Islanders charged with being part of the riot have already been dealt with by courts in Townsville, receiving jail sentences ranging from six months to two years.

Focus has now shifted to the trial of



Lex Wotton ... still to face court

Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, the police officer charged with assault and manslaughter of Mulrunji. The trial was last week scheduled to start on 12 June.

Snr Sgt Hurley was charged on 26 January after an independent review by a retired chief justice examined the Director of Public Prosecutions' decision not to charge him.

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# Police union chief sorry



Queensland's police union boss has admitted to contempt of court and apologised over public comments he

made about inquest findings into Mulrunji Doomadgee's death in custody.

Queensland Police Union president Gary Wilkinson made comments in the media following the ruling from Deputy State Coroner Christine Clements in September last year that Snr Sgt Chris Hurley caused the death of 36-year-old Mulrunji.

Mulrunji's death occurred in the watchhouse on Palm Island on 19 November 2004.

Ms Clements found the officer struck Mulrunji several times before police left him in a holding cell where he died.

Mr Wilkinson accused Ms Clements of conducting a 'witch hunt' and ignoring large amounts of evidence.

In response, Queensland Attorney-General Kerry Shine made an application to the Brisbane Supreme Court arguing Wilkinson's comments were in contempt of court.

Soon before his court appearance last Monday, Mr

Wilkinson told reporters he had been wrong to make the statement.

"It was wrong and insulting for me to accuse Ms Clements of bias and prejudgment and now I realise I should not have done so," Mr Wilkinson said.

"I will not say anything contemptuous of the judiciary again. On behalf of the Queensland Police Union of Employees and myself, I apologise without reservation to

**'... I apologise without reservation for making the allegations of bias and prejudgement'**

Ms Clements for making the allegations of bias and prejudgment and express my confidence in the proper administration of justice."

During the civil hearing, defence lawyer Bob Mulholland said: "Mr Wilkinson admits the contempt as reflected in a public statement he has made outside court this morning."

He told the court Mr

Wilkinson's comments were made while he was 'defending a union member who he strongly believed had done nothing wrong'.

"In the heat of such defence he went too far," Mr Mulholland said of the media conference held by his client

on 27 September last year. Prosecutor Walter Sofronoff told the court Mr Shine had pursued the matter to maintain public confidence in the administration of justice and the impartiality and honesty of Ms Clements and the State Coroners Court.

He said the apology was 'sufficient to purge the contempt' and sought an order for Wilkinson to pay the costs of the application.

Justice Martin Moynihan said the apology and order for costs marked 'a step in restoring public confidence which may have been affected' by Mr Wilkinson's statements.

Justice Moynihan also said the action brought against Mr Wilkinson should remind others of the consequences of contempt of court.

He ordered Mr Wilkinson pay costs but recorded no conviction. - AAP



# Former PM to be alliance joint patron



Former Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser has accepted an invitation to join former ATSIC head and Aboriginal leader Lowitja O'Donoghue as

joint patron of the new Stolen Generations Alliance: Australians for Healing, Truth and Justice.

"In the ten years since the tabling of

the Bringing Them Home report in Federal Parliament, Indigenous people have been squeezed out of important areas of our national life," Mr Fraser said last week.

"There are fewer Indigenous Australians in the Commonwealth Public Service, and in our national universities. We fail to understand how much Australia's Indigenous people

have to contribute to our national wellbeing.

"That is why I have accepted an invitation to be a joint patron with Lowitja O'Donoghue of the Stolen Generations Alliance.

"We need to apologise for wrongs of the past, and do all we can to overcome the harm inflicted on many thousands of our fellow citizens.

"Let us make this year – the tenth anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report, and the 40th of the 1967 Referendum – a turning point. Let us speak out strongly and with vision, so that all Australians see a far better direction for our nation to take."

Information on the Stolen Generations Alliance can be found at the website [www.SGAlliance.org.au](http://www.SGAlliance.org.au)

# It's a sick idea

## Truganini hospital name plan 'offensive'

Story and photo by  
Tasmanian Correspondent  
JILLIAN MUNDY



Aborigines in Tasmania have branded a suggestion to rename the State's largest hospital

'Truganini Hospital' inappropriate, offensive and paternalistic.

It was not until a Tasmanian newspaper published results of a list of the top five names released by the Australian Medical Association (AMA), that the local Aboriginal community was made aware of the suggestion to rename the Royal Hobart Hospital following its multi-million-dollar upgrade.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre State Secretary Sara Maynard said: "It is appalling that the Aboriginal community learn from the newspaper that one of several new names proposed by the Australian Medical Association for the Royal Hobart Hospital is Truganini Hospital.

"This idea arose without consultation with the Aboriginal community and is offensive, and paternalistic," she said.

Truganini was once declared by white society to be 'the last female Tasmanian Aborigine'.

Her story is intensely sad. In her lifetime, Truganini witnessed attempted genocide upon her people at the hands of the invaders; murder, rape, disease and theft, and was exiled to a concentration camp on Flinders



Sara Maynard has expressed concern at the suggestion to rename the Royal Hobart Hospital 'Truganini Hospital'. "Perhaps this title is intended to honour Aboriginal people. Unfortunately, it has the direct opposite effect," she says.

Island for some time.

In the final years of her life, Truganini feared the mutilation of her body by scientists after her death. She died in 1876. Two years later her body was exhumed and later her skeleton was publicly displayed as a curio for four decades.

It was not until 1976, 100 years after her death and after years of lobbying, that

Truganini's body was returned to the Tasmanian Aboriginal community and her ashes scattered over the water of the D'Entrecasteaux Channel.

### Over-exploited

The Tasmanian Aboriginal community considers that her memory has been over-exploited.

"The choice of 'Truganini', with

all the associated overtones of 'last of her race' etcetera is not only inappropriate but also offensive to Aborigines," Ms Maynard said.

"Perhaps this title is intended to honour Aboriginal people. Unfortunately, it has the direct opposite effect.

"If honouring Aborigines is the intention, there are many other Aborigines of note in recent

times that we could recommend. It's about time the Australian Medical Association dragged itself into the present and did something to support us instead of insulting us."

Tasmanian AMA media spokesman and Chief Executive Officer Rodney Cameron-Tucker was unavailable for comment at the time the Koori Mail went to print.

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# Rights at risk



West Australian Greens Senator Rachel Siewert has described proposed changes to the Native Title Act as 'wrong-headed' and 'perverse'.

Senate debate on the Native Title Amendment Bill 2006 last week included a number of amendments moved by the Greens, as well as Labor and the Democrats.

The debate was suspended on Friday but was to conclude early this week.

The Government says the Bill, introduced into the Parliament in December by Attorney-General Philip Ruddock, will help make the native title system more efficient and effective.

It says the proposed measures will:

- Enhance the quality of services provided by Native Title Representative Bodies (NTRBs) by broadening the range of organisations that can undertake activities on behalf of claimants

- Streamline the process for withdrawing recognition from poorly performing representative bodies and appointing a

replacement body, and make corresponding changes to other provisions governing representative bodies

- Put a time limit on the recognised status of representative bodies to ensure a focus on outcomes (while ensuring that all existing NTRBs are initially invited to be recognised for between one and six years)

- Reduce red tape by removing the requirement for representative bodies to prepare strategic plans and table their annual reports in Parliament

- Ensure that entities funded to perform representative body functions can provide the same services as representative bodies

- Make it easier to change representative body areas.

However, Senator Siewert told the Senate last week that the Howard Government was winding back native title and undermining the ability of representative bodies to make mutually beneficial agreements.

"Native title has the potential to deliver substantial lasting development opportunities for Indigenous communities still occupying their traditional lands,"

she said.

"However, the promise of native title has been hamstrung by an overly complex and bureaucratic system, the reluctance of the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT) to use its arbitration powers to impose conditions on mining companies, and the recalcitrance of governments who do not wish to concede any ground."

"Quite frankly, native title has failed to deliver the opportunities it promised, and the Government is now pushing through a series of amendment that cut the ground out from under native title rep bodies, give greater executive powers to the Minister, allow non-Aboriginal corporations to take on the role of representing native title holders, and give coercive powers to the National Native Title Tribunal."

The Native Title Act was passed in the Keating Government era in 1993, following the High Court's recognition of native title in

the historic Mabo case.

Since then, Indigenous people have consistently complained that a series of amendments over the years have wound back their native title rights.

Mr Ruddock has said in the past that native title



SENATOR RACHEL SIEWERT

President and one-time Liberal Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Fred Chaney announced that he would quit the position.

He cited frustration with the current native title system, which he said was impossibly complex and too concerned with legal technicalities to provide real results.

Last month researchers from Queensland's Griffith University said the NNTT's arbitration of mining agreements was favouring mining companies and seriously disadvantaging Indigenous people.

They said that in 17 cases arbitrated by the NNTT under the Act, not one single mine was rejected. In ten of the cases, no conditions were imposed on mining companies and only minimal conditions in the others.

They said the situation was pressuring Aboriginal traditional owners to cut deals that delivered few benefits rather than going to arbitration.

● View from the NNTT: Read NNTT President Graeme Neate's column 'Native Title and You' on Page 22

claims take too long to resolve, although he said in January that Howard Government amendments to the Act in 1998 helped clear a bottleneck and led to 95 determinations compared with just three in the period from 1993 until 1998.

Two weeks ago, NNTT Deputy

## Victorian title claim closer to resolution



The Bracks Government and the Gunditjmarra people of

south-west Victoria have reached an historic agreement to settle the Gunditjmarra's native title claims, the parties announced last Thursday.

Under the proposed agreement, the State and the Gunditjmarra will jointly approach the Federal Court to formally recognise Gunditjmarra native title rights on Crown lands and waters within the claim area. The court will consider the request on Friday.

"This is an historic in-principle agreement that will recognise the Gunditjmarra people's continuing connection to country," said State Attorney-General Rob Hulls.

Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation Chairman Damien Bell said the original claim was lodged with the Federal Court 11 years ago.

"Gunditjmarra people look forward to the hearing on (Friday) in the expectation that our native title will finally be



ROB HULLS



DAMIEN BELL

recognised," he said.

Implementation of the agreement between the State and the Gunditjmarra is subject to the signing of consent orders by all other respondents to the claim and the Federal Court's final determination of the Gunditjmarra claims.

The Gunditjmarra Native Title Claim Area covers about 140,000 hectares of Crown land and waters in the Portland region of south-western Victoria.

All parties with interests in

the claim area have been consulted and are protected under the proposed terms of the agreement between the State and the Gunditjmarra. The claim does not cover or affect any freehold land in the area.

"I look forward to the consent determination as another step towards land justice for the Indigenous people of Victoria," Mr Hulls said.

Mr Bell said: "We're extremely proud to be finally recognised as native title holders by the State of Victoria."

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# School, jobs the goal of AFL All Stars Program



A new \$2.4-million sports program will encourage Aboriginal teenagers in the Northern Territory and South Australia to complete secondary school or secure a job.

The AFL All Stars Ambassador Program was announced by the Federal Government and the Australian Football League (AFL) at Parliament House in Canberra last Wednesday. Joined by AFL star James Hird, Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough and AFL Chief Executive Officer Andrew Demetriou announced details of the three-year partnership.

"This partnership has the potential to make an enormous difference to kids living in some of the most disadvantaged communities in Australia," Mr Brough said.

"Sport is a major part of life in Indigenous communities and can help improve the education and health of young Indigenous people, so I'm delighted that the AFL is matching the Australian Government's funding commitment."

Through the AFL Club Fostership Program, the

AFL will partner with Indigenous communities and, in conjunction with local schools and community organisations, encourage young people into sporting activities.

Participating AFL clubs will have flying squads of players and coaches visiting individual communities to conduct coaching clinics, deliver healthy lifestyle and nutrition information, conduct training camps as part of a reward and recognition scheme linked to school attendance and results, and deliver coaching courses for community coaches.

The programs will start in Wadeye and surrounding communities in the remote NT and will be rolled out to other selected communities in the NT and South Australia in coming months. A feature of the programs in Wadeye will be the creation of a regional football competition involving the Wadeye, Palumpa, Peppimenarti and Daly River communities.

Opposition spokesperson for Indigenous affairs Jenny Macklin congratulated the AFL on the new program.

# Cyclone-hit WA centres 'need help'

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



Aboriginal communities ravaged by cyclone George in Western Australia's Pilbara region on 10

March are not receiving as much emergency aid as quickly as they should, according to a former ATSIC Commissioner for the area.

Terry Whitby says the sheer volume of work facing emergency crews is preventing help from reaching coastal communities already suffering considerable health risks and unreliability of essential supplies such as food, water, medication and electricity.

The devastating level-four cyclone, the biggest seen in the rugged region, rendered some of the area a natural disaster zone. It left three people dead, dozens of Port Hedland residents in hospital, and several hundred more forced to apply for Federal emergency relief grants.

Mr Whitby said the State Government had failed to provide emergency accommodation for Aboriginal coastal communities where sub-standard housing was flattened by the cyclone, the hardest hit being Jinparinya, about 30km from Port Hedland.

WA Indigenous Affairs Minister Michelle Roberts would not comment on the matter, and referred all inquiries to the Department for Indigenous Affairs (DIA).



TERRY WHITBY

A departmental official in Perth said Mr Whitby's criticism of emergency relief was insulting to those taking part in the relief operations, such as the Fire and Emergency Services Association (FESA).

Another spokesperson in the department's Port Hedland office confirmed that Jinparinya and two other communities, Punjarjuma and Marta Marta, where cyclone George crossed the mainland, bore the brunt of the 275km/h winds.

The spokesperson rejected Mr Whitby's criticism of housing standards in Aboriginal communities, saying the fact that any houses in the communities were still standing at all showed that most of them were of a high standard.

She said electricity should be restored in the communities within two weeks, but rebuilding of accommodation might take as long as six months.

"The DIA has been working closely with the affected communities, FESA, essential service providers, local government and Pilbara Meta Maya throughout the recovery period," she said.

"But it is a truly enormous task."

She said she knew of ten families whose homes were destroyed in the cyclone - five had been found temporary accommodation through Housing and Works and mining company BHP Billiton Iron Ore (BHPBIO), and the other five families were staying with friends and family.

"DIA are supporting local government and BHPBIO to arrange the transport of donated temporary transportable accommodation out to the communities so families can have a place to base themselves during this lengthy process," she said.

Telephone access to Jinparinya is still almost totally cut, making accurate assessment of the community's needs difficult, but Mr Whitby said residents had told him that sufficient aid was just not getting through.

Acting District Manager of the Pilbara Department for Community Development Andrew Geddes said communities and stations had been irreparably affected and rebuilding or replacing housing could take an indefinite period of time, and hinged on the availability of contractors and construction materials.

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# Government unmoved by housing anger



Part of the 'display village' in remote Wadeye in the Top End.



Minister Mal Brough with locals at Wadeye.

## Full steam ahead for axing of CHIP



The Federal Government has been unmoved by anger over its plans to abolish the longstanding Community Housing and Infrastructure Program (CHIP) and to divert urban Indigenous housing funds to remote communities.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough announced the plans following the release of a damning report by PricewaterhouseCoopers, which found poor governance, inefficiency or corruption in many Indigenous Community Housing Organisations (ICHOs).

The report concluded that the housing needs of Indigenous Australians in remote areas were not being met, and basic services and infrastructure were not being delivered.

Minister Brough's blaming of ATSIC for the failures of CHIP angered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma.

"Responsibility for the mismanagement and failure of the Federal Government's Community Housing and Infrastructure Program (CHIP) should not be blamed on Indigenous Australians," he said.

Mr Calma said CHIP had been in operation since the 1960s – well before the establishment of ATSIC in 1989 – and the findings were a serious indictment of decades of government mismanagement and neglect in delivering the basic human right of housing to Indigenous Australians.

"The CHIP scheme was never headed up by Indigenous people, and they should not be the fall guys for government incompetence," he said.

The Murrumbidgee Regional Assembly (MPRA) in western NSW said implementation of the review findings in their current form would be catastrophic for social housing for Indigenous people in eastern and southern States.

"Funding levels are already inadequate and to reduce them by the significant cuts that are being proposed would be nothing short of criminal," said MPRA Chairman Sam Jeffries.



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West Australian Greens Senator Rachel Siewert said that "even if CHIP was magically replaced tomorrow by the most efficient and best targeted housing program in the history of the universe, there would still be a housing problem for the simple fact that we have never put enough resources into Aboriginal housing".

"The 1999 ATSIC study identified that \$2.3 billion was needed solely to address unmet need, and since then nothing has been done to address the gap – things haven't improved, costs have gone up,

more homes are falling apart, and the population continues to grow," she said.

The Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service Co-operative Ltd (VALS) called for an independent impact study on the proposal to divert urban housing funds to remote communities.

When the Koori Mail interviewed Minister Brough in Brisbane recently, he was sticking to plans to move away from Indigenous-specific housing in cities and major towns.

"I don't think it matters if you're black or you're white. If your socio-economic circumstances mean that you need rent assistance, Government will provide it regardless of cultural background," he said.

"There's no other part of society where we go out and pick ten or 20 people in a suburb and say 'right, you'll decide who lives in those ten or 20 homes, you'll maintain those homes, you'll make sure that the rates are paid and anyone who does damage to them fixes them up."

"We just don't do that and if we did, I'm sure we'd have as much mayhem in mainstream society as we do in Indigenous society."

The PricewaterhouseCoopers review recommended measures to address housing issues in remote communities, including efficiencies in housing construction and negotiation of bulk contracts.

Mr Brough said gains were already being made, with people in communities where land tenure issues could be resolved through 99-year head leases becoming more enthused about accessing either government or private loan assistance to buy homes.

"In those places, the options have been 'well, wait till the whitefella turns up and builds us a house and we'll live in it,'" he said.

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"I'm saying, 'well, you want a house, we'll work with you and show you how you can pay for and design a house'."

"And our approach to that is that's exactly the way it should be; you have what you want and what you're prepared to pay for."

The Minister said the Federal Government had built a display village in remote Wadeye, where overcrowding meant an average of 16-17 people per house.

"People went and looked at the homes and they told us what they liked about the homes and what they want to change," he said.

"They talked about other practical things like 'we want paths around and we want something for our carport' and I explained my own situation. As a young man when I bought my first home, I bought a 'box' and when I could afford to, I put a verandah on it. As I could afford it, I put a carport on it."

"Because people haven't got in their minds that these are things that you can do when you own something ... why would you go and build something on a house, pathways or whatever, when someone can turf you out of it, and you never own it?"

"So you are opening people's minds to what they can achieve. Whenever we do something for ourselves, we have more pride in it and it builds self-esteem and from that flows a lot of positives."

"I reckon that this year, 2007 in the dry, in Wadeye community where people are on CDEP, most are unemployed, that family groups will lease purchase homes."

"And they'll do it through IBA, they'll have financial investment advice, and we'll go through all their Centrelink issues."

"We'll ensure that it's the family group that wants to be in there, and it could be one family or it could be the extended family."

"There's a lot of income that comes into some of those families as a result of that."



# Leaders back new ALP policy focus



Aboriginal leaders have responded positively to an Indigenous policy switch from the Australian Labor Party (ALP), now focusing on jobs and education.

Labor Indigenous affairs spokeswoman Jenny Macklin says the new policy, which must be ratified by the party's national conference next month, will hone in on welfare dependency and ensuring economic development and jobs.

"What we're really emphasising is that we are not going to deal with the fundamental causes of poverty if we don't focus on education and jobs," she said.

The policy:

- Recognises the importance of economic development in increasing self-reliance and furthering the aim of self-determination.
- Promises training, skills and personal development to help unemployed Indigenous Australians make the transition into employment.
- Calls for the establishment of a new national Indigenous body, to replace the now-defunct Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC).
- Promises an apology for the Stolen Generations.
- Commits a Federal Labor government to endorsing the International Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.
- Links culturally-competent training to regional need and opportunities, and recognises the need to grow local and regional partnerships between the community and private sectors.

Ms Macklin said the exact nature of the national Indigenous body had not yet been decided on. "We are only at the start of discussions with Indigenous people," she said.

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Labor Indigenous affairs spokeswoman Jenny Macklin meets workers at the Argyle Diamond Mine in the Kimberley region of Western Australia.

Ms Macklin recently undertook a whirlwind nine-day tour of Indigenous communities and organisations in north Queensland, the Northern Territory, Western Australia's

Mr Yu said on Friday that the Labor policy switch was towards a movement already happening. "A lot of the corporates and a lot of the mining people are actually leading the way on this

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There's no doubt about it, this is a major shift for us. People must have real jobs and real income and, after that, housing. If people don't have an economy, they're just wasting their time." — with AAP



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# Tiwi land lease deal moves closer

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Mantiupwi traditional owner and fellow negotiating team member Jennifer Kerinaia.

"We have no problem with people saying 'don't rush' because we do want to make sure that we get it right," he said. "It's going to be for a long time so we want to make sure we cross all our t's and dot all our i's."

"We'd like to think that a decision one way or the other will be made before the Government goes into caretaker mode before the next Federal election, but we're certainly not under any pressure to do it."

"If we're not happy, the advice from the negotiating team will be not to touch it but the feeling of the traditional owners at the moment is very much in favour of the 99-year lease."

Mr Clancy says earlier community concerns about Nguu becoming a white town and Tiwi people being relegated to the

fringes, as well being forced to buy houses had been allayed. He said it helped that information from the Federal Government was being translated into Tiwi language.

The NT Government had been expected to establish an entity to hold head leases and issue sub-leases according to conditions imposed by Aboriginal landowners.

But Mr Brough says the delay coupled with questions from the Tiwi people about who would hold any head lease and under what parameters had prompted the Federal Government to establish the entity itself, as a proprietary limited company solely owned by the Commonwealth.

"It's a pretty reasonable question so if you couldn't answer that, that's the threshold issue," he said. "That's if they (the Tiwi) decide to play. All the negotiations have been very positive but, like any negotiations, they may break down."

Mr Clancy says the negotiating team feels

that a 99-year lease will deliver more — not less — control to the traditional owners.

"At the moment, more often than not, there's no consideration of the traditional owners. People come and go and buildings are put up and the traditional owners are rarely consulted," he said.

"We've been struggling for years with basic services like education and health. We've had the highest rate of suicide per capita in the world previously, we have that many people on kidney dialysis machines now, and with education we have been pumping out 80 per cent illiterate kids for the last 20 years."

"Housing has been a nightmare for a long time. There's been nine new houses built at Nguu in the past six years and apparently we're about 100 houses short just to make things level."

"We think that with these negotiations, we can get some proper outcomes with housing

which leads to better everything else, things like health."

"We're talking about 400 hectares, it is not like it's the whole island."

Tiwi Land Council Chief Executive John Hicks said the council had spent \$100,000 on legal expenses associated with the head lease negotiations.

"The initial reaction (of the Tiwi) in 2004 was 'bugger off', but it changed about 12 months ago when they said 'well, maybe we should have a look at this. It is always going to be a community, what really is the best option for our people?'," he said.

"It is hugely complicated and (while) there's some precedent for 99-year leases in places like the ACT, trying to fit that within the culture of a developing community is a little bit unique. Certainly the processes and considerations that have to be taken into account are a lot more extreme than a farmer selling off the corner paddock."



# Wage fight pays off

By CHRISTINE HOWES with additional reporting by MARGARET WENHAM of the Courier Mail



Unsuccessful payment applications for under-award wages from Doomadgee residents have been renegotiated with the Queensland Government thanks to successful court outcomes for Hopevale and Wujal Wujal residents late last year.

Applications were made in the 1990s by Palm Island workers to the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission under the Racial Discrimination Act for reimbursement of underpaid wages on communities during the 1970s and 1980s.

As a result, the Qld Government gave workers a blanket offer of \$7000 each for those who worked on former state-run reserves – but not missions.

However, ongoing court cases with seven claimants from former mission workers on Hopevale and Wujal Wujal, also intended to represent a case for Aurukun, Mornington Island and Doomadgee workers, have finally paid off.

In December last year a successful appeal resulted in cheques for those individual claimants being 'in the mail', with hundreds of others now hoping to renegotiate their applications to the Qld Government.

Successful Wujal Wujal claimant Marie Foster said it had been a stressful wait.

"But we hung in there," she said. "When it finally came down to this I was a bit sad – how come only the four of us (from Wujal Wujal) were getting it and not the other applicants, but it will happen."

Ms Foster said they had waited 20 years for their payments to come through and payments for claimants in Doomadgee, Aurukun and Mornington Island could now be followed through.

And that's exactly what has happened, with claimants from Doomadgee now



Daphne Foster (left) and Eleanor Logan at Doomadgee last week. Photo courtesy of the Courier Mail.

reaping the benefits of their patience.

Doomadgee child-care worker Daphne Foster said she and others were refused the \$7000 in the first place because they had no records.

"We were working during the church years from 1975 to 1983," she said. "All that time I was paid under award because I was Aboriginal but I didn't know."

"I found out during 1983 when my wages increased when the Government took over. The Government, through mediation, has settled my claim now, including an amount for hurt and humiliation. At least

something has come out of it."

Child-care centre co-ordinator Eleanor Logan said getting the money back had been a long and painful process.

"They discriminated against us in the first place to say they wouldn't give us the \$7000," she said.

"Then they said they had no records of us working. Cases like this are important because it shows just how much we were discriminated against."

"I only worked for a short period from 1981 to 1983 but I was also short-paid."

Ms Foster said she would put aside her

money for kids' Christmas and birthday presents and presents for family and friends.

"We have never had any money to buy anything special previously," she said.

"The community feels good about this outcome as well. There were a lot who were told there were no records but hopefully now everyone who was underpaid will receive the compensation."

"And an injustice remains that the children of people who have since passed away cannot receive the compensation."

# Normanton fears CDEP cuts

By CHRISTINE HOWES



Normanton residents fear they will lose their aged persons home if the axe falls on their local CDEP, run by Bynoe Community

Aboriginal Co-operative Society (CACS). Bynoe CACS Chief Executive Officer Fred Pascoe said the CDEP was a key resource for the Gulf of Carpentaria town with its total population of about 1500, about 60-70 per cent of whom were Aboriginal people.

He said that at present he was grappling with getting the Federal Government to acknowledge there may be different approaches to re-developing CDEPs other than 'just turning it all into work for the dole'.

He said the Bynoe CACS, formed in 1975 before taking on CDEP in 1990, had always had a policy of 'no work no pay', had always found ways to place successful apprentices and workers into full-time jobs and had successfully tendered for local government and mine worker opportunities for many years.

They also had a mostly Federally-funded housing stock of 68, run their own nursery business and an arts and craft gang, delivered parks and gardens maintenance work for the local



Bynoe CACS Chief Executive Officer Fred Pascoe with Australian Democrats Senator Andrew Bartlett at the Normanton CDEP nursery.

council and supported the 15-bed aged persons home.

"For the past 12 months work for the dole hasn't worked here and yet CDEP has been here since 1990 and it's flourishing," Mr Pascoe said. "That alone should say to (the Federal Government) maybe we should look at CDEP in a different light."

"I've got a contract up until June and I've put our submission in for what happens after June but I'm



Normanton CDEP workers Dale Owens and Sarah 'Sissy' Beckett, who are concerned for their future.

under no uncertainty whatsoever the way (Prime Minister) John Howard and (Indigenous Affairs Minister) Mal Brough want to go with CDEP – they're going to say to us 'it's going to be work for the dole and it's going to be mainstream', and mainstream doesn't work."

"One of the reasons our CDEP has worked is that we've always pushed for programs to run with it – if they cut CDEP back tomorrow



our work force would probably drop from 130 to 30. We'd struggle and we'd have to cut back everything."

Mr Pascoe said that if the CDEP was closed, the aged persons home would be the first to go and that local housing would also suffer.

"We've got (CDEP) set up now so that it's paying for itself, it's breaking even, it's doing what it wants to do," he said.

"If they take away that control, it

just washes away all the hard work that's been done in the past by a hell of a lot of people."

"It has taken 200 years for the problems to manifest themselves so we can't wave a magic wand overnight to fix it but we've got to start somewhere."

Mr Pascoe said he had seen the benefits of local people running their own program.

"I've seen blokes who lay down drunk in the gutter, we put them on CDEP in the 1990s, we made them build houses and we gave them five days a week work, they're really proud of that," he said.

"When the Government looks at things they look at them in isolation or they look at it simplistically. They judge us one and all by the same, so if the community in Wadeye is in crisis, they think all Aboriginal communities are in crisis and they treat us all the same."

"Whether we're looking at the municipal services the local councils provide or housing or aged care or other functions that we do, it's never been brought to the next level."

"What Brough is suggesting now is going to go backwards, there's no 'how can we develop CDEP into sustainable, realistic work where the opportunities lie?'."

"Now those opportunities may not lie everywhere, but they certainly do in Normanton. We've proved that."





Children from Lower Plenty Primary School during Harmony Day activities last week.

# Plenty of harmony from young and old

**C**HILDREN at the Lower Plenty Primary School on the outskirts of Melbourne proved last week that you're never too young to celebrate cultural diversity, and Aboriginal Elders who joined the children for the day proved that you're never too old. Austin Health's Ngarra Jarra Aboriginal Program - Harmony Day school project last Wednesday was a cultural exchange featuring didgeridoo performance, song, arts, storytelling and bush tucker.

The Aboriginal flag was raised, a gum tree planted, a time capsule buried, an Aboriginal painting for the school presented complete with handprints from local Aboriginal Elders, school children and community representatives and

there was a deadly bush tucker feed.

Aboriginal Health Development Officer at Austin Health's Ngarra Jarra Aboriginal Program Daryl Naylor said it was excellent to see school children who had worked hard during the fortnight in manufacturing totem poles, didgeridoos, artwork and clap sticks and wearing the Harmony Day badges. "The kids were very enthusiastic, wanting to know more about Aboriginal people and talking up their artwork," he said.

"This project has been important for the Ngarra Jarra Aboriginal Program as we continue to focus on building positive relationships and spreading the importance of Melbourne Aboriginal urban identity, culture, awareness and understanding."

# Harmony at gathering

Story by REKO RENNIE-GWAYBILLA  
Photos by BILL POON



While some people spent the day at the Formula One Grand Prix last Wednesday, plenty of Melburnians chose to enjoy the more relaxed atmosphere of the 2007 Black Harmony Gathering.

Harmony between Indigenous Australians and other culturally diverse groups was the focus of the event held in the inner-city suburb of Fairfield.

More than 150 people attended the event, hosted by the Indigenous community and presented by Multicultural Arts Victoria.

Uncle Herb Patten played a few tunes on the gumleaf and the Koori Youth Will Shake Spears showed all the mob that he can really dance.

With Fairfield Amphitheatre and the Yarra River providing the stage for the gathering, other acts included Kutcha Edwards, Narasirato Pan Pipers, fuSIAN, Koby, Liz Cavanagh, Eva Jo Edwards, Peter Rotumah, Monica Weightman, King Bell with Soukous Ba Congo and David Drysdale on didgeridoo. MCs Kylie Belling and Gabby Fakhri kept the day rolling along.

Multicultural Arts Victoria Co-ordinator Sally Campbell told the Koori Mail that it was amazing just to see the diversity of community get together and have fun.

"It was a huge community event, where people from all types of communities got up and played instruments or contributed without having someone co-ordinate everybody," she said.

"There's a lot of work in planning an event like this,



Uncle Herb Patten plays the gumleaf at the Black Harmony Gathering.

but it was just great to see the community get together and perform impromptu sets and that was what I thought was really successful."

The Black Harmony Gatherings were initially developed between Victoria's Indigenous community and newly emerging cultural groups as a vehicle to bring young and old together in harmony through the sharing of the cultures of music and dance.

"The Black Harmony Gathering not only breaks down cultural barriers, but also gives all people a chance to meet, share dance and enjoy," Ms Campbell said. "This is seen particularly amongst the youth who are attending in greater numbers from all communities and bringing their families."



Koori Youth at the Black Harmony Gathering in Melbourne.



# 120 reasons for RMIT to have double celebration

**A**USTRALIA'S national day of celebrating diversity and multiculturalism, Harmony Day on 21 March, proved a double celebration for Victoria's RMIT University, which also celebrated its 120th anniversary.

RMIT Vice-Chancellor Margaret Gardner and Aboriginal performer Ron Murray are pictured (left) releasing 120 butterflies to mark the day. A staff-and-student-designed Tree of Life tapestry was also unveiled to acknowledge the university's diverse community.

"RMIT University is a diverse university with students coming from more than 100 nations," said Professor Gardner.

"The university encapsulates the elements of Harmony Day through its cultural diversity and global outlook."

Mr Murray, who comes from the Wamba Wamba tribe near Swan Hill, played the didgeridoo before the event and then performed an acknowledgement of country on behalf of Elder Aunty Joy Murphy.





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# Driving in style



The road to reconciliation may be a long one, but if you're going to travel it, you may as well do it in style.

That's the philosophy behind some personalised Aboriginal Australia vehicle number plates, the Victorian series of which was launched at the Aboriginal Advancement League in Melbourne earlier this month.

The idea for the red, black and yellow number plates came to Queensland Aboriginal artist Michael Connolly a few years back as he sat on his market stall and admired the different themes shown on the number plates of parked cars.

He decided that he'd like to design a number plate to express his pride in his Aboriginality and when he showed some the design to friends, they said they'd like some too.

The rest, as they say, is history. A Qld version of the number plates was unveiled in Brisbane on NAIDOC Day 2005 and Michael and his wife Jo have been negotiating with the road transport authorities in



other states and territories since then.

Victoria was the next State to 'get the show on the road', following 12 months negotiation between the Connollys and VicRoads.

The Victorian number plates are available in a series from 000 MOB to 099 MOB, with the word 'mob' chosen to reflect Aboriginal Australians unified in cultural pride.

"We are one mob and that should be celebrated wherever we are throughout this great country of ours," Michael said after the Melbourne launch.

"All we want is a little respect and recognition as being the first Australians. The number plate is an opportunity to bring us all together to share and respect this land and her people.

Instead of walking this land together, we can drive together along the road to reconciliation."

Michael said the background colours of the number plate were representative of the Aboriginal flag, with the circles representing the circle of life, the lines joining the circles representing the links between all the Aboriginal clans Australia wide, and the feet representing those of Aboriginal people who continue to walk this land.

Michael and Jo hope that South Australia and Western Australia will also take the number plates on board before the end of this year.

For further information, go to [www.dreamtime.auz.net](http://www.dreamtime.auz.net) or contact Michael and Jo Connolly on 07 3880 1320 or via email [kulilla@dreamtime.auz.net](mailto:kulilla@dreamtime.auz.net)



Michael Connolly with some of the new Victorian series of Aboriginal number plates.

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## Murray Lower Darling Rivers Indigenous Nations



### "CULTURAL CONNECTIONS"

The Murray Lower Darling Rivers Indigenous Nations (MLDRIN) is offering an opportunity for people aged 20-35 to participate in their "Cultural Connections" Course. The course is to provide increased awareness in Indigenous Cultural connection to Murray Darling Basin & inform & provide knowledge to participants in Governance, inherent & human rights, Natural Resource Management & open the doors for young people to Natural Resource Management & Cultural Heritage career paths.

The Course will provide both accredited & non-accredited training through the Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation RTO. The course will be delivered in two blocks:

**APRIL 16th - 20th 2007**

**Block 1-Yorta Yorta Country VIC - 4 days**

**Knowledge - History and Politics**

**May 21st - 25th 2007**

**Block 2-Ngarindjeri Country SA - 4 days**

**Capacity Building - The Pathways to Eco-Cultural Activism**

The course will give participants a "Statement of Attainment" in Certificate III in Conservation & Land Management and the opportunity to complete the whole certificate with Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation. The Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation is a Registered Training Organisation No. 20994

**THE APPLICATION PROCESS WILL INVOLVE:**

- Expression of interest from prospective participant
- Endorsement by Indigenous Nation group & support letter
- Formal notification of acceptance into course

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For further information or to express your interest in this course please contact Steven Ross, MLDRIN Coordinator on: Ph 03 5881 9207, fax 03 5881 3465, mobile 0429 2920506 or email [steven.ross@dnr.nsw.gov.au](mailto:steven.ross@dnr.nsw.gov.au)



## NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL ELECTION OF 9 COUNCILLORS

In accordance with the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983, and associated Regulations, an election is to be held for 9 councillors of the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council with one councillor to be elected to represent each of the following Regional Aboriginal Land Council areas:-

Central  
Northern  
Sydney/Newcastle

Central Coast  
North Western  
Western

North Coast  
South Coast  
Wiradjuri

Nominations are hereby invited.

### WHO CAN NOMINATE AS A CANDIDATE

To be eligible for nomination as a candidate for a Region, a person must be a voting member of a Local Aboriginal Land Council the area of which is within the Region.

A person cannot be nominated as a candidate for more than one Regional Aboriginal Land Council area.

### HOW TO NOMINATE AS A CANDIDATE

A nomination of a candidate must:-

- be in the approved form;
- be made by not less than 6 persons (other than the candidate), each of whom is entitled to vote at the election i.e. each of whom is listed on the same regional roll as the candidate;
- be signed by the candidate consenting to nomination;
- be accompanied by a statutory declaration by the candidate, in the approved form, that the candidate is not disqualified from holding office; and
- be accompanied by a deposit of \$50.00 in the form of cash, money order or bank cheque.

A person can only nominate one candidate in an election.

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer, NSW Electoral Commission, Level 25, 201 Kent Street, Sydney (PO Box 693, Grosvenor Place, 1220) or by facsimile to (02)9290 5220 by no later than **noon, Monday 23 April 2007.**

Nomination forms may be obtained from:

NSW Electoral Commission: Level 25, 201 Kent Street, Sydney  
Phone: (02) 9290 5923 Fax: (02) 9290 5939  
NSW Aboriginal Land Council: 9th Floor, 33 Argyle St, Parramatta  
Phone: 1800 447 096  
Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act: [stephen.wright@daa.nsw.gov.au](mailto:stephen.wright@daa.nsw.gov.au)  
Phone: (02) 9219 0746 or (02) 9219 0703

A candidate wishing to withdraw nomination must do so in writing so as to be received by the Returning Officer prior to the close of nominations at noon, Monday 23 April 2007.

### DRAW FOR POSITIONS ON BALLOT PAPER

If more than one nomination is received for any regional area, a draw to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot paper will be conducted at the NSW Electoral Commission at 2.00pm on Monday 23 April 2007. Candidates or their representatives are welcome to attend the draw.

### POLLING DAY

Polling Day will be Saturday 19 May 2007.

Brian DeCelle  
Returning Officer

NSW Electoral Commission  
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Young Goldfields video makers are ...

# Going places



Four young Aboriginal boys from Western Australia's Goldfields have had their video selected from

hundreds of entries from around the world to win the Most Impressive Achievement Award in an international Lonely Planet video competition.

Stanley Adams, 13, Karthi Muir, 11, Nathan Abdullah, 11, and Kuberan Muir, 9, from the Walkatjura Cultural Centre in Leonora, entered *Papinmaru*, a short video about hunting a fat goanna (papinmaru).

Lonely Planet's 'Less Than Three' travel video competition

invited budding video makers to capture a 'great moment in travel', with the best entries displayed on the publisher's web site <http://www.lonelyplanet.com/lessthanthree/>.

The video was produced entirely by the boys, with some technical assistance and mentoring from a PhD student of the Desert Knowledge Co-operative Research Centre (CRC).

Guy Singleton, who is based at Curtin University, Perth, works with the Walkatjura Cultural Centre (WCC) to implement a series of community-driven multimedia projects. His PhD investigates digital technology as a tool for



Lonely Planet award-winning video makers, from left, Nathan Abdullah, 11, Karthi Muir, 11, and Stanley Adams, 13. Missing from the photo is Kuberan Muir, 9.

Aboriginal community empowerment.

*Papinmaru* shows the boys making a slingshot from the insides of an old football and talking about the chase, the best bits to eat, traditional names and why they like getting out of town.

The boys now are raising money to present the video during a cross-cultural exchange with Canada's First Nation people and researchers at the University of British

Columbia in mid-2007.

The video project was made possible through the joint efforts of the Walkatjura Cultural Centre, the Desert Knowledge CRC, Curtin University of Technology, and BHP-Billiton Nickel West.

The Desert Knowledge CRC, a national research network linking Aboriginal and Western knowledge for the benefit of desert people, works with the community enterprise of the boys' Tjupan Ngalia family.



Stanley and Karthi with the large papinmaru caught in the video at Mt Keith, WA.

The WCC is an Aboriginal Cultural Centre based in Leonora, WA. It runs two main themes within the centre – enterprise development through traditional art practices, as well as a Rangers program that is essentially about Aboriginal people demonstrating their ability to effectively manage traditional lands through a merge of contemporary and traditional natural resource management practices.

● If any readers are in a position to financially assist Stanley, Karthi, Nathan and Kuberan to travel to Canada mid-year, please contact us at the Koori Mail and we'll pass on your contact details.

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## At last there's some good news about cancer.

### Cervical cancer vaccinations begin nationally April 2007.

Cervical cancer is one of the most common cancers affecting women across the world, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women. It is almost always caused by the human papillomavirus (HPV).

You might have heard about a new vaccine, developed here in Australia, that can protect against HPV, which increases your protection from cervical cancer. This is really good news for young women.

The other good news is that the Australian Government is making the cervical cancer vaccine available free to all girls and young women aged 12 to 26 under the National HPV Vaccination Program.

For girls at school, the program starts in April 2007. Because of their young age an approval form will be sent home shortly for parents or carers to fill in and return. If you have any questions about this approval form have a talk with your health service or school.

For young women who have left school, and are less than 27, this free vaccine will be available from your doctor, health service or community immunisation clinic from July this year.

The vaccine doesn't prevent all cervical cancers, so women should keep having regular Pap smears and looking after their health. But a free cervical cancer vaccine is still very good news for all women.

Help protect your daughters, nieces and granddaughters from cervical cancer.

Let's look after our young women and girls and sign the approval form.

For more information:  
National Immunisation Hotline 1800 671 811  
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# Carrolup work wins artist major award

By KEN BOASE in Perth



Nyoongar artist Ezzard Flowers has won a major honour at this year's Multicultural Community

Services Awards for his part in returning to Australia art created by mission children in the 1940s.

The artworks by children of the Carrolup Mission, in the Great Southern region of Western Australia, was discovered in wooden crates at the Colgate University, in New York State, in 2003, and Mr Flowers was instrumental in securing some of the art for a special exhibition as part of last year's Perth International Arts Festival.

The artworks were originally taken to the United States in the early 1950s and shown throughout America, Europe and the United Kingdom before they were gifted in the late 1960s to the Colgate University where they were held in wooden boxes for the next 35 years.

The awards night, held at the Perth Concert Hall on 14 March, was sponsored by the WA Government through the Office of Multicultural Interests. Nyoongar Kim Collard gave the welcome to country address.

Mr Flowers was too ill to attend the awards night and Nyoongar woman Carol Innes, who was one of the team of people who worked to bring the artworks back to country, accepted the award on his behalf.

"If ever I needed anybody to stand in for me and accept this award on my behalf, Carol was the ideal person because we've been on the journey together through emotional times but we maintained our focus to do what we had to do and bring the artwork back to country," Mr Flowers told the Koori



Ezzard Flowers (seated in foreground) with Nyoongar Athol Farmer and Colgate Professor Jane Minchin with one of the Carrolup art pieces.



Nyoongar Carol Innes (right) pictured with WA Minister for Multicultural Interests Ljilanna Ravlich soon after receiving the award on behalf of Ezzard Flowers. "He went over there as an ambassador for Western Australia, he went over there as an ambassador for Nyoongar people and he did us all proud," Ms Innes said of Mr Flowers.

Mail.

Ms Innes spoke of the enormous effort and pride in going to the United States with Mr Flowers to retrieve the art.

"He took us to America as his journey there," Ms Innes said of Mr Flowers, her voice trembling with emotion.

"He'd never been out of

the State, and he came from a community to go across to represent our community as Nyoongar people.

"He went over there as an ambassador for Western Australia, he went over there as an ambassador for Nyoongar people and he did us all very proud."

Mr Flowers was invited to

go to New York with Nyoongar artist Athol Farmer and University of WA anthropologist John Stanton by PIAF Director Lindy Hume, and the trio visited Colgate University in April 2005.

"When we got there (the US university) they said that before the media or anyone was allowed in to talk to us that we should have some quiet time with the paintings before I talked about them to everyone there," Mr Flowers said.

"I reflected back to my own childhood in Marribank and the spirits of those kids who were taken away such a long time ago.

"A lot of the paintings were done by Revell Cooper and most of his art was on the corroborees and the markings on the men and as soon as I saw that, I knew how important it was for the reconnection of our culture and identity."

The university agreed to release 20 of the paintings for a special exhibition at the Mungart Boodja Gallery in Katanning early last year, the beginning of an ongoing cultural exchange program with the university and the first stage of having the artworks returned permanently.

"We're hoping through negotiation and this cross-cultural exchange we've got going that we can get them back further down the track," Mr Flowers said.

"We would need to have some sort of cultural centre here in Katanning or an art centre so that when the Carrolup art does come back, there's a proper centre that's fully appropriate and ready for those artworks."

News about the artworks and other art information from Nyoongar Country can be found at the Mungart Boodja website - [www.mungartboodja.com](http://www.mungartboodja.com)



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- Nyoongar artist and award winner Ezzard Flowers



## ABORIGINAL ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER PROGRAM

Call for Applications for 2007/2008

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The NSW Department of Education and Training is seeking applications from non-Government and community organisations wishing to be considered as a provider of its Aboriginal Enterprise Development Officer (AEDO) program within NSW.

The aim of the program is to assist Aboriginal people to access education and training pathways to facilitate the establishment and retention of viable Aboriginal business enterprises.

The objective of the program is to increase the confidence and expertise of Aboriginal people to enable them to participate in self-employment opportunities and to encourage an entrepreneurial culture within Aboriginal communities.

Interested organisations will be responsible for managing, administering and co-ordinating the project.

Please note that this call for applications does not commit the NSW Department of Education and Training in any way to the provision of funding or assistance to a prospective service provider.

Application forms and program guidelines are available on the Department's website [www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/acomm](http://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eas/acomm) or by contacting Aboriginal Community Programs on (02) 9266 8350.

Before completing the application form, please make sure that you have read the program guidelines thoroughly. Please complete all questions and use attachments where required.

Applications close COB Friday 27 April, 2007 and should be submitted to:

Ms Katrina Morgan, Senior Co-ordinator, Aboriginal Community Programs, NSW Department of Education and Training, Level 13, 1 Oxford Street DARLINGHURST NSW 2010.

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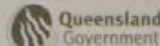
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Queensland the Smart State





# Big turnout for Carwoola Seafood Luncheon



Western Sydney girls Ngaire Wood, Nicole Tray and Salia Hafoka helped out the seniors at the lunch.



Shanene and Viva Hogg with Mick Hackett and Kay O'Donnell.

## A feast of fun



Elders from across Sydney, the NSW south coast and Canberra turned out in droves for this year's Carwoola Seafood

Luncheon. Delighted organiser Pat Lock, of the Carwoola Council of Elders, said the 'big feed', held at the Whittam Centre in the western Sydney suburb of Liverpool, was the best yet.

"This was our sixth luncheon and it was just huge," he told Koori Mail.

"It's fantastic that we are able to do something like this for our Elders, and the support we attracted has been amazing.

"The good news is we are planning for an even bigger event next year."

The luncheon, supported by the Koori Mail, has become an annual highlight for many Sydney and southern NSW Elders, who enjoy good food, special entertainment and a catch-up with old friends and family.

● Pictured at right: At the luncheon were, back from left, Frances Dickson, Angela Redwin, Rita Timbery-Curtin and Kate Smith and, front from left, Joyce Lonesborough, Jean Davenport, Hazel Miller and Gladys Clarke.



Roma and Susan Grant and Val Wenberg were there.



Back from left, Greg Slabb, Kate Smith and Debbie Holloway and, front from left, Rae Moylan, Betty Parsons and Aunty Alma Bell.



# New health service in Wheatbelt

By KEN BOASE in Perth



A new health service has been launched in the Wheatbelt region of Western Australia as a way of delivering a culturally secure health service for the region's 6000 Nyoongar and other Indigenous residents.

The Wheatbelt Aboriginal Health Service (WAHS) was launched in Northam, 100km east of Perth, on 15 March and will encourage Aboriginal people to access mainstream health services.

The official launch was attended by local Elders, community members and regional health officials.

Nyoongar Elder Veronica McGuire welcomed guests to country and cut a ribbon with WAHS Manager Karen Beardsmore to officially open the service and begin the celebrations, which included a healthy lunch of yonga (kangaroo) sausages and salads.

"I have a dream that Aboriginal people in the Wheatbelt will live long, healthy and prosperous lives," Ms Beardsmore told those gathered.

"I would like to see, in five years' time, Aboriginal people being quite happy to access health services and attending to their own health needs and being respected for their culture and the knowledge and understanding on the land in which we live."

"We're on a mission to improve the health of Aboriginal people by consulting and enabling them to access mainstream health care in a culturally secure way."

WAHS is funded through the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health. It employs Aboriginal health workers stationed at six general practitioner sites throughout the Wheatbelt - Dalwallinu, Moora, Merredin, Pingelly, Brookton and Quairading.

Ms Beardsmore said WAHS would run direct health programs such as diabetes and anti-natal clinics, as well as immunisation programs, but the main focus would be helping the community to access mainstream services.

"We'll also to some degree facilitate patients' transport and we'll follow it up to make sure they get their medications and are taking them properly, and get to take responsibility for their own health," Ms Beardsmore said.

"Wherever they want to go to the GP, it's up to them and we'd maybe make them an appointment, maybe sit in with them if they need or want someone to so that we can



The WAHS team in the Wheatbelt. Back from left: Fred Mogridge, Anita Nugara, Cindy Fred, Jill Taylor and Shelley Parker. Front row from left: Karen Beardsmore, Loris Jetter, Alison Woods and Astrid Nundall.



Nyoongar Elder Veronica McGuire and WAHS Manager Karen Beardsmore cutting the ribbon to officially the service.



WAHS Advisory group Chairman and MC for the launch day Fred Mogridge.

advocate for them, and explain to them exactly what the doctor is saying.

"We're there to encourage people, so they'll see a friendly Aboriginal face and will know that they're accepted within that surgery."

WAHS Clinical Nurse Manager Anita Nugara said there were many instances where people had several inter-connected health issues and became confused in trying to understand how to manage their health. "Aboriginal people often

feel ashamed about talking about their problems to a doctor whereas they'll disclose a lot more to one of our health workers who can then interpret that to the GP or the specialist or whoever they're seeing," Ms Nugara said.

The WAHS is now housed in a temporary office, but staff expect to move into purpose-built premises in about 12 months.

WAHS Advisory Chairman Fred Mogridge said racism was also an issue in most Wheatbelt towns. He said he was regularly called out to the four schools in his home town of Moora to deal with racism issues faced by Nyoongar children.

"We have some issues in that a lot of our people are still finding it hard to be accepted and I think it's a carry-on from previous generations," he said.

Despite the problems and the challenges that lie ahead, all at WAHS agree that the future looks brighter for the local community because of the strong advocacy available.

"We think there's a great future and there will definitely be an improvement in Aboriginal health in the Wheatbelt because of this service," Mr Mogridge said.



INDIGENOUS YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

## Secondary Scholarships Available for Young Indigenous Australians in 2008

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Schools and communities are encouraged to identify and assist eligible students to apply for this great opportunity to participate in the IYLP.

Further information and application forms available on

[www.youngaustralians.org](http://www.youngaustralians.org)

If you do not have access to the Internet, please call The Foundation for Young Australians on 03 9670 5436 and an application form will be mailed to you.



The Indigenous Youth Leadership Programme is an initiative of the Australian Government, Department of Education Science and Training in partnership with The Foundation for Young Australians.

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# Canberra hosts folk festival



Indigenous music and artwork will again feature at the National Folk Festival, to be held in Canberra over the Easter long weekend, from 5-9 April. While Middle Eastern music is a theme, Indigenous performers are expected to again prove popular at the event which is five nights and four days of concerts, dances, dance displays, singing workshops and choirs, music sessions, music workshops, street performers and community arts projects held in 21 venues at Exhibition Park.

The acclaimed Pigram Brothers, from Broome, in Western Australia's Kimberley region, will share songs of their saltwater lifestyle and homeland. Their latest



The Pigram Brothers, who will perform at the National Folk Festival in Canberra.

album, *Under the Mango Tree*, received a 2006 ARIA nomination.

Singer/songwriter Johnny Huckle is noted for his big voice

and guitar work and his moving songs that are a social comment on his experience of Aboriginal struggle. His songs reflect on his

own experiences of Aboriginality; growing up on a reserve, being confronted with racism and his attachment to his culture.

Exhibition Park will also be festooned with the artwork of Indigenous students from the Canberra Institute of Technology's Yuarana Unit.

The Yuarana Unit, which is involved with learning outcomes based on cultural studies, sets the students an annual assessment piece in which they must create an artwork that connects to the Folk Festival's special themes.

This year, the Festival themes are water and Music of the Middle East, and students have been asked to design posters that illustrate those themes and their linkages to Indigenous Australians.

For more information, go to [www.folkfestival.asn.au](http://www.folkfestival.asn.au), email [info@folkfestival.asn.au](mailto:info@folkfestival.asn.au) or phone 02 6249 7755.

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The Department of Human Services utilises a number of initiatives coordinated by the Australian Public Service Commission that recruit Indigenous Australians. For information about apprenticeships, Indigenous graduates and cadetship recruitment visit [www.apsc.gov.au/indigenous](http://www.apsc.gov.au/indigenous)



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# Time running short

Continuing our series highlighting people affected by the stolen wages policies of governments in Australia



A commitment from Queensland Aboriginal Affairs Minister Warren Pitt to finalise stolen wages issues by the end of this year is welcome news, says Normanton Elder Fred Edwards.

At a recent meeting of Normanton Elders and claimants, hosted by Democrats Senator Andrew Bartlett, Mr Edwards said they were glad for the opportunity to 'speak their minds'.

But concern remains in the community about how long settlement will take.

"I hope we just don't keep going back further and further, it's not the people's fault, it's the Government whenever that happens," he said.

"A lot of our old people are dying very fast and they can't hold out much longer.

"A lot of the ladies here are left without a husband, it's mostly the menfolk who are dying and they just can't cope.

"Some money back might make them a bit happier."

Mr Edwards said he had now passed retirement age but was still trying to finish paying

off his home from his pension.

He said he just wished the Government would 'bring it forward and live up with it'.

"I'm happy, it sounds like it's going ahead," he said.

"I don't know how long I'm going to hold out, we're all getting sick. I'm standing here today and I had to force my way to come here, diabetes has got a lot of us down."

In response to the recommendations of a recent Senate Inquiry into Stolen Wages, Mr Edwards said he was hopeful the Commonwealth Government would 'come on board and sort things out'.

"A lot of our old people are passing on. It's just one of those things. I might be gone too," he said.



Democrats senator Andrew Bartlett, front centre, pictured with Normanton Elders.



FRED EDWARDS

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2 small pieces (e.g. apricots)



1 cup chopped or canned fruit



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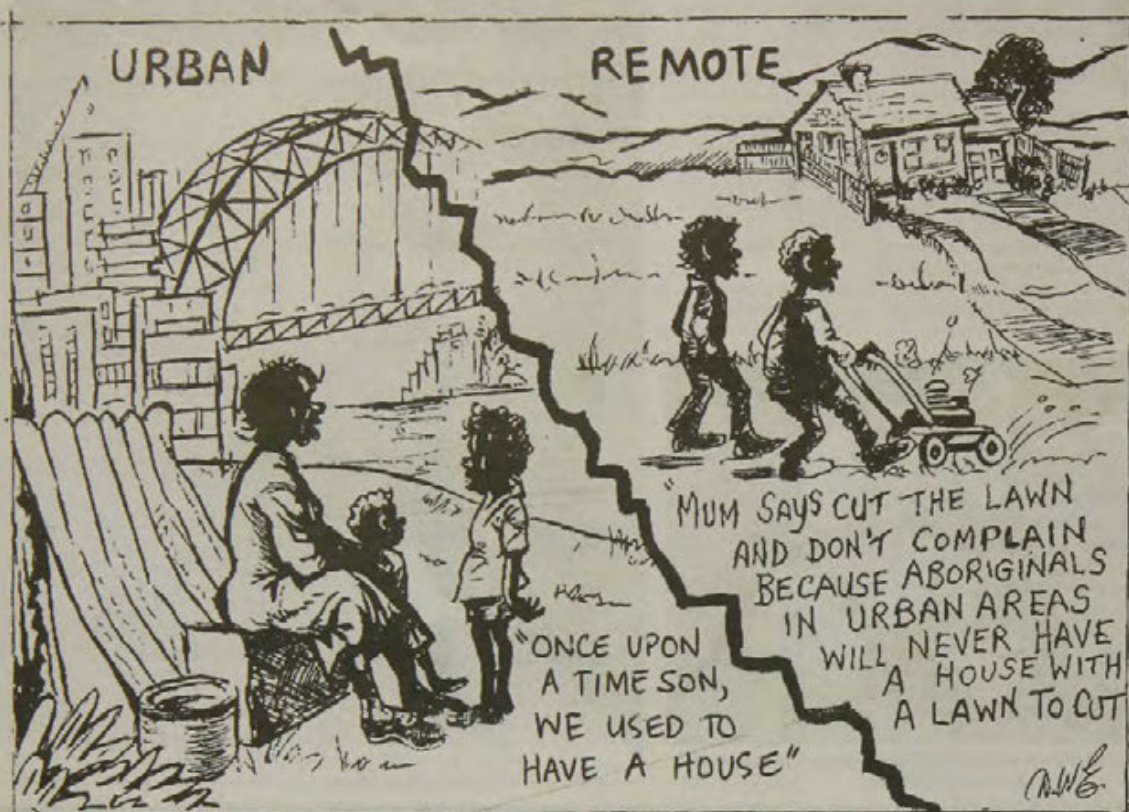
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## Quote



The proposed (National Native Title Tribunal) reforms offer, possibly, the last hope for the current native title system to produce results for everyone involved.

— NNTT President Graeme Neate, commenting on proposed changes to the Native Title Act  
● See Page 22

## Unquote

## Stick together

Going back about a decade, the then-ATSIC Board of Commissioners took a decision to use almost all of ATSIC's available national land acquisition funds over a two-year period to purchase land in the Northern Territory before a sunset clause in the NT Land Rights Act took effect.

The argument was that Indigenous people, irrespective of where they were from, could appreciate the value of their Territory cousins squeezing through a shrinking window of opportunity to grow the overall Indigenous land base.

It was a controversial decision at the time, and more than a few disgruntled 'southerners' voiced their opinions loudly along the lines of 'that Territory mob are the lucky ones, they've already got more land than we can ever hope to have so why do we have to sacrifice our allocations to help them, even just for a year?'

However, some people — and clearly at least the majority of the ATSIC Commissioners — felt it was a worthy and noble cause.

Whether the decision was wrong or right, there was something good about it. It showed that, for all our disadvantage, we don't have to squabble amongst ourselves when the going gets tough.

Currently we can observe shades of that same decency in the way that urban Indigenous mob have refused to 'dis' their remote brothers and sisters, since learning of Federal Government plans to divert all urban community housing monies to remote areas from later this year on.

The fact is that the pie is just too



small. Rather than fight over crumbs (or should that be CHIPS?), we must continue to insist on a bigger pie — one that will satisfy those of us who can't get 'a feed' elsewhere, irrespective of whether we live in a city, town or the smallest, remote community. There's something indecent about pitting disadvantaged people against each other, intentionally or otherwise.

During the past few weeks, we've seen a lot of activity at the political level in Indigenous affairs.

Could there be a Federal election looming around the corner, perhaps?

These days no political party should expect to receive Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander votes without having worked for them. This includes laying their cards on the table to reveal what they'll do to give Indigenous people the leg-up that we need.

It is so important that as many of us as possible do actually vote when that day in September, October or November rolls around. We respect the right of any of our mob who conscientiously object to voting within a political system that has generally been found wanting in terms of any real and ongoing support for the First Australians.

Just don't let apathy or slackness be what keeps you away from the polling booth.

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**Melissa Bligh**  
Stafford, Brisbane  
Qld CDEP worker

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**Favourite drink?**

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**Favourite music?**

RnB, especially Snoop Dogg, Beyonce, Mop n the Dropouts, from Brisbane, and Muddy Flats, from Cherbourg

**Favourite sport/leisure?**

Softball and basketball, nightclubbing, socialising

**Favourite holiday destination?**

I'd like to travel around Australia or go to Hawaii for the beaches

**What are you reading?**

The Koori Mail and the local paper

**What are you watching?**

Home and Away and the news. I also like game shows, 1 vs 100 is my favourite at the moment.

**What is your greatest highlight in life?**

I'm still to get there.

**What do you like in life?**

Socialising, just hanging out with my family and friends.

**What don't you like?**

Racist people and people who gossip about me.

**Who would you most like to meet?**

Snoop Dogg, Darren Lockyer from the Broncos, and Stevie Wonder.

**Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?**

My family and friends.

**Who inspires you?**

My uncle Lance Bligh who manages the West End hostel for Aboriginal Hostels Limited because he's done good for the community, and my dad Cyril Bligh for being a good dad.

**If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?**  
I'd help my people get off the grog and help them to stop sniffling and get them back to their families.



# Rethink needed



Stephen Hagan

## HAGAN'S VIEW

● Stephen Hagan, 2006 NAIDOC Person of the Year, is an academic at the University of Southern Queensland, award-winning author of *The N Word* and publisher of Australia's *Blackest Sporting Moments: The Top 100 and Melly and the Bilby*

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*Please accept my resignation. I don't care to belong to any club that will have me as a member.*

— Groucho Marx

And so it was with one of Indigenous Australia's most respected eminent allies, Fred Chaney, adopting the lines made famous by Groucho Marx as he announced his resignation as a Director and Deputy President of the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT).

I've taken liberty with a little poetic licence on Groucho's quote and asserted a wishful exaggerated stance for Mr Chaney — knowing unquestionably that he is far too honourable a man to use such facetious language in the presence of others.

For a man who comes from a very influential family in Western Australia, Mr Chaney is unique in that he not only found Indigenous people good company prior to his illustrious career as a federal politician during his lengthy term in office, but also continues the pro-active relationship with Indigenous people well after his exit from the nation's capital.

I know a lot of prominent non-Indigenous people who start out in life wanting to improve the awful living conditions our mob have had to endure, but as soon as their public profile engages in an upward trajectory, their interest level on all things Indigenous wanes and in most cases terminates — never to be revived again.

Mr Chaney did voluntary work with the Aboriginal Legal Service in Perth after graduating from Law School, as did Queensland Premier Peter Beattie as a young solicitor with the Aboriginal Legal Service in Brisbane, but to compare the interest level of both men today with our mob is like comparing chalk and cheese.

In addition to his position with the

Tribunal, Mr Chaney served as Co-Chair of Reconciliation Australia Ltd from 2000 to 2005 and continues as a Director on the Board.

In 2005, he was appointed Chair of Desert Knowledge Australia.

Entering the Senate in 1974, Mr Chaney was Leader of the Opposition in the Senate from 1983 until 1990 when he became the Member for Pearce in the House of Representatives, a position he held until 1993. His ministerial appointments included Aboriginal Affairs, Social Security, and Minister Assisting the Minister for National Development and Energy.

My father Jim was Chairman of the National Aboriginal Conference (forerunner to ATSIC) and had many round-table meetings with Mr Chaney when he was the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.

Dad, a staunch card-carrying member of the Labor Party from the early 1960s, says without reservation that Mr Chaney was the best Minister for Aboriginal Affairs we have ever had.

I've no reason to question the high praise showered on the former Liberal Party minister from a man who's seen them all come and go with varying degrees of success.

Mr Chaney, from Dad's point of view, sits at the top of the political tree when handing out report cards on former ministers, for his commitment to advancing the cause of Indigenous Australians.

When I first heard of Mr Chaney's resignation, I must admit I was relieved to hear a man of his standing publicly declaring the NNTT a failure in its delivery of just outcomes for traditional owners.

### Vindicated

And by this very courageous act, Mr Chaney vindicated the general concern that we in the broader Indigenous community have had for a long time about the effectiveness of the NNTT as an organisation.

Jenny Macklin, Labor's spokeswoman for Indigenous affairs, quoted in ABC Online on 14 March, said the resignation of the respected NNTT Director highlighted the problems in the current system.

"He has concerns like many Aboriginal people, many mining companies, that they need certainty in this system," she said.

"The native title resolution system needs to be properly resourced so that everybody involved can get resolution as quickly and as fairly as possible."

As far as Mr Chaney was concerned, the NNTT failed to adequately address and resolve ILUA-related matters that came before them.

So what is an ILUA?

An indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) is a voluntary agreement between a native title group and others about the use and management of land and waters.

ILUAs allow people to negotiate flexible, pragmatic agreements to suit their particular circumstances. ILUAs can be made separately from the formal native title process but they may also be part of a native title determination.

ILUAs can be formed on the following topics:

- Native title holders agreeing to a future development.
- How native title rights coexist with the rights of other people.
- Access to an area.
- Extinguishment of native title.
- Compensation.

Sadly, anyone who has been involved with the native title registration process and



Fred Chaney. Stephen Hagan says Mr Chaney's recent resignation from the Native Title Tribunal might force the Government to make changes to the function of the Tribunal.

ILUAs on country will know that the cards on native title are stacked firmly in the soft hands of mining company executives.

And why shouldn't the mining company executives feel smug about their position on all land matters when the State and Federal governments, the recipients of billions of dollars in mining taxes during the present resources boom, show bias towards them in legal disputes with traditional owners.

Federal Treasurer Peter Costello, in his ANZ Asia Keynote Address in Singapore on 17 September 2006, confirmed that more than \$32 billion of new investment had occurred in the mining sector alone since the start of 2004.

Costello went on to say: "This investment is increasing the capacity of the Australian economy and providing a basis for future economic growth. In particular, the increased capacity in the mining sector is expected to support an improvement in Australia's export volumes."

"Australia is thus well positioned to reap the benefits of the global commodity boom. This boom has seen the terms-of-trade increase to its equal highest level since 1974."

Costello, not one for being modest on his Government's achievements, provides further evidence of their strength in the fiscal management of the country: "ABS data indicates that household net nominal wealth is now over \$5 trillion, almost three times the level when our Government first took office 10 years ago."

It's a pity he didn't reveal the latest ABS statistics on Indigenous disadvantage in his paper. Now that would surely have made his well-heeled guests choke on the main course during his keynote address.

However, with the exception of a few successful ILUAs negotiated between traditional owners and mining company executives that produced some meaningful employment opportunities and financial outcomes for their respective communities — the vast majority of traditional land owners remain impoverished.

All these once proud custodians can do is sit helplessly by and watch as multi-national corporation bosses and their shareholders grow fatter by the day from resources being mined around the clock

from their land — often at great personal fear of potential desecration to their secret/sacred country.

In an open letter on 1 February 2006, Adjahdura Land Traditional Owners Group member Quenten Agius made some pertinent points:

*The ILUA (Indigenous Land Use Agreement) process has failed the Traditional Owners of Adjahdura Land and is pulling the wool over the public's eyes.*

*Aboriginal people living on this country (Adjahdura Land: Yorke Peninsula, South Australia) are made up of:*

- Traditional owners — with cultural knowledge.
- Traditional owners — with little cultural knowledge.
- And non-traditional owners — with little or no cultural knowledge.

*White fellas don't understand the difference between non-traditional and traditional owners. The direct descendants of the traditional owners are the true traditional owners of this country.*

*If you were to ask the majority of Aboriginal people on Adjahdura land, traditional and non-traditional owners, what they thought of the Narungga Local Government ILUA, they would say they don't like it.*

### Little control

*As traditional owners, we have been forced into a process we have little control over. Government want these ILUAs — they are pulling the strings, and the ILUA negotiating committees are like puppets — most are non-traditional owners of this country and they are doing the Government's bidding.*

*This Narungga ILUA offers very little:*

- One job for one black fella for five years.
- A majority white and non-traditional owner liaison committee will have their say about matters they know little about.
- If government want to build on the land (heritage protected or not), this ILUA gives local and state government the right to extinguish all traditional owners native title rights to the land, including building over our cultural sites.
- And government says this ILUA offers Aboriginal heritage protection, but the truth is, governments have recent history of not properly protecting our cultural sites — the Aboriginal Heritage Act is interpreted by government and a white Minister who knows very little about Aboriginal culture and traditions.

Hopefully, Mr Chaney's recent resignation might force the Government to rethink and make appropriate changes to the function of the NNTT and in the process begin to restore confidence in the organisation of Indigenous leaders like the Quenten Agiuses of this world.

But then again, perhaps that is wishful thinking on my part — but wouldn't it be great if the NNTT President Graeme Neate; Deputy Presidents Christopher Sumner AM and John Sosso; full-time members John Catlin, Graham Fletcher, Alistair McFarlane, Dan O'Dea, Dr Gayle Sculthorpe; and part-time members Professor Laurence Boule, Robert Faulkner PSM, Neville MacPherson and Ruth Wade follow suit of Mr Chaney and adopt the line of Groucho Marx by saying:

*Please accept my resignation. I don't care to belong to any club that will have me as a member.*



# Heritage Act, 1977 Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

The Heritage Council of NSW maintains the State Heritage Register which is a list of places of particular importance to the people of NSW, including Aboriginal and other heritage.

The Heritage Council is currently considering whether or not to recommend the listing of:

**Bathurst Showground, Bathurst**

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

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place. Please post written information to the address below until 18 April 2007.

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at [www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/listing](http://www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/listing).

If you have any questions please phone Rick Shapter, Aboriginal Heritage Officer on toll free number 1800 789 290 or (02) 9873 8567, or Susan Lampard on (02) 9873 8573.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE TENDER DADHC.07.19

### PROVISION OF SUPPORT CO-ORDINATION FOR OLDER PARENT CARERS

The NSW Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care is  
seeking applications from not-for-profit organisations to provide  
new support coordination services for older parent carers.  
These initiatives will provide new support for older parents  
caring for an adult son or daughter with a disability, assist these  
families to establish social supports, provide improved  
approaches to long term planning and assistance in accessing  
existing services such as respite. The particular focus of this  
initiative is families who are not currently accessing services.

Twenty new services will be provided across New South Wales,  
including three specific services for Aboriginal families and four  
specific services for culturally and linguistically diverse families.

Further information including a copy of the Tender Package is  
available from the Department's Website at  
[www.dadhc.nsw.gov/tenders](http://www.dadhc.nsw.gov/tenders)

Information sessions will be held in April 2007 with details to be  
posted on the website. Attendees must register for the session  
beforehand by phoning (02) 8270 2229. Additional inquiries in  
relation to this tender should be made to the Contact Officer,  
Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care between 9.30  
am and 3.00 pm on weekdays, phone 1800 880 027, email  
[etenders@dadhc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:etenders@dadhc.nsw.gov.au) or fax on (02) 8270 2090.

Tenders close 5pm Friday 27 April 2007.

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# NT reforms may be the last chance

## Native Title and You



By National  
Native Title  
Tribunal  
President  
GRAEME  
NEATE

Reforms of the native title system will  
achieve stronger and faster results for  
many of the remaining claims around  
Australia if native title claimants,  
governments and others can work  
together in good faith to negotiate  
outcomes.

In recent years the native title  
system has been criticised, including  
by some of our most senior judges.  
Criticisms have been based on  
concerns that the law is unclear, the  
process is slow and expensive, and  
some results may be unsatisfactory.

When announcing 'a plan for  
practical reform to improve the  
performance of the native title system'  
in 2005, Attorney-General Philip  
Ruddock stated that although the  
'increasing number of native title  
determinations and agreements  
demonstrate the system is working...  
the current framework is still too costly  
and too time-consuming'.

This plan to reform the system  
will potentially affect everyone  
involved in native title - including  
claim groups, native title  
representative bodies, respondent  
parties, prescribed bodies  
corporate and the Federal Court.

There were recommendations  
that the National Native Title  
Tribunal be given some extra  
powers and functions to deal with  
native title claims that are referred  
to it by the Federal Court for  
mediation.

These recommendations were  
accepted and the Australian  
Parliament is considering  
legislative changes now.

### Concerned

Many people are concerned about  
the amount of time spent in mediation.  
Experience shows that even those  
claims with the resources and  
goodwill that conclude with a consent  
determination usually take many  
years to resolve.

The Tribunal considers each claim  
in mediation carefully and will  
recommend that mediation cease if  
matters are not progressing.

The proposed powers and  
functions should make the progress  
(or lack of progress) of claims more  
transparent, and will put a spotlight on  
the mediation performance of all  
participants.

A range of factors within these  
reforms may influence people's  
behaviour and promote the resolution

of claims by agreement, including:

- Limitations on who can become (or remain) parties to claims

- The requirement that parties mediate in good faith

- The power of the Tribunal to direct people to attend mediation conferences and to produce documents that might assist parties to reach agreement

- Conditions on the grant of funding to respondent parties

- The potential for partial determinations of native title without the need for some parties to consent.

The powers and functions of the  
Tribunal on their own will not provide  
the way forward.

Rather, the focus should be on  
how the parties can work together to  
secure just and enduring outcomes in  
a timely way.

The additional powers and  
functions will be tools to assist parties  
to reach that objective.

The history of long, expensive and  
sometimes inconclusive court cases  
shows the need for a stronger  
agreement-making regime.

The proposed reforms offer,  
possibly, the last hope for the current  
native title system to produce results  
for everyone involved.

For a more in-depth analysis my  
Negotiating Native Title Reform  
Conference 2007 presentation, 'New  
powers and functions of the NNTT: An  
overview and analysis', is available at  
<http://www.nntt.gov.au/metacard/speeches.html>

# Keep on pushing



Ms KOORI  
LOVE

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**Y**ou don't need me to tell you a story  
about the harsh life of a child of the  
Stolen Generations. In fact, I'm sure  
you know too many stories about fullas  
who grew up hard already. I know that I did.

The one thing that kept me going, made  
me keep on pushin' was the thought that  
one day I would be an adult.

When I became an adult, my life would  
be full of happiness, full of money, and full  
of love.

After going to uni and landing a great  
job, I would have to give out tickets to all  
the handsome Koori men who would be  
banging down my door.

Of course, this would happen - I had a  
rough childhood and didn't I deserve a  
great life as an adult?

A reader sent me a letter recently about  
this kind of stuff. They asked me, after  
surviving being taken from their family and  
surviving many bad relationships, why

does it have to be so hard to find real love.  
Didn't they deserve a break?

I don't know who you think is in control  
of the universe - your God, Blame or little  
possums riding bikes - but they should be  
taking notes and being a bit nicer to people  
who have had and survived a hard-knock  
life.

Even if you don't think anyone is in  
control, it feels kinda right to think that if  
you have survived a score of bad  
relationships, eventually you will find love.

Unfortunately, life isn't always fair. Not  
everyone finds real love, no matter how  
much they deserve it.

It is up to us to keep on going, keep on  
pushin'. Don't just sit there thinking you  
deserve to find real love, go out there and  
get it.

Don't let them possums stop you!  
Check out my group: <http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/aboriginalsingles/>



## Expression of Interest

### Wingecarribee Aboriginal Community Development Project

The NSW Department of Community Services is seeking  
Expressions of Interest (EOI) from non-profit community  
organisations and Local Government Authorities (LGA) to  
provide services that incorporate community development and  
support to Aboriginal families with children 0-8 years.  
The project will provide services in the Wingecarribee LGA.

Fixed term funds of \$59,895 are available for the project.  
The successful applicant must comply with the Families First  
framework.

Information packages are available from Karly Henry on  
(02) 9205 1585 or email [karly.henry@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:karly.henry@community.nsw.gov.au)  
and from the DoCS website [www.community.nsw.gov.au](http://www.community.nsw.gov.au)  
For further information contact Adele Brooks on (02) 9205 1500  
or email [adele.brooks@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:adele.brooks@community.nsw.gov.au)

EOI proposals must be received by Monday 30th April  
2007.

Important note: The act of inviting an Expression of Interest  
does not commit the Department of Community Services to  
the provision of funding to any prospective service provider.



# YOUR SAY



John Heath, of Port Macquarie, is mighty impressed with the efforts of Indigenous track sprinter Josh Ross, pictured. Read on Page 24 what John has to say about 'Ross the Boss'

## Shame, Nowra, shame



JONATHAN BRAUN

Recently, author Louis Nowra (*Radiance*) went on the Network Ten morning chat show *9am* with David Reyne and Kym Watkins and spoke at length about his forthcoming book, *Bad Dreaming*. This book is about violence and Aboriginal men, two worlds that Nowra says are inexplicably linked.

The program in question is made at the Channel Ten headquarters in inner-suburban South Yarra and I was so offended as a proud non-violent Aboriginal man that I raced up there to challenge the arguments and the tone of the interview which I believe was biased, racist, archetypal, ill-informed and without any counter-balance.

At one point David Reyne was allowed to say, 'So, in other words, violence has always been a part of their culture'.

This comment came about after Nowra, who is a non-Aboriginal man claiming to be a part of Indigenous society, ranted and raved about the history of violence that has always been a part of Indigenous men.

Kym Watkins followed up with 'yes, there are so many problems aren't there'; like she knows something we all don't.

How Nowra must have relished the thought of an interview conducted by two such talking heads, knowing all the time that he could say practically anything and wouldn't have been challenged.

The point is that Nowra is making the media rounds doing interviews about the violent history of Aboriginal men and telling the world because, as he said on Ten, 'somebody has to'.

Nowra played this coffee chat opportunity for all he could get knowing that he will probably be the next in a long line of white men to make money from Indigenous subject matter.

This whole sorry topic, which the dollar-driven tabloid media feeds off in the form of Geoff Clarke, is having an effect on the good name of all great Aboriginal men.

Yet someone like Nowra can go on national television and exploit his book

(which even rips off an Aboriginal term of reference as its title) using us as his next ticket to a film script.

No doubt *Bad Dreaming* will be made into a film, probably by a non-Aboriginal film-maker who will be lured into believing Nowra and that yes, it's time we told this story to 'heal' the Aborigines and 'let them move forward'.

God forbid that an Indigenous film-maker touch it.

The only people more out of touch than people like Louis Nowra are those who still waste 'their' time and 'our' money on that useless white elephant called 'reconciliation' which has wasted millions of Aboriginal dollars.

All Aboriginal men need to unite over this as we are the ones being attacked all the time. We need also to be making Nowra accountable over the dubious narrative of this tabloid junkie diatribe.

Shame, Nowra, Shame.

JONATHAN BRAUN  
South Yarra, Victoria

## How's this for a track record?

John Howard is calling on Australians to 'revive the spirit of the 1967 Referendum'.

It looks like the Prime Minister's hypocrisy isn't limited to who can or can't talk to Brian Burke.

John Howard has done more to break the spirit of Indigenous people than any other PM in Australia's history.

The PM's roll-back of rights began on day one. Here is just a selection of his Government's attacks on the original owners and custodians of the land and waters of Australia:

- Cut ATSIC's budget in his first year in government.
- Refused to apologise to the

Stolen Generations.

- Amended the Native Title Act to limit the rights of traditional owners and increase the rights of pastoralists and mining companies, thereby superseding the Racial Discrimination Act.

- Abolished ATSIC, the representative voice for Indigenous people.

- Removed the Indigenous work for the dole program.

- Disbanded Indigenous housing programs.

- Mainstreamed services for Indigenous people.

- Oversaw ongoing disadvantage and marginalisation of Indigenous communities.

It's a wonder that Indigenous people in this country still have any spirit left to break.

Fortunately, Indigenous peoples have proven their resilience against flagrant acts of assimilation for over two centuries and they will survive the Howard Government.

If the PM is serious about reviving the spirit of the 1967 Referendum, the best thing he could do is resign.

Hopefully, the people of Australia will sack him at the end of the year.

JILL WEBB,  
Chair, ANTaR Victoria  
Melbourne



JOHN HOWARD

### YOUR POETRY

**Bingay (Brother)  
Tom  
Our Brave Warrior  
Hero**

Our memories of you  
Is loving and true  
For to us, you'll always be  
Our brave warrior hero, who  
died innocently

You fought against the odds,  
they say  
With wicked men on that  
fateful day  
But lost the fight in your tribal  
home  
Our brave warrior hero, with  
broken bones

With tears of sadness, grief  
and regret, abide  
Of not being there to fight by  
your side  
Years may come and years  
may go  
We'll remember how you died  
Our brave warrior hero, in our  
hearts we cried

We'll meet again, I hope and  
pray  
In Heaven so far, far away  
The wicked men will be sent to  
Hell  
And the bad story we will tell  
Our brave warrior hero, in the  
grave you dwell.

But in our hearts there is a  
song  
Of a Dunghutti man, so brave  
and strong  
Our brave warrior hero, Bingay  
Tom

JAMES 'GOORIE' DUNGAY  
Kempsey, NSW

## Hitting brick wall after brick wall

I had to write to you today because I am so frustrated with the Koori agencies in the Campbelltown Area.

I'm a single mum studying welfare full-time at TAFE and running in to brick wall after brick wall.

One of my assessments for TAFE was to make contact and gather information on six agencies that help the Koori community. I thought this would be easy... ha ha, who was I kidding?

I contacted a range of Koori education, employment, health and housing organisations as well as Koori units within mainstream organisations, but received a very poor response. In most cases my calls weren't returned and in one case a staff member

failed to keep an appointment with me. Duty of Care? I'm sure they don't even know what that means.

What the hell is happening? These agencies, whether they know it or not, are role models and if they aren't even doing the job they're paid to do, then what hope have the rest of us got?

I would expect my people to want to help each other, to network, to bend over backwards to help any Koori person who wants to get ahead.

What are we teaching our children? What are we teaching our people, our community? We should bond together to support one another.

It is no wonder some people in society

think that all Kooris are lazy and don't want to better themselves.

It's definitely not true; we just keep getting doors slammed in our faces time and again.

I can see why people just throw in the towel and say 'stuff it'.

I would like all Koori agencies to take a good look at themselves. You are role models so start acting like it and help others to better themselves.

If you can't do that, let someone else do the job because I know damn well that when I finish my diploma, I'll be going for your jobs if you're not doing them right.

KERIN CARPENTER  
Ambarvale, NSW

The Koori Mail welcomes your Letters to the Editor. Preference will be given to submissions of interest to Indigenous Australians. Please include your town and State of residence, and daytime telephone number for checking purposes. Items may be edited and reproduced.



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# Ross the Boss

Outstanding Koori athlete Josh Ross has just won his 4th National 100-metre sprint title and has become a dual national champion by adding the 200 metres title to his great list of achievements that include his two Stawell

Gifts and his two Burnie Gifts.

His 100-metre win was the fastest recorded time by an Australian in Australia and the third fastest ever by an Australian.

Aged only in his mid-20s, Josh is on target to

compete in two more Olympics and is destined to be our greatest ever male sprinter.

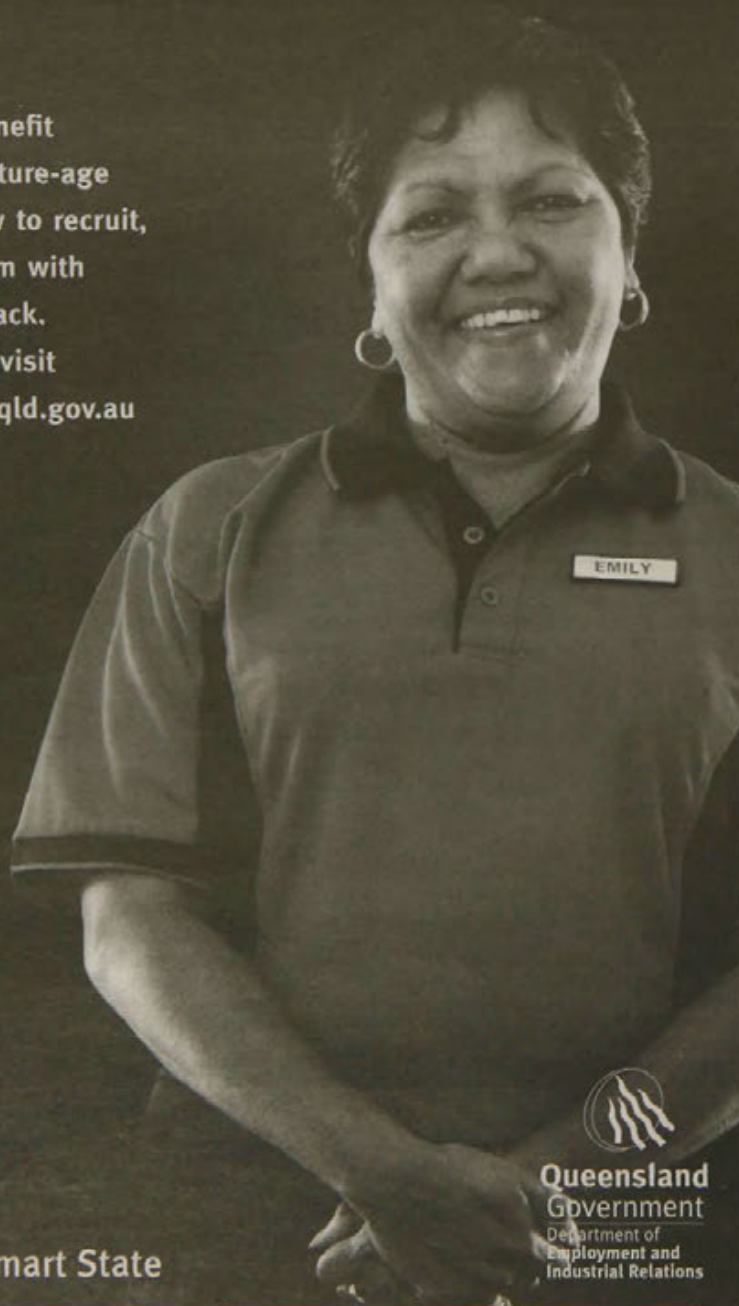
While there's no doubt that another great Koori athlete, Choc Mundine, is The Man, it's also obvious that The Boss is another

great role model for our youth.

JOHN HEATH  
Aboriginal & Torres Strait  
Islander  
Community Development  
Officer  
Port Macquarie

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Josh Ross at 'the office'.

## Horrors of the past

My late father's mother was a kidnapped Queenie from South Australia. She was hidden away in an apartment building in Western Australia, and she was made to produce a number of children, who were all taken away.

That old girl passed away in 1960, her body was cremated and ashes put on the rose garden of the white cemetery. That old girl was totally deprived of her culture and was never allowed to be with her own mob, on pain of death.

To relate this story to your editorial *Unfinished business is not a fair fight* (Edition 396, 14 March 2007), I became a nurse and worked for about 30 years.

In the 1980s, I was sent to an Australian medical school to collect a doctor for a seminar. Imagine my horror when I saw hundreds of bodies of Aboriginal men women children and babies in giant formalin bottles in that medical school.

Today, those same people would still be used for white medical experimentation.

It is time that the truth was exposed, so why isn't it coming out?

Remember, defamation is a dominant white construct, and is merely deliberate victimisation to hide the truth.

Name and address supplied



## Comfort women

In response to the Prime Minister of Australia criticising the Prime Minister of Japan for not apologising for using female prisoners of war (POWs) as sex slaves during World War II, I would like to remind John Howard to look in his own backyard before he criticises someone else.

The Aboriginal people, the First Nation people of this country that was occupied by the British in 1788 were not only enslaved, but our women were used for the very same thing.

I do not hear an apology to them nor see justice being done.

We have not got our country back. At least the Japanese left the occupied areas they were in.

The Stolen Generations are being offered a miserly pittance for the stolen wages the Government owes them; what happened to the interest on that money over the years?

At least Mr Keating apologised but the Liberals have not got the heart because they are too arrogant.

This year is the tenth anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report. When are the rest of the recommendations going to be addressed?

MARIE MELITO-RUSSELL  
Dharuk, NSW

# For the love of photography

I am writing in response to an article in the Koori Mail on 28 February 2007. The article was called 'Photography a Snap for Students'.

I find that I have a lot in common with these kids. I am a 15-year-old student from Bowraville, NSW, and boarding at St Ignatius College, Riverview, in Sydney, and I too am studying photography.

When I read the article, I realised that I have been fortunate too in that I have had some of the same opportunities as these kids.

Before Riverview, I had attended several schools, one of which had a majority of Indigenous students.

Few of those schools had electives such as photography to offer students. The schools I attended which had a majority of non-Indigenous students tended to



Some of the Anangu-Pitjantjatjara-Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands children studying photography (featured in Edition 395 of the Koori Mail), from left, Karlie Marshall, Jasmine Dunn and Glendyn Minutjukur.

Photograph by project co-ordinator Beth Sometimes

offer more electives.

One such school was John Paul College. This school had enough funds to provide students with cameras for

photography class and this enabled us to become more interested in what we were learning.

Through the practical

lessons, we increased our understanding of such subjects.

Now, at Riverview, I am particularly fortunate to have so many good facilities and I have access to a camera when I want one. So I can improve my skills in photography and also enjoy facilities that support my interest in science and sport.

I love photography – almost as much as I love rugby league – and I would love to be a professional in both these areas of my life.

I hope you might publish my letter as it could be inspiring for other kids who want to experience new things... and I could win the bet made in my dormitory that I could get a letter published in the Koori Mail (Note from the Editor: Cheeky!)

ADRIAN JARRETT  
NSW

## An invasion is an invasion – full stop

I'm writing in reply to Michael Henderson's comment on Michael Mansell's 'Army of Whites' (Your Say, Edition 394).

Firstly, I'd like to get the message across loud and clear: An invasion is an invasion, regardless of where and when it took place. As recorded in history, countries invaded were not taken peacefully by any means.

Invaders either walked over land or came in boats. In this case it was the British who ventured across the seas to the Land of the Dreaming in boats, bringing with

them convicts, troopers, their flag and the gun.

So the troopers Michael Mansell refers to, I presume, are the 'Army of Whites'. It is a well-known fact these troopers never hesitated to shoot on sight Aborigines who got in the way of the invaders stealing their land.

As for Michael Henderson's dream 'that a proper Australia Day will emerge with the cultures of both Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples celebrating in

harmony, health and wealth', this is an impossible dream.

Aboriginal people proudly performed their traditional dances at the opening of the 2007 Australia Day celebrations, but were horrified when the large crowd of showed little enthusiasm, being far more interested in seeing the re-enactment of Captain Arthur Phillip with the British flag toasting success to the new colony.

There is talk of a new Australia Day and a new flag. After 219 years of foreign

occupation of Indigenous land, the Aborigines who have been too soft for too long now want drastic changes because the current date of 26 January commemorates their dispossession and a history of great suffering.

As for a new flag, I'm all for one that doesn't depict the blood-stained Union Jack so prominently.

MARIE LINS  
Blackheath, NSW



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Now open for applications

## Australian Government Envirofund

### Round 9 Grants



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envirofund

Grants for as little as a few hundred dollars or up to \$50,000 are available from the Australian Government Envirofund – the community component of the Natural Heritage Trust – for community groups and individuals to undertake small on-ground projects tackling important local natural resource management problems.

#### Eligible activities

Examples of activities that are eligible for Round 9 include:

- Planting native vegetation
- Fencing to protect remnant vegetation
- Rehabilitation of coastal dunes
- Works to manage access to coastal areas
- Controlling stock access to water courses to protect streamside habitat and improve water quality
- Passing on or applying Indigenous caring for country techniques and traditional knowledge focused on natural resource management

- Controlling weeds and feral animals to protect threatened native plants and animals
- Demonstrations of new techniques for sustainable farming, forestry or fishing
- Monitoring water quality, species, habitats or other natural resources
- Developing skills and knowledge related to on-ground work
- Raising awareness of local natural resource management issues

For more information on all the eligible activities and for application forms visit [www.nht.gov.au/envirofund](http://www.nht.gov.au/envirofund) or telephone 1800 065 823

Applications close 5.00pm Friday 27 April 2007





Australian Government

Department of Families, Community Services  
and Indigenous Affairs

### Stronger Families and Communities Strategy – Choice and Flexibility in Child Care

## Applications to Provide in Home Care

The Australian Government Department of Family, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) is calling for applications from new and existing service providers with the ability to provide In Home Care to eligible families. Applications are sought from both community non-profit service providers and private for-profit organisations.

In Home Care is a flexible form of child care where care is provided in the child's own home by an approved carer. In Home Care is targeted to families that have no other child care options. Eligible families include:

- Families living in rural and remote Australia;
- Families where parent/s work shift or non-standard hours;
- Families with multiple children under school age (three or more); and
- Families where either the parent or child has an illness or disability.

In Home Care service providers will be responsible for managing an In Home Care service which includes recruiting, training and supporting carers, assessing families for eligibility, monitoring the quality of care delivered, and the administration of Child Care Benefit.

Applicants should note that the following funding is available to assist eligible providers with the administrative cost of establishing and operating an In Home Care service:

- In Home Care Service Support;
- Set-up Assistance; and
- Regional Travel Assistance Grant.

The closing date for applications is **Monday, 23 April 2007**.

Service providers wishing to apply for In Home Care should download an information and application package (available from Thursday, 29 March 2007) from the FaCSIA website, or alternatively contact the FaCSIA Office in their state or territory on 1300 653 227.

Families and service providers wanting more information about In Home Care they should access the FaCSIA website at [www.facsia.gov.au](http://www.facsia.gov.au)

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## NSW Environmental TRUST

The NSW Government's Environmental Trust invites applications to the

### Protecting our Places Aboriginal Grants Program

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

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

**Applications open on 24 February 2007 and close at 5pm  
on 25 May 2007**

Information Workshops will be held to help applicants prepare a quality grant application and provide information on managing projects.

The information workshops will be in

Orange (20 March), Warren (21 March), Port Macquarie (27 March),  
Walgett (29 March), Balranald (2 April), Narrandera (4 April),  
Ulladulla (11 April), Queanbeyan (13 April), Ballina (20 April),  
Mt Druitt (23 April), Toronto (2 May), Gunnedah (3 May),  
Wilcannia (8 May).

To register for information and workshop sessions  
phone Trust Administration on (02) 8837 6093.

For more information about the program and support with  
filling out your application, contact the  
Aboriginal Programs Officer, Jackie Puckeridge,  
on (02) 8837 6399.

Guidelines and application forms are available on the Trust website:  
[www.environment.nsw.gov.au/envtrust](http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/envtrust)

NSW GOVERNMENT



# Spinifex mob play role in taipan 'find'

By KEN BOASE



The Ngaanyatjarra community of Western Australia has played an important role in the discovery of a new species of

snake in the Central Desert reserve west of Uluru. The new species of taipan was discovered around an area known as Bungleberry during a week-long biodiversity survey conducted by scientists from the WA Museum, the South Australian Museum, the WA Department of Environment and the Ngaanyatjarra Council.

About 12 members of the Ngaanyatjarra community, popularly known as the Spinifex People, accompanied the scientific group, acting as guides in the remote country and pointing out the most likely locations for wildlife.

Ngaanyatjarra Elder Maime Butler said the area around Bungleberry country contained a large waterhole where people used to live before the arrival of Europeans.

"It's sandy country with sand dunes and spinifex and scrub, and there are some hills around the side of the country and some waterholes," Aunt Maime said.

"There are lots of animals out there but it's best to catch them in the morning when their tracks are fresh."

"One snake was caught early (in the expedition) but it was a carpet snake and then they caught one in a trap or something."

"They told us they had caught the other snake but we didn't want to take a risk to look at it because we knew it was poisonous."

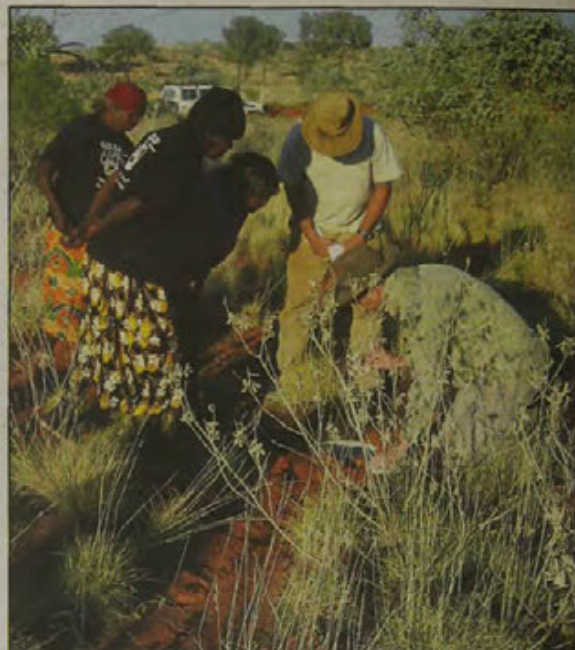
"We were really excited when we heard it was a new discovery and we'll have to talk to our old people to see if they know this snake and whether we'll have ceremony to celebrate its discovery by white fellas."

Aunt Maime said the Ngaanyatjarra people generally did not distinguish between different species of snake, and had names only for poisonous and non-poisonous types.

"People are afraid of the poisonous snakes because they know it can kill them," she said. "When we are digging for goanna we can feel if we find a snake and, if it is a snake, we just leave it there and go away and we don't go near it or play around with it."

Aunt Maime said that she had seen dogs die from snake bite, but she could not remember anyone in the community being fatally bitten.

"My grandmother got bitten in the early days on the thumb and she didn't have any medicine



In the field during the biodiversity survey in the Central Desert last October. Those pictured are, from left, senior traditional owners from Warakurna community Mrs Jackson, Mrs Lewis and Mrs Golding, the WA Museum's Paul Doughty and Steve Donnellan, of the SA Museum, checking a pit trap.



WA Museum Herpetologist Dr Paul Doughty with 'Scully' the taipan at the WA Museum.

and she lost her thumb, but she lived on to when she got old, so I reckon that was a non-poisonous snake," she said.

South Australian Museum biologist Dr Mark Hutchinson caught the previously 'undiscovered' snake during the biodiversity survey in October last year as it was crossing a dirt track on a sunny afternoon.

The serpent was tentatively identified as a western brown snake because of the similar size and colouring, but several weeks later WA Museum reptile collection manager Brad Maryan noticed the snake had a large, pale head similar to the coastal taipan.

"Other characteristics also pointed to an affinity to taipans and further laboratory analysis, including DNA tests, confirmed

his hunch and we knew we had a new species of taipan, unknown to science," Dr Hutchinson said.

West Australian Museum herpetologist Dr Paul Doughty said the snake's discovery was unexpected.

"Taipans are only found in Australia and New Guinea and this is the first new species to be described in more than 125 years," he said.

"The other two species of taipan are either on the northern coast of Australia or in the channel country of Queensland and South Australia."

Dr Doughty said it was hoped that a second expedition could be organised for the same area so that other specimens could be studied and milked for their venom.



# New-look team for SBS Indigenous program



VJ Angela Bates on the job.



Living Black VJ Kris Flanders, left, works with Series Editor Angus Forbes in the studio.



Presenter and Executive Producer Karla Grant.

# Living Black out to 'raise bar'

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



The only television program dedicated solely to Indigenous current affairs is back for its seventh season, and its executive producer and presenter is aiming for a new harder edge.

Karla Grant says her Living Black team at SBS TV will 'raise the bar' with their stories for 2007. She spoke to the *Koori Mail* about the year ahead, and her controversial decision to take on three new non-Indigenous video journalists (VJs).

Grant said the new non-Indigenous VJs were recruited to join Indigenous VJs Kris Flanders and Angela Bates after several other Indigenous staff moved on.

"There was no particular move as such or a conscious effort to bring in non-Indigenous to the team," she said.

"Unfortunately there weren't many Indigenous people who applied for the positions, which was really disappointing.

"You could count on one hand the numbers of Indigenous people who applied and unfortunately they didn't have the skills required to operate as a video journalist. We then had to look at the best possible people to do the job.

"The people we hired are very passionate and committed to bringing Indigenous stories to the screen and have their own experiences with Indigenous people."

Grant plans to address the apparent shortage of television skills and experience among Indigenous people by beginning internship partnerships with local universities and cadetships.

"Obviously we at SBS are really committed to getting more Indigenous people into the organisation, whether as video journalists, producers or reporters," she said.

"We're going to be setting up a cadetship scheme to train Indigenous video journalists and we'll offer four internships a year



The Living Black team, from left, Tani Crotty, Kris Flanders, Emma Cook, Alice Mulheron, Catherine Stone, Jacinta Isaacs and Executive Producer and Presenter Karla Grant.

with a view to priming people up for cadetships.

"Then we'll start bringing people through the cadetship scheme so our own people can eventually come and work on the program. We're really excited about this, we're going to get some interns for the next series."

Living Black has covered a

diverse range of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues.

Grant said watching the program mature had been a highlight for her.

"When we started, we were trying to be everything to everyone," she said.

"We were trying to be current affairs, we were trying to be arts,

sport, this that and the other, because there are just so many stories.

"It was always my aim to make it a news and current affairs program. The program has evolved over the last four years into the type of program that I think can do well in the 6pm time slot."

Episodes of Living Black

average audiences of about 80,000 viewers and have hit the 100,000 mark on some occasions.

"The program is a platform for Indigenous people all over Australia to have their say and voice their opinions about the things that affect them," Grant said.

"We're also aware that we have a large non-Indigenous audience that is really hungry for more information on issues."

Grant said there was no other program like Living Black on Australian television.

"There isn't any shows like us, where they are presenting Indigenous issues and contemporary issues and a whole range of things as well," she said.

"What you see on the commercial stations is negative, most times they will focus on the riots. That is the only time you see them focusing on Indigenous issues and that is really sad."

"We cover things that need highlighting, whether they're positive or negative."

"It is a very important thing for Indigenous people to have this program so they can use it as a platform."

Grant is really focused on giving Living Black a 'harder edge'.

"I always try to get us to move a notch up the ladder each series, and try to strive for better each time and get a bit tougher, do more investigative pieces, and try and get our teeth into meaty issues," she said.

Grant said she believed Living Black had a strong future.

"I can't see why we won't be around in another five to 10 years, just like *Dateline*," she said.

"As long as there are stories around, there's no reason for us not to be here."



## Expression of Interest

Jo McDonald Cultural Heritage Management is seeking Expressions of Interest from relevant Aboriginal groups or individuals to participate in the development of an Indigenous Conservation Management Plan for the Menangle Park Local Environmental Study. We are seeking first to identify any interested Indigenous parties as part of the formal consultation process for the project. Written submissions should include demonstration of cultural interest in the subject area, experience and capability in the assessment of cultural heritage and specific local knowledge of Aboriginal culture. Submissions should be addressed to "Jo McDonald CHM" at 77 Justin Street Lilyfield NSW and be received no later than **Tuesday 10 April 2007**.



NSW Aboriginal Housing Office

### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR APPOINTMENT TO NSW ABORIGINAL HOUSING OFFICE BOARD

The NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) is a statutory agency that plans, administers and expands the policies, programs and asset base for Aboriginal housing in NSW. This includes allocating resources, developing sector-wide policy, planning, and monitoring outcomes and performance. The AHO provides over 4200 dwellings, and administers funding for a further 4400 dwellings for Aboriginal people.

The AHO has an all Aboriginal advisory Board who determine the policies of the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office. The Board currently includes 6 representatives from a cross section of NSW Aboriginal communities, all of whom are appointed by the Minister for Housing.

The appointments of the majority of Board members will expire on 30th June 2007 and Expressions of Interest are now invited from interested Aboriginal people in being appointed to the Board.

Board members selected on the basis of their Expressions of Interest will be appointed by the NSW Government having regard to individual experience and expertise, and will not act as a representative for any specific community or organisation. The selection process will include the submission of a written application, demonstrating the candidate's suitability for appointment, and an interview.

Following selection of suitable applicants for membership of the Board, the Minister will appoint one member as Chairperson of the Board. Applicants for Board membership, who are interested in appointment as Chairperson, will also address the essential criteria for that position. The person appointed as Chairperson of the Board may be appointed as a full-time or part time member of the Board. All other members are part time.

To obtain a copy of the information package, including the selection criteria, contact Rita Hampton on (02) 8836 9462 or email: [rita.hampton@aho.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rita.hampton@aho.nsw.gov.au). For inquiries contact Russell Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, NSW Aboriginal Housing Office on (02) 8836 9428.

Applications should be marked "Private and Confidential" and addressed to Russell Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, NSW Aboriginal Housing Office, PO Box W5 Westfield, Parramatta NSW 2150.

Closing date for receipt of Expressions of Interest is 16th April 2007



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

### 2007 Aged Care Approvals Round Information Sessions

Conduct of the 2007 Round

The Invitation to Apply for places and capital grants in the 2007 Round is expected to be notified in all major national, regional and selected ethnic newspapers on Saturday 14 April 2007. Following the publication of the Invitation to Apply, prospective applicants will be able to contact the Department's Aged Care Information Line to obtain the necessary Application Kit.

Further details will be provided in the publication notice.

#### Information Sessions

Information Sessions will be conducted by representatives of the Department's State and Territory offices in the weeks immediately following the notification of the Invitation to Apply.

The Information Sessions are designed to provide prospective applicants with information about the conduct of the 2007 Aged Care Approvals Round, including information about recent Australian Government initiatives; how to complete your application; and the basis on which your application will be assessed.

Details of the location and time of the individual sessions are listed on the Department's website <http://www.health.gov.au/acar2007>

If you wish to attend an Information Session, it is important that you book a place, as sessions could be cancelled or rescheduled if there is insufficient demand. To make a booking, please call the specific State/Territory number listed on the Department's website OR call the Aged Care Information Line on 1800 500 853 Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5.00pm AEDT.

#### Additional information

Maps of the Aged Care Planning Regions within each State and Territory are also available from the above-mentioned website.

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# Aunty Beryl to share her story through award



Ngiyeempaa Elder Aunty Beryl Carmichael has been

awarded the Rona Tranby Trust Award aimed at supporting oral history recordings of Aboriginal Elders.

The grandmother of 18 and great grandmother of 14 from Menindee, in western New South Wales, received the award at a ceremony at the Sydney Jewish Museum last Tuesday.

The Rona Tranby Award was established in 1991 from a bequest in the will of Thomas Rona and is administered by the Rona

Tranby Trust in collaboration with Tranby Aboriginal College, Sydney, and the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies.

The award links the Jewish and Aboriginal communities who have had parallel experiences of persecution, dispossession of lands and attempted genocide.

Aunty Beryl will use the award funds to collaborate with writer Jennie Kerr to complete oral history recordings of her life story.

She is planning to produce a book based on these recordings, *The Footsteps of a Ngiyeempaa Elder*.

Since 1983, she has run Aboriginal culture camps near

Menindee Mission, on the Darling River. She also is helping Meals on Wheels to set up a bush tucker program at Menindee.

At last week's event, Member for Canterbury Linda Burney paid tribute to a visibly moved Aunty Beryl who then spoke of her own struggles to survive as a child in western NSW, and read two poems, one in tribute to her father.

Entertainment followed speakers, including Trustee Roland Gridiger, Maurice Shipp from Tranby College, Jennifer Symonds from the Jewish Board of Deputies and Margaret Gutman, Board Member of the Museum.



Trustee of the Rona Tranby Trust Roland Gridiger with Aunty Beryl.



Aunty Beryl Carmichael with the Emanuel School Klezmer Band which performed at last week's award ceremony.



# Reconciliation action needed on a local level

By ALEISHA ORR in Kalgoorlie

**A**CTION at the local community level is proving the most effective on the road to reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

That was the message from a range of speakers at the 2007 National Reconciliation Forum, held in Kalgoorlie-Boulder, in Western Australia, on 13-14 March.

About 130 people from throughout the country attended the gathering, which investigated opportunities made possible by technology and considered employment opportunities for Aboriginal people.

Guest speakers, including Murchison Eyre MLA and forum initiator John Bowler agreed that governments were not doing enough for reconciliation.

"The situation is a national disgrace," Mr Bowler said.

Others said the Federal Government was too detached from the issues facing many communities.

"The Federal Government sits in Canberra and says this is what we are doing, but it may not work in different places like in Kalgoorlie or in Mount Isa," said forum director Graham Thompson, citing the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) scheme as an example.

"The Government put CDEP in across the board even though it was originally designed to work in isolated communities."

Mr Thomson said this generalised approach had contributed to CDEP's lack of



LT-GEN JOHN SANDERSON

success in some areas and was why one of the recommendations from the 2005 forum was to restructure CDEP, which was now being replaced by the Structured Training and Employment Program (STEP).

Also at the forum, a senior member of Australia's native title agency announced that he was quitting his position because he was dissatisfied with the native title process.

National Native Title Tribunal Deputy President Fred Chaney said he was leaving the Tribunal because the current native title system was too concerned with legal technicalities to provide real results.

Mr Chaney said native title agreements had helped with reconciliation, but the native title legal framework was impossibly complex, did not do enough to encourage negotiated settlements, and required a political solution rather than a legal one.

"Native title law is extremely complex, extremely technical, and you can spend a lot of money and a lot of effort and get a nil result," he said.

Mr Chaney said he

expected to be able to contribute more to Indigenous rights once he had left the Tribunal.

He also asked Australians to make reconciliation action plans within workplaces and organisations to outline objectives and measure outcomes.

"Everybody has a part to play in reconciliation," he said.

Forum presenters encouraged Aboriginal people to drive initiatives.

Adviser to the WA Government and former WA Governor Lieutenant-General John Sanderson said people should not rely on governments to make things happen.

The forum heard that many programs started without government assistance had proved successful in aiding reconciliation, but needed such assistance to expand.

An example presented at the forum was Indigenous Enterprises' up4it? and go4it! programs, which provided incentives for children to attend school.

The forum heard the programs had proved successful in increasing attendance in some cases from 30 to 90 per cent, therefore making these students more attractive to prospective employers.

The next National Reconciliation Forum is planned for 2008.

"I would like to think this is the type of forum that works itself out of a job because the nation reaches a point of reconciliation, but it's not something that will be achieved in two or three years," forum director Mr Thomson said.



Fred Chaney speaking at the forum in Kalgoorlie.

## Blueprint for the Bush funding now available



As part of the Blueprint for the Bush, the Department of Communities has funding available for rural and remote communities through the following initiative:

### Our Place, Our Future: resourcing rural capacity

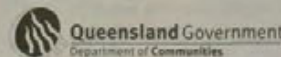
This funding initiative aims to help rural and remote communities build and strengthen their capacity to shape their future. This includes enhancing community strengths, such as leadership, networks, organisation, infrastructure and relationships within communities and with other areas.

The funding will be offered regularly throughout the next three years. Submissions for the 2007 funding rounds must be lodged with regional offices of the Department of Communities by 4 pm on the following dates: 30 April, 30 July and 22 October.

This funding initiative is available to communities in the Blueprint for the Bush catchment area, which includes communities outside South-East Queensland, excepting the major regional centres. It covers communities west of the Great Dividing Range, small communities east of the range, and those in Cape York and the Torres Strait.

For further information, please contact the Rural and Regional Communities Officer at your local Department of Communities office.

Information packages, including the contact details of regional offices, are available from the Department of Communities website at [www.communities.qld.gov.au](http://www.communities.qld.gov.au) or by phoning 1300 794 611.



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Australian Government

Department of Education, Science and Training

## Indigenous Staff Scholarships Programme

### Invitation to Apply for Study in 2008

Applications are now open for the 12-month scholarship scheme for eligible indigenous higher education staff across Australia.

The Indigenous Staff Scholarships Programme is directed towards Indigenous people employed by higher education providers who actively encourage Indigenous students to gain formal higher education qualifications.

Reflecting the Australian Government's commitment to Indigenous education, the Programme will help enhance Indigenous leadership in the higher education sector by providing professional development opportunities to scholars.

#### How the scholarships will work:

- Five national Indigenous Staff Scholarships are awarded each year for a 12 month period.
- Each scholarship provides up to \$11,100 to cover tuition fees and student contribution amounts for the year and a stipend payment (living allowance) of \$22,300. These amounts are indexed annually.
- Priority will be given to staff undertaking postgraduate awards and those who have not previously received an Indigenous Staff Scholarship.
- Scholarships will be awarded on merit against the selection criteria detailed in the Programme Guidelines.
- Scholarships will be awarded by the Minister for Education, Science and Training, on advice from the Indigenous Higher Education Advisory Council.
- Successful applicants will be able to take one year leave from their employment to undertake full-time study in their chosen academic or professional area.

**Applications close on: 11 May 2007** (This offer opened in December 2006. This is the third and final offer calling for applications. No late applications will be accepted).

#### To find out more:

Programme information, guidelines and the application form are available at: [http://www.dest.gov.au/sectors/indigenous\\_education](http://www.dest.gov.au/sectors/indigenous_education) OR call Mrs Tundra Reid, Assistant Director Higher Education Team, Indigenous and Transitions Group, DEST on telephone: (02) 6240 8892.

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**METROPOLITAN  
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LAND COUNCIL**

## ORDINARY MEETING

To all members of the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council. The next ordinary meeting will be: Wednesday 11 April 2007

Redfern Town Hall, 73 Pitt Street, REDFERN at 6:00pm

## We are women.

We are the mothers, the grandmothers and the aunts that the whole family relies on.

We need to be there for our families so we need to look after ourselves.

It's that time of year again. If you are 50 or older, join us and have a screening mammogram (women over 40 will be screened if they call).

To make your appointment or to talk to someone about breast cancer screening, call Elva Taylor at the Aboriginal Medical Service, Armidale on (02) 6774 9450 or BreastScreen on 13 20 50.

**It's your life. Don't put it off.**

BreastScreen NSW North West's mobile breast cancer screening unit will be located at Pat Dixon Medical Centre, 100 Taylor St, Armidale on April 2 & 3, 2007 and will then move to Moore St, Armidale.

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Draft Growth Centres Conservation Plan – Proposed Biodiversity Certification of State Environmental Planning Policy (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006

## Exhibition Extended

The exhibition for the Draft Growth Centres Conservation Plan has been extended until Wednesday 18th April 2007.

Under Section 126(G) (4) (a) of the *Threatened Species Conservation (TSC) Act 1995* the Draft Growth Centres Conservation Plan is to be publicly exhibited. The draft Plan will provide the basis for a request to the Minister for the Environment to grant biodiversity certification to the State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) (Sydney Region Growth Centres) 2006, under s.126 (G) (1) of the *TSC Act*.

The draft Plan identifies and assesses the biodiversity values of lands within the North West and South West Growth Centres, and the likely impacts on these associated with urban development in the Growth Centres. It also identifies conservation actions and outcomes proposed to be undertaken both within the Growth Centres and elsewhere on the Cumberland Plain or more broadly the Sydney Basin that will lead to the overall improvement or maintenance of biodiversity values.

If granted, biodiversity certification will remove the need to undertake detailed threatened species impact assessments at the development application stage for areas covered by the SEPP.

Public comment is sought on the draft Conservation Plan and the Growth Centres Commission invites submissions from interested parties. The submissions will be provided to the Minister for the Environment for consideration as part of the proposal to grant biodiversity certification to the SEPP.

Copies of the draft Growth Centres Conservation Plan can be obtained by visiting the Growth Centres Commission website – [www.gcc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.gcc.nsw.gov.au) or by calling the Growth Centres Commission on 1300 730 550.

The draft Plan can be viewed at the Department of Planning 23 – 33 Bridge Street, Sydney and the following council offices during normal business hours: Baulkham Hills Shire Council, Blacktown City Council, Hawkesbury City Council, Camden Council, Campbelltown City Council and Liverpool City Council.

Submissions on the draft Conservation Plan can be made by email, mail or fax and for further information on the exhibition and submission process please contact the Growth Centres Commission on 1300 730 550.

Submissions can be sent to  
PO Box 1457, Parramatta NSW 2124; or  
Email: [community@gcc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:community@gcc.nsw.gov.au), or Fax: (02) 9204 7599



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# Historic cultural heritage finding



In an historic case in the NSW Land and Environment Court, a man who damaged a designated Aboriginal Place to improve his mining operation

has had to meet with the Aboriginal community and apologise.

Craig Walter Williams was fined a total of \$1400 for the offences and ordered to pay the Department of Environment and Conservation's costs of \$85,000.

Williams also had to pay for the restorative justice process on top of his own legal expenses.

Williams pleaded guilty to two counts of destroying Aboriginal objects and one count of damaging an Aboriginal Place without consent near Broken Hill.

The offences relate to Williams knowingly allowing the excavation of part of an Aboriginal Place and two ancient Aboriginal campsites, in an area known as the Pinnacles during the building of a rail siding and exploration on his mining lease in 2004.

## Work with Elders

Justice Preston ordered that a restorative justice process be undertaken before sentencing, requiring Williams to meet with Aboriginal Elders in Broken Hill.

At this meeting, Williams apologised to the Aboriginal community for his illegal actions. He is now working with the Willyakali people to ensure they are involved in any future salvage operations and the possible development of a voluntary conservation agreement.

Elders are also discussing co-operative tourism opportunities at the Pinnacles that would provide access for the wider community.

Department of Environment and Conservation Director-General Lisa Corbyn said the judgment introduced a historic new

tool in cultural heritage offences.

"The Land and Environment Court has sought to enable the people most affected by these crimes to play a part in ensuring justice is done," Ms Corbyn said.

"The Aboriginal community in Broken Hill now looks set to have a positive outcome from a very upsetting and illegal course of events.

"Aboriginal Places are declared under the National Parks and Wildlife Act to protect areas that have special significance to Aboriginal culture.

"Aboriginal people of western NSW, north-west South Australia and south-western Queensland identify with the Pinnacles as central to a living bronze wing pigeon dreaming track.

"Aboriginal archaeological sites cannot be replaced, so when they are knowingly destroyed and prior approval to destroy has not been issued, it is fitting that perpetrators pay a heavy price.

"In this case, two ancient Aboriginal campsites containing many stone artefacts were destroyed, despite Williams' own expert identifying the sites.

"Cultural heritage prosecutions are rarely determined by the Land and Environment Court.

"This outcome reflects the importance of bringing people who commit such offences before the courts and DEC will continue to do so."

Broken Hill Local Aboriginal Land Council Chairwoman Maureen O'Donnell told the Koori Mail that Williams was working with the Willyakali people to have the area restored.

"We're quite satisfied with the way he is co-operating with the local community," Ms O'Donnell said.

"He's really sorry he damaged the sites.

"We are working on a management plan for the area."

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless and Rehabilitation Community Services, Annual General Meeting **Friday 27th April 2007 at 11:00am** At NGURA Hostel, 118 Victoria St Ashfield 2131

#### AGENDA

1. Apologies 2. Previous Minutes 3. Audit Reports 4. Elections of Office Bearers 5. General Business

Yours sincerely

Mr Ray Longbottom, President

Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless and Rehabilitation Community Services



## Expression of Interest

### A Families First Initiative Aboriginal Family Worker, Wagga Wagga

The NSW Department of Community Services is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from non-profit community organisations and Local Government Authorities to provide services that support Aboriginal families with children 0-5 years. The project will provide services in the Wagga Wagga LGA.

Fixed term funds of \$140,000 are available for the project. The successful applicant must comply with the Families First framework.

Information packages are available from Dianne Maxwell on (02) 69379427 or e-mail [dianne.maxwell@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:dianne.maxwell@community.nsw.gov.au) and from the DoCS website [www.community.nsw.gov.au](http://www.community.nsw.gov.au). For further information please contact Ron Lawler on (02) 69379416 or e-mail [ron.lawler@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ron.lawler@community.nsw.gov.au)

EOI proposals must be received by 5pm on Friday 20th April 2007.

**Important note:** The act of inviting an Expression of Interest does not commit the Department of Community Services to the provision of funding to any prospective service provider.

## MELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 25th ANNIVERSARY

Melville High School, Kempsey, celebrates 25th Anniversary.

Open Day on Friday 22 June from 11am to 3pm. Open Day on Saturday 23 June from 12 to 3pm. Gala Dinner Saturday 23 June, Kempsey RSL, 6.30pm. \$35 per head. All ex-students, staff and community members welcome. Contact the school, phone: 6562 7511, fax: 6562 7405, email [paoline.leed@education.nsw.gov.au](mailto:paoline.leed@education.nsw.gov.au) or [kim.beumont@education.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kim.beumont@education.nsw.gov.au)

## Weipa Multi Purpose Facility

### Request For Expressions Of Interest

The Weipa Multi-Purpose Facility is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from organisations interested in submitting a tender to provide a Work Readiness Program for Indigenous people in Western Cape York. The purpose of the Program is to increase Indigenous employment by developing the work readiness and employment skills of Indigenous people.

The WMPF will create a shortlist from the responses received and invite those short listed to respond to a formal Request for Tender.

**Closing Date:** 5:00pm, Australian Eastern Standard Time, 20 April 2007.

For more information and EOI documentation, please contact: Mr Harris van Beek, Telephone: 02 8281 8040, Email: [harris.vanbeek@nougroupp.com.au](mailto:harris.vanbeek@nougroupp.com.au)

## HAVE YOUR SAY

### Proposed regulations under the Recreation Areas Management Act 2006

Queensland's recreation area regulations are being updated. The regulations will apply to the management of recreation areas at Bribe Island, Fraser Island, Green Island, Inskip Peninsula and Moreton Island and will operate under the Recreation Areas Management Act 2006.

For more information

Details of the proposed regulations and how to have your say are contained in the consultation document available online at [www.epa.qld.gov.au](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au) or by phone on (07) 3227 7795.



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Uncle Herb Patten playing the gumleaf at the 2005 New Zealand at the World Indigenous People's Conference on Education.

# Uncle Herb whistling up plenty of support



Victorian Aboriginal Elder Herb Patten has won a legion of new fans in the wake of two performances on the television talent show Australia's Got Talent. Uncle Herb, as he is widely known, performed most recently on the semi-finals of the Channel Seven show telecast on Sunday 18 March.

Wearing a striking green suit and multicoloured metallic vest, he thrilled the studio audience with a rendition of John Farnham's *Help on the gumleaf*.

Whether he would progress to the show's finals was in the hands of the voting public, with the decision to have been announced last Sunday, 25 March.

However, with enthusiastic applause from the studio audience and three 'ticks' from judges Tom Burlinson, Dannii Minogue and Red Symons, Uncle Herb was already pretty stoked.

"I'd be happy to sit around a campfire and you can play your gumleaf every time," said Burlinson.

"I'm putting in my personal request for you to play your gumleaf at the next footy grand final," said Minogue.

Even the notoriously cranky Red Symons was complimentary, saying "When you came on last time I was filled with dread but last time you surprised me and I didn't expect you to do it again but you have".

Uncle Herb said his performances on the show were the pinnacle of playing the gumleaf for 50 years.

"When I play the gumleaf, I want the audience to get a real, true feeling in their heart," he said. "It takes them away from where they are at that moment."

No matter how he fared in the weekend's vote, Uncle Herb gets the Koori Mail's vote.

**'When I play the gumleaf, I want the audience to get a real, true feeling in their heart'**



Department of Indigenous Affairs  
Government of Western Australia

## Reconciliation Grants

Grants of up to \$5000 are available to Western Australian community groups for innovative community-based initiatives that promote or preserve indigenous culture, strengthen relationships and build awareness between indigenous and non-indigenous people.

Successful applicants are eligible to register their project as an ENRICH program, carrying the handprint on all promotional and marketing material as a symbol of optimism, harmony and respect for indigenous people, culture and heritage.

For more information and to apply visit [dai.wa.gov.au](http://dai.wa.gov.au) or contact your nearest DIA regional office.

Metropolitan/Wheatbelt: 9274 4288

West Kimberley: 9192 2865

East Kimberley: 9168 2550

Pilbara: 9140 2577

Goldfields: 9021 5666

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Closing date: Monday 16 April 2007 9am



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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Nature Conservation Act 1992 - section 115

## Preparation of draft estuarine crocodile conservation plan

A draft estuarine crocodile conservation plan and management program have been prepared for public comment. It is proposed that the plan will replace the existing *Nature Conservation (Problem Crocodiles) Conservation Plan 1995*.

Landholders, local governments, interested groups and persons, including Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders, and members of the public are invited to comment on the draft plan.

### How to comment

A copy of the draft plan is available from:

- EPA Customer Service Centre, 160 Ann Street, Brisbane, and regional EPA/QPWS offices;
- the Environmental Protection Agency website [www.epa.qld.gov.au](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au); or
- by calling (07) 3247 5975.

To assist in preparing a final plan, please send written submissions to:

Estuarine Crocodile Conservation Plan  
Wildlife Management and Education  
Conservation Services  
Environmental Protection Agency  
PO Box 15155  
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Or e-mail [crocodile.plan@epa.qld.gov.au](mailto:crocodile.plan@epa.qld.gov.au)

All submissions must be received by close of business 4 May 2007.

Hon. Lindy Nelson-Carr MP

Minister for Environment and Multiculturalism



Queensland Government  
Environmental Protection Agency

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## GET INVOLVED MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Applications are now open for the  
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or visit [www.youth.act.gov.au](http://www.youth.act.gov.au)

Applications close on Monday 16 April 2007



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## NOTICE OF THE MUTHI MUTHI NATIVE TITLE LAND SUMMIT

Date: Saturday 14th and  
Sunday 15th April 2007

Time: Saturday 9.30am - 5.00pm  
Sunday 9.00am - 3.00pm

Place: Greenham Park Hall,  
Church Street, Balranald

NSW Native Title Services is convening a meeting of the Muthi Muthi people to discuss the following issues:

- A review of the previous Muthi Muthi native title application;
- An overview of native title law and process and recent legal developments;
- Presentation of the Anthropological and Historical Research undertaken by NSW Native Title Services on behalf of the Muthi Muthi People;
- Discussion of traditional Muthi Muthi lands and waters; and
- Discussion of current land and water issues for Muthi Muthi People and future options.

The second day of the meeting will include boundary discussions between Muthi Muthi People and representatives of the Wamba Wamba, Wadi Wadi and Barapa Barapa People.

All members of the Muthi Muthi Nation are encouraged to attend.

Please register your attendance by contacting the Dubbo Regional Office of New South Wales Native Title Services on phone (02) 8882 5788/1800 111 844 or fax (02) 8882 6157 no later than Thursday 5th April 2007. Limited assistance for travel and accommodation may be available if the appropriate applications are lodged at the Dubbo Regional Office by that date.



# WOMADelaide

Photos by **NATHAN PARKER**  
in Adelaide



A record crowd of 78,000 world music and dance fans flocked to WOMADelaide: Sounds of the Planet 2007 from 9-11

March. The event was a sell-out by the end of day two.

Aboriginal singers, dancers and artists mixed it with hundreds of the world's top musicians over the three-day event, held in the leafy surrounds of Adelaide's Botanic Park.

Emma Donovan, Kev Carmody, Mornington Island Dancers, Nganampa Music, and Tjanpi Desert Weavers joined the likes of global stars Salif Keita and the Mahotella, Asha Bhosle, Mariza, Lila Downs and Israel's Yasmin Levy.

Director of Arts Projects Australia Ian Scobie said the huge audience numbers reflected the event's ever-increasing popularity and helped make this one of the most memorable festivals yet.

More than ever this year, the non-musical components of WOMADelaide were on display as performers shared their artistic and cultural knowledge with audiences.

The Tjanpi Desert Weavers enchanted festival goers with their large-scale woven forms, including a car and a representation of Ninu (bandicoot woman) surrounded by her many children, alongside an animated pack of camp dogs, goannas and emus, capturing the lively spirit of community life.

The weavers hosted two days of workshops for more than 150 people as part of a project of the Alice Springs-based Ngananyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council.

"We did good work teaching, watching and talking all day long. In the morning time we were singing inma - the Tjanpi Inma," said Tjanpi weaver Nellie Patterson.

"It was a good weekend. People from everywhere, music from everywhere and lots of baskets and sculptures. Tjanpi work wiru!"

The Tjanpi Desert Weavers Project and the Nganampa Music Project were at the festival by virtue of a large donation by Adelaide-based philanthropist Maureen Ritchie to the WOMAD Foundation.

WOMAD stands for the World Of Music, Arts and Dance. WOMADelaide 2008 will be held from 7-9 March next year.



● ABOVE: Kaurman Kari Teller.

● RIGHT: From left, Kaesham Khan, Auntie Josie Agius, Jasmine Teng, South Australian Tourism Minister Dr Jane Lomax-Smith, and Diat Alferink and Sasha Zahra.

● BELOW: The crowd at the women's voices workshop. Emma Donovan's mum is seen in the middle of the photo after her proud daughter pointed her out to the rest of the audience.



Singer/songwriter  
Kev Carmody.



● LEFT: Steve Goldsmith and Al Baker-Goodheart, an Ojibwe man from the Lac Courte Oreilles reservation in Canada.  
● RIGHT: Nganampa Music's Mark Burton.



● ABOVE: Emma Donovan at the women's voices workshop.

● RIGHT: A car, one of the works on display by the Tjanpi Desert Weavers.





# huge success



From left, Emma Webb, Diat Alferink and Ali Baker.



From left, Steve Goldsmith, Christine Brown and Pix O'Sullivan.



From left, Copley kids Shannon Coulthard, Cheyanne Amos, Francine Johnson, Tori Oldfield, Regan Brady, Sian Ware and Hayley Ware.



● ABOVE: Tjanpi Bush Story on exhibit at WOMAdelaide 2007.

● BELOW: Yaritji Connelly, from Kalka, teaches weaving at WOMAdelaide 2007.

These pictures courtesy of Tjanpi Desert Weavers, NPY Women's Council



● ABOVE: Children on stage during a workshop by the Mornington Island Dancers.

● RIGHT: From left, Greg Blanch, Robyn Bishop, Faye Rosas Blanch and Natasha Bodney.



From left, Damien Ralphs, Earl Rosas and PJ Rosas.



Dylan Woolcock and Mark Burton of Nganampa Music.



● LEFT: On stage for the women's voices workshop are, from left, the Mahotella Queens with Lila Downs (hidden), Australia's Emma Donovan, and Israeli Yasmin Levy.

● ABOVE: The Mornington Island Dancers mid-flight.



# Too deadly!

## Kempsey comes out in force for a weekend to remember



The NSW mid north coast town of Kempsey cemented its reputation as the number one location for the Vibe 3on3 as the travelling basketball and hip-hop festival returned to the town for the fourth time.

The community was out in force for the event, with 90 teams registering to participate in the structured 3on3 basketball, hip-hop, breakdancing, art and health activities over the weekend of 3-4 March.

The weather was ideal, from the opening ceremony which featured the Dunghutti dancers, to the final competition of the weekend – the highly popular break-off, where participants had the chance to show off their breakdance moves.

Kempsey Shire Mayor Betty Green and local Federal MP Luke Hartsuyker attended. Football legend Ricky Walford and Australian touch football champion Bo De La Cruz were also on hand to meet with the locals and encourage the young people of Kempsey to reach their full potential.

However, the most special people to attend on the weekend were the army of volunteers who worked tirelessly to keep things running smoothly.

"The Kempsey 3on3 could not have been the huge success it was without the help of the many volunteers who gave their time all weekend long," said 3on3 co-ordinator Claude Williams. "The energy and enthusiasm they displayed was truly awesome."

A special component of this event was the Ditch the Durries Rap Competition, which saw participants writing and recording their own raps about the harmful effects of smoking on young bodies and the community as a whole.

"The rap competition was a highlight," said 3on3 executive producer Gavin Jones. "The young people of Kempsey certainly have the music in them – they displayed heaps of

natural talent."

Koori Mail readers can listen to the competition winners' raps at [www.vibe.com.au/quitnow](http://www.vibe.com.au/quitnow)

The local AMS ran a health expo to raise awareness of health issues and showcase their services, and a special health unit was also on site, run by Partnership in Aboriginal Care. The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority also joined in the fun, handing out showbags to the young people.

As well as the huge turnout of young people from Kempsey, participants also travelled from Port Macquarie, Taree, Nambucca Heads, Bowraville and South West Rocks to take part.

"Kempsey is firmly placed as a 3on3 favourite location," Mr Jones said. "The event in Kempsey is the way the 3on3 should be – lots of kids, lots of activity, great music and genuine community support."

● The Vibe 3on3 is a two-day Aboriginal youth weekend festival that incorporates basketball, dancing, art, culture and health. It aims to promote healthy lifestyles, strengthen communities and boost self-esteem. The Vibe 3on3 is also an excellent opportunity for health services and related organisations to introduce themselves to the wider community.

For more information, go to [www.vibe.com.au](http://www.vibe.com.au)

The Vibe 3on3 would not be possible without sponsors Rio Tinto Aboriginal Foundation, the Department of Health and Ageing through the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health, the Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts and the Alcohol Rehabilitation and Education Foundation.

Local sponsors who helped make the Kempsey 3on3 possible were Kempsey Shire Council, Kempsey Library, Durrri Aboriginal Corporation Medical Service, Kempsey Macleay RSL Club, Burrin Dalai, Macleay Valley Youth Accommodation, Partnership in Aboriginal Care and the NSW Department of Sport and Recreation. A special thankyou goes to Ruth Waite from Kempsey Library.



Young locals watch the on-court action while waiting to participate.



Young, black and deadly: Participants of all ages played 3on3 basketball.



● LEFT: Kempsey Mayor Betty Green presents the Puggy Hunter Award to Kimberly Kershaw.



● RIGHT: Competitors had the chance to write and record their own anti-smoking raps.



Girls limber up before a hip-hop dance lesson.



Actor Luke Carroll quizzes contestants on health and lifestyle.



3on3 basketball was popular with the girls as well as the boys.



The young people of Kempsey showcased their moves in the ever popular break-off.



## Australian Idol runner-up Jessica Mauboy gears up for ...

# Busy time ahead

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Australian Idol runner-up Jessica Mauboy has been taking it relatively easy after her life-changing

experiences last year, but that's about to change as the 17-year-old gears up for a busy 2007. Jessica spoke from Sydney with the *Koori Mail* about what's next for her following the release of her debut CD and DVD *Jessica Mauboy: The Journey*.

The mini pop diva said she still called Darwin home and had no plans to move to Sydney just yet.

"It's pretty crazy. I'm still up there doing a lot of things, a lot of travelling as well. It is all good though," Jessica said.

"When I got back home after doing *Idol*, I just hung out with the family. I've had a really good break."

Like Australian Idol Damien Leith, Jessica has begun making in-store appearances around the country to promote her album.

"That has been going pretty good. I did my first one in Darwin and that was so amazing

**The Koori Mail is giving away 10 copies of *Jessica Mauboy: The Journey* to our readers. To win a copy, answer the question: Where does Jessica Mauboy live? Send your answer, name, address, and phone number to Jessica Giveaway, Koori Mail, PO Box 117, Lismore, NSW, 2480. Entries close 20 April 2007.**

to see how many people turned up," she said. "It was so exciting, all my friends were there... it was packed out."

Jessica said she had also appeared on the Kerri-Anne Kennerly television show and performed at the recent 75th birthday of the Sydney Harbour Bridge (see Page 38) and the 'A night with the stars' charity bash.

In between all her singing and appearance engagements, Jessica has returned to school.

"The first day I went back I was a bit afraid. I wasn't intending to go back," she said. "But I saw my sister get her Year 12 certificate, it made me want to go back and finish school."

As if all of that wasn't enough, Jessica is also aiming to get a second album out for the end of the year, and to also squeeze in a tour.

"Sony BMG and I are coming together to work out all the songs for the album," Jessica said. "There'll be covers but we

are looking at a whole heap of fresh stuff, it's really cool."

"We're also thinking about doing some originals. I can't wait, I'm so excited."

Jessica said she wanted to continue performing a diverse range of music styles.

"I'd like to keep my options open, to do a kind of mixture I guess rather than just sticking to one genre," she said.

Jessica, who will also perform at this year's national NAIDOC Ball in Darwin, says she's still comfortable being a role model, especially in Darwin and around Aboriginal communities.

"I think it is an honour to be a role model for them and someone they can look up to," she said. "I'm proud that I did it and I want them to think 'if she can do it, I can do it too'."

● For more on Jessica, visit [www.jessicamauboy.com.au](http://www.jessicamauboy.com.au) or [www.myspace.com/jessicamauboy](http://www.myspace.com/jessicamauboy)

JESSICA MAUBOY



## Melbourne musician puts own stamp on new album

By SOLUA MIDDLETON



Victorian Aboriginal musician Grant Hansen

will release his debut album tomorrow night.

The album is titled *Grant Hansen's Big City Combo* because all the members come from the 'big city of Melbourne'.

Described as one of the 'feel good' albums of the year, it features 13 original tracks bearing the roots of an authentic Australian rock style.

Hansen wrote all the tracks, teaming up with Monica Weightman, Paul Kelly and Corey Noll on several of them.

Hansen has played with numerous acts such as Blackfire, Interaction and the Mercury Blues. He has also been the Chief Executive Officer of Australia's leading Indigenous music organisation Songlines for a decade, nurturing and promoting Indigenous acts and artists through radio and television, community events, major concerts

Grant Hansen, who will release his debut album tomorrow.



and festivals.

He has travelled extensively around Australia and Asia, and hosted Indigenous television programs *Songlines in the City* and *Beyond their Limits*.

Hansen has been working on Big City Combo for the past year and said it was a relief to finally finish it and get it out there.

"After playing with many Indigenous acts, including Blackfire, Kutcha Edwards, Denise Hudson, Bob Wilson and Vic Simms, it is exciting for me to be able to front my own band and perform my

own material," he said.

"I'm looking forward to performing right around the country."

Hansen has dedicated the album to his close friend and former Crowded House drummer Paul Hester, who died last year.

● Thursday 29 March, The Esplanade Hotel, Gershwin Room, St Kilda, with guests Vic Simms, Monica Weightman, Illana Atkinson, Ross Wilson and more. Doors open 8.30pm. Tickets \$8/\$6. For details call Espy on (03) 9534 0211 or visit [www.espy.com.au](http://www.espy.com.au)

## Bob Maza Fellowship AFC Indigenous Branch

The AFC is calling for applications from established Indigenous actors working professionally in the film, television and/or theatre industries for the Bob Maza Fellowship.

The fellowship is awarded to an established Indigenous actor to further their professional development, provide longevity in their career and raise their profile internationally.

It must be used for international travel; further training or short courses at an international film training institution; and for meetings with agents, attending castings and establishing contacts in the international arena.

The Bob Maza Fellowship is sponsored by the Australian Film Commission's Indigenous Branch to commemorate and celebrate the life and work of Bob Maza, and as a tribute to his passion and commitment to the film and entertainment industry.

**Deadline for applications Friday 20 April 2007**

Guidelines and application forms can be obtained from the AFC website [www.afc.gov.au](http://www.afc.gov.au)





# Now, hear this!

## Website gives lowdown on ear problems



Doctors, researchers, parents, nurses and anyone involved with Indigenous health will be able to

access information about ear problems through a new special website.

Logie-winning journalist Ray Martin launched the EarInfoNet internet-based hearing information service on 16 March at the Menzies School of Health Research in Darwin.

Northern Territory Administrator Ted Egan welcomed guests, Aboriginal dancers performed, and children from the adjacent hospital and nearby primary schools were entertained by the team from Captain Starlight.

The celebrations were part of Menzies' Family Fun Day, designed for children and their parents to enjoy themselves, at the same time driving home the message of the importance of health in Indigenous communities.

In launching EarInfoNet, Mr Martin said he had been astounded to discover that two out of three young Aboriginal children suffered from some form of ear damage and that the NT had the highest rate of ear disease in the world.

He said that fixing Aboriginal health was a complex problem, and that if it had been easy, it would have



Ray Martin with members of the Kembi Dancers from the Cox Peninsula at the Menzies School of Health in Darwin for the launch of the EarInfoNet internet-based hearing information service. Mr Martin said governments were falling behind in their responsibilities to fund Aboriginal health programs, and that private citizens could play their part.

Photo courtesy Charles Darwin University

been fixed long ago.

However, health standards were being lifted, and the EarInfoNet program was part of the solution to the problem of hearing damage.

The program was a big improvement on the days when information about ear damage and possible remedies was not

available, or simply not accessible, Mr Martin said.

"The website offers high-quality, up-to-date information," he said.

Mr Martin told the audience that governments were falling behind in their responsibilities to fund Aboriginal health programs, and that private

citizens could play their part.

The EarInfoNet website is compiled by the Menzies School of Health Research in association with the School of Indigenous Studies at Edith Cowan University in Western Australia and the Co-operative Research Centre

for Aboriginal Health.

The major sponsor of EarInfoNet is Melbourne businessman Richard Pratt, who promised \$1 million to help fix Indigenous health problems.

● For complete information log on to [www.earinfo.net.org.au](http://www.earinfo.net.org.au)

# Cost of kidney disease set to soar



The cost of treating kidney disease in Australia is set to soar by \$50 million every year and will be as much as \$900 million a year by 2010, a report shows.

The report on the economic impact of kidney disease also revealed the number of Australians being treated with dialysis or a kidney transplant has increased at ten times the rate of population growth over the past 25 years.

Health policy has not kept up with the problem, according to the report, commissioned by Kidney Health Australia

(KHA) and released on 8 March on World Kidney Day.

"The detailed and comprehensive report identifies clearly that the Federal Government can save hundreds of millions of dollars in the future by extending home dialysis and transplantation," said KHA chief executive Anne Wilson.

With the number of Australians starting renal replacement therapy (RRT) set to increase by up to 47 per cent by 2010, the report estimates the total health sector cost for providing the service over the next three years to be around \$4.5 billion.

But increasing the number of kidney transplants by 10 per cent to 50 per cent could save up to nearly \$26 million.

Boosting home haemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis could save another \$200 million or more, the report shows.

"Despite the significant burden of disease, there is no national strategic plan," Ms Wilson said.

The report was released to coincide with the launch of the No Warning Signs kidney disease awareness campaign.

Six new patients, on average, are accepted on to the Australian dialysis program each day at a cost of \$72,000 a

year, Ms Wood said.

One in three Australians has an increased risk of kidney disease.

One in seven Australians have at least one clinical sign of existing chronic kidney disease, such as reduced kidney function.

Adult Australians are at increased risk of developing chronic kidney disease if they have high blood pressure (hypertension), have diabetes, smoke cigarettes, are obese, have a family history of chronic kidney disease, are over 50 years of age and/or are of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent. - AAP



# Oxfam in push for more funds



International aid agency Oxfam will next month step up a campaign arguing for an extra \$450 million a year in government spending to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous health within 25 years. Oxfam will host the Indigenous Australia Partner Reflection in Alice Springs from 19-23 April.

At a meeting in Alice Springs last week, the organisation's Director of Public Policy, James Ensor, described the poor health and considerably lower life expectancy of Indigenous Australians as a 'national disgrace'.

"It is a national scandal that in Australia - a first world nation - Indigenous Australians live on average 17 years less than most other Australians," he said. "The fact is Indigenous Australians have not shared in the health gains enjoyed by most other Australians in the past 20 years."

"The health of Indigenous Australians is the worst in the

developed world, but it needn't be that way.

"With an appropriate allocation of resources and funds as well as political will Australia can end a health crisis affecting less than three per cent of its population within 25 years."

Oxfam's health campaign, 'Close The Gap', focuses on three key factors to which it says Australia's Federal, State and Territory governments must commit to achieve Indigenous Health equality in 25 years:

- Increasing annual Indigenous health funding by \$450 million to enable equal access to health services

- Increasing Indigenous control and participation in the delivery of health services

- Addressing critical social issues such as housing, education and self-determination which contribute to the Indigenous health crisis.

In December, Health Minister Tony Abbott criticised as 'naïve' an open letter signed by 37 non-government organisations, including Oxfam, that called on Australian governments to

deliver life expectancy equality within 25 years.

"If it was as easy as all that to improve Indigenous health, it would have been done a long time ago," Mr Abbott said.

"But certainly it doesn't hurt to have a whole lot of prominent people reminding us of the urgency of this task."

Federal Opposition Indigenous Affairs spokeswoman Jenny Macklin said last week that she would lobby her Labor colleagues for a boost in Indigenous health funding if her party won the election later this year.

Ms Macklin said she would like to see the 20-year gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous life expectancy closed sooner than 25 years.

"There's no question that the differences both in health, education, employment housing all of those areas are areas that certainly deserve additional funding," she said.

"The amounts of course I'm going to have to argue with my colleagues, but I'll certainly be pushing very hard for it."

**"When I was diagnosed with breast cancer I couldn't believe it."**



I never thought it could happen to me.

I'm lucky it was found early enough to save my life. This has given me the chance to see my children and grandchildren grow up and to be there when they needed me. I plan to be around to keep giving them the help and support they need.

Give yourself the same chance.

If you are 50 or older, join us and have a screening mammogram (women over 40 will be screened if they call). Phone me for your breast cancer screening appointment on (02) 6774 9450 or phone BreastScreen NSW North West on 13 20 50."

Elva Taylor, Aboriginal Medical Service, Armidale.

BreastScreen NSW North West's mobile breast cancer screening unit will be located at Pat Dixon Medical Centre, 100 Taylor St, Armidale on April 2 & 3, 2007 and will then move to Moore St, Armidale.

**BreastScreen AUSTRALIA**  
A joint Commonwealth and Territory Program  
**BreastScreen**  
NEW SOUTH WALES  
North West  
HUNTER NEW ENGLAND  
NSW HEALTH

**On behalf of the enHealth Working Group on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Environmental Health, Queensland Health and our Conference Sponsors we extend a warm welcome to you and encourage your attendance at the 6th National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Environmental Health Conference . . .**

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Environmental Health Conferences are held regularly in order to:

- Provide a forum for discussion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander environmental health issues;
- Raise the profile of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander environmental health issues; and
- Give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander environmental health practitioners a national voice.

The conference will be held **22-24 May 2007** at the Cairns Convention Centre Cairns Qld.

Registration Fee: \$275.00 per delegate

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- Attendance to all conference sessions Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
- Attendance to the closed workshop session Friday, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Delegates only
- Morning tea, Luncheon and Afternoon Tea where programmed on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- Welcome Function on Tuesday evening
- Conference Dinner on Thursday evening
- Conference satchel

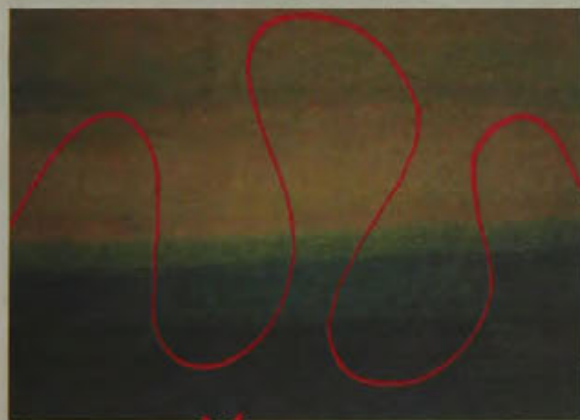
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Contact the conference secretariat for information on sponsoring or exhibiting at the conference.

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CONFERENCE CAIRNS, QLD

From Cairns, Queensland, the 6th National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Environmental Health Conference will be held at the Cairns Convention Centre, Cairns, Queensland, 22-24 May 2007.



# Harbour Bridge's



What is now known as Sydney Harbour has always been a focal point for Aboriginal tribes, especially the Gadigal (Cadigal) and the Cammeragail peoples.

So it was only fitting that hundreds of Aboriginal people were 'front and centre' during celebrations on 18 March to mark the 75th anniversary of the iconic Sydney Harbour Bridge that spans the harbour.

They were amongst 250,000 people who walked across the bridge after it was closed to vehicle traffic for just the fifth time since its official opening in 1932.

Official proceedings began in the morning and featured speeches by NSW Premier Morris Iemma and NSW Governor Her Excellency Marie Bashir, and appearances by Australian Idol runner-up Jessica Mauboy and Cambridge Park Public School Aboriginal student Zane Walford who won the My Sydney Harbour Bridge poster competition.

At sunset at 7.11pm, Uncle Max

Eulo made his way to the northern pylon of the bridge where he was met by Professor Bashir. Uncle Max lit gumleaves in his coolamon to mark the beginning of a smoking ceremony designed by Bangarra Dance Company's Artistic Director Stephen Page to bless and cleanse the space while acknowledging the bringing together of the Gadigal and Cammeragail clans and all those that use the bridge.

The smoking ceremony involved the lighting of 90 forty-four gallon drums on the bridge and a separate smoking ceremony on board the Tribal Warrior training vessel on the waters below.

A soundscape composed by David Page and Mathew Doyle in traditional Gadigal language was played while the last groups of walkers crossed the bridge through the smoke.

The bridge was illuminated by thousands of lights placed high in its arches and across the nearby Bradfield Highway to showcase the famous architectural structure.



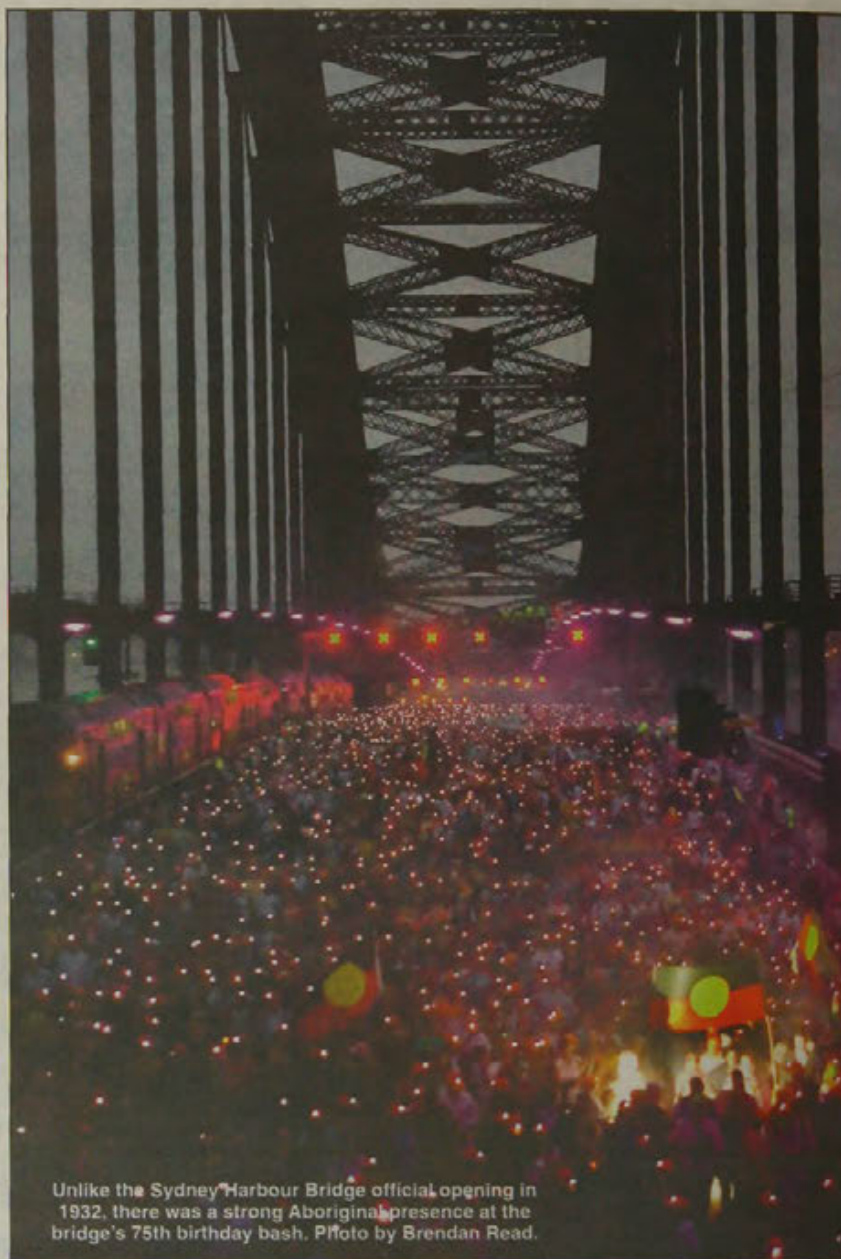
Jessica Mauboy belts out a tune at the bridge ceremony. Behind her are, from left, NSW Premier Morris Iemma, Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore and NSW Governor Marie Bashir. Photo by Brendan Read.



Young Paula Philips was in the thick of things aboard the Tribal Warrior. Photo by Amanda James.



Lyal Denison (right) and his son enjoyed the day on the harbour, getting a close-up view of the bridge from the Tribal Warrior. Photo by Amanda James.



Unlike the Sydney Harbour Bridge official opening in 1932, there was a strong Aboriginal presence at the bridge's 75th birthday bash. Photo by Brendan Read.



Mathew Doyle played the didgeridoo on top of the Sydney Harbour Bridge as part of the official ceremony. Photo by Ben Townsend.



# big birthday bash



With Sydney the Opera House as a backdrop, the *Tribal Warrior* sails under the Harbour Bridge as a train crosses overhead. The *Tribal Warrior* is a 15.4 metre ketch built in the Torres Strait as a pearling lugger. It is at least 100 years old. Photo by Wendy McDougall.



Terry Olsen watches the Aboriginal flag flying high atop the Sydney Harbour Bridge before the smoking ceremony began. Photo by Amanda James.



● ABOVE: Gail Freeman and Kerry Walsh wave to television crews in helicopters overhead. Photo by Amanda James.



*Tribal Warrior* skipper Shane Phillips gets things underway. Photo by Amanda James.



● ABOVE: Young Zeek Phillips gets a few pointers on the didgeridoo from his uncles Terry Olsen and Glen Doyle.



● LEFT: Glen Doyle sends some good vibes to the mob on the *Tribal Warrior*. This photo and above by Amanda James.



● LEFT: NSW Governor Marie Bashir cuts the 75th anniversary ribbon, watched by Premier Morris Iemma. Photo by Brendan Read.



Terry Olsen tends eucalyptus leaves during the smoking ceremony which began at 7.11pm as the last group of walkers crossed the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Photo by Amanda James.





# Perspectives on the 1967 Referendum



# One of our most important days

By MALCOLM MACKERRAS

Malcolm Mackerras has studied elections for more than 40 years and is a regular commentator on voting behaviour. Currently a visiting fellow in political science at the University of New South Wales' Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra, Mackerras comments here on how, and why, Australia voted in the 1967 Referendum.



Saturday 27 May 1967 goes down in Australian history as one of our most important days ever. On that day 90.8 per cent of votes were cast in the affirmative at the Referendum that resulted in the Constitution Alteration (Aboriginals) Act 1967.

On that day the ballot paper asked each elector:

*Do you approve the proposed law for the alteration of the Constitution entitled .... 'An Act to alter the Constitution so as to omit certain words relating to the People of the Aboriginal Race in any State and so that Aboriginals are to be counted in reckoning the Population'?*

In Australia's federal constitutional history, voters have been asked 44 times if they approve a change to the Constitution. Only eight were approved and those 36 rejections prompt a view of Australia as the frozen continent, constitutionally speaking.

Of the eight approvals, the Aboriginal Referendum was by far the most successful, with a 90.8 per cent 'Yes' vote. A trivial amendment to the Constitution (relating to Senate elections) cast in December 1906 comes second, approved by 82.7 per cent of voters.

In 1967, every State and every electorate voted 'Yes', with Victoria setting the 94.7 per cent top and Western Australia the low, still with 80.9 per cent approving the changes.

This historic record has prompted myths like the 1967 Referendum giving Aboriginal people the right to vote, or bestowing citizenship. Neither is correct, as Aboriginal people already had the right to vote and were citizens.

The importance of the 1967 Referendum lies more in its symbolism than in its actual wording. While many believe this was an act of great idealism on the part of the Australian people – and there certainly were idealists, even among the politicians involved – the full story is more complicated.

The other successful referenda amended (or inserted) only one section of the Constitution. This was the only one to

amend two – Sections 51 and 127.

Section 51 gives our Parliament power to make concurrent laws and begins:

*The Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws for the peace, order, and good government of the Commonwealth with respect to ...*

Until 1967 the powers listed included xxvi:

*The people of any race, other than the aboriginal race in any State, for whom it is deemed necessary to make special laws.*

This 'race power', as it became known, was originally there to enable Parliament to make laws discriminating against racial groups like the Kanakas in Queensland. The words 'other than the aboriginal race in any State' were intended to exempt Aboriginals from discrimination. But this meant the Commonwealth also had no power to make laws for the benefit of Indigenous people.

Section 127 originally read:

*In reckoning the numbers of the people of the Commonwealth, or of a State or other part of the Commonwealth, aboriginal natives shall not be counted.*

Why was this provision included in our Constitution in 1900? Communications in inland Australia were at best poor, and frequently non-existent. There were practical difficulties in counting Aboriginal people dispersed across remote areas and living a nomadic life.

## Things changed

Fifty years later, things had changed. The petition launched in 1957 was for a Referendum on the repeal of Section 127 and the change to Section 51.xxvi.

The following year, Prime Minister Robert Menzies responded to a strong body of opinion in Parliament and set up a Joint Committee on Constitutional Review, with members and senators from all parties.

The Committee reported in November 1959, proposing many amendments, including the repeal of Section 127 and a change to Section 24 which provided that: *The House of Representatives shall be*

*composed of members directly chosen by the people of the Commonwealth, and the number of such members shall be, as nearly as practicable, twice the number of the senators.*

When Menzies first considered the report, his reaction was to disparage it. There were so many recommendations, most totally unnecessary. His instinct was to do nothing.

But a few years later he had a problem when there was a proposed redistribution of seats to which the Country Party raised strong objections. At that point he realised the political value in the idea of changing the Constitution to get rid of the requirement that the number of members be twice the number of senators and expanding the House of Representatives.

On 28 April 1965, he announced Bills would be introduced for a referendum to amend Section 24 and repeal Section 127.

the new Prime Minister, Harold Holt, decided to defer a referendum until after the general election of November 1966.

In the autumn session of 1967, Holt promptly moved for the Referendum, with the change to Section 51 included.

A booklet explaining the proposals was posted to every elector. The case for a 'Yes' vote on the Aboriginal question began:

*The purposes of these proposed amendments to the Commonwealth Constitution are to remove any ground for the belief that, as at present worded, the Constitution discriminates in some ways against people of the Aboriginal race, and, at the same time, to make it possible for the Commonwealth Parliament to make special laws for the people of the Aboriginal race, wherever they may live, if the Commonwealth Parliament considers this desirable or necessary...*

*The Commonwealth's object will be to co-operate with the States to ensure that together we act in the best interests of the Aboriginal people of Australia.*

The case concludes with comments on Section 127:

*Our personal sense of justice, our commonsense, and our international reputation in a world in which racial issues are being highlighted every day, require that we get rid of this out-moded provision.*

*Its modern absurdity is made clear when we point out that for some years now, Aboriginals have been entitled to enrol for, and vote at, Federal elections. Yet Section 127 prevents them from being reckoned as 'people' for the purpose of calculating our population, even for electoral purposes!*

*... All political parties represented in the Commonwealth Parliament support these proposals. The legislation proposing these Constitutional amendments was, in fact adopted unanimously in both the House of Representatives and the Senate. We have yet to learn of any opposition being voiced to them from any quarter...*

It was the amendment to Section 24 that some rebel Coalition and minor party senators, who saw the motive as cynically political and the effect as weakening the power and prestige of the Senate, had opposed.

When the two questions were put at the Referendum, the first went down badly. The second was carried massively and made voting history. As one commentator put it at the time, 'the voters learned how to take the bait but not the hook'.

To the extent politicians were being cynical, that cynicism came in the first question.

To the extent they were being idealistic, that idealism came in the second question.

The voters knew how to choose between the two.



When the House of Representatives debated the Bills that November, there was much objection to the exclusion of the amendment to Section 51 set out in the 1957 petition, but not mentioned in the Joint Committee's Report.

The objectors were quite right. The 1965 Constitution Alteration (Repeal of Section 127) Bill was essentially useless. From the point of view of Aboriginal people and their fellow campaigners, it was scarcely worth having.

After Menzies retired in January 1966,





# Indigenous Affairs Information Magazine

## Massive investment in Indigenous accommodation in Alice Springs



Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Mal Brough, listens to the concerns and problems that face the camps in Alice Springs from one of the town camp elders.

The overcrowded and under-serviced town camps of Alice Springs will be turned into normal suburbs under a plan being coordinated by the Australian and Northern Territory Governments.

Mal Brough, Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, recently announced that the Australian Government is committing up to \$50 million for the town camp project, on top of \$20 million committed last year.

"This is a massive investment by the Howard Government in Alice Springs," the Minister said.

"It is excellent news for Indigenous people needing short-term accommodation and for locals who have had to put up with a totally unsatisfactory situation with town camps for far too long."

The two governments have been working with the Alice Springs Town Council, Tangentyere Council, Lhere Artepe native title holders and town camp residents to find long-term solutions to the city's urgent accommodation problems.

Town camps have not been part of normal local-government servicing, and already run-down facilities have been coming under increasing pressure as more and more remote community people come to stay in town to be with family, shop, go to events or visit health services.

"The upgrades to the town camps will not be second-rate. Normal town standards will apply and they will operate under normal local government arrangements," Mr Brough said.

Town camps will be provided with power, water, sewerage, roads, rubbish and rates in line with standard arrangements in Alice Springs, and more houses will be built to relieve overcrowding.

"As well as standardising services, we will put responsibility back to the people we are investing in so that they pay normal rent and meet normal tenancy obligations in the same way as the rest of the community in Alice Springs."

Also part of the plan are two short-term visitor accommodation facilities, similar to caravan and camping parks, to relieve pressure on the town camps.

The Northern Territory Government has approved two sites and the Australian Government has donated and refurbished a large number of transportable buildings from the de-commissioned Woomera Detention Centre to enable quick construction of the facilities.

Sites will be supervised, alcohol free and have good-quality ablutions, laundry and cooking facilities. Visitors will pay rent, and management will have a 'zero tolerance' approach to anti-social behaviour and violence.

Australian Government funding for these projects is being made available against strict milestones being met. Many aspects of the strategy will be in place within two years.

"We want a healthier and safer living environment," Minister Brough said.

"Influential groups in Alice Springs, including the Tangentyere Council, support this plan. The substantial level of funding shows how serious we are about getting things done."

Further information on the Alice Springs Town Camp Taskforce including its report and work being undertaken to address the recommendations can be found at [www.towncamps.nt.gov.au](http://www.towncamps.nt.gov.au)

## Focus on partnership in the Northern Territory

The Australian Government and the Northern Territory Government are working together on major initiatives to improve the lives of people in communities such as Galiwin'ku, Wadeye and Alice Springs.

The initiatives, backed by significantly increased funding, centre on improving housing and 'normalising' the delivery of services in areas such as law and order, health and education.

The negotiation of 99-year leases over townships on Aboriginal land will allow for home ownership and unlock business development.

Indigenous Affairs Minister, Mal Brough, says the changes will happen in partnership with local governments and Indigenous people and families.

"We will be doing this in a way that empowers people to make decisions about their future, based on the concepts of shared responsibility and mutual obligation," he said.

More information on the Australian Government's agenda for action is provided in the Minister's message on page 4.

## New approach in Galiwin'ku

The Australian Government is working with State and Territory Governments to improve living standards and bring lasting benefits to communities in remote Australia.

Galiwin'ku, a community of more than 2500 people on Elcho Island in eastern Arnhem Land, is typical of many remote townships where most normal services do not exist. There is no permanent police presence and until recently the community had not been able to attract permanent doctors for any extended period. On average, each house in Galiwin'ku has more than 20 occupants.

In communities like this, isolation, under-servicing and a lack of development

opportunities have often lead to despair, violence and substance abuse.

The Australian and Northern Territory Governments are now working closely with the people of Galiwin'ku to fix long-standing problems. Under the new approach, all levels of government—Commonwealth, Territory and local—work with the community to agree on a series of actions to help the community achieve its goals.

Galiwin'ku is currently considering a strategy developed by the Australian and Northern Territory Governments to 'rebuild' the community.

The aim is to provide Galiwin'ku with the range of choices and opportunities that exist in other Australian towns, including real jobs in a local economy. Changes to land-tenure

arrangements allowed under the Northern Territory Land Rights Act will, if taken up by the community, give people a chance to buy their own homes or set up businesses.

"This is all about choice," Indigenous Affairs Minister, Mal Brough, said on a visit to Galiwin'ku in June last year.

"The people of Galiwin'ku can either keep going on the same old path . . . where people have little chance of improving their lot or start off on a new future for their children and their children's children."

The Australian Government has agreed with the Northern Territory and State Governments on further sites for strategic interventions.



Mr Geoffrey Gurwanawuy, Dhamarrandji, member of the tri-partite steering committee on the redevelopment of Galiwin'ku.





## Backing Indigenous Ability

Remote Indigenous communities will be able to set up public Internet facilities, develop their own websites and make creative—and potentially lifesaving—use of facilities like videoconferencing under a new program launched in late February by Senator Helen Coonan, Minister for Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.

Part of the Australian Government's \$1.1 billion Connect Australia package, the Backing Indigenous Ability (BIA) Telecommunications Program will provide \$36.6 million to extend essential telecommunications services and help develop Indigenous online content.

"Backing Indigenous Ability will provide up to 150 remote communities with Internet services, enabling communities to access health, education, legal, employment and welfare services more easily," Senator Coonan said.

"It will also enable entrepreneurial remote Indigenous communities to set up micro-businesses and commercial activities such as tourism and selling art and music."

BIA has six 'elements' covering telephones, Internet access packages, videoconferencing, all sorts of computer training as well as funding to develop websites with content that's useful and interesting for local people.

The Internet access packages will provide a computer, printer and webcam that can potentially be used by all community members. Part of the package will be software, including Internet filtering software to protect kids online. Communities will be able to use the Internet for banking and business, as well as for emailing and socialising online. They will be able to do important business with government agencies.

The training and skills development part of the program will teach community members how to use the Internet, and train them in things like e-business. Technical skills can be part of the training, so community members are able to do basic maintenance on computers and other equipment. Some of the training will lead to certified qualifications.

Encouraging communities to develop their own online content is an important aim of the program. This could involve, say, creating locally useful information about cultural maintenance, health and nutrition or sports and recreation. It could involve upgrades to existing business websites with added functionality, or the creation of new websites or electronic



Andrina Brown and Adeleen Driffen online at the Gap Youth Centre, Alice Springs, NT. Photo: Will Caddy

newsletters for local groups such as men's, women's or youth groups.

Communities are encouraged to mix and match these elements when applying for BIA funding.

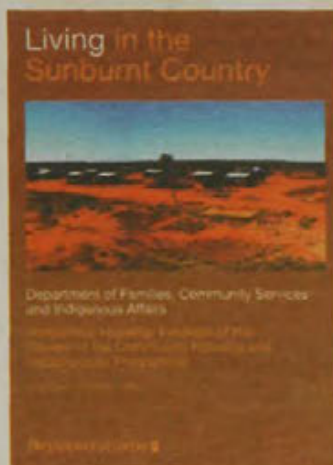
### How to access BIA funding

The program has a Freecall number—1800 355 014—so communities are welcome to call and get help and information, no matter how remote they are.

The first funding round closes on 20 April 2007. Further rounds will follow.

For information about the BIA Telecommunications Program see [www.dcit.gov.au/bia](http://www.dcit.gov.au/bia) or you can email [bia@dcita.gov.au](mailto:bia@dcita.gov.au)

## Indigenous housing "needs urgent reform"



The report of an independent review of the Community Housing and Infrastructure Program (CHIP) calls for major changes in the delivery of Indigenous housing.

"CHIP has clearly failed to deliver and needs urgent reform," Indigenous Affairs Minister, Mal Brough, said

on releasing the review report *Living in the Sunburnt Country* on 8 March.

"While billions of dollars have been invested in Indigenous housing, there is too little to show for it. We've been chasing our tail and not seeing any significant progress in overcoming the Indigenous housing problem in remote Australia particularly."

The review of CHIP, conducted last year by PricewaterhouseCoopers, involved consultations with key players in the Indigenous housing sector. It found current Indigenous housing arrangements are flawed and unsustainable, and proposes a new way forward.

"The report suggests ways of converting an ATSIC basket case into new opportunities for decent housing, home ownership and employment for locals in housing construction and maintenance," the Minister said.

The proposed way forward would see a replacement for CHIP focusing on remote and very remote Indigenous communities where the housing need is greatest, while making sure that people living in areas with mainstream alternatives have fair access to those alternatives.

"The report, along with other views, will be considered by the Government in exploring future directions in Indigenous housing," Mr Brough said.

CHIP together with the Aboriginal Rental Housing Program currently contributes around \$380 million a year for Indigenous housing. Funds are channelled through State Governments, private contractors and Indigenous Community Housing Organisations.

Managed since 2004 by the Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA), CHIP has been around in some form since the 1970s, administered by a variety of agencies including ATSIC.

### What the review says

The Australian Government's main Indigenous housing program "contributes to policy confusion, complex administration and poor outcomes and accountability".

Though designed to help Indigenous people who cannot own their own homes or access public housing, CHIP has been used as a substitute for mainstream public housing in urban and regional areas. As a result, funds have been spread too thinly.

The review finds that CHIP:

- disadvantages remote communities because it has not properly targeted need
- spends too much on administration and too little on actual housing
- focuses on capital expenditure rather than housing maintenance, resulting in the running down of existing infrastructure

- does not always meet basic construction standards for new houses, and is unable to contain rising costs
- has created a large number of small Indigenous Community Housing Organisations (ICHOs) that are generally inefficient, unaccountable and not viable

There are around 21,000 houses owned by 616 ICHOs across Australia. Eighty per cent of these organisations manage 50 dwellings or less, and collect an average of \$40 a week in rent from tenants. By not collecting enough rent, organisations cannot fund their operations or maintain the houses they manage.

The review report recommends that CHIP be "modernised and refocused so that all participants, ranging from governments through to tenants, are part of a new approach to meeting housing need—one based on national, state, regional, community and individual responsibilities and accountabilities which cost effectively delivers housing to those most in need in remote Australia".

### Have your say

Feedback on the CHIP review report can be provided through the FaCSIA website at [www.facsia.gov.au](http://www.facsia.gov.au)

Information sessions on the report are being organised in selected locations across Australia.





# Getting Indigenous people into real jobs

There's lots of work out there and now Indigenous people will be given more help to find it.

You may have heard that the Hon Joe Hockey MP, Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, has recently announced changes to the services available to help Indigenous people find jobs.

In locations where there are good job opportunities (large cities and major regional centres), the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) programme will close from 1 July 2007. All Indigenous Employment Centres will also close. Instead, people in affected areas will be able to get help finding work from a range of other services.

Mr Hockey said that the reforms are a significant step forward for Indigenous Australians.

"While CDEP has played an important role in many communities,

it has resulted in some people living off welfare for years," Mr Hockey said.

The changes also include an expansion of the highly successful Structured Training and Employment Projects (STEP) programme.

"Presently 64 per cent of STEP participants are placed into real jobs and/or education and training," Mr Hockey said.

"These projects together with other highly successful mainstream services like the Job Network will put participants on the pathway to economic independence."

The changes are all about getting Indigenous people into jobs. There are lots of employers who are looking for staff, so there's never been a better time to look for work.

If you are on CDEP or income support and need some help to get a job, talk to your CDEP and to your local Job Network member. They will be able to help you get the skills and support you need.

CDEP will keep operating in remote areas, and in regional locations where there are fewer jobs. You can find out more at [workplace.gov.au/indigenous](http://workplace.gov.au/indigenous), or call 1802 102.



Roeina receiving her Student of the Year Award

## Roeina sets her sights high

**Roeina Edmund is an outstanding example of how a positive attitude can make seemingly impossible goals attainable.**

Roeina, a young single mother with five children, is completing a Certificate IV in Aeroskills (Mechanical). She is the first Indigenous woman to undertake this course in what traditionally has been a male-dominated field.

Her training was assisted by Aviation Australia as part of the Structured Training and Employment Projects or STEP programme sponsored by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations. During her course she learnt everything from basic hardware identification and tool use to piston engine theory.

"At Aviation Australia I was taught all the theory I need to know to complete my apprenticeship and I don't need

to go back to college to finish off my qualification," Roeina said.

The training she's received has opened many doors and provides Roeina with unlimited options in the aviation industry. On-the-job training has been rewarding and vital to Roeina's understanding and knowledge.

"Even though the aviation and aerospace industry is highly regulated and everything has to be done by the book, the book doesn't teach you the feel and sound of an engine when it is running smoothly or more importantly when it is not running properly. That can only come from the experience I am getting with my on-the-job training.

"I am grateful for all the support I receive from Aviation Australia, they even have an Indigenous coordinator to help both myself and my employer."

Based on her positive experience, Roeina has encouraged other women to consider

a career in the aviation industry. Last year she mentored a Year 11 student who, along with her mother, is now enrolled in the same Aeroskills Certificate.

Roeina continues to set herself higher goals. She dreams of becoming an astronaut one day, a dream she has held since she was a little girl. Now she believes it can become a reality. In the meantime she is hoping to join the Defence Force and is taking flying lessons.

"The training and people at Aviation Australia have helped me believe in myself ... I am talking to everybody about what they can do if they really put their mind to it. I believe that I am proof that it can be done."

Roeina was recently the 2006 winner of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year Award.

## Partnership gets results



Elliot (right) and his employer, Craig Massey.

**Elliot Bara, a 32-year-old Indigenous job seeker has got his first permanent job since leaving school 15 years ago.**

**All my life I got dole money. I didn't know what having a job was like. Then I got married, had kids, and still got the dole money.**

In less than a year he's turned his life around with the support of a partnership between a Job Network member and a Community Development Employment Project (CDEP) organisation at Groote Eylandt in the Gulf of Carpentaria.

Elliot started receiving unemployment benefits as soon as he was old enough. Since leaving school Elliot had, at various times, tried to get a job.

"All my life I got dole money. I didn't know what having a job was like. Then I got married, had kids, and still got the dole money," Elliot said.

The pressures of being unemployed and trying to provide for his family took their toll,

leading to an increasing use of alcohol and drugs as well as leading to time spent in jail.

Early in 2006 Elliot decided he wanted to turn his life around. He wanted to get a job and was determined to be a good role model to his children. In addition to working with his Job Network member Darwin Skills Development Scheme, Elliot attended rehabilitation and anger management courses, and registered with Angurugu CDEP at Groote Eylandt.

In April 2006 things started to change for Elliot when he started on a CDEP activity as a builder's labourer. To get him started, his Job Network member and CDEP worked together to buy him a basic tool kit.

A short time later, Elliot's supervisor started his own construction business on Groote Eylandt and offered Elliot a job. Although Elliot only had a limited work history, he was hired along with three other people from the Angurugu CDEP.

As the company was new and trying to become established, the Job Network agency offered employer wage subsidies for the first three months of employment. During October 2006 it also ran a non-accredited welding course to help the employees build skills for the future.

With the help of the strong partnership between Job Network and CDEP, Elliot has made a seamless transition into mainstream employment and has reached his goal.





## Message from the Minister for Indigenous Affairs



Australia is a strong and proud nation, offering freedom and opportunities for its people. But many Indigenous Australians do not share the opportunities and choices enjoyed by others.

Since 2004 the Australian Government has been changing the way Indigenous programs and services are organised, funded and run. This is because previous arrangements didn't work in the way people hoped, and in fact worked to disadvantage the most disadvantaged Indigenous people—those living in remote communities in northern and central Australia.

This year we will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Aboriginal referendum which began a new era in Indigenous Affairs. The referendum enabled Indigenous people to be counted in the Census, and gave the Commonwealth the power to legislate for them.

While much has been achieved since then, we still have a very long way to go. The anniversary provides an opportunity to recapture the positive spirit for change that produced an overwhelming 'yes' vote at the referendum.

Since becoming Minister in January last year I have been working with other members of the Ministerial Taskforce on Indigenous Affairs to set a new direction, a 'Blueprint for Action'.

These four pages highlight just a few of the important initiatives making up our new approach. We are restructuring long-established programs to achieve better results for Indigenous people. We are directing effort and money to tackle urgent problems in remote Indigenous Australia, and working hard to get mainstream programs to provide better services to Indigenous Australians.

I have visited many Indigenous communities. Many are great communities, but some remote communities are in a bad way. Past policies have made assumptions about how remote Indigenous people want to live. Enterprise and personal responsibility have been crushed, while services taken for granted by other Australians have not been provided.

In many communities today the basics of any functioning society are simply not there: the rule of law, the means to enforce the law, and good institutions and governance. Without these things, governments can fund health, education or housing programs, but a lot of the money will be wasted.

We are now working with State and Territory Governments to fix these fundamental problems. And we want to make sure that Indigenous funds provided by government are spent where they are most needed.

The overwhelming majority of Australians who voted 'yes' to the 1967 referendum wanted equality for Aboriginal people. We want much the same: to provide all Indigenous Australians with the basis for prosperous and independent lives, wherever they may live.

*Mal Brough*

Mal Brough

Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

## Principles for Action

The Australian Government's Blueprint is based on a number of key principles.

### Respecting culture

Indigenous culture is unique and valuable but also a living evolving thing. It should not be seen as a barrier to better lives for Indigenous people.

### Setting high standards and expectations

Both governments and Indigenous people have put up with second-rate services and second-rate outcomes—in education, in housing, in policing, in how communities are run.

The new approach demands high expectations for Indigenous people and high expectations of Indigenous people.

### Focusing on people and families

Individuals and families have the right to choose their own pathways. Previously governments have focused on the collective Aboriginal community rather than considering the needs and aspirations of individuals and families.

### Services based on need

In urban and many regional areas where good services already exist the Australian Government will help Indigenous people to access them, rather than setting up separate Indigenous services. In remote Australia all governments must put in a long-term effort to 'normalise' services—that is, to provide the same services in remote towns as other Australians enjoy.

### Partnerships

Governments across Australia are now committed to clarifying responsibilities and working together. Previously State or Territory Governments may have left servicing Indigenous communities to the Commonwealth. There is no moral or constitutional basis for this.

An approach based on sharing responsibility and mutual obligation is changing the relationship between government and Indigenous people at the local level. Indigenous people need to be more than passive recipients of government programs designed elsewhere.

The Blueprint for Action and the principles on which it is based were discussed by Minister Brough in a speech to the National Institute for Governance in December 2006. To read the Minister's speech, A Blueprint for Action in Indigenous Affairs, go to [www.atsia.gov.au](http://www.atsia.gov.au)



Minister Brough (right) signing a Regional Partnership Agreement with Ian Trust (left) of the Wunan Foundation, in the East Kimberley, WA. The agreement signed in November 2006 involves government, the Indigenous community and local mining companies and aims to put 1500 Indigenous people in jobs over five years.

## ICCs — Your way to talk to government

The 30 Indigenous Coordination Centres (ICCs) around Australia are here to listen to you and help meet your needs. We're an important part of the Australian Government's commitment to extend choice and opportunity to Indigenous Australians.

**Coordinating services** We look after the funding of programs and services for Indigenous people in areas such as employment and CDEP, housing and infrastructure, legal aid, native title, women's issues, heritage, art and culture, broadcasting and sport.

**Providing flexible funding** To meet local or regional needs, our solution brokers can put together innovative funding packages using both Indigenous and mainstream funding from across government.

**Sharing responsibility** We're negotiating agreements between government and Indigenous communities or regions, setting out what both will do to bring about good and lasting changes.

Shared Responsibility Agreements (SRAs) and Regional Partnership Agreements (RPAs) are about your goals, and bring together investment from various sources to help you meet those goals.

**Helping with skills** We can put you in touch with expert assistance from the private sector or non-government organisations, or help you get access to leadership programs.

**Setting you on the path to private ownership** If you want to own your own home or start a small business, ICCs can assist you, or tell you where to apply.

**Contact us** To be connected to your nearest ICC, free call 1800 079 098 (except in Nhulunbuy — 1800 089 148, Kalgoorlie — 1800 193 357, Kununurra — 1800 193 348).

For more information, go to [www.indigenous.gov.au/icc](http://www.indigenous.gov.au/icc)



# Indigenous students awarded scholarships



Two University of Queensland students have been awarded teaching scholarships created in honour of a pioneering Indigenous educator.

Worth up to \$20,000 each for a course of study, the Pearl Duncan Teaching Scholarships were established in 2000 to encourage outstanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to pursue careers in the classroom.

A Queensland Government initiative, they are named after Pearl Duncan, who, in 1951, became the country's first tertiary-trained Indigenous teacher.

Dual education/arts student Allison Rocca and Graduate Diploma of Education (Secondary) student Phillip Breslin were named among the recipients during a recent ceremony hosted by Education and Training and Arts Minister Rod Welford.

Both students come from a teaching background: Mr Breslin holds degrees in applied science and will follow his parents and brother into the profession, while Ms Rocca has experience working in childcare and as a dance teacher.

"Throughout my schooling career I've had the privilege to work with some fantastic teachers, which has motivated me to pass on the same opportunity to younger generations by studying to become a teacher," Ms Rocca said.

Social and Behavioural Sciences Faculty Executive Officer Shaughn Forbes said the university was committed to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander teachers throughout their studies.

"Having the Pearl Duncan Scholarships available for students who have a history of being disadvantaged allows them to come and study, and then return to teaching with the appropriate cultural awareness and sensitivity that's required," Ms Forbes said.

Ms Rocca said she wanted to teach at primary and secondary levels in remote areas and also in Brisbane.

She said the scholarships allowed greater numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to become teachers and thus inspire others.

"It will demonstrate to the children the benefits of committing to school and going on to tertiary education," she said.

"It will also let them know that it is possible to achieve with effort and persistence regardless of any disadvantage as help is always available."



Scholarship winner Allison Rocca accepts her award from Queensland Education and Training and Arts Minister Rod Welford.

## Outstanding speakers, forums feature of Melbourne conference



A major Indigenous education conference will be held in Melbourne 27-28 May. Yapaneyepuk (Yorta Yorta for 'together') will

combine top-line speakers, forums, a celebratory dinner and school-based youth forums.

The conference is being convened by Worawa Aboriginal College, the only Aboriginal-controlled independent secondary school in Victoria, which this year is celebrating 25 years of operation.

The conference is aimed at decision-makers across the education sector, Indigenous teachers, teachers of Indigenous students, and teachers who wish to develop greater awareness of Indigenous culture, history and ways of learning.

Speakers will include celebrated educator Dr Chris Sarra, from the Institute of Indigenous Leadership; Elmer Ghostkeeper, of the Métis Nation in Canada; Director of the University of Melbourne Centre for Indigenous Education Dr Mark Rose, and Lois Peeler, Vice-President of Worawa Aboriginal College.

Conference convenor Ms Peeler said: "The incorporation of Indigenous perspectives into the school curriculum is an essential element in the education of youth in contemporary Australian society."

"Young people today are the decision-makers of the future and need to have an understanding of the history and culture of Australia's First Nation people."

"The Yapaneyepuk Indigenous Education Conference will provide educators with information and resources that will assist them in incorporating Indigenous perspectives into school curriculum."

The conference dinner will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum and will feature cultural performances and a keynote address by community leader Paul Briggs, OAM. Mr Briggs is President of the Shepparton-based Rumbalara Football and Netball Club and consultant on Indigenous issues. He is also convenor of the Victorian Aboriginal Leadership Network, Chairman of First Nation Foundation and a member of the University of Melbourne Council.

On Thursday 24 May, youth forums will be conducted by five Worawa partner schools. Aimed at Year 10-12 students across school systems, the forums will be conducted at different venues and will focus on Indigenous perspectives in sport, arts and the environment.

A pre-conference workshop will be held at Swinburne University of Technology.

There will be post-conference information visits to a Koorie court, National Gallery of Victoria and the Koorie Heritage Trust.

The conference will offer the opportunity to air the issues and challenges associated with delivering better outcomes in Indigenous education within schools and beyond. This encompasses issues, including creating pathways, the teaching of Indigenous perspectives, the need to improve outcomes for Indigenous students, the obstacles and challenges.

While the conference is aimed at educators, it may also be of interest to other community members and decision-makers.



By LINDSAY HAYES



An Aboriginal education initiative at a Wagga Wagga secondary school is being held up as a regional model for improving retention rates.

Mount Austin High School has 136 Indigenous students among the 600 on its roll. For the past couple of years, an increasing number of Koori students have attained the Higher School Certificate.

Part of their success has been attributed to a program, the Mt Austin Koori Educational Team (MAKET), which encourages Koori kids lacking confidence to realise their potential.

Like the rising stars on the distinctive badges they designed, the MAKET students are aiming high, with the 25 members of the Mount Austin Koori Education Team setting their sights on completing Year 12. Some plan to go on to tertiary level.

## Role models

Their role models are former Koori Year 12 students now at university gaining qualifications for their chosen careers.

They include Carlie Gemmell in the first year of a journalism course at Wollongong University.

Her proud mother, Michelle, Mount Austin High's Aboriginal Education Assistant, cited Carlie's achievement as an example of where MAKET could take young people with the will to pursue their dreams.

"Carlie was a foundation member of

# Making it with MAKET

MAKET and the chairperson last year. She gained enough confidence and belief in herself to complete school and now she is at university working towards a journalism career," Ms Gemmell said.

MAKET, formed in 2003, comprises Aboriginal students from years seven to 12 who meet regularly to discuss their

progress, organise workshops and performances.

Aboriginal Studies teacher and MAKET co-ordinator Wendy Dennis said the program targeted kids who were sometimes off-track, who needed support and it was felt would benefit from joining the team.

MAKET's initial objective was to try to address the high drop-out rate of Aboriginal students leaving school before gaining their School Certificate.

It has now evolved to bigger things beyond the elementary qualification.

"It has encouraged students to go right through Year 12 and to university," Mrs Dennis said.

"The main focus is to keep the Aboriginal students in school, to build confidence and self-esteem, to look to future careers, to finish school and go on to tertiary education.

"It has grown from a leadership role to performances, singing and dance. The kids give performances, run leadership workshops, and do public speaking."

Workshops are presented by the students in response to invitations from schools, with Albury and Melbourne the next 'bookings' in August.

Performances take place at the Wagga Wagga Civic Centre and other venues.

## Rising star

One of the rising stars is promising singer and guitarist Nathan Lamont, 14, who won second prize in a vocal solo event at this year's Tamworth Country Music Festival.

Nathan's natural ability earned him an Indigenous Talent Training Award and a Rotary Scholarship to further his potential with tuition at the Riverina Conservatorium of Music that he attends twice a week.

Year ten student Rachelle Pitts said MAKET had made a big difference in her life, pointing her in the right direction.

"Before I joined I was getting into trouble. I was bashing up other kids and missing school," she said.

Armed with a new-found purpose, Rachelle helped put the program together for MAKET's participation in last year's National Aboriginal Conference at Newcastle and overcame her stage jitters to address the large gathering.

Also going places is Year 11 student Amanda Dacey, Aboriginal representative on the Student Representative Council and representative on the State body.

"MAKET encourages kids to step outside the comfort zone and try new things," she said.

Amanda will be doing just that next month when she heads off to the International Youth Conference in Canada. She is one of four Australian Indigenous students invited to attend the event.

At home, the MAKET philosophy will be taken further a field in May with a planned rally to Lake Mungo National Park.

"The rally is targeting youth leaders and is combined with the Mungo Youth Festival," Mrs Dennis said.

"The organisers are interested in the concept of MAKET across the region. They want to run it as a regional model."



The Mount Austin Koori Education Team with two of its most ardent supporters, Wiradjuri Elders Yvonne Gilchrist (left) and Sandy Warren. Seated at front is promising singer/musician Nathan Lamont, who is studying at the Riverina Conservatorium of Music.

## 20,000 students and their teachers can't be wrong



A survey of West Australian teachers and students who participated in the 2006 PALS Schools Reconciliation Awards has revealed overwhelming support and enthusiasm for the program.

PALS, which stands for Partnership, Acceptance,

Learning and Sharing, is run by the Department of Indigenous Affairs and BHP-Billiton Iron Ore.

West Australian Indigenous Affairs Minister Michelle Roberts said the survey confirmed that PALS was on track to achieve the program's goals of optimism, harmony and respect for Indigenous people, their culture, heritage

and history.

"Of the teachers surveyed, 95 per cent said participating in the PALS initiative improved the perception of Indigenous people among the students at their school and almost 90 per cent said PALS had helped with the Aboriginal studies curriculum," Mrs Roberts said.

The survey also found that students attended school more

often during the PALS project.

"Indigenous parents and Elders were also more involved in school because of the program," the Minister said.

"The initiative has helped nurture closer relationships with indigenous and non-indigenous parents, teachers and students."

PALS began in 2004 as an aid to schools introducing

Indigenous studies to the teaching curriculum. It uses personal experiences and community involvement to promote reconciliation and address issues of racism.

More than 100 schools and 20,000 students undertook PALS projects in 2006.

For more information about PALS, visit <http://pals.dia.wa.gov.au>



# A room to call their own



Students at Lismore High School, in the northern rivers region of New South Wales, will be able to learn

more about local Aboriginal culture in a new space that they helped to create.

The school's Aboriginal learning centre Noongyars and Nungyars (Yours and Mine) was developed during the past year as part of a school harmony project.

Under the guidance of two local Bundjalung mentors, students painted a colourful mural in the room and are learning more about traditional sites in the area through oral history.

The centre's launch earlier this month was co-ordinated by the school's new Parents in Partnership Committee started by Aboriginal Education Co-ordinator Mark Lindbergh.

The celebration began with a school assembly also attended by Aboriginal students from local primary schools. A welcome, speeches by the students and entertainment were topped off with a lunch of kangaroo stew for guests, including Bundjalung representatives, local mayor Merv King and personnel from the Department of Education.



Students in new Noongyars and Nungyars Room at Lismore High School with, from left, Koori in-class tutor Yoorana Moran, Lismore Mayor Merv King, Bundjalung artist and project mentor Sheldon Harrington Snr, school principal Kelron Klar and Aboriginal Education Co-ordinator Mark Lindbergh.



Australian universities say they are concerned at the low numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander school-leavers and others undertaking science degrees.

Science faculties at several universities say they have noticed that the numbers of Indigenous science students have not increased in recent years.

To try to change that, Griffith University, in Brisbane, has launched a project to explore possibilities of 'Indigenising' the science curriculum.

Griffith University science communications officer Jeannette Langan says one possible reason for the shortage of Indigenous scientists could be that Indigenous people are doing degrees such as medicine and law because they believe they can use them to help their communities more immediately.

## More relevant

The university believes that an Indigenised curriculum will improve the visibility of Indigenous peoples, issues and knowledge within the curriculum, make the curriculum more relevant to Indigenous peoples, and encourage non-Indigenous students to gain insight and respect for Indigenous ways of knowing.

The project has two main aspects:

- Asking Indigenous peoples, through community representatives employed in land councils, what they would want from a Science degree.
- Gaining understanding of how academics perceive the idea of Indigenising the science curriculum.

The project is being led by Dr Chris Matthews, an applied mathematician from the Griffith

# Indigenising science

School of Environment, and Ms Jo-Anne Ferreira.

"Indigenous people have plenty of experience with scientists; usually they're 'appropriating' their knowledge, or treating them as subjects of study," Dr Matthews said.

"Our challenge is to identify ways of Indigenising the science curriculum so that it addresses the needs of Indigenous peoples."

The project follows a revealing qualitative study conducted by some of the members of this project, which identified some of the barriers to education for Indigenous students.

## Surprised

The project found students were surprised at the lack of understanding within academia of Indigenous peoples and their knowledge.

Some of those interviewed for the previous study felt current science education disregarded more than 40,000 years of valuable Indigenous knowledge. Some were turned off science

by the 'Einstein' stereotype of abstract theories rather than something important and relevant to their lives.

"If Indigenous students study, they tend to study a course they see having direct benefit to their communities such as law, health or education," Dr Matthews said.

He told how a student commented that science education 'didn't talk about how Indigenous people have knowledge of animals. They make it sound as though white people discovered everything'.

Dr Matthews is also working in schools within his own community on Stradbroke Island and other schools within Queensland to look at the teaching and learning of algebra that takes into consideration the social and cultural background of students.

In 2004, the University of Sydney Koori Centre released a report after a six-week national study on why Indigenous school leavers were not taking up a science degree.

The report, *Black and White*

*Science*, identified a range of reasons why there weren't many Indigenous students.

## Complex

The Koori Centre's Associate Professor Diana Day said the university had found that complex cultural, economic, and social issues tended to prevent Aboriginal students from choosing science for university studies.

She said that students still weren't being armed with the information on science career options.

"Science and all its parts has much to offer in terms of careers, helping the environment and assisting Aboriginal communities in self-determination," Associate Professor Day said.

"Western science cannot replace Indigenous knowledge, but both are important forms of knowledge and more Aboriginal students working in science can help the spread of that message."

"I'm really hoping that in the near future, we can have many more Indigenous scientists and science academics at Australian universities ... and not only in the physical sciences like physics or groundwater hydrology or biology or genetics, but in the applied social sciences such as in water planning, drought management and environmental management."

● To read the *Black and White* science report visit [www.koori.usyd.edu.au/research/black\\_white\\_science.pdf](http://www.koori.usyd.edu.au/research/black_white_science.pdf)

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— University of Sydney Koori Centre Associate Professor Diana Day





# Changing lives



An innovative film project which has helped change the lives of eight Year 10 students has won a Griffith University

Indigenous Community Engagement Award.

*Footprints in Film*, a partnership between Education Queensland and Griffith University, was designed to address the needs of young Indigenous people through the use of alternative educational strategies.

Queensland Governor Quentin Bryce presented the prize to the students, one of 44 inaugural Indigenous Community Engagement Awards, at the university's Logan campus last week.

Loganlea State High School students developed two scripts – *Deadline*, an urban drama, and *Yaargaay*, an animated fantasy.

With the help of industry practitioners, the students produced *Deadline* as a short film.

Project leader and Loganlea teacher Jenny Campbell-Shale said the mentorship strengthened the students' academic confidence and gave them skills in script-writing and short-film production.

"They were given the opportunity to see their words become action on the screen. The project gave them confidence, greater mastery of language and the motivation to remain at school and imagine a brighter future," she said.



Some of the award recipients at Griffith University Logan campus last week. From left, Daniel Crawford, Jeremy Webster, Rohan Blom, Logan Crawford, Cher-Leisa Millard, Mr Marcus Waters (Loganlea SHS teacher in the back row), Tina Martin, Marcus Waters (child in foreground), Kael Munday (student in back row), Tabitha Holden, Jenny Campbell-Shale (Loganlea SHS Teacher).

Professor Boni Robertson, from Griffith's Office of Community Partnerships, said the awards acknowledged the contribution of individuals who developed programs and initiatives addressing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander needs.

"Through its commitment to reconciliation and social justice, Griffith is working in partnership with community Elders and other Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to resolve many of the

social concerns faced by Indigenous Australians," she said.

"Many of the Indigenous Community Engagement projects were developed in response to recommendations from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Taskforce Report on Violence, which addressed issues impacting on the cultural, economic and social well-being of Indigenous communities."

Community Engagement Award recipient awards winners were:

**Category 1 – Harnessing Potential And Creating Education And Employment Pathways**

Project Footprint Awardees – Project Leaders: Jenny Campbell-Shale and Marcus Waters.

Student Participants: Cher-Leisa Millard, Tina Martin, Luke Graham, and Jeremy Webster; Chris Cowan, Bradley Cockram, Daniel Dillon and Tabitha Holden.

Project Aboriginal Education

Clinic And Cooee Elders and Family Resource Awardees – Project Leaders: Bob Pahl, Department of Communities Ken Wilson, Graeme and Margie Kennedy.

**Category 2 – Interagency Education – Restoring Families, Strengthening Culture And Enhancing Community Life.**

Project Family Reunification Program Awardees – Aboriginal And Torres Strait Islander Women's Legal And Advocacy Service, and Department Of Child Safety.

Project Community Development Project – Murrumbidgee Awardees Rev Alex, Jeff Gator, Auntie Jean Phillips, Donna Peeble, and Ken and Judy Wilson.

Project Community Rejuvenation Project – Doomadgee Awardees Auntie Hillier Johnnie (Elder Doomadgee) and Community Rejuvenation.

Project Palm Island Awardees Delena Foster, Zac Sam, and Elizabeth Clay.

**Category 3 – Cross-Cultural Education – Social Justice – Cultural Retention And Community Development.**

Project Community Reconciliation Project Awardees: John Wakeley, Tige Bayles, William Bowman, Auntie Pam and Uncle Steve Mann and the Nunukulyuggera Dancers.

Project Murrumbidgee Awardees: Magistrates Michael Irwin, Brian Hine, Di Fingleton and Barbara Tinamen.

**Category 4 – Promoting Cultural Knowledge And Scholarship**

Project Community Elders Project Awardees: Auntie Delmae Barton, Auntie Monica O'Callaghan, Auntie Rosmund Graham, Uncle Albert Holt, Auntie Marlene Holt, Uncle Graham Dillon, Uncle Reg Knox, Uncle Bob Anderson, Auntie Jenna Richardson, Auntie Mulinjali and, Auntie Margaret and Uncle Pat Islin.

## Shalom students 'personalise' college dormitory

By ALF WILSON in Townsville



Art programs at Townsville's Shalom Christian College are proving a great success for boarding pupils from remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Under the watchful eye of college house parent and local artist Sean Leathers, the students aged 13 to 16 have been painting murals on their dormitory walls – with the school's blessing of course.

The students come from as far away as Hopevale, Kuranda, Palm

Island, Woorabinda, Yarrabah and Mount Isa, in Queensland, as well as the Northern Territory.

Tourists from around Australia and overseas have viewed Mr Leathers' work through his 'Survival of the Creation Time' art which had been on display at Townsville's Perc Tucker Gallery.

The 40-year-old artist was born in Melbourne and but has lived in the Townsville region for the past decade. He represents the Warrgamay people, from the Herbert River region around Ingham, and the Gureng people, from the Bundaberg and Gladstone area.

"I got serious about my

art in about 1988," said Sean, whose Aboriginal name Bangga Jinggarabali means Paint Dreaming.

"All I did was made a few suggestions, led by example and encouraged the boys. They have a natural talent and just ran with the idea. They've all enjoyed it."

There are murals of a goanna, a barramundi, and one of a lawman to encourage respect and self-discipline.

College Promotions Officer Jessica England said the program had been a great success, allowing students to personalise their living area and express their culture.



Sean Leathers with art students at Shalom Christian College and some of their mural art in the background.



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**Until 30 March:** Nominate now for Business Reconciliation Awards. 2007 marks the 40th anniversary of the Referendum that saw more than 90 per cent of Australians vote to acknowledge Indigenous Australians as citizens. For details call (07) 3405 5215 or visit [www.reconciliation.qld.gov.au](http://www.reconciliation.qld.gov.au)

**Until 30 March:** Artist Studio Space Available. An exciting opportunity exists for contemporary artists interested in obtaining studio space in the heart of Western Sydney. Studios sizes and lengths of tenure are available to individual artists at subsidised rates ranging from \$20 to \$60 per week. Details call Michael Dogostino on (02) 9806 5081, [studios@parracity.nsw.gov.au](mailto:studios@parracity.nsw.gov.au) application forms website [www.parracity.nsw.gov.au](http://www.parracity.nsw.gov.au)

**Until 30 March:** Department of Justice grants to address problem gambling. The third funding round for the Problem Gambling Local Community Partnership Program is now open for grants up to \$100,000 to carry out projects which respond to problem gambling issues in their local communities. For details call (03) 8684 1948 or go to [www.problemgamblinggrants.vic.gov.au](http://www.problemgamblinggrants.vic.gov.au)

**Until 31 March:** Mary Potter Trust Foundation. Grants up to \$15,000 are available for organisations working to address human right and social justice for disadvantaged groups including indigenous people and refugees and asylum seekers. For details call (02) 8567 0480 email [info@marypotterfoundation.org.au](mailto:info@marypotterfoundation.org.au) or go to the website [www.marypotterfoundation.org.au](http://www.marypotterfoundation.org.au)

**Until 1 April:** Chetachyre Enterprise Art Exhibition. 'Twarkie at Sunset' Exhibition Letty Scott and Friends' has been sponsored by Macquarie Bank, NSW. The money raised from sales, will go towards Letty's cancer recovery treatment with Alternative medicines, and to the Chetachyre artists. Held at the glass Artists Gallery, 70 Giebe Point Road. Details call Letty Scott on (02) 9681 4628 or (0403) 294 890 web [www.artmajour.com/chetachyre/](http://www.artmajour.com/chetachyre/)

**Until 5 April:** Maritime Stories. The intricate yet bold designs created by the artists in this fine art printmaking exhibition, were inspired by the beautiful marine environment and maritime history based around the myths and legends of the Torres Strait Islands. From 10am-4pm daily with free entry. Details call (07) 4032 6600 web [www.tanksartcentre.com](http://www.tanksartcentre.com)

**Until 11 April:** SYN Media Victoria is looking for writers 25 and under interested in the news, youth issues, music, television, literature and film. Regardless of who you are, we want you to be heard through SYN Media. Be it on the radio, television and internet. This is a great opportunity. Details call SYN Media on (03) 9925 4747 or email [Shane.Gillespie@syn.org.au](mailto:Shane.Gillespie@syn.org.au) web [www.syn.org.au](http://www.syn.org.au)

**Until 13 April:** VMC 2007-08 round one festivals and events

funding now open VMC funding for multicultural festivals, conferences and events to be held between July 2007 and January 2008 is now available. Details call (03) 9208 3181, for an application form go to [www.mca.com.au](http://www.mca.com.au)

**Until 15 April:** The MCA is holding the first major survey of work by Giji artist Paddy Bedford. Visit [www.mca.com.au](http://www.mca.com.au) for more details.

**Until 21 April:** Deadly Funny ATSI Comedy Competition. Deadly Funny is a comedy program and competition for Indigenous Victorians, developed and run by the Melbourne International Comedy Festival. Finalists are in the running to win \$1000 cash and a deadly trophy. Registration is free and no age limit required. Details call Tatia Sioley on (03) 9419 8837 or Claire Butler on (0411) 036 415. Registrations: Go to website [www.comedyfestival.com.au/special/events/deadlyfunny](http://www.comedyfestival.com.au/special/events/deadlyfunny)

**Until 30 April:** Poets on Wheels 2007. The Poets Union is calling for expressions of interest from NSW poets, in Australia's best-known poetry tour. Poets on Wheels. The three selected poets will explore North Coast NSW by train for a week, starting 29 August. Please send a CV detailing relevant experience, along with five pages of sample poetry to: Poets Union, PO Box 91, Balmain NSW 2041. For details call (02) 9918 5366 or visit web [www.poetsunion.com](http://www.poetsunion.com)

**Until 6 May:** Virtual Warrane records, preserves and presents the stories and cultural knowledge of the Cadigal of Sydney Cove through a virtual landscape. Playing the role of a Cadigal person, you guide your character through the virtual landscape of Warrane, inspired by and re-created from original artworks and historical recollections. Free entry. Held at Customs House, Ground Floor Lounge, 31 Alfred Street, Circular Quay, Sydney. Details call (02) 9242 8593 or email [customshouse@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au](mailto:customshouse@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au)

**Until 30 May:** Lights, Camera, Action is looking for up to 10 females to be extras in the roles of housemaids aged from 15-55 years, slim with dark complexion. The film is set in Darwin in 1939. Filming will be held in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs, overnight for up to 5 nights. For details call David Beaumont on (0408) 115 652 or visit [www.lightscameraaction.com.au](http://www.lightscameraaction.com.au)

**Until 30 June:** An exhibition of surviving photographs from the records of the NSW Aborigines Welfare Board from 1924-1966 is being held at the State Records Gallery, The Rocks. Details contact Susan on (02) 8247 8624.

**Until 11 December:** Koori Toastmasters Workshops. Improve your communication skills in a comfortable and relaxed environment with other Kooris. Learn how to run meetings, to motivate others, think on your feet, speak in front of a crowd, stage craft and giving constructive feedback. Held at the Redfern Community Centre, Hugo Street, Redfern. Start 6.30pm every second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Details call Julie Welsh on (02) 9550 9964 or email [julie.welsh@worldvision.com.au](mailto:julie.welsh@worldvision.com.au) or web [www.worldvision.com.au/birring/](http://www.worldvision.com.au/birring/)

**26-29 March:** The MCA presents Djurali Youth Arts Careers Workshop goes for two days and is for Sydney-based Year 9-12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students giving information on careers in the arts and design section and what support is available. Free. Bookings essential. For details call Justine on (02) 9245 2444 or [justine.mclisky@mca.com.au](mailto:justine.mclisky@mca.com.au)

**29 March:** Men's business health information day on men's cancers, in particular prostate and bowel cancer for Aboriginal health workers and other health professionals working with Koori men. Starts 9.30am-3pm at the Maya Healing Centre. Men only event. Free with lunch provided. Grants are available to reimburse travel costs. RSVP by 23 March for catering purposes. Details call Peta Reynolds on (03) 9635 5316 or Ron Briggs on (0431) 538 230.

**29 March:** Arts Residencies. Four recent recipients of an AsiaLink residency, a poet, a composer, a writer and a visual artist, will be attending our next Creative Juices networking function to tell us about



Vic Simms will be a special guest at the launch of Grant Hansen's Big City Combo CD in Melbourne on March 29.

their experiences. Venue is the very funky Basement at the Gold Coast Arts Centre. For details about the workshops, visit [www.goldcoastcity.com.au/cultural/home/gccc\\_cultural.asp?PID=6737](http://www.goldcoastcity.com.au/cultural/home/gccc_cultural.asp?PID=6737). Registration is essential on (07) 5581 6075 or [csdc@goldcoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:csdc@goldcoast.qld.gov.au)

**29 March:** Grant Hansen's Big City Combo CD Launch The Esplanade Hotel, Gershwin Room, Melbourne. 11 The Esplanade, St Kilda with guests Vic Simms, Monica Weightman, Ilana Atkinson, Ross Wilson and more. Doors open 8.30pm. Tickets \$8 / \$6. Details call Espy on (03) 9534 0211 or visit [www.espy.com.au](http://www.espy.com.au)

**29 March:** Kamilaroi Art Exhibition Launch and Opening. Held at the Boomall Gallery 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt. 6-9pm. Details call (02) 9560 2541 or visit [www.boomall.org.au](http://www.boomall.org.au)

**29 March:** Koori Line Dancing Classes. Join in the fun, have a laugh and get fit at the same time. Held at the Redfern Town Hall Pitt St, Redfern every Tuesday night

between 5.30-6.30pm. Details call Laurel on (02) 9319 5823 or visit [www.julietalbot.com](http://www.julietalbot.com)

**29-30 March:** Lismore Men and Family Centre is holding a workshop on 'Building healthy relationships between parents and children from birth to seven years old and learning skills for developing imaginative play'. Cost for the two day workshop is \$330 plus \$55 for materials. Details call Jane Hancel on (02) 6684 6073 or Lismore Men and Family Centre on (02) 6622 6116 or visit [www.inspirededucation.com.au](http://www.inspirededucation.com.au)

**30 March:** The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) is hosting a facilitation session to brainstorm ways to empower Victoria's indigenous community to exercise their right to vote at Local, State and Federal elections. Held at the VEC's head office between 1-4.30pm. Details call Ursula Smith on (03) 9299 0738 or email [ursula.smith@vec.vic.gov.au](mailto:ursula.smith@vec.vic.gov.au)

**31 March:** Living in Harmony Festival. Harmony Day promotes understanding and respect for our community's many cultures and reflects the Australian value of a 'fair go' for all. Food, music, dance, arts and crafts, children's activities and more. Details call (02) 9399 0678.

**31 March-1 April:** Festival of Arts and Activism. This festival explores and celebrates the ongoing relevance of Judith Wright's legacy as a poet, conservationist and indigenous rights activist. Theme: Taking up the Challenge. There will be guest poets, panels and readings also participate in many activities and a writing marathon. Held at Braidwood in NSW. Details call Nicholas Bowery on (02) 4846 1075.

**31 March-1 April:** Women, Writing and Ideas. Two days of forum discussions and innovative exhibition of quilts and textile arts, interpreting and celebrating Australian women writers and artists. Forum times each day are 9.30am-1pm. Details call Suzanne Bellamy on (02) 4842 8000 email [sbellamy@goulburn.net.au](mailto:sbellamy@goulburn.net.au) or Jill McLeod on (02) 4842 2626 email [dunvegan@goulburn.net.au](mailto:dunvegan@goulburn.net.au)

**31 March:** NSW Indigenous Youth Swimming Carnival. Swimmers with the range of abilities from beginners to experienced will be able to take part in the carnival. Details call (02) 6884 9815.

**31 March:** Launceston Australian Idol audition. Held at the Hotel Grand Chancellor 29 Cameron Street, Launceston between 10am-5pm. See the website [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**31 March:** Jinnalli Productions is hosting an Indigenous Swimsuit calendar for young women between 17-25 who are interested in promotional, photography and modeling. Post two photos (head and body shot) of yourself with your name, contact details and a paragraph about yourself to Jinnalli Productions, c/-Bayswater Post Office, 85 Whalley Street, Bayswater, WA 6053.

**1 April:** Hobart Australian Idol audition. Hobart Function and

Conference Centre Elizabeth Street Pier, Hobart between 10am-5pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**1 April - 31 October:** The Young Achievement Australia Business Skills Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Through the program participants establish a company, write and implement a business plan, sell shares, produce, market and sell goods or services. Running over a 24 week period. Coordinating Mentor provided and cost involved for Details call Sara Hamilton on (02) 9232 3088 or email [sara@yaa.org.au](mailto:sara@yaa.org.au) or visit Website [www.yaa.org.au](http://www.yaa.org.au)

**2 April:** ACPA invites all interested Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to join in on our Audition Day. There will be a half hour music, dance and acting workshops with our enthusiastic and talented trainers and don't forget to prepare a three minute piece for you private audition. Contacts us for an application form and audition details on (07) 3846 7211 or email [info@acpa.net.au](mailto:info@acpa.net.au)

**2 April:** 'How to' break the cycle of major social and health challenges in contemporary aboriginal (and non-aboriginal) societies throughout the 21st century by using a loss and grief model. From 9.30am-12.30pm. Held at the Parks Community Centre Cowan St, Angle Park, SA. Details call Rosemary (08) 8240 4597 or mobile (0438) 203 032.

**2 April:** Aboriginal Support Group. Guest Speaker: Indigenous Barrister, Norman Laing, will be speaking at the Aboriginal Support Group - Manly Warringah Pittwater information night. Norman is originally from Dunghutti country and is now living here in Guringal land. He will be speaking on the anniversaries being held this year, including the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum and the 10th anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report. All Welcome. Enquiries call Lizzie 9918 2594, Vanessa 9970 5456. It will be held at the Nelson Heather Centre, cnr Jacksons and Pittwater Roads, North Narrabeen from 7.30pm.

**3 April:** Koori Line Dancing Classes. Join in the fun, have a laugh and get fit at the same time. Held at the Redfern Community Centre Hugo St, Redfern every Thursday night between 5.30-6.30pm. Details call Laurel on (02) 9319 5823 or visit [www.julietalbot.com](http://www.julietalbot.com)

**3-4 April:** Diploma in Business Management Course. Classes held at the Redfern Waterloo Authority offices in Redfern from 9am-5pm. The course is free for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and places are limited. Details call Louise Wagner on (02) 9202 9100.

**4 April:** Working with Complex and Demanding Clients Workshop. This workshop is aimed at client service staff will enable attendees to develop strategies and communication skills to work more effectively in demanding client situations. Held in the Lady Reid Room, Y Hotel, 5 11 Wentworth Ave, Sydney CBD. Details contact the Institute on (02) 6494 7568.

**4 April:** Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team, Champions of Sport Dinner held at Parliament House, Sydney from 6.30pm onwards. Tickets \$165.00 per person or \$1,650.00 for a table of 10. Includes entertainment, pre-dinner drinks, three-course dinner and

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wines. Details call Tom on (02) 8005 5607 or email Tom.Evans@rugby.com.au

**4-29 April:** Wanted: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Victorian residents for a new Indigenous comedy competition titled 'Deadly Funny'. If you can tell a five minute or less funny story or a couple of jokes and would like to be a stand-up comedian, see details at [www.deadlyfunny.com.au](http://www.deadlyfunny.com.au) or contact Indigenous comedy producer Jason Tamiru on (03) 9417 7711 or (0423) 050 391.

**5 April:** The Koori Centre Lectures. Mr 'Joe' Neparra Gumbula is an artist and academic, from Arnhem Land. His lecture 'Matjabala Mail' Buku-Ruanmaram: New Pathways for Indigenous Cultural Survival through Yolu Explorations of the University of Sydney Archive. Held at Sydney University between 1-2pm. Details call Patrick Snowden on (02) 9351 2922 or email Patrick@koori.usyd.edu.au - website is [www.koori.usyd.edu.au](http://www.koori.usyd.edu.au).

**7 April:** PACT - Contemporary practice for young people and emerging artists. Auditions held at 107 Railway Parade, Erskineville. For details call (02) 9550 2744, email pactad@pact.net.au or visit [www.performancespace.com.au](http://www.performancespace.com.au).

**14 April:** Darwin Australian Idol audition. TIO Stadium, Marrara between 8.30am-3pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**15-19 April:** Seeking Enthusiastic Volunteers. Carers NSW run Statewide camps for young carers aged 8-12, 13-17 and 18-25 years. Young carers are young people who help care for someone in their family with an illness, disability, mental illness, or alcohol or drug problem. For details call Kylie Brown on (02) 9280 4744. [www.youngcarersnsw.asn.au](http://www.youngcarersnsw.asn.au)

**16-20 April:** Marumali Healing Program for the Social and Emotional Well Being in Melbourne. The goal is to improve the quality of support to people who have been affected by removal policies and practices. For details call (07) 5590 5866.

**17 April:** Koori Arts Network Meeting. For Indigenous people who work in the Indigenous arts industry in Sydney. Held monthly on the second last Monday or Tuesday of the month. This meeting will be at the Australian Council for the Arts from 10am. Details call Patricia Adjei on (02) 9356 2566 or email padjei@artslaw.com.au

**19 April:** Rockhampton Australian Idol audition. Pilbeam Theatre, Victoria Parade, Rockhampton between 2-8pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**21-22 April:** Brisbane Australian Idol audition. Suncorp Piazza, corner Little Stanley and Glenelg Street, South Bank between 8.30am-3pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**21-29 April:** Camden Haven Music Festival on the mid north coast of NSW will be held in venues at Port Macquarie, Kendall and Laurieton. Headliners on the music front include William Barton, Ruby Hunter and Archie Roach. More than 30 events are scheduled. Call (02) 6556 9622 or visit the website [www.camdenhavenmusicfestival.org.au](http://www.camdenhavenmusicfestival.org.au)

**24-26 April:** Pullima National Indigenous Languages Information and Communication Technology Forum at Newcastle. The conference will offer hands-on workshops, speaker presentations, product displays and panel discussions and show technology to assist Indigenous Language Programs. Limited places.

Bookings call Daryn McKenny or Dianna Newman on (02) 4961 0515 or visit [www.arwarbukarl.com.au](http://www.arwarbukarl.com.au)

**25 April:** Anzac Day.

**27-30 April:** ACON Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Retreat. Open to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in NSW who are HIV positive, their partners, carers and family members. Held at an Aboriginal Cultural Centre in

the Hunter Valley. Limited places, for details call ACON on (02) 9206 2000.

**29 April:** Perth Australian Idol audition. Convention Exhibition Centre, 21 Mounts Bay Road, Perth between 8.30am-3pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**30 April-3 May:** Collaborative Indigenous Policy Development Conference will take place at the Mercure Hotel in Brisbane. Attend this conference and gain the opportunity to learn from key players in the Indigenous policy arena. Details call (02) 9223 2600 or email info@iqpc.com.au

**4 May:** Mildura Australian Idol audition. Mildura Arts Centre Theatre 199 Cureton Avenue, Mildura between 2-8pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**5 May:** Rock the Block concert in Redfern to be held between 11am and 4pm. For details call Lani Tuitavake on (02) 9698 9249 or Joel Beasant on (02) 9797 1339.

**6 May:** Adelaide Australian Idol audition. Adelaide Entertainment Centre Corner Port Road and Adam Street, Hindmarsh between 8.30am-3pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**7 May:** Aboriginal Support Group. Indigenous speaker author Dr Anita Heiss, a Wiradjuri woman now living in Sydney. Inquiries call Lizzie on (02) 9918 2594, Vanessa (02) 9970 5456 or visit [www.asgmpw.net](http://www.asgmpw.net) It will be held at the Nelson Heather Centre, cnr Jacksons and Pittwater Roads, North Narrabeen. 7.30pm

**7-8 May:** The 3rd Annual Reintegration Puzzle Conference to be held in Sydney. This brings together people working in the areas of prisoner and offender reintegration, employment services, drug and alcohol services, mental health services, housing, mentoring and others. Registration details are available from [www.deakin.edu.au/hmbs/psychology/research/ease/](http://www.deakin.edu.au/hmbs/psychology/research/ease/) or call Jenny Crosbie on (03) 9251 7887.

**9 May:** Elastoplast Strapsmart. This course is a Sports Medicine Australia accredited course, participants will receive a certificate on completion. Held at Clarence Valley Physiotherapy Centre, Grafton. Details call Toni Gordon on (02) 6618 0406 or email toni.gordon@dsr.nsw.gov.au

**9 May:** Redfern Legal Centre is having their 30th Anniversary at the Town Hall 73 Pitt St, Redfern. Time 5.30-7.30pm. Cost \$20 at the door. There will be cocktails provided as well as a photo exhibition and launch of our memories. Details call Helen Campbell on (02) 9698 7277 or (0415) 296 392. Email info@rlc.org.au or visit [www.rlc.org.au](http://www.rlc.org.au)

**10 May:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth Expo. The Expo will emphasise the importance of health and wellbeing by providing information relating substance use, health living and positive role models. Held at the St Clair Recreation Centre, Woodville, Adelaide from 10am - 2pm. Details call Sara on (08) 8408 1313 email sara@charlessturt.sa.gov.au or call Janette on (0428) 114 803.

**11 May:** Applications close for the Youth off the Streets National Scholarship Program? for people aged (12 - 21 yrs) with genuine talent, ability and determination in any field, including (but not limited to): education and training; visual or performing arts; sport; trade skills; and music. For details visit [www2.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au/fundin/g2938.html](http://www2.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au/fundin/g2938.html)

**12-14 May:** Melbourne Australian Idol audition. Park Function Centre off Batman Avenue, Melbourne between 8.30am-3pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**14-15 May:** NSW HACC Community Care Conference will be held at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour. For details call Aged and Community Services Association of NSW and ACT (ACS) on (02) 9743 4066.

**12 May:** Koori Mail's 400th Edition Celebrations gala dinner to be held at the Lismore Workers Club from 6pm till late. For

details contact Solua or Naomi on (02) 6622 2666 or email 400@koorimail.com

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**19-21 May:** Sydney Australian Idol audition. Australian Technology Park, Bay 4, Henderson Road, South Sydney between 8.30am-3pm. [www.australianidol.com.au](http://www.australianidol.com.au)

**24 May:** Aboriginal Support Group. Launch of the Guringai Festival at St Ives Shopping Village hosted by Ku-ring-gai Council. Details: Vivien Mouradian (02) 9424 0868. From 6-7pm.

**25 May:** Youth Participation Grants Project. If you are aged between 12 and 25 years, and living in: South Western Sydney, Mid North Coast, Far North Coast, New England in NSW, you can apply for a youth participation grant. There are four levels of grants on offer from \$200 up to \$2500. You can apply for any, or all levels of funding. Details call Lam Huynh on (02) 9319 1100 or toll-free 1800 627 323.

**26 May:** National Sorry Day. See the website [www.journeyofhealing.com/](http://www.journeyofhealing.com/)

**26 May:** Elders Debutante Ball. Held at the WIN Entertainment Centre corner of Crown and Harbour Street, Wollongong. Tickets available from the Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation for \$45 a head and starts at 7pm. Three course meal provided as well as guest speakers, entertainment and much more. Details call Sheree Rankmore on (02) 4228 1585 or email culturaldevelopment@exemail.com.au

**26 May:** Aboriginal Support Group. Sorry Day March. March from the Sydney Town Hall to First Fleet Park, Circular Quay. This is the 10th anniversary of the tabling in Parliament of the Bringing Them Home report. Details: (0437) 100 121. Start at 10am

**26 May:** NSW Sorry Day Committee is organizing a state march followed by a community gathering to commemorate Sorry Day 2007 and the 10th Anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report. Everyone welcome to join in 1.5 km march. Start 10am at the Town Hall, Sydney and finishes at Circular Quay. Own transport required. We require a number of Didgeridoo performers to join us in the March, if you can assist call (0437) 100 121.

**27 May:** Aboriginal Support Group Sorry Day Commemoration ASG Sorry Day Commemoration. This will be an event to commemorate Sorry Day and pay respect to the Stolen Generation. This is also the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum. Details are yet to be finalised, they will be posted on our website [www.asgmpw.net](http://www.asgmpw.net). Venue: Narrabeen Lake.

**27 May-3 June:** The Reconciliation Week theme is 'One People One Place One Future'.

**27-30 May:** Sydney Arts law week. We are running free seminars. The indigenous arts sessions will be at Redfern Community centre, the Rex centre in Kings Cross and Blacktown Arts Centre. They will focus on Copyright, moral rights, Indigenous culture intellectual property rights (ICIP) as well as music law session. Details call Patricia Adjei on (02) 9356 2566 or email padjei@artslaw.com.au

**1 June:** William Cooper Memorial Walk 40 Years of Referendum. Starting at 11am from the Living Museum to the Pavilion where the walk will finish with a free barbeque lunch and fun filled activities. Registration required for event. Details call Colleen Gunn on (03) 9318 7855.

**2 June:** Western Suburbs Indigenous Gathering Place invites you to celebrate Reconciliation of 40 Years of the Referendum dinner. Held at the Town Hall Ferguson St, Williamstown. Tickets \$65 per

person including a three course meal, beer, wine, entertainment and guest speakers. Details call Virginia or Sharon on (02) 9318 7855.

**5 June:** Aboriginal Support Group. June 5, 12, 19, 26, 7.30-9.30pm Aboriginal Spirituality: Steps to Connecting to Country. This four week study program will be presented by Omeria Edwards. A great insight into Aboriginal Spirituality.

Cost: only \$50 for four weeks. Phone 9428 1197 or email kerriemckenzie@bigpond.com. Venue: Senior Citizens Centre, Longueville Road, Lane Cove. From 7.30-9.30pm.

**5-6 June:** National Hepatitis C Health Promotion Conference: Engaging Communities. This conference will feature plenary addresses from health promotion experts, health promotion skill workshops and presentations on hepatitis C prevention, education, health maintenance and support projects. Details call Troy Combo on (02) 6232 4257 email troy@hepatitisaustralia.com web [www.hepatitisaustralia.com](http://www.hepatitisaustralia.com)

**7 June:** Massage Course. Learn basic massage techniques including pre and post-massage; injury prevention and techniques to help damaged tissues. Held at Lismore Workers Club between 6-9pm cost \$75. Details call (02) 6618 0400 or visit [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au)

**8-10 June:** Island of Origin 2007. Torres Strait.

**14 June:** Massage Course. Learn basic massage techniques including pre and post-massage; injury prevention and techniques to help damaged tissues. Held at Lismore Workers Club between 6-9pm cost \$75. Details call (02) 6618 0400 or visit [www.dsr.nsw.gov.au](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au)

**24-25 June:** Australia's largest Education Expo, 'Everything Educational', will be on for teachers, parents and students at the Rosehill Exhibition Centre in Sydney. For details call Denise on (02) 6944 2750, email admin@edexpo.info or see the website [www.edexpo.info](http://www.edexpo.info)

**25-26 June:** Cape York Institute for Policy and Leadership Conference. Theme 'Strong Foundations: Rebuilding Social Norms in Indigenous Communities'. This conference will provide a unique opportunity to hear experts from government, non-government and community sectors engage both the audience and each other on some of the toughest issues in Indigenous affairs in Australia. Details call (07) 4046 0600 or email info@cyi.org.au web [www.cyi.org.au/conference](http://www.cyi.org.au/conference)

**29 June:** Aboriginal Support Group. 9.30am Film: KANYINI. Kanyini is a story told by Uncle Bob Randall, Aboriginal Elder from Uluru. Doors open 9.10am as film will commence at 9.30am.

Tickets \$5. All tickets sales will be donated to the Kanyini Foundation for the Mutjulu Community. Bookings: Pat Frater (02) 9971 0735. Venue: Collaroy Cinema, Pittwater Rd, Collaroy.

**1 July:** Coming of the Light Festival. A day when many Torres Strait Islanders in the Strait and on mainland Australia commemorate with religious and cultural ceremonies the day in 1871 when the London Missionary Society first arrived in the Torres Strait.

**1-7 July:** NAIDOC Week. See the website [www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au)

**1-21 July:** About FACE 8, faith and cultural exchange, which provides an opportunity for young adults to spend time in Indigenous communities in Australia and overseas. For details contact (08) 8236 4240.

**8-15 July:** The National NAIDOC Committee will mark the 50th anniversary of NAIDOC with the theme '50 years: Looking Forward, Looking Back'. The National NAIDOC poster competition and nominations for the National NAIDOC Awards opened this week (see in this edition). For details visit the website [www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au)



# Employment

## Indigenous Job Opportunities

# Taxing, but rewarding

Story and photos by  
ALF WILSON



Ten Indigenous students from Queensland will start work in the Australian Tax Office's Townsville operation

following their completion of a State Government School to Work program.

Collecting their certificates at a formal presentation were Codie Close and Toni Daisy (Kirwan State High, Townsville), Jessie Fuller (Rockhampton State High), Adrian Gertz (Ignatius Park College, Townsville), Shane Rosser (William Ross State High, Townsville), Veronica Cashmere (Ingham State High), Camden Pascoe (Abergowrie College, originally from Normanton on Cape York), Dion Ballie (Abergowrie College, originally from Pormpuraaw on Cape York), Waylon Juhel (Abergowrie College, originally from Mornington Island) and Josiah Geia (Abergowrie College, originally from Palm Island).

Wade Clumpoint from Bwgcolman Community College, Palm Island, is also part of the program, but was unable to attend the presentation.

In 2006, the ATO became the first Commonwealth agency to start providing sponsorships to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander high school students through this program.

Each student receives sponsorship of \$5000 over three years and gets to do work experience at the ATO during holidays. The program includes

an induction and video link-up.

This year, the ATO has offered placements to 14 students, 11 from the Townsville area.

Canberra-based ATO Indigenous Liaison Officer Jason Orchard is one of the officers behind the program and was the MC for the Townsville presentation ceremony.

Wulgurukaba Elder Virginia Wyles gave a welcome to country speech and praised the program.

"I commend the ATO for the implementation of the program which will enable our youth to gain valuable experience for their future working lives," she said.

"It will help students who decide to go back to remote communities."

Student Adrian Gertz spoke of how the program assisted learning in such areas as computer skills.

Other speakers included ATO Assistant Commissioner

Camden Pascoe was happy to have his mum Tracy and two-year-old brother Waylon Pascoe, from Normanton, at the presentation event.

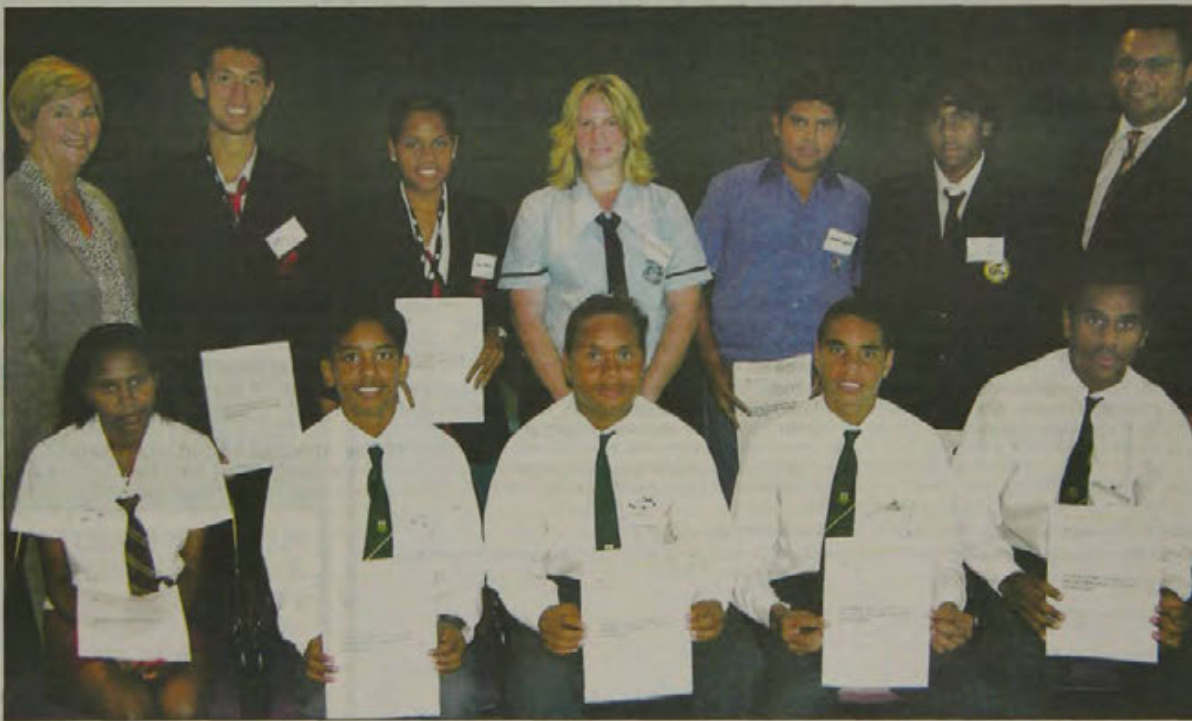


Brad Nash, Deputy Commissioner GST Mark Jackson, Tax Office mentor Gem Jewell and First Assistant Commissioner Anne Ellison, who later presented the program participants with their

student handbooks.

Camden Pascoe's mother Tracy Pascoe drove all the way from Normanton to be at the presentation.

"It was an 11-hour drive and I'm proud of him," she said.



Back row, from left, the ATO's Anne Ellison, students Codie Close, Toni Daisy, Jessie Fuller, Adrian Gertz, Shane Rosser and the ATO's Jason Orchard; front row, from left, Veronica Cashmere, Camden Pascoe, Dion Ballie, Waylon Juhel and Josiah Geia.

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**MENTAL HEALTH**

**Clinical Leader Aboriginal Mental Health**

Armidale Mental Health,  
Hunter New England Mental Health Service  
Perm Full Time Position No: 53522  
Online applications accepted. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible for this position as authorised by the Hunter New England Area Health Services EEO Management Plan in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). The principal role is to oversee the development of an Aboriginal Mental Health Workforce in the Hunter New England Area Health Service, Northern. The emphasis is on supporting the Aboriginal Mental Health Worker Trainees, their managers and supervisors in their role as mentors for the students. As a member of Tablelands Mental Health Service the Clinical Leader will also have a clinical role.

Enquiries: Barry Hunter, (02) 6767 8610,  
barry.hunter@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au  
Closing Date: 6 April 2007

Application Kits may be obtained from either  
www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au  
Kit line (02) 4985 3272, or Position Enquiry Officer  
Criminal Record Check will be conducted  
on recommended appointees.  
Apply online: www.ezisuite.net/ezilob/HNE/  
HRRegistry/default.cfm

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**Careers @ Justice**



**COMMUNITY  
CORRECTIONS OFFICER**

Corrections Victoria

Grade 2, \$36,040 - \$46,282

Position No: 1075

Community Corrections Officers (CCO'S) work for Corrections Victoria to supervise and assist offenders. The Indigenous Community Corrections Officers (ICCO'S) will supervise both Koori and non-Koori offenders and take on all the duties of a CCO. These duties include meeting with offenders and their family to talk about the offending, assisting offenders to participate in programs and community work, and preparing reports on offenders for courts and the parole board.

To apply online and for further information on  
position descriptions and selection criteria visit  
**www.careers.vic.gov.au**

Closing date for applications is 10 April 2007.  
www.justice.vic.gov.au

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**Koorie Strategy Branch**

**VPSG 4 Project Officer**

\$58,550 - \$66,431 Full Time Position

This role will contribute to the strategic direction of research and evaluation activities for Koorie learners across the Office for Learning and Teaching. You will be responsible for the administration of a range of programs within the Office including the Commonwealth Whole of School Intervention (WOSI) Strategy in Victorian government schools and support the operation of WOSI projects as outlined under the Indigenous Education Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State of Victoria.

If this opportunity appeals to you then you may wish to discuss further details with Mr James Atkinson on (03) 9637 2308.

Apply online by visiting the Current Vacancies page at  
**www.careers.vic.gov.au**

and refer to position number DOE/OLT095.

Further information including the position description and selection criteria are also available here.

Closing date for applications is Wednesday, 11 April 2007.  
www.education.vic.gov.au



**Australian Government**

**Department of Health and Ageing**

**There's no better time to join our team.**

The Department of Health and Ageing is focussed on achieving better health and active ageing for all Australians. We need capable and motivated people working with us to make this happen. Our simplified recruitment and selection process makes it easier for you to apply. If you would like to join our team, and can meet our job requirements, we invite you to apply for a position with us to build better health, better care and a better life for all Australians.

**NORTHERN TERRITORY OFFICE**

**OFFICE FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HEALTH**

**EXECUTIVE LEVEL 2**

**DIRECTOR**

\$83,309 - \$99,008

Reference Number: 07-0828

**DARWIN**

The Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH) has primary responsibility for the development and implementation of policy and programs that improve the access of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to effective primary health care and substance use services and population health programs.

The Northern Territory OATSIH Director is responsible for the leadership and management of around 26 staff based in Darwin and Alice Springs, and for implementation of National OATSIH primary health care and substance use policy, programs and initiatives throughout the Northern Territory. Primary health care and substance use services in the Northern Territory are delivered in a partnership approach with the Northern Territory Government and Aboriginal Community Controlled Sector. The ability to develop and maintain productive relationships with key internal and external stakeholders during a time of significant and high profile change in Indigenous arrangements is essential.

Contact officer: Fay Gardner on 08 8946 3452 or [fay.gardner@health.gov.au](mailto:fay.gardner@health.gov.au)

Selection documentation: [www.health.gov.au/vacancies](http://www.health.gov.au/vacancies) or Judi Boiteau on 08 8946 3446 ([judi.boiteau@health.gov.au](mailto:judi.boiteau@health.gov.au))

**APS LEVEL 5**

**SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER**

\$54,310 - \$57,322

**SEVERAL POSITIONS**

Reference Number: 07-0831

**DARWIN**

The successful applicants will work as part of a small team to assist in the administration of Indigenous health programs. You will assist in the negotiation and management of funding agreements in line with program requirements and financial delegations. You will be required to undertake risk assessment and management, including analysis of financial statements. You will provide advice and support to funded organisations. Cross cultural communication is required to engage with stakeholders effectively. Rural and remote travel will be required. Both ongoing and non-ongoing positions will be offered.

Contact officer: Cate Kildea on 08 8946 3498 or [cate.kildea@health.gov.au](mailto:cate.kildea@health.gov.au)

Selection documentation: [www.health.gov.au/vacancies](http://www.health.gov.au/vacancies) or Judi Boiteau on 08 8946 3446 ([judi.boiteau@health.gov.au](mailto:judi.boiteau@health.gov.au))

Positions close 12 April 2007, 7pm EST, unless otherwise noted

Further information and application forms are available in our Applicant Kit, available online ([www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au)) or by phoning the contact person for the job.

Hearing or speech impaired applicants can obtain the selection comments from the Department's TTY number 02 6289 5945.

Conditions of service are in accordance with the Department's Certified Agreement. We welcome applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from diverse backgrounds.

For further information please visit [www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au)



**ABC Check out ABC Jobs**

The ABC has a range of positions around Australia and, as the national broadcaster, is committed to increasing Indigenous representation throughout the Corporation. Our goal is to reflect the cultural diversity of the Australian community in our programs and workforce and we see Indigenous employment as a key component towards achieving this goal. We encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with drive, determination and a will to succeed.

**Jobs Available**

Please check our website at [abc.net.au/jobs](http://abc.net.au/jobs)

It is important to check the website on a weekly basis to ensure that you don't miss out on any job opportunities.

For more information contact Paul Brant, Indigenous Employment Coordinator on (02) 8333 1089.

The ABC invites Indigenous Australians to apply for positions. The Corporation is committed to Indigenous Employment outcomes and values the Indigenous culture.

hmc/060855

**Careers @ Justice**



**MANAGER, KOORI RECRUITMENT  
& CAREER DEVELOPMENT  
STRATEGY**

Indigenous Issues Unit

Grade 5, \$67,557 - \$81,738

Position No: DJ3291

The Indigenous Issues Unit, within the Department of Justice's Community Operations and Strategic Branch, is primarily responsible for co-ordinating implementation of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) across the Victorian Government and justice system.

The primary responsibility of the Manager, Koori Recruitment & Career Development Strategy is to lead the development of policies and contribute to the development of initiatives associated with increasing Indigenous employment within the Department of Justice.

The incumbent will have demonstrated experience in developing strategies that will achieve agreed objectives.

The position is an Identified Position in accordance with the Department's Identified Position policy.

For specific enquiries please contact Cynthia Lim on 8684 1734.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions  
and selection criteria visit

**www.careers.vic.gov.au**

Closing date for applications is 10 April 2007.

[www.justice.vic.gov.au](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au)

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## ADMINISTRATOR - DERBY

The Dambimangari Aboriginal Corporation has been recently established to manage the implementation of a mining co-existence deed on behalf of the Traditional Owners.

The position offers an exciting and challenging career opportunity for a talented and highly motivated person who has extensive administrative/management experience and excellent communication skills.

The Administrator is responsible for establishing and implementing administrative and governance processes for the Corporation and for developing and maintaining effective communication between all stakeholders.

Attractive salary packages including salary sacrifice and subsidies will be offered to the successful applicant.

For a job description and selection criteria contact Christine Robinson on (08) 9193 6199 or [christine.robinson@kic.org.au](mailto:christine.robinson@kic.org.au)

Indigenous candidates are particularly encouraged to apply

Closing date for applications: 4.30pm, Friday, 13 April 2007.

## Doris Women's Refuge Inc.

Supported crisis and transitional accommodation for women and children leaving domestic or family violence

\$48,376 - \$54,798

salary packaging is available

Permanent full-time appointment with a 6 month probation period

## Senior Support Worker

Applicants need to demonstrate an ability to work with women and children in crisis and sensitively with people from diverse backgrounds. An excellent level of verbal and written communication skills is essential and will be assessed. The ability to execute and oversee quality case management practices is required, as is to develop, plan, implement and supervise social projects and organisational policies and procedures.

A current driver's licence is essential and police checks are mandatory. Women from Indigenous and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities are strongly encouraged to apply. To be female is a genuine occupational requirement.

Response to any enquiries and selection documentation can be obtained by telephoning

(02) 6278 9900

Applications close: 13 April 2007.

## Environmental Protection Agency

**Project Officer - Wet Tropics Management Authority** (The EPA has determined that as a genuine equal opportunity measure, this position will be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.)

**Category:** Environment/Health and Safety

**Salary:** \$50 420 - \$55 445 p.a.

**Location:** Cairns

**VRN:** EN720/07

**Key Duties:** Manage effective consultation/negotiation with Rainforest Aboriginal people and their representative organizations, respecting community differences and communication protocols.

**Skills/Abilities:** Knowledge/ability to acquire knowledge of relevant Wet Tropics World Heritage legislation, policy and management issues and the principles/practices of cultural and natural resource conservation planning/management.

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Phone: (07) 4057 3310 or

E-Mail: [recruitment.cns@csq.qld.gov.au](mailto:recruitment.cns@csq.qld.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday, 13 April 2007



WET TROPICS  
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY



Queensland Government  
Environmental Protection Agency



## Make a difference...

### Service Manager

Ongoing, Full-time  
Brisbane and Townsville  
**Executive Level 1**

Salary Range: \$74,909 to \$89,114 (plus generous superannuation)

#### SERIOUS OPPORTUNITIES FOR TOP PERFORMERS

The Government is investing more than half a billion dollars in the Child Support Agency over four years to improve service delivery and implement the Child Support Scheme reforms. This serious reform agenda provides major career opportunities for top performers who want to make a difference.

#### JOIN AN AWARD WINNING TEAM

The CSA is a key agency within the Department of Human Services recognised internationally as the world's best in child support payment administration. CSA is the only Commonwealth agency to win a prestigious Australian Business Excellence Bronze Award.

#### ABOUT THE ROLE

A number of EL1 roles will be filled as part of this selection exercise. These positions are located in the Brisbane and Townsville sites. Whilst the nature and scope of these roles vary, all have a significant leadership and customer service component. You will be responsible for the achievement of a high level of business outcomes, the effective management of HR issues and improving the corporate health of the areas that you lead.

The successful applicants will be part of the senior leadership team in Queensland with responsibility for delivering services to a particular group of customers. You will build a strong achievement oriented "customer first" culture within your work area.

During the next three years CSA will be implementing major changes including Building a Better CSA and Scheme Reforms. Therefore you will have a proven ability to lead people through significant change whilst at the same time being able to maintain a high level of service delivery.

You will represent CSA in dealings with Members of Parliament, external organisations, stakeholders and contractors. An advanced knowledge of the law and high level judgement and decision making skills will enable you to resolve complex and sensitive customer issues.

#### HOW TO APPLY

**Application Kit:** [www.csa.gov.au](http://www.csa.gov.au) or phone 1800 054 226 or email

[CSA-Recruitment@csa.gov.au](mailto:CSA-Recruitment@csa.gov.au)

**Position Number:** Several

**Closing Date:** 5pm, Thursday, 5th April 2007

All appointments are subject to Australian citizenship requirements, character/security checks, health clearance and, if applicable, formal qualifications. A probationary period will apply to successful applicants who are not already ongoing APS employees.

Acceptance of an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) is a condition of engagement for all successful CSA applicants who are new to the Australian Public Service (APS). AWA's will also be offered to those successful applicants who are currently APS employees.

CSA aims to ensure that all applicants are treated fairly and that they have equal access to employment opportunities.

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## Australian Government

### Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

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### TREASURY TEAM LEADER

Financial Management Group

DEWR Broadband 2 (APS Level 6)

Canberra

The Financial Management Group is looking for an enthusiastic, dedicated and motivated individual to manage the Department's Treasury functions, including banking arrangements, BAS preparation and Collector of Public Monies functions.

### TREASURY PROCESSING

Financial Management Group

DEWR Broadband 2 (APS Level 4)

Canberra

The Financial Management Group is looking for several motivated team members to join the Treasury team. This team is responsible for the banking, BAS preparation and Collector of Public Monies functions for the department. The positions are involved in the daily and monthly reconciliation of the Department's bank accounts, management of funds transfer to the Department of Finance and Administration (Finance), Collector of Public Monies functions and maintenance of appropriate supporting documentation.

Proficiency in financial processing and an understanding of SAP would be an advantage.

#### Remuneration

Successful applicants will be offered employment on an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an attractive remuneration package up to \$70,410 (APS 4), \$89,370 (APS 6), including superannuation and potential for a performance bonus.

#### For More Information Contact:

Tracy Irvine on (02) 6121 6954 or email [tracy. Irvine@dewr.gov.au](mailto:tracy. Irvine@dewr.gov.au)

**APPLICANTS MUST QUOTE:** Reference number PM1483 (APS 6)

Reference number PM1481 (APS 4)

Application Close: 12 April 2007

### General advice for applicants

Australian citizenship is required for employment in DEWR.

Successful applicants will be offered employment on an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an attractive remuneration package, including potential for a performance bonus.

Acceptance of an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) is a condition of engagement for all successful DEWR applicants who are new to the Australian Public Service (APS). AWA's will also be offered to those successful applicants who are currently APS employees.

There are selection criteria for each vacancy. Please address each criterion in your application.

Links to full selection documentation and helpful tips for applicants are at [www.dewr.gov.au/jobs](http://www.dewr.gov.au/jobs)

Include your résumé and the names and telephone numbers of two work referees with your application. Selections may be based only on applications and referee comments. DEWR reserves the right to refuse late applications.

The department encourages workplace diversity and welcomes applications from Indigenous Australians, people of non-English speaking background, and people with a disability. If you have individual requirements that need to be accommodated in order to participate in an interview, please indicate this in your application.

The department prefers online lodgement of applications using [www.dewr.gov.au/jobs](http://www.dewr.gov.au/jobs). Where this is not possible, email your application to [recruitment@dewr.gov.au](mailto:recruitment@dewr.gov.au) or post it to:

The Recruitment Officer  
DEWR  
GPO Box 9879  
CANBERRA ACT 2601

[www.dewr.gov.au/jobs](http://www.dewr.gov.au/jobs)

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## CLERICAL OFFICER

Clerical Officer Grade 1/2  
Greater Western Sydney Division  
Minto/Bonnyrigg  
Temporary Full-Time (Various)  
Position No. 07DOH7263

Total remuneration package valued up to \$46,583 per annum (salary \$20,340 pa - \$42,214 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** This role is responsible for providing administrative support functions including mail services; answering phone calls; arranging meetings; ordering stores & stationery; maintenance of team databases; report extraction & courier enquiries.

### SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Demonstrated computer and data entry skills including experience in using Microsoft Office products.
- General office and administrative experience.
- Sound communication and interpersonal skills and an ability to liaise with all levels of staff and the public.
- Demonstrated capacity to work effectively as part of a team.
- Ability to prioritise work and meet deadlines in a high volume work area.
- Ability to work with a minimum of supervision and to use initiative.
- Ability to work in a repetitive work environment providing support to a team in routine and simple choice tasks.
- Commitment to providing a high level of pro-active support and service to team members.

**Common Selection Criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO); Ethical practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS); and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS).

**Job Notes:** There are various temporary full-time positions under the terms of PSEM Act 2002 for a period of up to 12 months. Successful applicants will also form part of an ongoing temporary clerical officer pool to be accessed for temporary vacancies across the GWS. Applicants MUST obtain the Information Package, which contains the full text version of the position and additional information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Lyn Dacron (02) 9820 3158.

**Information Packages:** Available on-line at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact 1800 502 766 or email: [Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications to:** Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871 or e-mail: [JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au) or apply online at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** 6 April 2007.

## Koori Kids Wellbeing Project Officer

Child Mental Health Caseworker

(Full time two year contracts)

Applications are sought for the positions of:

- Koori Kids Wellbeing Project Officer and
  - Child Mental Health Caseworker.
- Within South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation (SCMSAC).

The two workers will be part of an exciting, innovative project funded under the National Suicide Prevention Strategy to trial and evaluate programs to improve the mental health and wellbeing of Aboriginal children 3-12 in the Shoalhaven.

### Koori Kids Wellbeing Project Officer

The Koori Kids Wellbeing Project Officer will develop, test, evaluate and disseminate programs to promote social and emotional wellbeing and prevent mental illness in Koori children. This will include delivering programs in preschools and schools and facilitating training for staff of community agencies and for community members. The worker will have a sound knowledge of local Aboriginal communities, and the capacity to research, develop, deliver and document programs on mental health issues effectively and efficiently.

### Child Mental Health Caseworker

The child mental health worker will deliver intensive casework services to children, their carers and families, where the children are experiencing emotional and behavioural problems, or have mental health disorders. The worker will assist with delivering group programs such as parenting programs, provide consultation and support to schools and other services on child mental health issues, and develop, test and disseminate information about effective casework strategies that are culturally appropriate. The worker will have tertiary qualifications in mental health, psychology, social work or a related field.

**Further information:** Applicants are expected to meet selection criteria relevant to each position. You should obtain a copy of the job description and an application form. These can be obtained by contacting Kerry Mooney on (02) 4447 8037 or email [kerry@southcoastams.org.au](mailto:kerry@southcoastams.org.au) For other queries contact Ms Lesley Roxbee on phone (02) 4447 8037 or email [lesley@southcoastams.org.au](mailto:lesley@southcoastams.org.au)

**Salary:** To be negotiated with the successful applicant(s) dependant on qualifications and/or experience.

**Closing Date:** by COB 13th April 2007.

**Lodging Applications:** Applications should include the application form, a CV and responses to the selection criteria. Two recent referees who can be contacted to comment on your work should also be included.

**Applications can be sent via mail or fax to:** Mr Damien Matcham, Chief Executive Officer, South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation, PO Box 548 NOWRA NSW 2541 Fax (02) 4428 6602.



NSW Aboriginal Housing Office

The AHO plans, administers, monitors and manages policies and programs for the Aboriginal housing sector in NSW, particularly resource allocation and sector wide policy. Understanding of, and commitment to, equal employment opportunity (EEO), ethical practice, the Ethnic Affairs Priority Statement (EAPS) program and occupational health and safety (OH&S).

## Manager, Grants and Administration

Clerk Grade 11/12, Parramatta, Temporary Full-Time,  
Job Reference No AHO07/043.

Total remuneration package valued to \$112,390 p.a. (\$88,066-\$101,849). Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Design and administration of program and grant frameworks. Develop and translate data specifications for a Grant Management Information System. Demonstrated experience in monitoring/evaluation of complex government programs at state/national levels.

**Selection Criteria:** Ability to develop/translate data inputs for a Grants Management Information System, to assess/develop/implement continuing reporting framework of program/project performance indicators. Tertiary qualifications in related discipline/relevant industry experience. Demonstrated experience in program/project review including use of forensic analysis, management/financial accounting techniques to validate past performance. High level experience in financial modelling/planning utilising appropriate computer applications/methodologies for trend analysis. Highly developed influencing, interpersonal, presentation, written/oral communication skills/demonstrated negotiation skills. Demonstrated high level analytical/decision making skills. Demonstrated understanding of Aboriginal cultural beliefs and attitudes and the socio-economic position of Aboriginal people within Australian society, and of their impact in relation to housing and housing related assistance. Current driver's licence/willingness to drive. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Travel to Regional Offices will be required. This is a Temporary position for period of up to 12 months.

**Inquiries:** Ross Hampton (02) 8836 9451 0427 406 399

Email: [ross.hampton@aho.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ross.hampton@aho.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Jean (02) 8836 9446

[ahorecruitment@aho.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ahorecruitment@aho.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Apply on-line at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or post to: The Recruitment Clerk, PO Box W5, Parramatta 2150.

**Closing Date:** Friday 30 March 2007.

## Youth Workers wanted – Make a difference to a young person's life



### Casual positions for Youth Workers, Brisbane Youth Detention Centre, Wacol

As a Youth Worker you will be a positive role model and play a key role in improving the lives of young people in detention.

#### Working as part of a team, you will:

- provide care and supervision of young people in the detention centre
- maintain the safety and security of young people in detention
- help plan and deliver individual programs for young people in detention
- coach and support young people in their schooling, recreation and social activities
- be rewarded for your efforts as you see young people reintegrated into the community.

You will be paid to attend up to five weeks full-time training. On successful completion of this training, you will receive \$22.64 per hour plus allowances, working in a Casual Youth Worker position. Opportunities for future permanent employment may become available.

#### Interested?

Come along to an information session at the Detention Centre, corner Aveyron and Wolston Roads, Wacol, to find out if the role is for you and how to apply:

• Friday 30 March 2007, 3 pm – 5 pm or 7 pm – 9 pm.

Phone Jane on 3271 0702 for further details and to register your attendance. A position description for the role of Youth Worker is available at [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

The Department of Communities actively encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Applications close 5 pm Tuesday 10 April 2007.



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## Come and join us at Medicare Australia!

Medicare Australia is heavily involved in developing cutting edge technologies to enable us to do business with the Australian public more effectively and conveniently on-line, and we take pride in providing friendly, timely and accurate service. Our promise is that we will deliver great service to all Australians. Medicare Australia delivers vital health and payment services to all Australians including Medicare, the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS), Family Assistance Office (FAO) services, the Australian Organ Donor Register, the Australian Childhood Immunisation Register as well as aged care payments for approved aged care providers.

- Excellent prospects for career advancement
- Competitive remuneration

### Manager Indigenous Access Program

(PN Ref: N7139)

APS 5

\$54,941 - \$56,489

The main purpose of this position is to improve access to the programs administered by Medicare Australia for Indigenous people and their service providers by networking with relevant Aboriginal Organisations. The Manager, Indigenous Access Program position is located within the Strategic Business Initiatives branch of the Medicare Australia, in Parramatta.

**Contact:** Judith Meehan (02) 9895 9755

Key information on this and other excellent job opportunities can be accessed on our website: [www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/careers](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/careers)

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be Australian citizens.

General information about Medicare Australia can be obtained from [www.medicareaustralia.gov.au](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au)

Medicare Australia operates under the umbrella of the Australian Government Department of Human Services.

Candidates should forward their applications to the contact officer (quoting the PN Ref) by email or by post (see website).

**Note:** Medicare Australia has introduced a simplified application process for all vacancies – refer to the applicant information kit for details.





**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT  
ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BOARD  
TEAM LEADER, INDIGENOUS SERVICES  
(CONCILIATION OFFICER)**

Clerk, Grade 7-8, Sydney, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number AG07349. Total remuneration package valued to: \$81,591 p.a. (\$66,796-\$73,938) Employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Investigates and conciliates complaints under the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW), supervises the Board's indigenous services team, networks with indigenous and other communities, advises the President and managers on indigenous policy issues. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality and experience working within NSW indigenous communities; Demonstrated ability to investigate complaints or grievances and skills in alternative dispute resolution; Demonstrated high level analytical skills and ability to apply legal concepts and work in a legal environment; Good understanding of human rights issues and knowledge of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW) and of the principles of procedural fairness and ethical practice; Demonstrated excellent communication and interpersonal skills and ability to work co-operatively as a part of a team; Ability to manage high volume workload and set priorities; Relevant tertiary qualifications and/or high level of relevant experience related to core work of the position and the Anti-Discrimination Board; Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This is an identified position under the Department's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy. Applicants must obtain an information package and address all selection criteria in the advertisement. TTY (Telephone Typewriter) facilities are available for people who are speech or hearing impaired. If applicants require this service, please call on TTY: (02) 9298 5522.

**Inquiries:** Elizabeth Wing (02) 9268 5545 Email: elizabeth\_wing@agd.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Kristian Adamson (02) 9268 5555.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential':** To: Applicants can apply for this position online at 'www.jobs.nsw.gov.au' or The Manager, Liaison and Support, Anti-Discrimination Board, PO Box A2122, Sydney South 1235.

**Closing Date:** Friday 06 April 2007.

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The University of Sydney

**Project Administrator**

**Australian Centre for Health Promotion  
School of Public Health  
Faculty of Medicine**

Reference No. 96416

The Australian Centre for Health Promotion (ACHP) is currently seeking to appoint a Project Administrator for the NSW Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Tobacco Prevention Project 'SmokeCheck'. Providing superior administrative and office management support to the small, friendly 'SmokeCheck' team, this is an outstanding opportunity to learn invaluable skills in project administration and management, and contribute to reputable research projects and health initiatives.

For more information or to apply online, please visit <http://positions.usyd.edu.au> and search by reference number 96416. Specific enquiries about the role can be directed to Michelle Tjhin on (02) 9351 5129. Enquiries about the recruitment process can be directed to Taya Solodin on (02) 9036 6525.

**Closing:** 10 April 2007



Kimberley Land Council

The Kimberley Land Council Aboriginal Corporation (KLC) is a native title representative body under §203AD of the Native Title Act 1993. It was established in 1978 to represent the rights and interests of traditional landowners in the Kimberley. The KLC has represented traditional owners in some of the major native title claims in Australia and is involved in negotiating native title and other land use and management agreements across the Kimberley.

**DEPUTY DIRECTOR**

An opportunity has opened up to join the management team at the Kimberley Land Council. Based in Broome, you will be part of a small team that has an enviable track record in securing tangible social justice outcomes for the regional indigenous communities. KLC successes include native title determinations covering 35% of the Kimberley, landmark agreements with major development proponents, and significant land and sea management initiatives in the region.

The position of Deputy Director offers an exciting and challenging career opportunity for a talented and highly motivated person. You will be an integral part of the team delivering outcomes to Indigenous people in line with their aspirations in relation to land, cultural heritage, environmental management, economic development, and securing an on-going role in the future development of the region.

The Deputy Director will work alongside the Executive Director to oversee the overall activities of the organisation. They will represent the KLC publicly in a variety of forums with key stakeholders, and provide advanced policy and management support to the Executive Director.

The position requires knowledge of government policy and strategic planning processes. The successful candidate will preferably have a background in Native Title; excellent communication skills; and previous experience in management of Indigenous Corporations.

An attractive salary package and benefits will be offered to the successful applicant, with commencement expected as soon as possible.

Further information is available by contacting Christine Robinson on 91936199 or [christine.robinson@klc.org.au](mailto:christine.robinson@klc.org.au). An application kit can be downloaded from the KLC website at [www.klc.org.au/employ.html](http://www.klc.org.au/employ.html).

Under §500 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 this is an Aboriginal identified position.

**Closing date Friday, 27th April 2007.**

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Department of Ageing, Disability & Home Care



**Residential Support Worker**

Level 1/2

Accommodation and Respite Services

Southern Region

Goulburn & Queanbeyan

Various positions (Permanent,

Temporary & Casual)

Position Number: 07DADHC7261

**Salary:** Total remuneration package valued up to \$51,349 per annum including salary (\$37,794 pa - \$46,533 pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:**

The Residential Support Worker will work with people who have an intellectual disability and require specialist case management, behavioural skill development & assist with daily living skills, socially appropriate behaviour & support to maximise independence. Some clients may have come in contact with the criminal justice program or have mental health issues and require support around challenging behaviour.

This Goulburn service is part of a State wide service and provides an opportunity for staff to contribute to individuals with particularly complex needs and further develop their existing skills, in supporting people with a primary intellectual disability and challenging behaviour.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Demonstrated ability to assist people who require support in daily living and personal care skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to increased independence and community integration for people with a disability.
- A commitment to professional and ethical behaviour and demonstrated ability to work effectively as part of a team or independently as required.
- Ability to understand and apply written and verbal instructions/policies and procedures.
- Good written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to effectively interact with clients, their families and advocates.
- Willingness to participate in formal training.
- Current driver's licence and willingness to drive departmental vehicles.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity, ethical practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement and Occupational Health and Safety.

**Job Notes:** Various Permanent & Temporary, Full-time, Part-time & Casual positions will be offered. Applicants MUST obtain an information package, which contains the full version of the advertisement and additional information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria and MUST complete the Prohibited Employment Declaration and Screening Consent Forms contained in it.

**Inquiries:** Margaret O'Donnell (02) 4824 0150

**Information package:** Available online at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact (02) 6200 5820 or email: [hrrsouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:hrrsouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications marked 'Confidential':** To: Recruitment Officer, NSW Businesslink, PO Box 1629, Queanbeyan NSW 2620 or apply online at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or email: [hrrsouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:hrrsouthern@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing date:** Friday 6 April 2007

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Australian Government

Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

**Improving the lives of Australians**



The Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaCSIA) is the Government's principal source of advice on social policy issues. We also have responsibility to effectively and efficiently manage a diverse range of programs and services to improve the lives of Australians. Our whole-of-government approach brings with it many opportunities to build effective relationships with other government and non-government organisations.

We are looking for innovative and professional people who have a particular interest in the challenges involved in improving the capacity and wellbeing of individuals, families and communities.

We welcome applications from Indigenous Australians, people with diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds and people with disability.

**Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination (OIPC)**

**Indigenous Policy and Budget Branch**

**Various Sections**

Woden, ACT

**Policy Analysts**

AP\$6 \$58,770 - \$65,350

**The vacancies**

We are seeking Policy Analysts to help develop policy and to implement the Government's reform agenda for Indigenous affairs. This is an exciting opportunity to make an important contribution to these reforms. OIPC is committed to making a difference in the lives of Indigenous Australians through ensuring better coordination and collaboration across government, more innovative and flexible approaches to policy development and service delivery, greater accountability, and real partnerships with local Indigenous communities. OIPC is seeking applications from suitably qualified and experienced people who are able to:

- Contribute to innovative policy development in collaboration with critical stakeholders including other Australian Government agencies and State/Territory agencies;
- Provide holistic strategic policy advice, drawing on a variety of approaches, to the Minister, the Ministerial Taskforce on Indigenous Affairs, National Indigenous Council and the Secretaries' Group on Indigenous Affairs; and
- Anticipate opportunities, show creativity, be flexible and demonstrate the highest ethical standards.

**HOW TO APPLY**

An information package with full details of these vacancies and how to apply is available by visiting our Website on [www.facsia.gov.au](http://www.facsia.gov.au) under 'Careers in FaCSIA'.

Alternatively, contact our Recruitment 24-hour answering machine on (02) 6244 6036. People with hearing or speech impairment may obtain selection documents via the department's TTY number on 1800 260 402.

To be eligible for engagement applicants must be Australian citizens or willing to apply for Australian citizenship.

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## Senior Aboriginal Culture and Heritage Officer

**Essential Criteria:** Excellent knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal cultural heritage management issues; Demonstrated consultation, facilitation, negotiation and conflict management skills for the management of cross cultural issues; Demonstrated experience in the identification and recording of Aboriginal objects and places of cultural significance including a capacity for data entry, mapping and maintenance of information systems; Demonstrated effective written and verbal communication skills and a capacity for project management; Drivers Licence.

**NOTE:** This is an Aboriginal Identified position under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

For an information package including the full list of selection criteria please contact: Roger Sentence, telephone: (02) 4351 2930 or email: r.sentence@dlac.org.au

Closing Date: Friday, 6th April 2007.



### Communities

**Section Supervisor (Specified)** - Service Delivery (Two positions)

**Category:** Health and Community Care

**Salary:** \$40 668 - \$44 649 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM0953/07

**Location:** Townsville

**Key Duties:** Supervise and support youth workers and young people in detention while maintaining a safe and secure environment.

**Skills/Abilities:** Highly developed interpersonal and communication skills with young people from a variety of backgrounds. Ability to work in a multi-disciplinary team environment. Ability to apply security practices.

**Team Coordinator (Specified)** - Service Delivery

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$66 582 - \$71 730 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM1020/07

**Location:** Bundaberg

**Key Duties:** Oversee day-to-day operations of the Service Centre ensuring high quality professional casework services to clients in accordance with departmental policies and programs.

**Skills/Abilities:** [Mandatory] Possession of a degree in the social or behavioural sciences. A high level ability to lead and supervise a multi-disciplinary team, including professional, administrative and program staff to achieve high quality outcomes for clients.

**Outpost Leader (Specified)** - Service Delivery

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$58 432 - \$63 509 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM0974/07

**Location:** Mount Isa

**Key Duties:** Deliver youth justice conferencing services; recruiting and training convenors to implement these services; link with other service providers to assist in lowering recidivism.

**Skills/Abilities:** High level interpersonal, communication and engagement skills, particularly with young people, indigenous communities and government agencies.

**Convenor (Youth Justice Conferencing) - (Specified)** - Service Delivery

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$50 420 - \$55 445 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM0973/07

**Location:** Townsville

**Key Duties:** Convene youth justice conferences as an approved convenor under the Juvenile Justice Act (1992) in accordance with youth justice conferencing procedures.

**Skills/Abilities:** Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively and sensitively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Highly developed interpersonal communication skills.

**Shift Supervisor (Specified)** - Service Delivery

**Category:** Health and Community Care

**Salary:** \$45 828 - \$50 420 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM0952/07

**Location:** Townsville

**Key Duties:** Coordinate the delivery of centre-wide services and activities for young people and assume responsibility for operations of the centre in the absence of management.

**Skills/Abilities:** Demonstrated competence in leading and managing staff. Demonstrated highly developed oral and written communication skills.

To apply for the positions listed above:

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Vacancy Processing Officer

Phone: (07) 3006 7689 or E-mail: [vaccomm@corporatelink.qld.gov.au](mailto:vaccomm@corporatelink.qld.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Tuesday, 10 April 2007

### Police

**Police Liaison Officer** - Central Region (There is more than one position available)

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$36 105 - \$38 659 p.a. (\$21 046 - \$31 816 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

**Location:** Woorabinda

**VRN:** PO 98/07

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Sergeant Shane Gleeson Phone: (07) 4945 0155

**Closing Date:** Monday, 2 April 2007

## Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre Requires a Part-Time (21 hrpw) solicitor

This is a temporary (12 month maternity leave) position.  
**Hourly rate:** \$23.82 to \$26.63 with generous salary packaging arrangements available.

Applicants must obtain the **Selection Criteria** by contacting Murray Hand on (02) 66211000.

**Applications close: 4pm Monday 23rd April**

ABRS Socialworks on behalf of our client, Barnardos Penrith Youth Service are currently seeking an experienced **Youth Worker to work 25 hours per week**, which will include some evening work.

**Requirements:** Qualifications in a relevant area; experience working with 'at risk' young people and their families; an LR drivers licence or willingness to obtain within three months.

**Salary:** \$38,081- \$42,267 (pro rata).

For further details contact Courtney on (02) 92182354 or email [recruit1@barnardos.org.au](mailto:recruit1@barnardos.org.au)

Police continued...

**Police Liaison Officer** - Central Region

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$36 105 - \$38 659 p.a. (\$21 046 - \$31 816 p.a. if under 21 years of age)

**Location:** Mackay

**VRN:** PO 97/07

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Senior Sergeant Greg Baade Phone: (07) 4968 3464

**Closing Date:** Monday, 2 April 2007

### Housing

**Senior Client Service Manager** - North Queensland Area

**Office, Client Services**

**Category:** Management

**Salary:** \$67 044 - \$71 729 p.a.

**Location:** Townsville

**VRN:** H0676/07

**Key Duties:** Efficient and effective delivery of quality services and outcomes to a diverse range of clients and co-ordinating a range of policy, program and administrative requirements.

**Skills/Abilities:** Coordination of office planning, reporting and compliance activities and maintaining cooperative working arrangements between the area office and a range of other government and non-government service providers.

**Senior Program Officer** - Community Management,

Compliance and Reporting, Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Housing

**Category:** Auditing and Compliance

**Salary:** \$67 044 - \$71 729 p.a.

**Location:** Brisbane

**VRN:** H0687/07

**Key Duties:** To prepare and deliver a range of services relating to grants. This includes the administration, monitoring and reporting of grants for community councils.

**Skills/Abilities:** Undertake the assessment of contractual documentation to support program delivery outcomes. Prepare Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing funding and compliance correspondence and supporting documentation.

**Program Officer** - Service Delivery and Support,

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$58 432 - \$63 508 p.a.

**Location:** Brisbane

**VRN:** H0686/07

**Key Duties:** Works directly with Woorabinda and Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Councils to support the delivery of their Housing Improvement Program and also works closely with other staff in the service area implementing and monitoring program outcomes.

**Skills/Abilities:** Work is performed under direction, with some independence of action, independent thinking and accountability for advice provided, decisions made, with the scope of the role.

**Housing Officer** - Wide Bay-Burnett Area Office, Client Services

**Category:** Community Care

**Salary:** \$42 640 - \$47 552 p.a.

**Location:** Bundaberg

**VRN:** H0677/07

**Key Duties:** Delivering a broad range of tenancy and property management services and providing advice to clients.

**Skills/Abilities:** Match and deliver services to a diverse range of clients. Communicate effectively with staff, clients and support services.

For the Positions Grouped above:

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au) or Email:

[jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au](mailto:jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au) or Phone: (07) 3238 3998

**Closing Date:** Monday, 2 April 2007

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## Office of the Community Relations Commission

### Common Selection Criteria:

All applicants for NSW Government jobs must show a knowledge and understanding of the common selection criteria: - Equal Employment Opportunity; Ethical Practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statements; and Occupational Health and Safety as they relate to the job.

## Personal Assistant to the Director CRS

Clerk Grade 1/2, Sydney, Permanent Full-Time,  
Job Reference No CRC07/050.

Total remuneration package valued to \$53,430 p.a. (\$44,538-\$48,419). Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Assist in coordinating and supporting the activities of the Director to ensure that administrative matters are dealt with expeditiously and appropriately provide a wide range of administrative services to the Director.

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Understanding or an ability to gain an understanding of relevant legislation, policy guidelines, the activities and operations of the Commission and the operation of community groups. Extensive experience in providing administrative support and meeting competing priorities and deadlines. Experience in range of computer applications including Microsoft Office Word, Excel, database experience, email and Internet. Demonstrated research and written and verbal communication skills. Proven ability to operate independently and collaboratively to ensure effective coordination of activities. Understanding of the principles of multiculturalism and EAPS. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** In this position Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

**Inquiries:** Richard Acheson (02) 8255 6786.

**Information Packages:** Sheetal Chailam (02) 8225 6795

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** The Recruitment Consultant, Central Corporate Services Unit, Governor Macquarie Tower, 1 Farrer Place, Sydney NSW 2000 or apply on-line at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday 06 April 2007.



THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

ANU COLLEGE OF LAW

## ASSOCIATE LECTURER/ LECTURER/ SENIOR LECTURER/ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR/PROFESSOR

### Annual Academic Appointment Round 2007

Academic Levels A-E2

**Salary Range:** \$47,551 to \$131,929 pa plus 17% super & generous staff allowance

**Reference:** LAW 3925

The ANU College of Law is a vibrant, collegial community of some of Australia's finest legal scholars and teachers, who work together to advance legal knowledge and to educate the future leaders of the legal profession and the community. We also aspire, through the excellence and impact of our research, teaching, and community engagement, to make a real contribution to the continuous improvement of the law and the legal system. Through our annual appointment round, we seek to recruit the best and brightest to assist in this collective mission of Australia's national law school.

### General teaching and research positions

Applications are sought for positions from Level A to Level E, from candidates who are or aspire to be cutting-edge researchers, inspiring teachers, and national leaders in their field. Without limiting the areas of interest, current priorities include corporate and commercial law, property law, criminal law, international law, procedural law, migration law, practical legal training (PLT), lawyering and legal practice. Areas of developing interest include Chinese law.

### Chair in law reform and social justice

In addition to these general positions, applications are also sought for a Chair (Level E) in law reform and social justice. This is a further plank in the College's ethos of combining professional excellence with improving the law and the operation of the legal system for the benefit of society, nationally and internationally. The Chair will be expected to lead and further develop the College's research and teaching in this area.

### Teaching Fellowships

Applications are also sought for a number of full-time Level A positions, in which the appointees will have a reduced teaching load in order to facilitate the undertaking of a PhD. These are entry-level positions for candidates of outstanding promise who are seeking an academic career. Teaching is likely to be in the core areas of the curriculum. Subject to available supervision, the PhD may be undertaken in any area of the law.

**Selection Criteria:** <http://info.anu.edu.au/hr/jobs/> or Alison Daun T: 02 6125 4635

E: [Alison.Daun@anu.edu.au](mailto:Alison.Daun@anu.edu.au)

**Closing Date:** Monday 16 April 2007

The University's diverse workforce contributes to its success. Applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disabilities, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and women and men in non-traditional occupations are actively sought. (EEO/COE 001/06)



Enquiries: Professor Michael Coper T: 02 6125 4124 E: [Michael.Coper@anu.edu.au](mailto:Michael.Coper@anu.edu.au)





WALCHA COUNCIL

## Aboriginal Access Worker Permanent Part Time

Ref No: W07/1346

Council invites applications for the position of a permanent part time Aboriginal Access Worker. The successful applicant will be working a guaranteed 21hrs per week. The essential requirements and selection criteria for this position are:

- Current C-Class Driver's Licence
- Understanding and ability to work with Frail Aged and Disabled clients
- Ability to work as a member of a team or unsupervised
- Willingness and ability to undertake on and off the job training
- Basic computer skills and general office skills including organisational and coordination skills
- First Aid Certificate or willing to obtain
- Knowledge and understanding of Occupational Health and Safety requirements

This position is designated for a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent which is in accordance with Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act. Applicants must include with their application details of how they believe they meet the essential criteria supported by detail of relevant experience and/or training. It is not sufficient to provide a resume only.

Our organisation practises Equal Employment Opportunity and we observe a non-smoking policy.

Applications for this position should be clearly marked with the reference number and job title and addressed to: Mr Michael McGrath, NESAC Human Resources Manager, Armidale Dumaresq Council, PO Box 75A, Armidale NSW 2350

Important information regarding this position is available by telephoning Ms Nadean Turner on (02) 6774 2500 or Ms Trish Muddy, NESAC Recruitment Officer on (02) 6770 3684.

Applicants must ensure they have obtained a copy of this information prior to submitting an application.

Applications close at 12 noon on Monday 9 April 2007.



Queensland Government  
Queensland Health

For application kits and to apply online,  
visit [www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)

### Allied Health/Clinical Support

**Advanced Health Worker - Drug and Alcohol, Community Health Services, Cherbourg Community Health Centre, Cherbourg, West Moreton South Burnett Health Service District.** Remuneration value up to \$52 431 p.a., comprising salary between \$41 777 - \$45 954 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) or Salary between \$41 156 - \$49 037 p.a. (T02) JRN: H07SD13. **Duties/Abilities:** Assess the needs in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in relation to alcohol and drug abuse and develop and implement strategies to respond to these needs. Use primary health care methods which will involve the coordination and development of preventative and educational activities, rehabilitation and support programs and individual communication with clients. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld)*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Christine Stewart (07) 4169 8900.

Application Kit: (07) 4162 9186 or  
[www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)

Closing Date: Monday, 23 April 2007.

### Mental Health

**Advanced Health Worker (Indigenous) - Adult Mental Health, Mareeba, Tablelands Health Service, Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District.** Remuneration value up to \$52 431 p.a., comprising salary value between \$41 777 - \$45 954 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) or Salary between \$41 156 - \$49 037 p.a. (T02) JRN: H07TD021. **Duties/Abilities:** Deliver a range of support services to Indigenous clients of the Tablelands Mental Health Service. Support non-Indigenous staff with specialist information, advice, and training in relation to cultural issues. Enhance close and collaborative relationships between Queensland Health and Indigenous organisations. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld)*, it is a genuine occupational requirement that this position be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.

Enquiries: Sue Frick (07) 4091 0213.

Application Kit: (07) 4092 9314 or  
[www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)

Closing Date: Tuesday, 10 April 2007.

**Advanced Health Worker - Indigenous Prison Mental Health Service, Northern Area Community Forensic Mental Health Service, Institute of Mental Health Service, Townsville, Townsville Health Service District.** Remuneration value up to \$52 431 p.a., comprising salary between \$41 777 - \$45 954 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) or Salary between \$41 156 - \$49 037 p.a. (T02) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JRN: H07TV0153. **Duties/Abilities:** Assist community forensic clinicians (Prison Mental Health Service) in the delivery of a range of high quality mental health services acceptable and accessible to Indigenous clients through the provision of expertise and support appropriate to the Indigenous community.

Enquiries: Ron Unwin (07) 4799 9480.

Application Kit: (07) 4796 1709 or (07) 4796 1716 or  
[www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)

Closing Date: Wednesday, 18 April 2007.

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy is effective in Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.



Queensland Government  
Queensland Health

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### Allied Health/Clinical Support

**Generalist Health Worker - Indigenous Health Unit, Mareeba Hospital, Tablelands Health Service, Cairns and Hinterland Health Service District.** Remuneration value up to \$45 707 p.a., comprising salary between \$37 608 - \$40 060 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (003) JRN: H07TD022. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide a range of health services that assist in the prevention, early detection and management of health issues. Work with the community to address health issues in partnership with community and other government departments. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act (2000)* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position. It is a genuine occupational requirement that an identified position be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person as permitted by and arguable under Section 25, 104 and 105 of the *Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act (1991)*.

Enquiries: Helen Congoo (07) 4092 9133.

Application Kit: (07) 4092 9314 or  
[www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)

Closing Date: Tuesday, 17 April 2007.

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy is effective in Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

TWP 050381

A rewarding career working with young people...

## Juvenile Custodial Officer Recruitment Pool 004661

Level/salary: L2 \$50,000 - \$55,556 (commuted shift-work allowance included)

The Department of Corrective Services seeks dedicated people to work as juvenile custodial officers in its secure metropolitan juvenile custodial centres.

Juvenile custodial officers are positive role models responsible for the safety, security, care, wellbeing and developmental needs of young people in the Department's detention centres.

A career as a juvenile custodial officer offers many rewarding opportunities for personal growth and career satisfaction, and for making a real difference to the lives of young people.

#### We are looking for people who:

- have life skills and experiences they can share
- are reliable
- can use initiative
- have common sense
- enjoy working with young people and making a difference

#### To be eligible you must:

- have a current C class driver's licence (Motorway A class)
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- undertake pre-employment health, fitness and criminal history tests
- have no serious criminal record
- complete the job application package

#### Juvenile custodial officer information sessions:

Saturday 31 March 2007 9.30-11.30am  
Corrective Services Academy, 4 Allen Court, Bentley

Wednesday 4 April 2007 12.30-2pm  
Multi-function room, Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service,  
211 Royal Street, East Perth (enter via rear gates)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and people with diverse life and career experiences are encouraged to apply.

#### Job application packages:

Visit [www.j2b.wa.gov.au](http://www.j2b.wa.gov.au) - enter position number 004661 in the search box  
Phone 9476 0011 (24 hours) - state your name, address and position number 004661  
More information: Phone Gabrielle Best on 0403 340 289  
or visit [www.correctiveservices.wa.gov.au](http://www.correctiveservices.wa.gov.au) > Employment and Volunteers

Closing date: 5pm, Monday 16 April 2007



Department of Corrective Services  
Government of Western Australia

# Your journey. Your career.

## Multiple Locations. Generous Benefits. Thriving Global Player.

Rio Tinto is a leader in the global resources industry. As part of the Rio Tinto Iron Ore Group, Pilbara Iron operates and maintains the diverse assets of Hamersley Iron and Robe River in the northwest of WA. With combined operations comprising three shipping terminals, ten mines and the world's largest privately owned railway network, our 4,000 staff handle over 160 million tonnes of iron ore per year.

We're a large, diverse and expanding company with a strong and secure future. The mining sector is thriving and we believe indigenous Australians should benefit from our activities by having opportunities to pursue exciting career journeys. To this end, we're keen to recruit indigenous people in 2007 with expertise in a variety of positions, including:

- Electrical and Mechanical Trades
- Fixed Plant and Mobile Operators
- Administration/Secretarial

We currently have opportunities available fly-in/fly-out from Broome to West Angelas working day and night shifts on a two-weeks on/one-week off roster.

All roles require a strong commitment to safety and efficiency, the flexibility to meet new challenges and the ability to work in a multi-disciplined team. Candidates without the required experience are encouraged to apply as we can offer a range of traineeships to improve your skills.

In addition to variety, security, stimulating work and excellent prospects, you'll enjoy profit share, medical benefits, career development, flexible work practices, family friendly policies and much more.

For further information or to apply, go to [www.pilbarairon.com/careers](http://www.pilbarairon.com/careers) or call our Indigenous Recruitment Advisor on (08) 9143 5254. Applicants from the Broome region should apply to "Broome Indigenous Campaign" (Ref. No. CF17446). Applicants from other areas within Australia should apply to "Indigenous Opportunities" (Ref. No. MN13933).



Pilbara Iron  
A member of the Rio Tinto Group





**FINANCE OFFICER**

Clerk Grade 5/6  
Business Performance  
Central Sydney Housing Services Division  
Sydney  
Permanent Full-Time  
Position No: 07DOH7288

Total remuneration package valued up to \$71,565 pa includes salary (\$58,777 pa - \$64,854 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.  
**Position Description:** The Finance Officer extracts, collates & presents financial information to support budget planning, financial management & reporting. Position also undertakes financial support activities in relation to the financial information management system.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:**

- Demonstrated experience utilising financial information management systems.
- Proven ability to format and display financial data for management reports.
- Well developed computer spreadsheet skills.
- Demonstrated high level communication skills and ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with internal stakeholders.
- Demonstrated capacity to work as an effective team member in a high volume client service environment.
- Ability to understand and apply public sector accounting, policy and guidelines.
- Demonstrated analytical and problem solving skills.
- Proven ability to manage workloads, strict deadlines and competing priorities.
- **Common selection criteria:** Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

**Job Notes:** Applicants MUST obtain the Information Package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

**Inquiries:** Steve Toland (02) 9268 3464 or email: [tolandsa@housing.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tolandsa@housing.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Available on-line at our website: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact 1800 502 766 or email: [Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications to:** Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW BusinessLink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871 or e-mail: [JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au) or apply online at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing date:** 5 April 2007.

**PARRAMATTA CITY COUNCIL**

Parramatta is Sydney's second CBD with a vibrant economy, diverse workforce, and a rich mix of cultural and recreational facilities. Council is strongly focussed on setting the city's strategic direction as a major regional hub for services, manufacturing, shopping and entertainment, while delivering the best possible services to our local community. We are seeking people with a team-oriented client service approach who will contribute to the continuous improvement of Council's facilities and services.

**Natural Resource Officer (Aboriginal Heritage)**

Ref No. 21/07

Working with the Aboriginal Community and other stakeholders, this position will assist with the coordination of activities relating to natural resource management, conservation and environmental performance and the development and protection of Aboriginal Heritage in sites of Aboriginal significance in bushland throughout the Parramatta Local Government Area.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Aboriginality (Authorised under Section 14d, NSW Discrimination Act 1977).
- Experience in natural resource, bush care or environmental management.
- Experience in designing and delivering Aboriginal Heritage programs and/or Indigenous Land Management Programs.
- Demonstrated experience and competence in working and consulting with Aboriginal Communities.
- Well developed skills in delivery of community based recreation, leisure, education and cultural programs.
- Demonstrated skills in conflict resolution.
- An ability to establish and maintain productive working relationships with all internal and external stakeholders.
- Well developed project management skills.
- Driver's licence.

**Salary:** A salary range of \$46,205 - \$53,145 pa (plus Superannuation) is applicable depending on skills, knowledge and experience.

**Closing Date:** 4pm on Friday 13 April 2007.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Please obtain a Recruitment Kit, which outlines the full selection criteria to be addressed by visiting Council's website at [www.parracity.nsw.gov.au](http://www.parracity.nsw.gov.au) OR by contacting Council's Customer Contact Centre on 9806 5050. Applications should be emailed, posted or faxed to the attention of 'Job Applications', quoting Ref No. 21/07.

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PO Box 32, Parramatta NSW 2124  
Phone: 02 9806 5000 Fax: 02 9806 5917  
Website: [www.parracity.nsw.gov.au](http://www.parracity.nsw.gov.au)  
Email: [jobsatcouncil@parracity.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jobsatcouncil@parracity.nsw.gov.au)

**Administrative Officer**

Clerk Grade 3/4  
Strategic Policy and Planning  
Central Office, Clarence Street, Sydney  
Permanent Full-Time  
Position No: DADHC-07-00186

Total remuneration package valued up to \$60,163 per annum (salary \$49,792 pa - \$54,520 pa) includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:**

Provide high level assistance to the Director, Strategic Projects and a range of administrative, office management and customer services to the Strategic Projects Team.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Ability to quickly acquire knowledge of the department's structure, roles, and its relationships with other human services agencies, its clients and stakeholders.
- Knowledge of records management procedures and the ability to efficiently track the flow of correspondence and submissions.
- Strong interpersonal, communication and writing skills.
- Ability to plan, organise and handle competing work priorities to achieve deadlines, to work well under pressure in a constantly changing environment and the ability to work with minimum supervision.
- Demonstrated resourcefulness and initiative in responding to urgent requests and situations.
- Excellent general administration skills including ability to interpret and apply human resources, purchasing and financial legislation, regulations and guidelines.
- Strong computer skills including Microsoft Office applications.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO); Ethical Practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statements (EAPS); and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS).

**Job Notes:** Applicants MUST obtain an information package, which contains the complete details of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria and MUST complete the forms contained in the information package.

**Inquiries:** Suzanne O'Neill (02) 8270 2145 or email to: [suzanne.o'neill@dahc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:suzanne.o'neill@dahc.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Package:** Available on-line at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact 1800 185 466 or email: [Emilie.Racca@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Emilie.Racca@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' to:** Apply on-line at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or post to Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW BusinessLink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871 or email to: [JobsDADHC@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDADHC@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday 6 April 2007

**Australian Government**

Department of the Environment  
and Water Resources

**2008 Graduate Opportunities**

**\$44,417 - \$57,003**

plus up to \$10,000 relocation expenses

The Department of the Environment and Water Resources delivers the Australian Government's environment, heritage and water legislation, policies and programmes.

Our graduates work in diverse areas such as implementing the Government's National Plan for Water Security, climate change policy, wildlife protection, Australia's Ocean policy, helping regional Australia conserve more natural resources, improving fuel quality standards, protecting Antarctica, conservation of Australia's natural, indigenous and historic heritage - and many more.

The Department of the Environment and Water Resources is seeking up to 50 graduates for the 2008 programme. We are looking for people with:

- Leadership potential
- Energy, adaptability and enthusiasm
- Team approach
- Analytical ability
- Outstanding people skills
- Presentation and communication skills
- Ability to embrace and adapt to change

We invite applications from all academic disciplines, but we are particularly interested in:

- Arts • Business • Economics • Commerce
- Communications • Environmental or Natural Resource Management
- Law • Public Administration • Science

Our graduates usually reflect a broad range of backgrounds, study areas and levels, work experiences and life experiences. Our graduates come from across Australia. Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

If you would like to be part of an innovative and dynamic organisation that offers a challenging work environment and excellent opportunities for development and advancement, receive great learning opportunities, and work in a Department committed to promoting a work-life balance, apply now.

Applications are open from Monday 2 April to Friday 27 April 2007. Visit our website for more information and an online application.

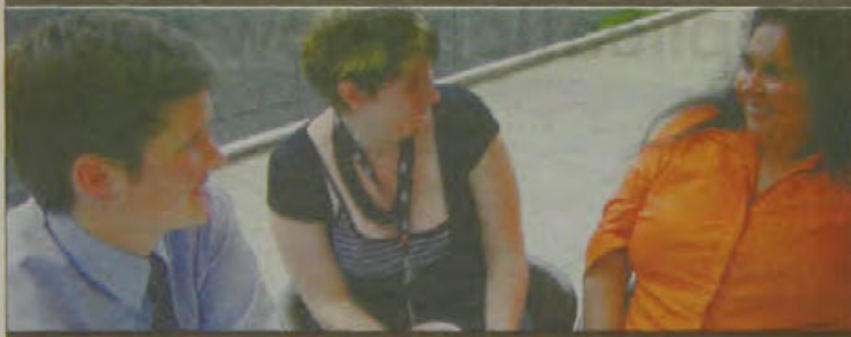
<http://www.environment.gov.au/jobs/graduate>

If you do not have access to the internet or if you have any requirements that need to be accommodated in order to apply, please call (02) 6274 1310.

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## Koori Intensive Support Practitioner (Bail & Post Release)

Juvenile Justice, Gippsland

Initial Work Location: Morwell or Sale

\$54,892 p.a. - \$61,745 p.a. + Superannuation

Are you?

- Experienced in providing culturally based services and interventions to young Koori people and their families.
- Able to work effectively in the criminal justice system and Koori community to assist young Koori people address their offending behaviour and reduce Koori over-representation.

This position will be part of a team approach and will have responsibility for time limited intensive supervision and case-management of a caseload of young Koori people throughout the Gippsland Region. It will also provide intensive supervision to young Koori people on release from Juvenile Justice Centres, on supervised Bail or Deferment of Sentence. You will be required to focus on building networks of support including family, community development and linkages to specialist services that target support to Koori communities, as well as providing information and reports to the Children's, Magistrates, County and Koori Courts and the Youth Parole Board.

**Mandatory:** Bachelor of Social Work or Diploma of Community Welfare Work. Other tertiary qualifications at Diploma or above level will be considered if they include units of study in case management/casework practice and supervised practical work placements in relevant field/s.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Michele McElroy on 51 449100. To apply online and view the job description, visit [www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers) and click on Vacancies.

Please quote reference no: VG/DHS/GIP/70695015.

Closing date for applications is Tuesday, 10 April 2007.

Safety Screening requirements including Police checks apply to DHS recruitment practices.



Applicants need to be committed to the DHS Values. DHS is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values Diversity.

[www.careers.vic.gov](http://www.careers.vic.gov)



Australian Government

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## Customer Service Advisers

Call Centre

Centrelink Call - Bunbury

APS 3-4 (Centrelink 2)

\$42,673 - \$53,047

Bunbury

- Excellent career opportunity
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If you are keen to join a professional team providing high quality customer service in a fast paced environment and have a genuine interest in meeting the needs of customers, then you may be the right person for this position.

We require people who meet the following criteria:

- A customer focussed attitude that is conducive to delivering optimum customer service;
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- Ability to problem solve and deal with complex customer enquiries;
- Computer literacy (Windows);
- Willingness to work in a busy and challenging environment;
- Strong team skills

Call Centre experience is not essential however customer service experience will be viewed favourably. Comprehensive training will be provided.

Applicants must successfully complete a health check and a police records clearance. A six-month probationary period will apply to all successful applicants.

To Apply:

Please proceed to our website <http://cm.nga.net.au> and click on the job reference number 561JSCNTLK01 to complete the application as requested. Applicants are encouraged to apply online, however alternatively you can call (08) 9324 7717 between the hours of 9am-5pm Monday to Friday WST, should you not have access to the internet.

Applications close 5pm Thursday 12th April 2007

An Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an attractive remuneration package is available to all prospective Centrelink employees.

For selection documentation and more information about working at Centrelink, visit [www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au) and click on Careers



## SERVICE CO-ORDINATOR

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)

Wiradjuri Aboriginal Home Care Branch

Albury or Deniliquin

Permanent Full-time

Salary package is valued up to \$60,605pa includes a salary range \$49,792pa to \$54,920pa leave loading and employers contribution to superannuation.

**Job Description:** Responsible for providing consistent, high quality and cost-effective services to Home Care's customers through the planning, allocation and supervision of Care Workers, matching service delivery resources to requirements.

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Knowledge of the community care needs of frail aged, younger people with disabilities and their carers. Commitment to improving quality of life for frail aged, people with disabilities and their carers. A focus on customer service. Effective written and oral communication skills. Computer literacy. Significant experience in a similar role in a community service setting and/or tertiary qualifications in the behavioural, social and health sciences. Ability to roster staff work on a computerised roster system. Sound organisational skills and ability to supervise staff. Administrative and record keeping skills. Drivers licence and own vehicle. Ability to travel. Willing to undertake training. Understanding of and commitment to Aboriginal Access and Common Selection Criteria.

**Job Notes:** This is a re-advertised position. Previous applicants need not re-apply as their application will be brought forward for consideration by the recruitment panel. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants must obtain the Information Package, which contains the further details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants must address the full Selection Criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to criminal records check.

For application package and further information: Athol Boney on 02 6921 7545 or email: [athol.boney@dadhc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:athol.boney@dadhc.nsw.gov.au)

Applications to: Home Care Service PO Box 2429 Wagga Wagga NSW 2650.

Closing date: Friday, 13 April 2007.



Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

## POLICY RESEARCH OFFICER

APS Level 6 (\$58,730-\$65,825 pa plus super)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Unit

The Commission has a non-ongoing (temporary) vacancy available for 12 months in the Social Justice Team in Sydney. There is a possibility that ongoing (permanent) employment will arise during this time. We are seeking a person with a proven capacity for research and providing policy advice. A demonstrated knowledge and understanding of social justice and human rights issues facing Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders in contemporary Australian society is required.

Selection will be based on job specific selection criteria. Applicants should obtain a copy of the selection documents from the Commission's website at <http://www.humanrights.gov.au/jobs/index.html> or by telephoning (02) 9284 9660. Applicants who are hearing impaired may contact the TTY phone on 1800 620 241.

The Commission supports and promotes workplace diversity.

Closing date for applications is Wed, 18 April 2007.



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### Indigenous Australian Contract Management Development Programme

The Indigenous Australian Contract Management Development Programme (IACMDP) is an Australian Public Service (APS) joint agency Indigenous recruitment initiative, administered by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR).

The IACMDP offers participants ongoing employment within one of a number of participating agencies and a formally recognised qualification - Diploma of Government (Contract Management).

Selection documentation may be obtained by calling 02 6121 7142 (answering machine) or emailing [iacmdp@dewr.gov.au](mailto:iacmdp@dewr.gov.au)

Applications will close at 5.00 pm Monday 23 April 2007 (AEST).



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Australian Government

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations



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**Residential Service Co-ordinator  
Community Liaison Officer**

**You could be the person  
we are looking for!**

**Are you interested in:**

- Working with and assisting Indigenous youth
- Community Liaison
- Travelling
- Working in a community-based organisation

**Are you good at:**

- Managing and motivating people
- Co-ordinating services
- Networking
- Public speaking

**Do you have:**

- Commitment and passion
- Good written and oral communication skills
- Knowledge of the agencies and networks providing services and support to Indigenous youth
- A current driver's licence

To request Applicant Packages which contain position descriptions and employment criteria please contact Liz Carroll on (02) 6964 4800 or email [admin@tirkandi.org.au](mailto:admin@tirkandi.org.au)

Inquiries should be directed to the Assistant Manager Michelle Kilgower on (02) 6964 4800. Applications should be marked "Confidential" to the Executive Officer PO Box 134 Coleambally NSW 2707 or email [cmurray@tirkandi.org.au](mailto:cmurray@tirkandi.org.au) by the due date.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5pm FRIDAY 13TH APRIL 2007.

# Notice of Proposed Grant of Authorities to Prospect

## Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of each of the Authorities to Prospect shown below under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld).  
Authorities to Prospect to which this notice applies:

Authorities to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant ACN
ATP743	Approx. 165km NE from Murrumbidgee Centred at Lat 21°30'S Long 143°35'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: <b>Aramac, Dalrymple, Flinders</b>	<b>Area:</b> 6454 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Map:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 2025 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 877 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 878 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 879 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 880 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 881 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 882 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 883 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 884 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 949 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, 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Applications are to be marked 'Private and Confidential' and sent to: The Vacancy Processing Officer, CSQHR, PO Box 2758, CAIRNS QLD 4870 or emailed to recruitment.cns@csq.qld.gov.au



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## Koori Alcohol and Other Drugs Support Worker

We are currently seeking a Koori Alcohol and Other Drugs Support Worker to join our team in providing culturally sensitive treatment and support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander's with alcohol and other drug problems.

**The role includes the provision of:**

- Information and advice to clients and staff at the Koori Magistrates Court in Broadmeadows.
- Alcohol and other Drugs assessments with priority for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clientele
- Linkage of clients on deferred sentences into treatment at Moreland Hall
- Communication with Moreland Hall clinicians and the court to ensure that information on treatment progress is provided to the court in a timely manner

This position is open to both skilled and experienced alcohol and other drug workers as well as Koori individuals who may not have the skills and experience but are interested in the role and would like to take it up as a 2 year traineeship opportunity progressing to an ongoing permanent position within the team.

**If you are interested in this role please contact Nensá Pastors, Human Resources Manager on 03 9384 8801 or email [jobs@morelandhall.org](mailto:jobs@morelandhall.org)**

## Koori Education & Training Officer

Moreland Hall's Education and Training Department currently have a vacancy for an Education & Training Officer with a Koori Focus to join us in providing culturally sensitive education and training packages to meet the needs of people in the community with alcohol and other drug problems.

**The role includes the provision of:**

- Preparation, delivery, and marketing of education and training packages to workers and community members in the area of Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD)
- Contribute to raising the profile of the Education and Training Department by liaising with prospective and current purchases and users of the service
- Participate in identifying and developing research projects
- Develop and coordinate promotional information for internal and external use

**To be successful in this position you will have:**

- Experience in the preparation, delivery, and marketing of educational programs
- Demonstrated understanding of culturally sensitive issues particularly within the Aboriginal community
- Knowledge of alcohol and other drugs sector
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills and personal presentation
- Intermediate skill base with Microsoft Office applications

**If you are interested in this role please contact Nensá Pastors, Human Resources Manager on 03 9384 8801 or email [jobs@morelandhall.org](mailto:jobs@morelandhall.org)**

Moreland Hall has more than 35 years experience in the statewide delivery of alcohol and other drug services; we are a leader in the field. As an employer and Registered Training Organisation, Moreland Hall is committed to providing a positive and supportive work culture where employees have access to professional development and generous salary packaging arrangements.



## TRUST EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Location: Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust (Lakes Entrance Victoria)

Salary: \$75,000-\$80,000 Inc Super

**Tasks:** Act for and on behalf of the Administrator on matters regarding the Trust; Coordinate the activities of the Trust; Provide a link between the community and government agencies; Work with the Lake Tyers community to develop and implement projects; Overseeing infrastructure and social development programs at the Trust; Liaise with Government agencies on social and economic programs; Ascertain the financial requirements of the Trust and locate funding.

Tertiary qualifications and similar experience requested.

Applications close on 20 April 2007 and should be directed to:

Mr Simon-Wallace-Smith  
Administrator  
Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust  
c/- Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu  
PO Box 789, MELBOURNE VIC 3001  
Telephone: 03 9208 7614

## NSW HEALTH SYDNEY SOUTH WEST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

### COMMUNITY HEALTH

#### Child & Family Nurse (RN)

Readvertised. Ref: A07/8/1. FT Based at Liverpool - various locations, working with Aboriginal Families.

Enq: Anne King, 9827 2222. Closing Date: 30 April 2007.

For the above positions, please send applications to: Manager, Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 7050, Liverpool NSW 1871 or email: jobs@nswhs.nsw.gov.au

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

## NSW HEALTH NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Apply online: [www.ncahs.nsw.gov.au/apply](http://www.ncahs.nsw.gov.au/apply)

Application kits may be obtained from: [www.ncahs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ncahs.nsw.gov.au)

Phone: 1800 196 981 or email:

RecruitmentServices@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au

### BUGALWENA HEALTH SERVICES - TWEED HEADS

#### Registered Nurse

Diabetes & Cardiovascular for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services

Perm Full Time Position No: 0563/06

Readvertised. Salary: \$44,033-\$61,842 pa

Enquiries: Sue Follent, (07) 5506 7598

### COMMUNITY HEALTH - MACLEAN

#### Aboriginal Health Education Officer (Female)

Community and Allied Health

Perm Part Time, 24 hpw Position No: 0715/06

NCAHS considers that being female and Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under Section 31 and Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). Salary: \$18.85-\$35.40 ph

Enquiries: Di Short, (02) 6640 2402

Closing Date for both positions: 13 April 2007

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

## Notice of Proposed Grant of Authorities to Prospect

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\* Authorities to Prospect are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) and the number of Sub-Blocks (the Sub-Block Code) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Authority to Prospect under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* authorises the holder to explore for petroleum for a period not exceeding twelve (12) years. Under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Authorities to Prospect will be granted under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate. PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

**Further information:** Further information about the proposed grant of the Authorities to Prospect, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102. Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

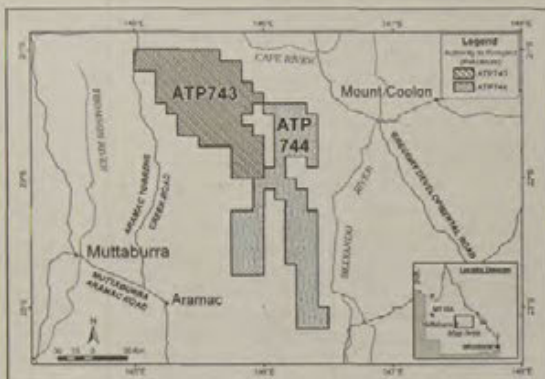
**Native Title Parties:** Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Authorities to Prospect. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: [qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au](mailto:qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au)

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 20 April 2007



Queensland Government  
Natural Resources and Water

## Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of NSW

Notification day: 11 April 2007

This application is a 'Non-Claimant Application', ie an application made by a person who is not claiming native title themselves. The applicant has an interest (which is not a native title interest) in the application described below. They want the Federal Court to determine whether anyone has a native title interest in the same area.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. Becoming a party to the application may be the only opportunity for people who claim native title rights and interests in the area to have their rights and interests recognised in the Federal Court's determination.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000, on or before 10 July 2007. After 10 July 2007, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Unless there is a 'relevant native title claim' (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before 10 July 2007, the area may be subject to section 24FA protection and acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title. The Registrar may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.



Applicant's name: Anthony Bernard Kelly, MLC, Minister for Lands for the State of New South Wales as the State Minister under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*

Non-native title interest: Minister responsible for administering the *Crown Lands Act 1989 (NSW)*

Federal Court File No: NSD 158 of 2007

Location: The area subject to this application covers an area of about 1,029 hectares, being Lot 302 Deposited Plan 753202 as shown on the locality map.

The land is situated at Glenholme and is located within the Greater Taree City Council local government area.

Data statement: non-claimant application boundary compiled by NNTT based on data sourced from the Dept of Lands, Land and Property Information Division, NSW.

For assistance or further information contact Ton O'Reilly on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au)

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.

## National Native Title Tribunal

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER

Clerk Grade 5/6  
Community Regeneration Unit  
Outer Western Sydney Division  
Mt Druitt  
Temporary Full-Time  
Position No: 07DOH7265

Total remuneration package valued up to \$71,566 pa includes salary (\$58,777 pa - \$64,854 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** This position will work with communities, government and non government agencies to develop and implement RegenerationPlans that aim to achieve sustainable improvements within social housing neighbourhoods across NSW.

### SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Excellent communication skills including writing skills, negotiation and conflict resolution assessment and problem solving skills.
- Ability to use initiative and work independently.
- Demonstrated ability to participate and contribute to local planning initiatives and to find innovative solutions to client problems.
- Strong commitment to and experience in delivering services to social housing clients and communities.
- Degree, Diploma or associate Diploma in Social Work, Social Science, Welfare or related discipline and/or extensive relevant demonstrated experience.
- Extensive experience in the fields of community development and liaison with community and government agencies.
- Demonstrated experience in working with personal computer (PC) applications.
- Current NSW Driver's license
- **Common selection criteria:** Sound knowledge of, and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

**Job Notes:** This is a temporary position in terms of Section 27 or 86 of the Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002 for up to four years. Applicants MUST obtain the Information Package, which contains further details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

Inquiries: Colleen Sutherland (02) 9675 8935

**Information Packages:** Available on-line at our website: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact 1800 502 766 or email: [Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications marked confidential to:** Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW BusinessLink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871 or e-mail: [JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au) or apply online at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

Closing date: 10 April 2007.



**Legal Administrative Officer** for the Armidale office of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Ltd. Experience in a legal office preferred. For more information and selection criteria, please contact Vikki Lennon on (02) 8842 8000 or email [vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au](mailto:vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au).  
Closing date: 4/4/07.

**FIELD OFFICER.** This is an Aboriginal identified position. We have vacancy in the Newcastle office of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited. For more information and selection criteria, please contact Vikki Lennon on (02) 8842 8000 or email [vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au](mailto:vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au).  
Closing date: 4/4/07

**Junior Administrative Assistant** for the Parramatta office of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Ltd. Experience in an office environment preferred. For more information and selection criteria, please contact Vikki Lennon on (02) 8842 8000 or email [vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au](mailto:vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au).  
Closing date: 10/4/07.

# ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT COURT SERVICES CLERK LISMORE LOCAL COURT (ATSI IDENTIFIED)

Clerk, Grade 1-2, Lismore, Temporary Full-Time, Position Number AG07347. Total remuneration package valued to: \$53,430 p.a. (\$44,538-\$48,419) Employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Provide a range of general, clerical, administrative support and client services to meet the needs of clients. Services may include routine customer enquiries, daily correspondence, data entry, records management and assisting in the court rooms. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality; Good clerical and computer skills including data entry and processing documentation; Strong commitment to client service; Experience in communicating effectively with a wide range of people; Ability to apply initiative to quickly solve problems; Willingness to carry out different activities in a variety of work environments; Ability to organise and complete high volumes of work within set time standards; Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This position is an identified position under the Department's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Employment Strategy. This is a temporary position up to 4 February 2009. Applicants must obtain an information package and address all selection criteria in the advertisement. TTY (Telephone Typewriter) facilities are available for people who are speech or hearing impaired. If applicants require this service, please call on TTY: 9228 7790.


**Inquiries:** Michael Knock (02) 6623 3628 Email: [michael\\_knock@agd.nsw.gov.au](mailto:michael_knock@agd.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Michael Knock (02) 6623 3628.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Applicants can apply for this position online at 'www.jobs.nsw.gov.au' or The Recruitment Unit, Attorney General's Department, Level 7, Goodsell Building, 8-12 Chifley Square, Sydney, NSW, 2000 or 'agrecruitment@agd.nsw.gov.au'

**Closing Date:** Friday 06 April 2007.

(atf) 10000



**DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE**

**LOCAL SUPPORT COORDINATOR**

Clerk Grade 7/8

Community Access/Service Development and Planning

Northern NSW - Far North Coast

Casino

Permanent Full-Time

Position No: 07DADHC7253

Total remuneration package valued up to \$81,591 p.a. (\$66,796 p.a. - \$73,938 p.a.), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** The LSC assists people with a disability and their families to identify their needs, and instigates actions to enhance participation in community life. The LSC provides information and facilitates community development.

## SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Understanding of current philosophies and trends in the provision of human services and contemporary attitudes towards people with a disability.
- Highly developed skills in the area of individual needs analysis and needs-based planning, personal advocacy and assisting people with a disability to participate in their community.
- An understanding of issues affecting people with a disability of Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background and people from CALD and the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with people from these groups.
- High level interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to build informal and professional local networks and develop strategic approaches to community development.
- Formal qualifications in Social Sciences, Education or Human Services or and/or equivalent experience, together with a high level of written and oral communication skills, and competence in use of keyboard and standard PC software programs.
- Demonstrated commitment to teamwork and a willingness to display initiative and flexibility and reliability in achieving deadlines.
- Current NSW driver's license and ability to travel throughout the community independently within the context of the LSC position.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Sound knowledge of and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO); Ethical Practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statements (EAPS); and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS).

**Job Notes:** Applicants MUST obtain an information package, which contains the complete details of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicant MUST address the full selection criteria and MUST complete the forms contained in the information package.

**Inquiries:** Charelle Giobatti Ph: (02) 6626 8730

**Information Package:** Available on-line at our website: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 6626 4100 or email: [HRNorthern@Bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:HRNorthern@Bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' to:** Apply on-line at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or NSW Businesslink, Northern Regional Service Centre, PO Box 1140, Lismore NSW 2480 or email [HRNorthern@Bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:HRNorthern@Bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday 6 April 2007.

(atf) 10000

## GPs Wanted

For a '9-5' city-based job with no call-outs within Tasmania's natural environment

The Aboriginal Health Services are open five days a week, providing primary health care to the Aboriginal community in Tasmania, including opportunities for occasional remote clinics on Cape Barren Island.

We are after enthusiastic general practitioners to work either full or part time, at one of our Health Services (Hobart, Launceston or Burnie). Doctors will work as part of a dynamic multi-disciplinary health team.

The successful applicant will have a medical degree eligible for full registration in

Tasmania. Vocational registration or FRACGP is preferred and an ability to work with a population health approach is desirable.

A remuneration package of \$150,000 pa will be negotiated, including salary sacrifice arrangements, and payment of annual Medical Registration, College Membership Fees and Medical Defence Organisation Subscription. Relocation and accommodation assistance may be available.

To obtain a copy of the information kit please contact Emma Woolley on (03) 6234 0777, or email [ahs@tacinc.com.au](mailto:ahs@tacinc.com.au).

Written applications will be received until Friday 13th April 2007.

Applications to be marked "Confidential Application" addressed to:

The Administrator  
Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre  
GPO Box 569, Hobart TAS 7001.

## Notice of Proposed Addition of Excluded Land into Authority to Prospect

### Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Government party hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed addition of excluded land to the Authority to Prospect shown below under section 100 of the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (Qld).

**Authority to Prospect to which this notice applies:**

The Authority to Prospect currently excludes land subject to native title ('the Excluded Land'). The Current Holder has applied under 100 of the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004* (Qld) to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect.

Authorities to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect	Description of Area of Application*	Current Holder ACN
ATP582	Approx. 176km NW from Birdsville Centred at Lat.24°30'S Long.139°00'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: <b>Diamantina and Boulia</b>	<b>Area:</b> 28458 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Map:</b> Cloncurry and Cooper Creek <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 9125 (each 1°lat x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> CLONCURRY 2305 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2306 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2307 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2308 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2309 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2310 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2377 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2378 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2379 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, 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## Community Liaison Officer

Applications Close: Friday April 13th  
Employer/Organisation:  
Ballarat and District Aboriginal Co-operative  
Location: Australia - Victoria - Ballarat  
Salary: \$45 780 (package)

The Ballarat and District Aboriginal Co-operative is seeking a motivated person to undertake an audit of Aboriginal arts activity in the Western Region of Victoria and to develop a data base to record researched information.

The position is full time for 12 months, with some potential to extend and will be based at the Kirit Barreel Aboriginal Art and Cultural Centre in Ballarat.

The worker will be highly motivated and able to self direct, possess excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and proficiency with computer programs using word and database management systems.

To be successful in this role you will have:

- An understanding and commitment towards Aboriginal people and their culture.
- A background of professional participation in the arts industry, with experience in both personal arts practice and administration.
- A proven track record in project development and delivery.
- Experience working with Aboriginal communities.
- A current driver's licence.

A copy of the position description can be obtained by contacting Paul Mason (Mon-Wed) on 03 5332 2755 or email [art@aboriginalballarat.com.au](mailto:art@aboriginalballarat.com.au). Applications close 4p.m. Friday April 13th 2007.

## Notice of Proposed Addition of Excluded Land into Authority to Prospect

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## North Coast Institute

### Administrative Support Officer, Section Kingscliff Campus

Job Reference No: 07/010/NCI

Temporary Part Time Part Year - 30HPW x 42WPA until 26.04.08

Total remuneration package of up to \$30,135 pa, including salary \$14,081 pa - \$27,309 pa, employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

**Duties:** Provide quality clerical and administrative support for sections within the campus.

**Note:** An eligibility list will be created to fill similar administration positions during the next 12 months.

Applicants must obtain a package as it contains selection criteria and other relevant details.

**Information Package:**

Recruitment Officer 1800 008 233 or download [www.nci.tafensw.edu.au](http://www.nci.tafensw.edu.au)

**Closing Date: 10 April 2007**

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### BALLARAT & DISTRICT ABORIGINAL CO-OPERATIVE LTD Community Convener

Aboriginal Family Decision Making Program  
Sacs Award (level 3 - \$23.55/hour)  
Ongoing - Part Time / Ballarat and Region

The purpose of this position is, to implement and co-convene a culturally responsive model of family decision making with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, young people and their families who are referred by the regional Child Protection Service or at risk of contact with the child protection system. To develop and deliver collaborative working relationships with community agencies and Child Protection to maximise service delivery to clients of Child Protection and their families and to promote the practice of Reconciliation and engage families in the Aboriginal Family Decision Making Program.

**Key Selection Criteria:** Sound knowledge of local issues and needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community; demonstrated ability to work with children, young people and families in contact or at risk of contact with family services; demonstrated ability in convening and mediating outcomes with groups; well developed interpersonal and communication skills, including the capacity to engage families, elders and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in a collaborative planning process; have the capacity to develop, plan, implement, manage and evaluate a program; demonstrated experience of working in and with Aboriginal communities.

**Job Notes:** applicants must address the selection criteria, stating relevant qualifications and experience, hold a current drivers licence, and the successful applicant will be required to undertake relevant criminal record and working with children checks. Qualifications at certificate/diploma level in Welfare Studies or equivalent qualification and/or a willingness to participate in training would be an advantage.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: Bill Barnes on (03) 5331 5344

Position description and selection criteria may be obtained from: Rhonda Laxton on (03) 5331 5344 or reception@badac.ballarat.net.au

Applications marked Confidential should be forwarded to: Karen Heap (CEO), Ballarat & District Aboriginal Co-operative Ltd, 5 Market Street, Ballarat VIC 3350.

Closing date: Friday 13 April 2007.



Queensland Government  
Natural Resources and Water



# Notice of Proposed Addition of Excluded Land into Authority to Prospect

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The Department of Infrastructure has many exciting and rewarding employment opportunities available for Indigenous Australians.

Attractive employee benefits and development opportunities are available to successful applicants. Scholarships and Traineeships are available for 2007.

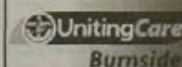
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## Accommodation and Support Workers DOORWAYS

### • Full-time and casual positions

UnitingCare Burnside DOORWAYS is an innovative, client needs-driven accommodation and support service for young people aged 16 to 24 years who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The service is based in Dubbo and is available throughout the Orana region for young people and their children. DOORWAYS is seeking skilled and motivated workers to fill these positions.

To be successful in this position you will need experience working with young people in a support role.

Aboriginal people are particularly encouraged to apply.

You must clearly address all the selection criteria in your application. You are, therefore, encouraged to obtain an 'employment package', outlining the requirements of the positions by phoning (02) 6884 5254.

Applications close on 13 April 2007

This position is of child-related employment and will require a 'Working with Children' check under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998. It is illegal for Prohibited Persons to apply.

Burnside is an EEO Employer and is committed to principles of cultural diversity.

because children matter



## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Experiencing rapid growth across Queensland  
New positions available  
Dynamic, progressive organisation

The Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) is looking for passionate, highly-skilled and energetic people with a strong desire to make a difference in the health industry.

We are a leading non-profit organisation, committed to improving the health and cultural wellbeing of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples. As a peak industry body, we work closely with industry, government, and non-government organisations to improve access to primary health care delivered by Aboriginal & Islander Community Controlled Health Services.

We are seeking applications to equip our growing organisation for the following newly-created positions:

Primary Prevention Senior Research Officer  
Physical Activity Coordinator  
Nutrition Coordinator  
Health Promotion Manager  
Quality Assurance — Child Protection  
Management Committee Trainer — Child Protection

Existing vacancies include:

Business Services Manager  
GP Policy Officer  
Regional Coordinator — Service Development

All enquiries for job descriptions and selection criteria should be directed to: The Business Manager Phone (07) 3360 8444  
Fax (07) 3257 7455  
Email [jobs@qaihc.com.au](mailto:jobs@qaihc.com.au)

Closing Date: 5pm Friday 6 April 2007

QAIHC is an equal opportunity employer.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE ARE PREFERRED TO APPLY



# LINK-UP (QLD)

## CASEWORKER

Link-Up (Qld) Aboriginal Corporation  
(FULL-TIME POSITION)  
CAIRNS REGIONAL OFFICE

Link-Up (Qld) Aboriginal Corporation is dedicated to reuniting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over the age of 18 who have been separated from their families and communities through adoption, fostering removal or institutionalisation due to past government policies and practices.

### The primary function of a Caseworker is to:

- Provide services to clients to facilitate reunions in caring and confidential manner;
- Research, investigate information and support clients as required;
- Liaise with relevant community groups, organisations and agencies as required;
- Develop and maintain appropriate networks;
- Contribute to providing an effective Link-Up service in Queensland.

Applicants should possess relevant tertiary qualifications and/or relevant experience. Knowledge of Microsoft and keyboard skills is required. *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.*

**CLOSING DATE: 11TH APRIL 2007.**

The position description and information package is available on request by contacting our office on (07) 3255 0855, toll free 1800 200 855 or write to Barry Jameson, Administrator, Link-Up (Qld) Aboriginal Corporation, PO Box 5487 West End 4101.



Women, Aboriginal People, Torres Strait Islanders, people from diverse racial, ethnic and ethno religious minority groups, mature aged workers and people with disabilities are particularly encouraged to apply.

## PROJECT OFFICER (Aboriginal)

Clerk Grade 7/8, Office of the Director General, Central Support Office, Position No: DJJ07/044. Total remuneration package valued up to \$81,591 pa including salary (\$66,796 to \$73,938 pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for researching, developing, monitoring and supporting the implementation of the Department of Juvenile Justice Aboriginal Strategic Plan through effective coordination and liaison with key internal and external stakeholders.

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality and Demonstrated understanding of Aboriginal community resources, agencies and youth networks, including their operating methods. Demonstrated understanding of contemporary juvenile and criminal justice issues as they relate to ATSI young people. Sound knowledge of and experience in project management. Knowledge of government policies, commitments and initiatives relevant to ATSI young people. Excellent problem solving, oral and written communication skills. Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team. Ability to gather, analyse and present complex information to a diverse audience. Demonstrated capacity to undertake policy and program development. Experience in social science and/or criminological research and practice. Computer skills including the use of word processing applications. A knowledge and understanding of ethical work practices, EEO, OH&S and the Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement.

**Notes:** Minimum class C driver's licence is required. It is an offence under the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants will be the subject of an employment screening check.

**Inquiries:** Joe Hedger (02) 9219 9534.

**Information Packages:** Pam Bell (02) 9219 9444.

**Applications marked "Confidential" to:** Employee Services Officer, Department of Juvenile Justice, PO Box K399, Haymarket 1240

**Closing Date:** Friday 6 April 2007.

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**BACHELOR INSTITUTE**  
OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

## Lecturer - Common Units

Position No.: 13998

Permanent appointment commencing April 2007

Batchelor/Alice Springs

**Total Remuneration Academic Level B**  
\$65,055 - \$77,253

To assist in the management, delivery and constant development of the operations of the School of Education, Arts and Social Sciences and to participate in the preparation, delivery and development of Higher Education courses.

**Applications close Monday 9th April 2007.**

Further information and the Selection Criteria are included in the application package which is available from the Institute's website [www.batchelor.edu.au](http://www.batchelor.edu.au) (recruitment link); the Human Resources Unit on (08) 8939 7272 (08) 8939 7303 Fax (08) 8939 7432; or email [recruitment@batchelor.edu.au](mailto:recruitment@batchelor.edu.au)

Please email your application including Response to the Selection Criteria, a current CV including the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three referees, to: [recruitment@batchelor.edu.au](mailto:recruitment@batchelor.edu.au)

or post it to: The Recruitment Officer  
Batchelor Institute of Indigenous  
Tertiary Education  
C/- Post Office  
Batchelor NT 0845

The Institute reserves the right not to make an appointment, or to vary the type of appointment.

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**Queensland Government**  
Natural Resources and Water



## Nurse Supervisor RN1

ACES are seeking to employ a Nurse Supervisor, who will ensure the ongoing high standards of culturally appropriate nursing and support services to resident Indigenous Elders and their families. ACES operate a 15 bed high care nursing home and a 10 bed low care hostel facility. A clear understanding of Indigenous culture and health issues, with demonstrated experience in Aged Care Nursing, including Dementia related illnesses, is essential.

**Wage:** \$63,700, plus on call allowance  
(Salary sacrificing up to \$16,000)  
**Location:** Brunswick East Melbourne, Victoria  
**Hours:** Mon - Fri 8am to 4pm plus on call  
**Applications close:** 13 April 2007  
**Commencement date:** 7 May 2007

### Information package:

Yvonne Cook Telephone: (03) 9383 4244 or by email:  
yvonne@acesinc.org.au

For further information regarding the position contact Karen Antrim, Acting CEO.



## Extended Care Worker

Full-Time or 2 x 5 positions

- Provide Out of Home care placements with Indigenous or culturally appropriate non-Indigenous families/individuals for Indigenous children and young people aged 0-17 years old, who are temporarily or permanently unable to live with their families
- Assist in the recruitment, training, assessment and reviews of Care-givers
- Undertake assessments, prepare reports, develop case plans and make recommendations about clients families
- Participate in program supervision, meetings and staff development sessions
- Training and mentoring opportunities exist with the position
- Hold current Victorian driver's licence

To obtain a position description please contact: Roslyn Atkinson, Rumbalara Family Services on (03) 5831 2010.

All applicants must address the key selection criteria in the positions description, include a resume and referees.

Successful applicant must undergo a Police Check and hold a current Working with Children Check.

Applications close on Friday April 13, 2007.  
Applications will not be accepted via email,  
but should be addressed to:

Felicia Dean, Rumbalara Aboriginal Cooperative,  
PO Box 614, Mooroolbark VIC 3639.

We encourage applications from members and graduates of the Indigenous Community to apply.

# Notice of Proposed Addition of Excluded Land into Authority to Prospect

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\*Authorities to Prospect are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) and the number of Sub-blocks (the Sub-Block Code) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the acts:** It is proposed to grant the application to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) pursuant to and subject to the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld). On the granting of the application the Excluded Land is included in the existing Authority to Prospect. This authorises the holder to explore for petroleum on the Excluded Land for the current term of the Authority to Prospect.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The application to add Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) will be granted by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

**Further Information:** Further information about the proposed future acts, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

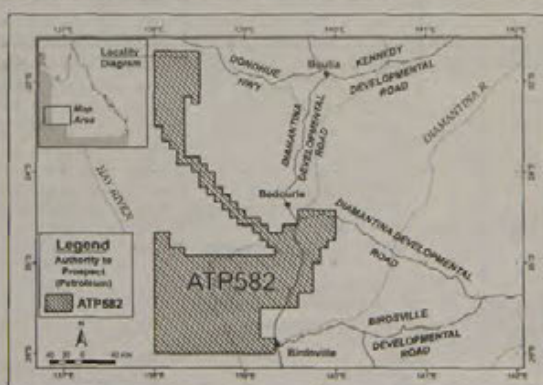
**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

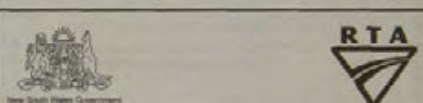
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Notification Day: 20 April 2007



Queensland Government  
Natural Resources and Water



## ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE ADVISOR

Salary package up to \$81,091 pa  
Permanent Full Time - Parkes

The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisor will be responsible for the project management of Aboriginal cultural and heritage matters on road projects in the Region in order to ensure that RTA Aboriginal heritage guidelines, policies and legislation are implemented.

Position Number: 50080204

Applicants must obtain an information package from George Shearer on (02) 8814 2426 or download from [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au). Applicants can apply online or mail to Recruitment Services, PO Box 3035, Parramatta NSW 2124. Further information is available at [www.rta.nsw.gov.au/careers](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/careers)

Applications close: 30 March 2007



## SOLICITOR

Sydney 3yrs+ ppe

Now South Wales Native Title Services Ltd is recognised by the Commonwealth government to fulfil the duties and functions of a Native Title Representative Body under the Native Title Act 1993 as amended and is funded to act in the protection and recognition of native title in New South Wales and the ACT.

Our multidisciplinary company presently employs 5 solicitors (3 indigenous lawyers) and a Principal Solicitor. The company has branch offices in Coffs Harbour and Dubbo.

NSW NTS is seeking a solicitor based in Sydney to conduct major claims all of which are filed as proceedings in the National Native Title Tribunal and the Federal Court. Some work entails negotiations with the mining industry. All claims involve negotiations with agencies of the State of New South Wales and sometimes the Commonwealth and other parties.

Experience in native title law and practice is desirable but not essential as the company provides a consistent level of training both in-house and externally over the entire period of employment.

A contract for 12 months is available which is renewable on mutually satisfactory terms and conditions. An interesting salary package is available.

The successful applicant is required to engage in regular air/land travel.

A driving licence is essential.

Enquiries and applications should be addressed to:

Lauren White  
Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer  
New South Wales Native Title Services Ltd  
PO Box 2105 Strawberry Hills NSW 2012  
Or Suite 15/245 Chalmers Road, Redfern NSW 2016  
Phone: (02) 9310-3168 Fax: (02) 9310-4177  
Email: [lwhite@nswnts.com.au](mailto:lwhite@nswnts.com.au)



## Assistant Co-ordinator

Aboriginal woman / part-time

The Women's Domestic Violence Court Support Assistance Scheme (WDVCS) at Redfern Legal Centre requires an Aboriginal woman to work with the co-ordinator of the WDVCS program. Being a woman, and being Aboriginal, are genuine occupational qualifications for this position under the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act.

The assistant co-ordinator will provide court support to women, manage a roster of workers and lawyers, and provide administrative support to the WDVCS. In particular she will develop culturally appropriate guidelines for court assistance

to Aboriginal women, and establish links with the Aboriginal community in our area.

The position is part-time, for two days a week. Salary is in the range of \$50,360-60,213 pro rata depending on skills and experience. (\$27.60 - \$33.00 per hour).

Selection criteria include an understanding of the causes and consequences of family and domestic violence and of Aboriginal community relations, and experience in administration.

For information including job description and selection criteria contact the WDVCS Co-ordinator on (02) 9698 7277 or visit our website at [www.rlc.org.au](http://www.rlc.org.au).

Applications which do not address the selection criteria will not be considered.

**Applications close:** 27 April 2007.

*RLC is an equal opportunity employer - we value social and cultural diversity in the workplace.*

## KOOEMBA JDARRA INDIGENOUS PERFORMING ARTS ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Kooemba Jdarra is a non-profit community based Indigenous organization that develops and produces high quality theatre productions.

Kooemba Jdarra also engages in community development programs aimed at creating an awareness of and interest in the performing arts industry.

We are currently seeking expressions of interest for the position of Artistic Director.

The position of Artistic Director will be responsible for developing and implementing artistic programs and supporting and enhancing Kooemba Jdarra's artistic vision.

Persons interested in applying for this position should address the selection criteria. Selection criteria and further information can be obtained by contacting the Acting General Manager, Allan Lui on: 07 3257 1433. Email: [allan@kooemba.com.au](mailto:allan@kooemba.com.au)

All applications for the position of Artistic Director should be sent to:

**The Chairperson**  
Kooemba Jdarra Indigenous Performing Arts  
420 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley QLD 4006  
Or email: [allan@kooemba.com.au](mailto:allan@kooemba.com.au)

**Applications close on:** Monday the 16th of April, 2007.

## ABORIGINAL YOUTH WORKERS

MARIST YOUTH CARE

Casual Positions

Applicants with the ability to work with young aboriginal people at the risk of homelessness are invited to apply for Casual residential care positions. The role involves active participation in activities supporting young people's case plans and the development of their living and social skills.

**Applicants will require:**

- An ability to engage with young people, manage challenging behaviours, role model appropriate skills and implement case plans.
- At least 1 year's experience in a similar role.
- Ability to work rostered shifts which include sleepovers and weekends.
- A current driver's licence.

Relevant qualifications with SAAP standards are desirable.

Remuneration will be per SACS NAPSAs.

**Applications close:** 9th April 2007, previous applicants need not apply.

**For an application package contact:** Lauren Knowles on (02) 9853 0307 or email [laurenk@maristyc.com.au](mailto:laurenk@maristyc.com.au)

**Enquiries to:** Maxine Dabinett on (02) 9832 9030 or email [maxined@maristyc.com.au](mailto:maxined@maristyc.com.au)

*MYC considers aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under s. 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).*

*Employment screening of successful applicants is a requirement of the child protection legislation.*

# Notice of Proposed Grant of an Authority to Prospect

## Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* of the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect shown below under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)*.

**Authority to Prospect to which this notice applies:**

Authority to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant ACN
ATP732	Approx. 65km SW from Eromanga Centred at approximate Lat.27°12'30"S Long.142°57'30"E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: <b>Bulloo and Quilpie</b>	<b>Area:</b> 2750 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cooper Creek <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 900 (each 1'lat x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2508 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2577 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2578 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2579 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2580 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2581 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2649 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2650 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2651 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2652 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2653 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2654 d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2721 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2722 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2723 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2724 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2725 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2726 d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2727 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2795 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2796 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2797 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2867 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2868 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2869 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2937 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2938 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2939 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2940 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2941 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3010 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3011 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3012 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3013 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3082 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3083 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	<b>Magellan Petroleum (Eastern) Pty Ltd</b> <b>053 726 711</b>

\* Authorities to Prospect are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) and the number of Sub-blocks (the Sub-Block Code) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000. Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) i.e. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Authority to Prospect under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* authorises the holder to explore for petroleum for a period not exceeding twelve (12) years. Under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Authority to Prospect will be granted under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORFAROO, QLD 4151.

**Further information:** Further information about the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

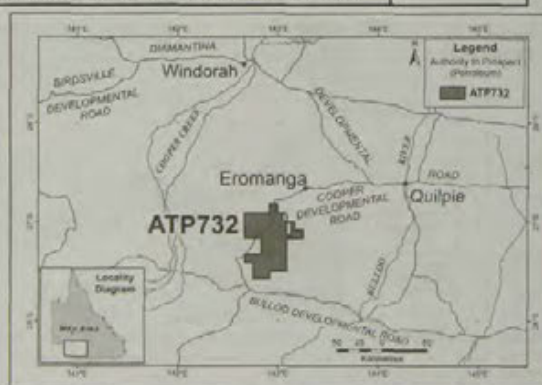
**Native Title Parties:** Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: [qldreg@fedecourt.gov.au](mailto:qldreg@fedecourt.gov.au)

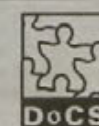
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**Notification Day:** 20 April 2007



**Queensland Government**  
Natural Resources and Water



NSW Department of Community Services

## NSW DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES CASEWORKER

ABORIGINAL INTENSIVE FAMILY BASED SERVICE

Clerk Grade 37

Metro Central Region

Yallamundi Aboriginal Intensive Family Based Service, Redfern

Permanent Full-Time

Vacancy No: 07DOCS7294

Total remuneration package valued up to \$75,914 per annum (salary \$49,792 pa - \$68,794 pa) includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** Working with Aboriginal families in crisis to enhance family functioning and promote safety and well being of children and family members. To empower families to manage crises and prevent out of home care.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:**

- Aboriginality and sound knowledge of issues facing Aboriginal people.
- Knowledge of child protection and relevant legislation.
- Demonstrated experience in casework with children and families in crisis.
- Knowledge of family dynamics and risk factors to children.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Demonstrated networking skills and community development skills.
- Ability to work independently.
- Current NSW driver's licence.

**Common Selection Criteria:** Sound knowledge of and capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), ethical practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS).

**Job Notes:** Training will be provided. Shift work might be required. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants MUST obtain the Information Package, which contains the complete details of the advertisement and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria. Applicants must complete the Prohibited Employment Declaration and the Screening Consent Forms contained in the Information Package.

**Inquiries:** Robert Stewart, Telephone: (02) 9207 8960 or mobile 0422 009 136.

**Information Package:** Senior Customer Service Officer Telephone: (02) 9207 8960

**Applications Marked 'Confidential':** to Apply on-line at our website: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or e-mail to: [JobsDOCS@buzlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDOCS@buzlink.nsw.gov.au) or post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871.

**Closing date:** Friday, 6 April 2007



We are seeking a highly motivated individual to fill a position with the Western Aboriginal Tenant Advice And Advocacy Service. The WATAAS is funded by the Office of Fair Trading to provide advice, advocacy, tribunal representation and educational services to indigenous tenants in the western and far western regions of NSW.

## Tenant Advocate

Dubbo-35 hours per week

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality; demonstrated skills in client/case management, advocacy, negotiation and representation; proven communication, interpersonal and administrative skills; experience in dealing with clients with intellectual disabilities, clients from indigenous and non-English speaking backgrounds and clients from disadvantaged circumstances; demonstrated ability to work as part of a community based team; ability to effectively undertake and deliver community education initiatives; good computer skills, including word processing, data entry and internet experience; current driver's license.

**Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under SECTION 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.**

Extensive training and support will be provided to the successful applicant. Applicants should contact Alisha Ondrovic on (02) 6882 5435 for an information package.

Applications close Friday 13th April 2007.

**Written applications addressing the criteria should be marked Confidential and forwarded to:** Confidential Service Coordinator-WATAAS, Postal Address: PO Box 2025, Dubbo NSW 2830. Current Office Address: 69 Church Street, Dubbo NSW 2830.

## NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL SENIOR LALC SUPPORT OFFICER SOUTHERN ZONE (QUEANBEYAN)

Attractive Remuneration Package and Benefits  
(including a Salary Range of \$61,987 to \$75,004 per annum).

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Senior LALC Support Officer. This position is a senior role within our Southern Zone Office based at Queanbeyan, providing an extensive range of assistance and advice to enable Local Aboriginal Land Councils to meet procedural and legislative requirements.

The successful applicant will need the capacity to interpret and implement legislation, program delivery, sound communication skills and the ability to coordinate a diverse range of functions. A willingness to travel is also required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Human Resources Co-ordinator, Richard Perin by email: richard.perin@alc.org.au or (02) 9689 4497.

Applications can be forwarded to richard.perin@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Human Resources Coordinator, NSW Aboriginal Land Council  
PO Box 1125, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Applications close Monday 9 April 2007.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

## NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ADMINISTRATIVE CO-ORDINATOR

Clerk Grade 3/4

Business Performance

Central Sydney Housing Services Division  
Sydney

Permanent Full-Time

Position No. 07DOH7289

Total remuneration package valued up to \$60,163 per annum (\$49,792 pa - \$54,520 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** The position coordinates the provision of clerical and administrative support service to the Business Performance Group.

### SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Experience in the maintenance of databases, data extraction and manipulation.
- Demonstrated ability to format and display data for management reports.
- Sound organisational, administrative and time management skills.
- Experience in performance reporting methods and how these are used to improve service delivery outcomes.
- Knowledge of government accounting and financial practices.
- Demonstrated high level experience in using MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access.
- High level communication and interpersonal skills.
- Analytical and problem solving skills and ability to manage workloads, strict deadlines and competing priorities.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OH&S).

**Job Notes:** Applicants MUST obtain the Information Package, which contains the complete details of the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

**Inquiries:** Paul Nejaim Tel: (02) 9268 3562 or email: paul.nejaim@housing.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Available on-line at our website: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact 1800 502 766 or email: Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

**Applications marked 'Confidential' to:** Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW BusinessLink, Level 6, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871 or by e-mail: JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or you can apply online at: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 5 April 2007.

# Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

## Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of a Mining Lease shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant ACN
ML90183	Approx. 14km South South East from Duches.	<b>Current Land Tenures</b> Lot 109 on USL703 - State Land (mining and access) Lot 12 on CW20 - State Land (mining only) Lot 22 on CW61 - Pastoral Holding 11/5353 (mining and access) Lot 2949 on PH1341 - Pastoral Holding 13/2949 (access only) Unnamed Road (access only)	Barrick (Osborne) Pty Limited 061 300 025
Trekellano Extended	Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	<b>Area of land applied for in Mining Lease:</b> 9.5625ha	

**Nature of the acts:** Grant of a Mining Lease under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

**Further Information:** Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including an extract of the plan showing the boundary of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy (DME) Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216; DME, Office of the Mining Registrar, 13 Isa Street, PO Box 334, Mount Isa, Qld 4825, Telephone: (07) 4747 2104.

**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of a Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: Monday 23 April 2007



Queensland Government  
Natural Resources and Water

# Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

## Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of a Mining Lease shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number and Name	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application	Current Applicants ACN
ML70330	Approx. 33km North East from Emerald	<b>Current Land Tenure:</b> Unallocated State Land (Crimin Creek)	Queensland Coal Pty Limited 000 003 921
Kestrel Extension #3	Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Peak Downs	<b>Area of land applied for in Mining Lease:</b> 9.3ha	Mitsui Kestrel Coal Investment Pty Limited 002 429 763

**Nature of the acts:** Grant of a Mining Lease under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), for a term not exceeding thirty (30) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding thirty (30) years.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

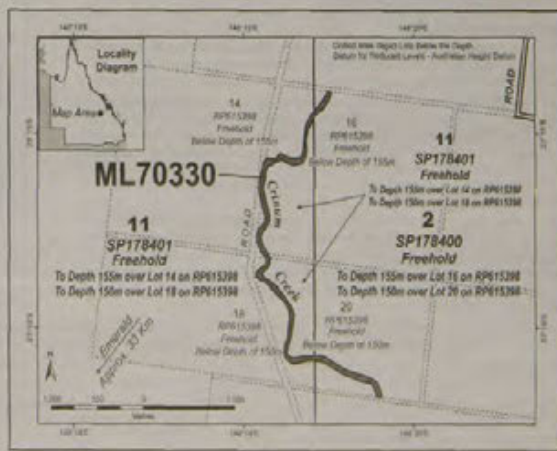
**Further Information:** Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of the plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy (DME) Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216; DME, Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, PO Box 19, Emerald, Qld 4720, Ph: 07 4987 9300.

**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 28 March 2007



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## Indigenous Community Engagement Broker

- Ongoing position based in Traralgon and covering the Gippsland Region
- \$67,557 - \$81,738 plus Super

This is an exciting new role acting as a broker to bring Indigenous community members and stakeholders together to implement the Victorian Government's new plan for giving Indigenous people a voice in their local community. You will help establish local and regional Indigenous networks which will strengthen Indigenous communities across the region.

Your well developed community engagement skills, your knowledge of Indigenous communities and their strengths, and your ability to link local community planning with broader Government objectives will be critical to this role. Awareness of capacity building and community strengthening approaches for Indigenous communities would be an advantage.

To apply online and access position descriptions and selection criteria visit

[www.careers.vic.gov.au](http://www.careers.vic.gov.au)

and search under "current vacancies" for Department of Victorian Communities.

Closing date for applications is 13/4/07

For further information about DVC visit [www.dvc.vic.gov.au](http://www.dvc.vic.gov.au)

## Dandenong Casey Aboriginal Best Start Project Community Facilitator

Full time position - fixed term June 2009

SACS Award Community Development Class 11 level B

Range \$43,373 - \$49,669

Applications close 5 April 2007

This position will be based at the Dandenong & District Aborigines Cooperative Ltd (DDACL). The Aboriginal Best Project (Greater Dandenong and Casey Municipalities) will develop and implement a range of initiatives that focus on understanding the health, education, development and well being needs of Aboriginal children, 0-8 years, their families and their community. The project will identify the range of resources and services currently being provided and will seek better co-ordination to make services more accessible and sensitive to the Aboriginal community.

The Partnership is looking for a highly motivated self starter, with well developed communication and interpersonal skills with an understanding and commitment to Aboriginal culture and kinship structures within the Dandenong - Casey area. Other partners in this project include City of Greater Dandenong, City of Casey, Southern Health, Department of Education and a range of other community service organisations.

Aboriginal persons are strongly encouraged to apply.

For a copy of the position description, selection criteria and any enquiries please contact Andrew Gardiner on (03) 9794 5933 or email: [manager@ddacl.org.au](mailto:manager@ddacl.org.au)

## Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design Aboriginal tutor

Aboriginal tutor with the ability to encourage and motivate high school Aboriginal students to meet curriculum demands in literacy and numeracy. Ability to support and liaise with high school teachers. Sound organisational skills. Preference to applicants who hold HSC or higher credentials.

Applications and CV to Ron Miles, Principal, Dulwich High School of Visual Arts and Design, Seaview St, Dulwich Hill 2203 by 4th April 2007.



Riverina Medical & Dental Aboriginal Corporation is a community controlled Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS) providing a broad range of services and programs to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in and around Wagga Wagga. All employees assist in the achievement of the AMS' vision and objectives through high quality client focused, holistic practice. We are currently accredited with Australian General Practice Accreditation Limited (AGPAL).

## REGISTERED NURSE

(Full-Time Position)

This vacancy is RE-ADVERTISED previous applicants need not reapply

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Registered Nurses to join our practice's clinical team.

**Essential Criteria includes:** Current Registration with the NSW Nurses' Registration Board, knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and health issues, experience working in a primary health care setting and with people with chronic illnesses.

Wages and conditions are in accordance with the Nurses etc. other than in hospitals (State) Award PLUS Salary sacrifice is available to Corporation staff.

For further information and application package, contact Karen Griffin, Practice Manager on (02) 69235200. Email: [pm@rivmed.org](mailto:pm@rivmed.org)

A vacancy exists in our administration team, and we are seeking applications from suitably qualified Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people.

## ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

(up to 20 HOURS PER WEEK)

The primary role of the administration assistant is to provide a high standard of administrative support to the Office Manager in all areas including wages, accounts, purchasing and stores control.

**Essential:** Aboriginality; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; relevant qualifications and experience in administrative duties including file management, accounts, purchasing, stores control, and operation of a range of office equipment; proven ability to work independently and within a team environment; sound knowledge of issues related to confidentiality; knowledge of occupational health and safety; current NSW driver's licence.

**Desirable:** Experience in using MYOB accounting system.

**Contact:** Julie Bailey, Office Manager for an application package and enquiries on (02) 69235200 or Email [admin@rivmed.org](mailto:admin@rivmed.org)

## MALE ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER

(Full-Time Position)

Applications are invited from suitably qualified men for the full time position of generalist Aboriginal Health Worker in our organisation's Clinical Team.

**Essential criteria includes:** Aboriginality; Male; demonstrated ability to work as part of a team; an ability and willingness to undertake and complete relevant studies if required; current NSW driver's licence; relevant education or experience in the health field is desirable but not essential.

For information and application package contact Karen Griffin, Practice Manager on (02) 69235200 or email [pm@rivmed.org](mailto:pm@rivmed.org)

## FEMALE ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER

(Full-Time Position)

This vacancy is RE-ADVERTISED previous applicants need not reapply

Applications are invited from suitably qualified women for the full time position of generalist Aboriginal Health Worker in our organisation's Clinical Team.

**Essential criteria includes:** Aboriginality; Female; demonstrated ability to work as part of a team; an ability and willingness to undertake and complete relevant studies if required; current NSW driver's licence; relevant education or experience in the health field is desirable but not essential.

Award wages and conditions apply for all position - PLUS Salary sacrifice is available to eligible Corporation staff.

For information and application package contact Karen Griffin, Practice Manager on (02) 69235200 or email [pm@rivmed.org](mailto:pm@rivmed.org)

## ABORIGINAL FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER

FEMALE - (Full-Time Position)

Applications are invited from suitably qualified women for the full time position of Family Support Worker. The position is part of our organisation's Family Health Team providing a creative holistic approach to social and emotional wellbeing issues.

**Essential criteria includes:** Aboriginality; Female; appropriate life experience within the Aboriginal community; knowledge of current Aboriginal family wellbeing/support issues; excellent communication skills (verbal and written); an ability and willingness to undertake and complete relevant studies if required; current NSW driver's licence.

For information and application package contact Tangerine Ingram, Family Health Team Leader on (02)69235200 or [tbi@rivmed.org](mailto:tbi@rivmed.org)

An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized by Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications close 5pm Friday 27 April 2007.

Applicants must complete RivMed's application package and address all selection criteria.

## Notice of Proposed Grant of an Authority to Prospect Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect shown below under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld).

Authority to Prospect to which this notice applies:

Authority to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant ACN
ATP784	Part 1: 29km SW from Windorah Centred at approximate Lat.25°45'S Long.142°30'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Quilpie and Barcoo	<p><b>Area:</b> 1849 km<sup>2</sup></p> <p><b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cooper Creek</p> <p><b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 600 (each 1°lat x 1°long)</p> <p><b>Block Number Sub-blocks:</b></p> <p>1348 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1349 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1350 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1351 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1420 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1421 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1422 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1423 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1492 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1493 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1494 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1495 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1496 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1497 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1564 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1565 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1566 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1567 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1568 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1569 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1638 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1639 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1640 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p> <p>1731 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</p>	Pacrim Energy Limited 010 856 014

\* Authorities to Prospect are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) and the number of Sub-blocks (the Sub-block Code) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) ie. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Authority to Prospect under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for petroleum for a period not exceeding twelve (12) years. Under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Authority to Prospect will be granted under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

**Further information:** Further information about the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongahba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

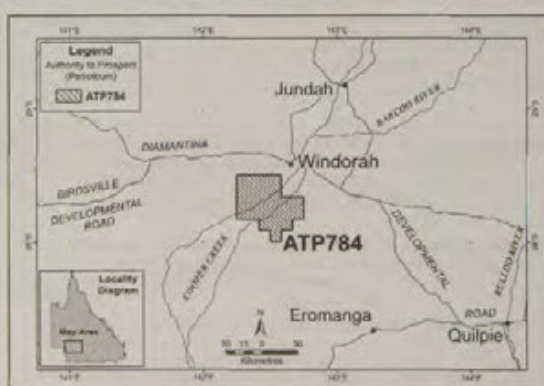
**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Authorities to Prospect. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: [qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au](mailto:qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au)

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 20 April 2007



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**Job Description:** The Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) operates a highly successful School Based Traineeship Program for Aboriginal students in high school. The program allows the trainees to work with a host employer, complete a Certificate 2 in Business Services while completing their HSC.

There are currently 82 School Based Trainees across NSW and in regional Western Australia who have been placed with; ANZ Bank, Commonwealth Bank, Westpac, City of Sydney and Campbelltown City Council. The program will be expanding to North Queensland, Northern Territory and Western Australia in 2008.

The AES is seeking a highly motivated and well organised individual to assist in the management of the program. It is an exciting opportunity for an individual interested in developing Aboriginal students to succeed in the workplace. The successful applicant will be given a portfolio of trainees who they will be mentoring to ensure they successfully complete the traineeship, working closely with the trainee's host employer and school. This position will require interstate travel.

**Duties:** Meet with schools to promote SBT program; liaise with host employers regarding selection of trainees; liaise with schools regarding performance of trainees; provide ongoing mentoring support to trainees; provide ongoing advice and support to host employer; administration of the SBT program; work in accordance with Group Training Organisation standards; database management.

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality; strong communications skills; excellent organisational skills; demonstrated ability to work independently; demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Indigenous Australians and the issues they face in employment; demonstrated project management skills; demonstrated ability to work across a range of diverse stakeholders; demonstrated ability to work to targets; driver's licence.

**Desirable:** Tertiary qualification; experience working with young people; experience in human resource management; experience working within the education sector.

**Remuneration package:** base salary up to \$55,000.

**Inquiries:** Phil Lockyer (02) 8571 0921 or phil.lockyer@Aborigines.com.au

**Closing date:** Friday 4 April 2007.



NSW Government

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

### MURRAY VALLEY

Raymond Anthony SMITH and Leanne Joy SMITH have submitted an application to amend an existing Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Lower Murray Groundwater Water Source.

Works: 1 x bore  
Works Location: Lot 117 DP455183, Parish Moira, County Cadell  
Purpose: Irrigation

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5896-3900.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the Application No. 50WAS05802 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484899)

DEER PARK HOLDINGS PTY LTD has submitted an application for a Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Lower Murray Groundwater Water Source.

Works: 1 x bore  
Works Location: Lot 36 DP756259, Parish Brassi, County Townsend  
Purpose: Irrigation

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5896-3900.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the Application No. 751 (50WAS05906) on all correspondence. (GA2: 484899)

Lindsay J Holden, Senior Licensing Officer,  
Department of Natural Resources PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

### MURRUMBIDGE VALLEY

KENNETH BOYD McCRABBS & VYVIANE MARY McCRABBS have submitted an application to amend an existing Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the NSW Murrumbidgee Regulated River Water Source (Bilabong Creek).

Work: 1 x 50mm centrifugal pump  
Work Location: Road adjacent to Lot 4/9/759045, Parish Wanganella, County Townsend  
Purpose: Stock & Domestic

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5896-3900.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the Application No. 51WAS00231 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484897)

### MURRAY VALLEY

ANDREW WILLIAM LOSTROH & HELEN JANET WHITE LOSTROH have submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the LOWER MURRAY GROUNDWATER WATER SOURCE.

Work: 1 x Bore  
Work Location: Lot 65/756319, Parish Pungulgal, County Townsend  
Purpose: Irrigation

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5896-3900.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the Application No. 737 (50WAS05899) on all correspondence. (GA2: 484897)

Lindsay Holden, Senior Licensing Officer,  
Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

Hunter Valley Energy Coal Limited has submitted an application for a Water Supply Works approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Hunter Regulated River Water Source.

The application is for a new Pumping Plant with a capacity of 1000 litres per second (upgrade of existing works) at Lot 2/387021 in the Parish of Brougham, County of Durham. (readvertisement of Pumping Plant Capacity)

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 02 4934 2578.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 11/04/2007. Please quote the application number 678 on all correspondence.

Bruce Westbrook, Licensing Officer,  
Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 2213, Dangar, NSW 2309



## NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 28

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 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
45/067	Legend Mining Ltd	ME9187	84.3ha	80km SE of Meekathana	Lat 28°56' Long 119°20'	Wiluna
53/1213	Legend Mining Ltd	ME10987	25.38ha	94km SW of Wiluna	Lat 28°57' Long 119°20'	Wiluna
53/1216	Legend Mining Ltd	ME1167	12.22ha	98km SE of Meekathana	Lat 28°56' Long 119°19'	Wiluna

**Nature of the act:** Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

**Notification day:** 28 March 2007.

**Native title parties:** Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on **28 June 2007**. 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. 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 attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **28 July 2007**), 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 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.



## NOTICE TO GRANT EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following exploration licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1444	Pancontinental Mining Corporation Pty Ltd	228.73km <sup>2</sup>	111km NW of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 17°24' Long 124°55'	Deby-West Kimberley
04/1825	Caldera Resources Pty Ltd	227.66km <sup>2</sup>	80km W of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°14' Long 124°50'	Deby-West Kimberley
04/1826	Xenex Xenex	13.13km <sup>2</sup>	120km N of Derby	Lat 16°14' Long 123°28'	Deby-West Kimberley
04/1827-8	Xenex Xenex	6.59km <sup>2</sup>	123km N of Derby	Lat 16°11' Long 123°32'	Deby-West Kimberley
09/1534	Greenima Pty Ltd	6.31km <sup>2</sup>	130km S of Pannawonica	Lat 22°48' Long 115°50'	Ashburton
08/1898	Zeus Resources Pty Ltd	561.58km <sup>2</sup>	61km S of Onslow	Lat 22°51' Long 116°44'	Ashburton
09/1711	Paul Winston Adams	32.90km <sup>2</sup>	150km S of Pannawonica	Lat 22°59' Long 115°53'	Ashburton
09/1712	Gecko Resources NL	63.09km <sup>2</sup>	104km W of Paraburdoo	Lat 22°48' Long 116°44'	Ashburton
08/1758	Jackson Gold Ltd	47.34km <sup>2</sup>	141km SW of Pannawonica	Lat 22°48' Long 116°48'	Ashburton
08/1760	RMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	222.83km <sup>2</sup>	41km E of Onslow	Lat 21°39' Long 118°30'	Ashburton
08/1761	RMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	44.54km <sup>2</sup>	60km NE of Onslow	Lat 21°02' Long 115°57'	Ashburton/Perth
09/1304	William Robert Richmond	187.57km <sup>2</sup>	138km NE of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°06' Long 116°01'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1305	Kalgoorlie Boulder Resources Ltd	0.25km <sup>2</sup>	138km NE of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 24°07' Long 116°00'	Upper Gascoyne
09/1420	Sammy Resources Pty Ltd	319.57km <sup>2</sup>	180km SE of Gascoyne Junction	Lat 26°14' Long 116°26'	Murchison
15/504	Avoca Resources Ltd	20.61km <sup>2</sup>	18km NE of Coolgardie	Lat 30°51' Long 121°18'	Coolgardie
20/504	Jindalee Resources Ltd	76.67km <sup>2</sup>	27km N of Cool	Lat 27°12' Long 117°47'	Cue
20/642	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	175.34km <sup>2</sup>	158km W of Meekathana	Lat 26°05' Long 117°01'	Murchison
21/125	Alloy Resources Ltd	100.27km <sup>2</sup>	23km SE of Cool	Lat 27°30' Long 119°00'	Cue
21/126	Zircon International Pty Ltd	42.48km <sup>2</sup>	33km SE of Cool	Lat 27°41' Long 119°00'	Cue
25/040	Heiron Resources Ltd	26.5km <sup>2</sup>	49km E of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°49' Long 121°56'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/032	Jackson Gold Ltd	41.36km <sup>2</sup>	25km N of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°31' Long 121°27'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/1689	Spa Gold Ltd	79.61km <sup>2</sup>	60km E of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°41' Long 122°28'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/1690	AngloGold Ashanti Australia Ltd	35.17km <sup>2</sup>	100km E of Kalbarra	Lat 31°18' Long 122°48'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/1691-2	AngloGold Ashanti Australia Ltd	207.06km <sup>2</sup>	86km NE of Norseman	Lat 31°45' Long 122°34'	Dundas
28/1692	AngloGold Ashanti Australia Ltd	20.45km <sup>2</sup>	88km E of Wodgina/Coorab	Lat 31°48' Long 122°29'	Dundas
37/609	South Boulder Mines Ltd	212.64km <sup>2</sup>	100km E of Lander	Lat 27°34' Long 121°44'	Laverton/Laurens
38/1942	Dukeston Consolidated Ltd	3.09km <sup>2</sup>	120km NW of Cooma Newbury Mission	Lat 27°00' Long 122°22'	Laverton
45/2940	Do Gray Mining Ltd	12.77km <sup>2</sup>	45km W of Marble Bar	Lat 21°14' Long 119°17'	East Pilbara
45/2941	Do Gray Mining Ltd	25.51km <sup>2</sup>	71km SW of Marble Bar	Lat 21°28' Long 119°07'	East Pilbara
45/2942	Do Gray Mining Ltd	32km <sup>2</sup>	13km N of Marble Bar	Lat 21°03' Long 119°40'	East Pilbara
45/2943	Dukeston Consolidated Ltd	172.23km <sup>2</sup>	41km SW of Marble Bar	Lat 21°34' Long 119°30'	East Pilbara
45/2944	Dukeston Consolidated Ltd	192.39km <sup>2</sup>	88km SE of Shay Gap	Lat 21°02' Long 120°47'	East Pilbara
45/2945	Consolidated Iron Pty Ltd	16.06km <sup>2</sup>	6km S of Goodwin	Lat 20°23' Long 119°31'	East Pilbara
45/2955	Hosma Mining NL	25.53km <sup>2</sup>	40km SW of Marble Bar	Lat 21°50' Long 119°25'	East Pilbara
45/2959	Regency Bay Pty Ltd	404.09km <sup>2</sup>	37km N of Marble Bar	Lat 20°20' Long 119°48'	East Pilbara
46/605	Witk Pty Ltd	221.75km <sup>2</sup>	33km N of Newman	Lat 22°29' Long 120°38'	East Pilbara
47/1203	Empire Resources Ltd	9.45km <sup>2</sup>	30km NW of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°03' Long 117°25'	Ashburton
47/1482	Sunkoo Pty Ltd	70.43km <sup>2</sup>	7km NW of Katla	Lat 20°41' Long 116°49'	Ashburton
47/1725	Yinkum Mining (WA) Pty Ltd	32.17km <sup>2</sup>	113km S of Pannawonica	Lat 22°30' Long 116°40'	Ashburton
47/1732	Concordia Pty Ltd	28.33km <sup>2</sup>	6km NW of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°01' Long 117°36'	Ashburton
51/1188	Tracy Pearson	215.70km <sup>2</sup>	97km NW of Meekathana	Lat 25°51' Long 117°58'	Meekathana
51/1194	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	192.12km <sup>2</sup>	96km NW of Wiluna	Lat 25°53' Long 119°40'	Meekathana/Wiluna
53/1210	Legend Mining Ltd	6.11km <sup>2</sup>	84km SE of Meekathana	Lat 26°55' Long 117°19'	Meekathana/Wiluna
53/1219	Aian Paul Rudd	110.66km <sup>2</sup>	18km N of Wiluna	Lat 26°26' Long 120°11'	Wiluna
53/1284	Somers Resources Pty Ltd	3.04km <sup>2</sup>	59km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°12' Long 120°42'	Wiluna
57/633	Legend Mining Ltd	213.11km <sup>2</sup>	62km N of Sandstone	Lat 25°58' Long 119°41'	Sandstone
57/643	Empire Resources Ltd	93.29km <sup>2</sup>	83km S of Sandstone	Lat 26°14' Long 119°42'	Sandstone
57/648	Empire Resources Ltd	40.25km <sup>2</sup>	69km SE of Sandstone	Lat 26°30' Long 119°36'	Sandstone
57/660	Zircon International Pty Ltd	12km <sup>2</sup>	124km S of Sandstone	Lat 29°04' Long 119°36'	Sandstone
58/335	Perilya Ltd	60.68km <sup>2</sup>	29km S of Cue	Lat 27°41' Long 117°49'	Cue/Mount Magnet
59/1272	Gary Mason	11.98km <sup>2</sup>	60km NW of Paynes Ford	Lat 28°58' Long 117°10'	Waggon
63/1103	Porton Minerals Pty Ltd	578.68km <sup>2</sup>	89km W of Baladonia	Lat 32°17' Long 122°35'	Dundas
69/2255	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	177.78km <sup>2</sup>	170km NE of Wiluna	Lat 27°48' Long 121°41'	Wiluna
69/2266	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	518.99km <sup>2</sup>	236km NE of Wiluna	Lat 27°54' Long 122°25'	Wiluna
69/2267 & 69/2268-70	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	3446.44km <sup>2</sup>	210km NE of Wiluna	Lat 28°12' Long 121°36'	Wiluna
69/2269	Dynasty Metals Australia Ltd	216.49km <sup>2</sup>	129km NE of Wiluna	Lat 26°37' Long 120°54'	Wiluna
70/2490	Magnetic Minerals Pty Ltd	29.47km <sup>2</sup>	48km SE of Cueville	Lat 30°48' Long 118°28'	Dandenong
70/2491	Magnetic Minerals Pty Ltd	152.53km <sup>2</sup>	53km SW of Moora	Lat 30°53' Long 118°32'	Dandenong/Gingin
70/2504	Magnetic Minerals Pty Ltd	126.73km <sup>2</sup>	12km E of Cueville	Lat 30°54' Long 118°11'	Dandenong
70/2585	Washington Resources Ltd	47.17km <sup>2</sup>	38km E of Moora	Lat 31°04' Long 118°24'	Moora
70/3020	Consolidated Copper Pty Ltd	203.72km <sup>2</sup>	27km E of York	Lat 31°58' Long 117°03'	Beverly/Quindaring/York
70/3027	Consolidated Copper Pty Ltd	203.89km <sup>2</sup>	12km E of York	Lat 31°58' Long 117°03'	Northam/York
70/3028	Consolidated Copper Pty Ltd	203.3km <sup>2</sup>	29km N of Brookton	Lat 32°07' Long 116°57'	Beverly
70/3029	Consolidated Copper Pty Ltd	203.24km <sup>2</sup>	29km SW of Quindaring	Lat 32°06' Long 117°07'	Beverly/Quindaring
70/3030	Consolidated Copper Pty Ltd	203.61km <sup>2</sup>	4km NW of Quindaring	Lat 31°59' Long 117°22'	Quindaring
70/3042	Metals Sands Ltd	126.02km <sup>2</sup>	43km E of Augusta	Lat 34°21' Long 115°37'	Northam
77/1320	Evolution Resources NL	77.03km <sup>2</sup>	62km NW of Padbury	Lat 30°18' Long 120°15'	Yalgam
80/3087	Kallina Mines Pty Ltd	162.41km <sup>2</sup>	69km NW of Halls Creek	Lat 17°49' Long 120°06'	Halls Creek
80/3700	Kallina Mines Pty Ltd	457.42km <sup>2</sup>	36km S of Wyndham	Lat 15°50' Long 120°03'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/3701	Kallina Mines Pty Ltd	249.99km <sup>2</sup>	58km SW of Kununurra	Lat 16°10' Long 120°22'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/3702	Kallina Mines Pty Ltd	657.59km <sup>2</sup>	49km W of Kununurra	Lat 15°54' Long 120°18'	Wyndham & East Kimberley
80/3732 & 80/3736	Horiot Investments Pty Ltd	227.8km <sup>2</sup>	69km NE of Halls Creek	Lat 17°58' Long 120°07'	Halls Creek
80/3734	Horiot Investments Pty Ltd	339.61km <sup>2</sup>	91km NE of Halls Creek	Lat 17°38' Long 120°13'	Halls Creek
80/3737	Horiot Investments Pty Ltd	117.29km <sup>2</sup>	148km NE of Halls Creek	Lat 18°15' Long 120°03'	Halls Creek
80/3738	Horiot Investments Pty Ltd	211.23km <sup>2</sup>	31km E of Halls Creek	Lat 18°18' Long 120°57'	Halls Creek

**Nature of the act:** 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:** 28 March 2007.

**Native title parties:** Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **28 June 2007**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

**Expedited procedure:** The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **28 July 2007**), 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 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.



## Koori Intensive Support Practitioner (Bail & Post Release)

Juvenile Justice, Gippsland  
Initial Work Location: Morwell or Sale  
\$54,892 p.a. - \$61,745 p.a. +Superannuation

Are you?

- Experienced in providing culturally based services and interventions to young Koori people and their families.
- Able to work effectively in the criminal justice system and Koori community to assist young Koori people address their offending behaviour and reduce Koori over-representation.

This position will be part of a team approach and will have responsibility for time limited intensive supervision and case-management of a caseload of young Koori people throughout the Gippsland Region. It will also provide intensive supervision to young Koori people on release from Juvenile Justice Centres, on supervised Bail or Deferral of Sentence. You will be required to focus on building networks of support including family, community development and linkages to specialist services that target support to Koori communities, as well as providing information and reports to the Children's, Magistrates, County and Koori Courts and the Youth Parole Board.

**Mandatory:** Bachelor of Social Work or Diploma of Community Welfare Work. Other tertiary qualifications at Diploma or above level will be considered if they include units of study in case management/casework practice and supervised practical work placements in relevant fields.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Michele McElroy on 51 449100. To apply online and view the job description, visit [www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers) and click on Vacancies.

Please quote reference no: VG/DHS/GIP/70695015.

Closing date for applications is Tuesday, 10 April 2007.

Safety Screening requirements including Police checks apply to DHS recruitment practices.



Applicants need to be committed to the DHS Values. DHS is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values Diversity.

[www.careers.vic.gov](http://www.careers.vic.gov)

## MACQUARIE

### Aboriginal Assistant Coordinator

Children's Court Assistance Scheme  
Part-time, 35 hours a fortnight

The Children's Court Assistance Scheme (CCAS) offers assistance to young people appearing at Children's Courts throughout NSW. We now wish to employ an Aboriginal worker to be part of our team and work with Aboriginal young people.

**To be successful in this role you must satisfy the following criteria:** Aboriginality; excellent communication skills with Aboriginal young people; knowledge of services to assist Aboriginal young people; ability to work effectively with key stakeholders including solicitors, court staff and other community agencies; knowledge of issues affecting Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system; knowledge of /or ability to learn children's court procedures and legislation affecting young people in NSW; demonstrated ability to work both independently and as part of a team; ability to travel between courts.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 (a) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Total remuneration: \$23,385, Salary \$21,455, plus 9% superannuation and wage packaging.

**Further information:** For a detailed job description and other information contact Alanah Kjelgren at Alanah.Kjelgren@clc.net.au or 02 9760 2211. Information about CCAS: [www.macquarielegal.org.au](http://www.macquarielegal.org.au)

**Applications:** Written applications must address the list of criteria shown above.

**Applications and CV's should be sent to:** Convenor, CCAS Selection Committee, Macquarie Legal Centre, PO Box 460, Merrylands, NSW 2160.

Child protection legislation requires that preferred applicants be subject to employment screening.

Closing date: 4 May 2007, 5pm.

## TOWNSVILLE ABORIGINAL & ISLANDER MEDIA ASSOCIATION

### POSITION VACANT STATION MANAGER

**Duties Include:** Act as Executive Officer to the Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Media Association Ltd (TAIMA) Board of Directors.

Manage all aspects of day to day operation TAIMA/4KIG and community and client groups with particular emphasis on ensuring the development of 4KIG as a vehicle for news, issues and entertainment of relevance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Represent TAIMA/4KIG to government, community broadcasting organisations and other appropriate bodies. Co-ordinate marketing and promotion of 4KIG.

Be responsible to the Board of Directors of TAIMA for all aspects of financial management, including budget development and control for 4KIG and associated projects.

Manage TAIMA corporate governance matters at the direction of the Board.

Other duties as directed by the Board of Directors.

Applicants wishing to apply should contact Anita Wano on 07 4772 5466 during office hours for Selection Criteria.

All applications should be received by COB 12 April 2007.

## OFFICE OF THE LEGAL AID COMMISSION

### ATSI TRAINEESHIP BUSINESS (OFFICE ADMINISTRATION)

Dubbo, Temporary Full-Time, Position Number RA07/036. Total remuneration package valued to: \$27,005 p.a. (\$13,149-\$24,472) including employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Provides administrative/clerical support, including computer services, reception, maintaining/updating records. Will gain experience to undertake all office procedures/policies and a sound knowledge of legal concepts and court operations. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Successful completion of Year 10 or equivalent. Willingness to undertake a Business (Office Administration) traineeship including the formal training component. Ability to undertake general clerical tasks. Commitment to providing high-level client service to people from socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Good communication and organisational skills. Ability to maintain strict confidentiality. Ability to work independently or as part of a team. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Temporary full-time position 35 hours per week including formal training at TAFE in Business (Office Administration) Certificate II or III. The period of the traineeship is 12 months under Section 27 of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. The attached position description outlines the competencies that the trainee will gain through the traineeship.

**Inquiries:** Samantha Borham (02) 6885 4233.

**Information Packages:** Samantha Borham (02) 6885 4233.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Lisa Staples, Human Resource Management, Office of the Legal Aid Commission, PO Box K647, Haymarket 1238 or by email to [employment@legalaid.nsw.gov.au](mailto:employment@legalaid.nsw.gov.au)

Closing Date: Friday 13 April 2007.

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## Notice of Proposed Addition of Excluded Land into Authority to Prospect

### Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Government party hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed addition of excluded land to the Authority to Prospect shown below under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld).

**Authority to Prospect to which this notice applies:**

The Authority to Prospect currently excludes land subject to native title ('the Excluded Land'). The Current Holder has applied under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect.

Authorities to Prospect Number	Location of Authority to Prospect	Description of Area of Application*	Current Holder ACN																										
ATP587	Approx. 36 km NW of Jundah Centred at Lat.24°35' S Long.142°50' E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Barcoo</b>	<b>Area:</b> 936km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cooper Creek <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 300 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <table><tr><th>Block Number</th><th>Sub-blocks</th></tr><tr><td>419</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>420</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>489</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>490</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>491</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>492</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>562</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>563</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>564</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>634</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>635</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr><tr><td>636</td><td>a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z</td></tr></table>	Block Number	Sub-blocks	419	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	420	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	489	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	490	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	491	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	492	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	562	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	563	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	564	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	634	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	635	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	636	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	Millennium Resources Pty Ltd 063 653 734 Adenmere Pty. Ltd. 053 858 110
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\*Authorities to Prospect are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) and the number of Sub-blocks (the Sub-block Code) the application covers. The Department of Mines and Energy creates Block Identification Maps. These maps use a linear grid to cover the whole of Queensland. The basic unit of that linear grid is a Block. Each Block is approximately 5 minutes of latitude and 5 minutes of longitude.

The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 3456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 3456, make up an area that is shown on a Block Identification Map.

Each Block Identification Map has a different name. The Block Identification Map is usually named after a geographical feature shown on the Block Identification Map. Block Identification Maps are at a scale of 1:1 000 000.

Each Block is sub-divided into 25 Sub-Blocks, identified alphabetically by code 'a' to 'z' omitting 'i'. Each Sub-Block is approx. 1 minute of latitude and 1 minute of longitude. The approximate area of a Sub-Block is 3 square kilometres. A unique description of each Sub-Block is achieved by combining the name of the Block Identification Map with the number of the Block (from 1 to 3456) and the Sub-Block (from a to z) i.e. MAP NAME, BLOCK NUMBER, Sub-Block code eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the acts:** It is proposed to grant the application to add the Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect under section 100 of the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) pursuant and subject to the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld). On the granting of the application the Excluded Land is included in the existing Authority to Prospect. This authorises the holder to explore for petroleum on the Excluded Land for the current term of the Authority to Prospect.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The application to add Excluded Land to the Authority to Prospect under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) will be granted by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

**Further information:** Further information about the proposed future acts, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

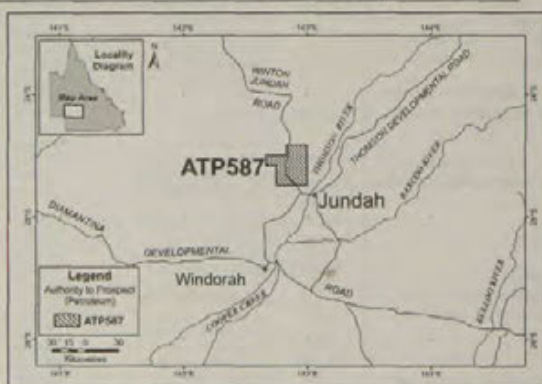
**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: [qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au](mailto:qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au)

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 20 April 2007



Queensland Government  
Natural Resources and Water



## HACC ABORIGINAL ADVOCATE RE-ADVERTISED

Salary: \$37,800-\$43,946 p.a.  
(Dependent on Qualifications & Experience)

This full-time position will be based in Swan Hill and will provide advocacy services to assist Aboriginal people in the Rural Cities of Mildura and Swan Hill and the Gannawarra Shire to access Home and Community Care (HACC) services in their local communities.

**The successful applicant will be a member of a team working as Advocates and should have the following skills and experience:**

- Demonstrated experience in advocating for individuals to improve access to services;
- Sound knowledge and understanding of local Aboriginal culture, society and kinship network and an ability to communicate and be accepted by the local Aboriginal communities;
- Well developed interpersonal, written and verbal communication skills including advocacy, mediation and negotiation skills;
- Proven ability to prepare reports, prioritise tasks and achieve goals within set timeframes.

Qualifications and/or experience in the health and community services field would be well regarded. A current driver's licence is mandatory. Employment will be subject to a satisfactory police check.

For further information, and to request a copy of the position description please contact the Administration Officer on 03 5822 1944.

Written applications addressing the key selection criteria should be sent to:

The Chief Executive Officer  
RIAC, PO Box 1763  
Shepparton, 3632

by close of business 23rd April 2007.







NSW Government

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

AJMP PTY LTD has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the LOWER MURRUMBIDGE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE.

1 x BORE at/adjacent to Lot 313/751694 in the Parish of CUDJEL, County of COOPER

For Irrigation: at/adjacent to Lot 313/751694 in the Parish of CUDJEL, County of COOPER

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0269 530700.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the application number 744 on all correspondence.

PETER JOHN BARTTER and DAVID THOMAS BARTTER have submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the LOWER MURRUMBIDGE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE.

1 x BORE at/adjacent to Lot 357/751709 in the Parish of JONDARYN, County of COOPER

For a Water Supply for Industrial Purposes;

at/adjacent to Lots 162, 163 & 357/751709 and Lot 2089/720206 in the Parish of JONDARYN, County of COOPER.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0269 530700.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the application number 732 on all correspondence.

ROSANNE ROMBOLA has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the LOWER MURRUMBIDGE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE.

1 x BORE at/adjacent to Lot 114/756060 in the Parish of MIRROOL, County of STURT

For Irrigation at/adjacent to Lot 114/756060 in the Parish of MIRROOL, County of STURT

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on 0269 530700.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote the application number 731 on all correspondence.

S. F. Webb, Licensing Manager, MURRUMBIDGE REGION  
Department of Natural Resources, PO BOX 156, LEETON, NSW 2705

Commencement Date: 28/03/2007. Closing Date: 25/04/2007. (S. F. Webb)

## MURRAY VALLEY

Ian Michael WILLIAMS, Jillian Mary WILLIAMS and Angus Carl WILLIAMS have submitted an application to amend an existing Water Supply Works & Water Use Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Lower Murray Groundwater Water Source.

Works: 1 x bore (additional)

Works Location: Lot 193 DP756305, Parish Narrama, County Townsend

Purpose: Irrigation of Lots 193 & 194 DP756305, Parish Narrama, County Townsend

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (03) 5898-3900.

Written and signed objections (fax or e-mail is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 25/04/2007. Please quote Application No. 50CA504670 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484898)

Lindsay J Holden, Senior Licensing Officer  
Department of Natural Resources, PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMIT (PETROLEUM)

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

Mr Chris Natt MLA the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, c/- Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN, NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) that an application has been made for, and the Minister intends to grant, an Exploration Permit (Petroleum) ("Permit") under Division 2 of Part II of the *Petroleum Act (NT)* as follows.

Application(s) to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit 134 sought by TRI-STAR ENERGY COMPANY, ARBN 089 539 695 over an area of 199 Blocks depicted below, for a term of 5 years, within the FINKE locality.



Not To Scale NMGM Map Sheet No: 5846

**Nature of act(s):** The grant of a permit under the *Petroleum Act*, gives the person to whom it is granted the exclusive right, for a term of up to 5 years, to explore for petroleum and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the area covered by the Permit including (but not limited to) use of machinery and equipment for carrying out works, removal of material for testing, use of water resources for domestic use

and to seek renewals. A permit may be renewed no more than twice. If petroleum is discovered in the permit area, production licences and/or retention licences may subsequently be granted. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000, Darwin NT 0801, or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith St Mall, Darwin NT 0800.

**Native Title Parties:** Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973, Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

**Notification Day:** For the purposes of section 29(4) of the NTA, the notification day is 28 March 2007.



## NOTICE TO GRANT PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, c/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
20/1977	Alloy Resources Ltd	199.89ha	8km SE of Cusi	Lat 27°27' Long 117°55'	Cusi
21/444	Mid-West Gold Operations Pty Ltd	8.5ha	3km S of Cusi	Lat 27°27' Long 117°53'	Cusi
24/4080	Rodney Charles Hodges	200ha	65km NW of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°19' Long 120°59'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
24/4051-9	Murray Kenneth Hodges	1451.48ha	65km S of Menzies	Lat 30°16' Long 121°00'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/1876	Rodney Charles Hodges	113.45ha	30km E of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°44' Long 121°47'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
25/1876-7	Murray Kenneth Hodges	116.65ha	20km E of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°43' Long 121°40'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1621	Goldearth Enterprises Pty Ltd	187.14ha	14km NE of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°41' Long 121°35'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1694	Leigh Edward Reeks	26.99ha	46km NE of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°30' Long 121°51'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1702	Rodney Charles Hodges	68.04ha	33km N of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°27' Long 121°31'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/1703-6	Goldearth Enterprises Pty Ltd	788.62ha	36km N of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°25' Long 121°31'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
37/7048-9	Rodney Charles Hodges	318.02ha	62km E of Leonora	Lat 29°53' Long 121°19'	Leonora
45/2621	Goldearth Enterprises Pty Ltd	151.00ha	14km N of Marble Bar	Lat 29°02' Long 119°44'	East Pilbara
45/2622	De Grey Mining Ltd	23.42ha	8km N of Marble Bar	Lat 29°06' Long 119°43'	East Pilbara
45/2623	De Grey Mining Ltd	100.48ha	45km W of Marble Bar	Lat 29°11' Long 119°18'	East Pilbara
45/2624	De Grey Mining Ltd	23.42ha	67km SW of Marble Bar	Lat 29°24' Long 119°09'	East Pilbara
45/2625	De Grey Mining Ltd	23.42ha	69km SW of Marble Bar	Lat 29°25' Long 119°08'	East Pilbara
45/2626	De Grey Mining Ltd	23.42ha	72km SW of Marble Bar	Lat 29°26' Long 119°07'	East Pilbara
45/2644	De Grey Mining Ltd	25.51ha	53km W of Marble Bar	Lat 29°17' Long 119°16'	East Pilbara
45/2645	David John Taylor	9.9ha	85km W of Marble Bar	Lat 29°05' Long 118°55'	East Pilbara
63/1350 & 63/1354-6	AGM Resources Operations Pty Ltd	630.78ha	11km S of Norseman	Lat 32°17' Long 121°46'	Dundas
63/1440-7	Avoca Resources Ltd	970.83ha	45km W of Norseman	Lat 32°10' Long 121°17'	Dundas
63/1452	Avoca Resources Ltd	142.93ha	9km NW of Norseman	Lat 32°08' Long 121°42'	Dundas
77/2494	Range Resources Ltd	47.09ha	31km N of Bullfinch	Lat 30°43' Long 118°59'	Yalgam

**Nature of the act:** Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant.

**Notification day:** 28 March 2007.

**Native title parties:** Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **28 June 2007**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

**Expedited procedure:** The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **28 July 2007**), 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 11, 233 Adelaide Terrace, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9268 9700.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.



## NOTICE TO GRANT MINING LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, c/- Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following mining lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978* (WA):

LEASE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
15/1473	Scorpion Mining Pty Ltd	456.77ha	22km W of Coolgardie	Lat 30°55' Long 120°56'	Coolgardie
15/1480	Scorpion Mining Pty Ltd	9.51ha	14km SW of Coolgardie	Lat 31°02' Long 121°03'	Coolgardie
15/1483	Scorpion Mining Pty Ltd	117.78ha	21km SW of Coolgardie	Lat 31°04' Long 120°59'	Coolgardie
15/1485	Scorpion Mining Pty Ltd	307.16ha	10km S of Coolgardie	Lat 31°05' Long 121°06'	Coolgardie
15/1744	Peter Ronald George Mine	906.25ha	7km W of Coolgardie	Lat 30°58' Long 121°05'	Coolgardie
16/289	Deviant Pty Ltd	43.79ha	45km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°34' Long 121°00'	Coolgardie
16/351	Deviant Pty Ltd	101.45ha	44km N of Coolgardie	Lat 30°34' Long 121°00'	Coolgardie
16/385	Heron Resources Ltd	200.11ha	73km SW of Menzies	Lat 30°14' Long 120°38'	Coolgardie
16/403	Indor Ltd	256.60ha	70km SW of Menzies	Lat 30°11' Long 120°35'	Coolgardie
16/494	Heron Resources Ltd	303.97ha	66km SW of Menzies	Lat 30°11' Long 120°40'	Coolgardie
16/495	Heron Resources Ltd	699.29ha	71km SW of Menzies	Lat 30°14' Long 120°41'	Coolgardie
20/412	Stanley Allan MacDonald	506.44ha	57km NW of Cusi	Lat 26°57' Long 117°38'	Cusi
47/1353-4	Iron Ore Holdings Ltd	1897.41ha	87km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 22°49' Long 119°03'	Ashburton
47/1355	Iron Ore Holdings Ltd	864.63ha	89km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 22°41' Long 119°03'	Ashburton/East Pilbara
47/1356	Iron Ore Holdings Ltd	139.83ha	91km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 22°42' Long 119°04'	East Pilbara
47/1357-8	Iron Ore Holdings Ltd	1568.37ha	87km SE of Wittenoom	Lat 22°43' Long 119°07'	East Pilbara
47/1359	Iron Ore Holdings Ltd	910.46ha	90km NW of Newman	Lat 22°43' Long 119°10'	East Pilbara
47/1360	Derek Noel Armon	316.18ha	93km NW of Newman	Lat 22°42' Long 119°20'	East Pilbara
47/1361-2	Derek Noel Armon	1174.23ha	81km NW of Newman	Lat 22°44' Long 119°18'	East Pilbara
53/590	MPI Nickel Pty Ltd	140.85ha	28km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°49' Long 120°20'	Wiluna
53/592	Talbot Pty Ltd	59.15ha	93km N of Sandstone	Lat 27°08' Long 119°23'	Wiluna
53/593	Talbot Pty Ltd	82.47ha	91km N of Sandstone	Lat 27°10' Long 119°24'	Wiluna
53/630	Newmont Wiluna Gold Pty Ltd	87.11ha	88km SE of Wiluna	Lat 27°01' Long 120°57'	Wiluna
53/631	Echo Resources Ltd	33.05ha	81km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°56' Long 120°56'	Wiluna
53/633	MPI Nickel Pty Ltd	470.05ha	29km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°49' Long 120°20'	Wiluna
53/778	Newmont Wiluna Gold Pty Ltd	176.41ha	80km SE of Wiluna	Lat 27°01' Long 120°58'	Wiluna
53/896	Newmont Vandal Operations Pty Ltd	0.49ha	70km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°53' Long 120°51'	Wiluna
53/973	Newmont Vandal Operations Pty Ltd	250.78ha	80km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°55' Long 120°57'	Wiluna
53/1000-3	Echo Resources Ltd	2538.43ha	75km E of Wiluna	Lat 26°45' Long 120°57'	Wiluna
53/1085	Gintan Pty Ltd	152.14ha	20km SE of Wiluna	Lat 26°45' Long 120°18'	Wiluna
70/173	Tro Pasco	2.7ha	13km SW of Manjimup	Lat 34°20' Long 116°03'	Manjimup
77/771	Sons of Gwalia Ltd	109.43ha	33km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°29' Long 119°29'	Yalgam
77/788	Gargoyne Gold Mines NL	3.64ha	96km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°29' Long 119°32'	Yalgam
77/797	Orion Resources NL	561.67ha	17km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°21' Long 119°24'	Yalgam
77/803	Polaris Metals NL	180.09ha	23km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°24' Long 119°27'	Yalgam
77/834	Orion Resources Ltd	570.95ha	10km S of Southern Cross	Lat 31°18' Long 119°20'	Yalgam
77/870	RC Sackler Pty Ltd	1.82ha	45km W of Merredin	Lat 31°05' Long 118°25'	Nungarin
77/904	Australian Polish NL	9.4ha	50km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°35' Long 119°37'	Yalgam
77/927	Gargoyne Gold Mines NL	11.7ha	59km N of Hyden	Lat 31°56' Long 119°02'	Yalgam
77/936 & 77/963	Hugh Edward Iving	531.55ha	23km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°26' Long 119°29'	Yalgam
77/945	Fargo Investments Pty Ltd	54.47ha	12km S of Southern Cross	Lat 31°20' Long 119°20'	Yalgam
77/1056	Sons of Gwalia Ltd	350.2ha	16km S of Southern Cross	Lat 31°22' Long 119°18'	Yalgam
77/1065	Sons of Gwalia Ltd	169.66ha	10km S of Southern Cross	Lat 31°18' Long 119°17'	Yalgam
77/1077	Sons of Gwalia Ltd	53.76ha	38km S of Southern Cross	Lat 31°31' Long 119°31'	Yalgam
77/1083	Dusky Holdings Pty Ltd	692.37ha	24km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°25' Long 119°26'	Yalgam
77/1102	Sons of Gwalia Ltd	2.41ha	50km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°38' Long 119°24'	Yalgam
77/1126	Polaris Metals NL	754.05ha	45km SE of Southern Cross	Lat 31°55' Long 119°06'	Yalgam
77/1128-36	Gondwana Ltd	6153.09ha	11km S of Bullfinch	Lat 31°04' Long 119°09'	Yalgam
77/1137	Troy Resources NL	13.07ha	3km W of Southern Cross	Lat 31°13' Long 119°17'	Yalgam
77/1138	Troy Resources NL	95.3ha	3km W of Southern Cross	Lat 31°13' Long 119°17'	Yalgam

**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:** 28 March 2007.

**Native Title Parties:** Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on **28 June 2007**. 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*. Enquiries in relation to filing an application for native title determination to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining leases may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **28 July 2007**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (CTH) in relation to the area of the mining leases.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.



# Marra gets funds to target violence



The West Australian Government is to provide \$10,000 to the Marra Aboriginal Corporation to embark on an unusual domestic violence project.

The funding comes from the Indigenous Community Partnerships Fund, which is designed to support Aboriginal communities in developing innovative solutions to issues in partnership with government agencies.

The funding extends from the State Government response to the Gordon Inquiry into Aboriginal Child Abuse and Family Violence.

Geraldton MP Shane Hill said: "The grant will fund a program which uses art as a medium to explore the effect of domestic violence on Aboriginal women, families, communities and the wider community."

"Art workshops will be held in Geraldton, Cue, Shark Bay and Mullewa."

## Awareness

"Women participating in the arts project will be brought to Geraldton to feature in a special exhibition to raise awareness of domestic violence in the wider community."

Mr Hill said the one-off grants aimed to

strengthen responses to child abuse and family violence, vulnerable people at risk, community safety, economic capacity and the long-term development of communities.

Child Protection and Communities Minister Sue Ellery said a total of five not-for-profit, non-government organisations had received funding for special programs through the Indigenous Community Partnerships Fund.

● Applications for grants from the Indigenous Community Partnership Fund can be made until April 2007. For an application form and further information, contact Shane Hill on (08) 9964 1640.



Bunny points to the sticker with the Aboriginal colours on the side of his prime mover.

# Trucker full of respect

By Townsville Correspondent  
ALF WILSON



Truck driver Bernard 'Bunny' Brown may be a white fella, but he takes his respect for Aboriginal people on the road with him wherever he goes. The 63-year-old

Bunny is based at Adelung, New South Wales, and drives his 1987 Western Star - complete with an Aboriginal flag sticker displayed on the side - around NSW and into Queensland and the Northern Territory.

When the Koori Mail caught up with Bunny, we saw the sticker of the Aboriginal flag on the side of his rig and asked the reason.

"I travel to many Aboriginal communities in Queensland and the Territory and have the utmost respect for them," he said.

"I can leave my truck anywhere in communities around Arnhem Land or the Rum Jungle or at Mount Isa and people there keep an eye on it so it doesn't get vandalised."

"They're just great people."

Bunny is the president of the Australian Long Distance Owner Drivers Association (ALDODA) and has been active in blockades regarding trucking issues.

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

Mr Chris Natt MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licences in accordance with the applications made therefor.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 25618 sought by ARNHEM RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 112 776 360 over an area of 500 Blocks (1547 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the BARROW locality.



Exploration Licence 25702 sought by DEEP YELLOW LIMITED, ACN 006 391 948 over an area of 58 Blocks (185 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the YUENDUMU locality.



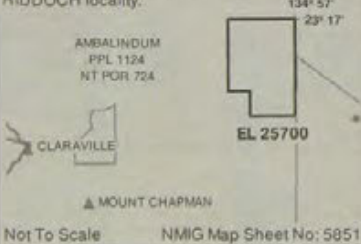
Exploration Licence 25627 sought by DYNASTY METALS AUSTRALIA LTD, ACN 110 385 709 over an area of 374 Blocks (1044 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the WOOLLA locality.



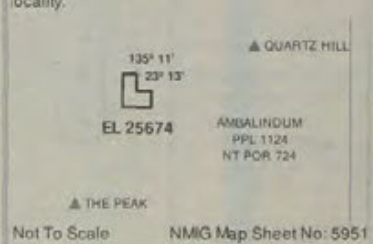
Exploration Licence 25628 sought by DYNASTY METALS AUSTRALIA LTD, ACN 110 385 709 over an area of 15 Blocks (48 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the TEA TREE locality.



Exploration Licence 25700 sought by FERMI URANIUM PTY LTD, ACN 120 807 267 over an area of 11 Blocks (35 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



Exploration Licence 25674 sought by NEWERA URANIUM LIMITED, ACN 118 554 359 over an area of 3 Blocks (10 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



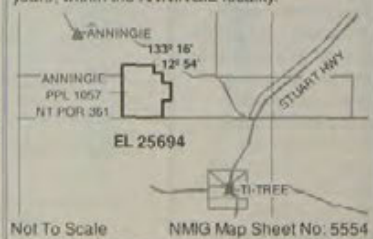
Exploration Licence 25651 sought by SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 117 304 006 over an area of 181 Blocks (562 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the HATCHES locality.



Exploration Licence 25693 sought by TIANDA RESOURCES (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD., ACN 121 166 274 over an area of 84 Blocks (265 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the UNDOOLYA locality.



Exploration Licence 25694 sought by TIANDA RESOURCES (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD., ACN 121 166 274 over an area of 31 Blocks (93 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the ANNINGIE locality.



**Nature of act(s):** The grant of an exploration licence under the Mining Act authorises the holder to explore for minerals and such operations and works as are necessary for that purpose including (but not limited to) geological survey, rock sampling, drilling, removal and testing of ore material for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term sought for commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

**Native Title Parties:** Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the Native Title Act is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5 NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973 Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

**Expedited Procedure:** The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the Native Title Act. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

**Notification Day:** 28 March 2007

## Work begins on Aboriginal cultural planting track

In 2006, the new Sydney community garden known as Wilkins Green received Federal 'Enviro' funding to design a series of educational workshops to develop an Aboriginal cultural planting track on the site.

Workshops now are looking at site preparation, propagation, planting and the cultural significance of various plants.

Participants are creating a walking trail and garden filled with Indigenous plants used for food, medicine, cultural and ceremonial purposes.

For a number of years, Wilkins Green had been a large parcel of derelict land that remained unused, over-run by weeds and difficult to manage until 2003, when Petersham TAFE Outreach and Wilkins Primary School joined forces to create a community green space and thriving perma-culture garden on the wasteland.

This is the second initiative by Petersham TAFE Outreach and Wilkins Primary School for Wilkins Green, situated behind the Wilkins Primary School in Park Road, Marrickville.

The grant also enables the project to have proper signage and to produce an educational DVD.



# Boost for respite services in the Kimberley



The West Australian Government is to provide \$90,000 towards respite services in the Kimberley. The money is part of the \$1-million boost in additional funding announced earlier this month by WA Disability Services Minister Sheila McHale.

Kimberley MP Carol Martin said \$70,000 would be provided to Pilbara Kimberley Care for respite services in the West Kimberley towns of Broome, Fitzroy Crossing and Derby, and their surrounding communities.

## \$20,000 for Kununurra

A further \$20,000 will be provided to the East Kimberley Family Support Association for respite services in Kununurra.

"Caring for a family member who has a disability or who is frail aged can be challenging and at certain times, quite difficult," Mrs Martin said.

"For carers to continue in the caring role, it is essential that they be given the opportunity to take a break."

"Carers must be able to recharge their batteries and attend to the concerns and interests in their own lives — concerns which can end up leaving neglected and put on hold as a result of the demands of the caring role."

Mrs Martin said that Kimberley Care would provide in-home and out-of-home respite care to about 20 mainly Aboriginal families.

"The respite care will take the form of activities such as fishing, art, bush trips, story telling and other culturally appropriate options," she said.

## Young people

Mrs Martin said the majority of the East Kimberley Family Support Association's clients were young people — Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal.

"People with disabilities living in remote communities face the dual hardship of lacking skilled support workers as well as meaningful respite options — so it can be very difficult," she said.

Mrs Martin said 200,000 West Australians — more than 10 per cent of the community — were identified as carers.

"This is a lot of West Australians and the figure is set to increase as the population ages," she said.



● LEFT: Kimberley MLA Carol Martin: 200,000 West Australians — more than 10 per cent of the community — have been identified as carers 'and the figure is set to increase'.



West Australian Disability Services Minister Sheila McHale, who announced funding of \$1 million to boost respite services in the State.

# Training for Katherine night patrol members



Night patrol units in the Katherine region of the Northern Territory will receive nationally accredited training under more than \$85,000 in funding from the Department of Employment, Education and Training (DEET).

DEET field officer for the region Bill Daw said it was great news that the training could go ahead.

"Members of the night patrol from Kalano, Ngukurr and Yarralin will receive training that has been tailored to suit their needs and provide employment opportunities in the future," he said.

"The training units have been tailored to meet the needs of the community and will give the trainees the chance for further training to gain a Certificate II in Community Services."

Funding has been approved for Kalano (\$45,900), Ngukurr (\$17,680) and Yarralin (\$22,100).

Charles Darwin University in Katherine is the Registered Training Organisation co-ordinating delivery of the training.

Katherine Regional Harmony Group Chairman Michael Berto said he was pleased that people who worked in community night patrols would be recognised for the work they did.

"I am particularly thankful for the partnership between DEET and Charles Darwin University to make this happen," he said. "Finding ways to ensure community night patrols operate more effectively has been an issue we have discussed at length at Harmony Group meetings."

Commander Greg Dowd, the NT Police representative on the Katherine Harmony Group executive, said the men and women

working in community patrols would be better skilled to do the job. "Well-trained night patrols help to make communities safe, have the potential to take a significant workload off police and can also be there to assist police when necessary," he said.

"We also look upon well-trained night patrols as a good experience for potential Aboriginal Community Police Officer recruits. The funding will benefit all the communities in the region and hopefully generate interest in other communities establishing their own night patrol."

Kalano Community Association Acting Director Rick Fletcher said the training would provide community patrol officers with the skills needed to play a more effective role in the initiatives put forward by the Katherine Region Harmony Group's crime prevention and alcohol management plans.

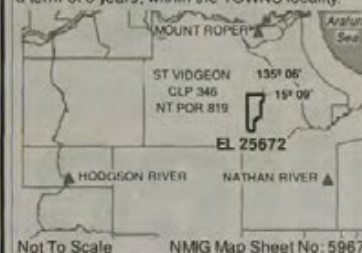
## NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

Mr Chris Natt MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, CI - Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licences in accordance with the applications made therefor.

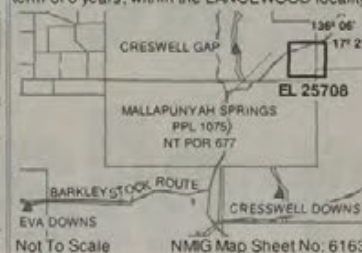
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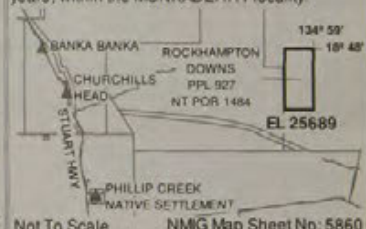
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Exploration Licence 25689 sought by TIANDA RESOURCES (AUSTRALIA) PTY. LTD., ACN 121 166 274 over an area of 72 Blocks (234 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MUNKADERRY locality.



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Exploration Licence 25690 sought by TIANDA RESOURCES (AUSTRALIA) PTY. LTD., ACN 121 166 274 over an area of 90 Blocks (293 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MUNKADERRY locality.



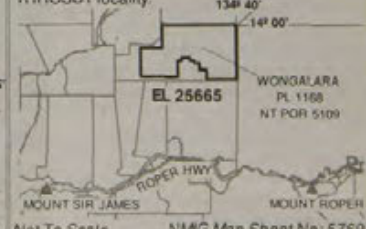
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Exploration Licence 25665 sought by WHITMIST PTY LTD, ACN 074 751 992 over an area of 417 Blocks (1389 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the THROSBY locality.



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**Nature of act(s):** The grant of an exploration licence under the Mining Act authorises the holder to explore for minerals and such operations and works as are necessary for that purpose including (but not limited to) geological survey, rock sampling, drilling, removal and testing of ore material for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term sought for commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industry, Fisheries and Mines, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

**Native Title Parties:** Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the Native Title Act is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5 NT House, 22 Mitchell Street Darwin NT 0800 or GPO Box 9973 Darwin NT 0801, telephone (08) 89 361600.

**Expedited Procedure:** The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the Native Title Act. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

**Notification Day:** 28 March 2007



# Youngsters head for South Africa



Four young Indigenous Australian rules footballers will represent Australia next month in

matches against an open-aged South African team.

They are members of the Australian Institute of Sport AIS/AFL Under-17 football team selected earlier this year from elite junior players.

Their selection followed performances in the National Under-16 Carnival held in Brisbane last year.

The AIS Australian Football program was set up in 1997 to provide high-quality training and education to footballers at the elite junior level. Through a partnership with the Australian Football League (AFL), scholarship holders are part of the AIS/AFL Academy and are able to stay in their home State or Territory, training at

Intensive Training Centres that are overseen by the AIS/AFL high-performance coach.

Marlin Motlop Joseph Daye, Clayton Garlett and Chris Yarran have been chosen in a squad of 30 to play exhibition matches in Soweto and Johannesburg.

In 2005 an Indigenous team, under the leadership of AFL great Michael Long, toured the African continent with great success and were instrumental in indigenous South Africans taking up the game.

The four young players just selected are continuing that tradition.

Marlin Motlop, from the Northern Territory Top End, keeps the family name going (cousins Shannon and Daniel are both playing in the AFL) at the top level of football and is looking forward to the opportunity to play in South Africa.

Motlop won the Allan McLean

Medal for the best player in the 2006 National championships and is a classy midfielder or on-baller who says that his father has been the biggest influence in his football career to date.

Queenslander Joseph Daye had to be a footballer – his godfather is Michael Long. He is likely to take up a position on the wing or in the centre. His favourite player is Peter Burgoyne. "He inspires me and I love watching him play," he said of the Port Adelaide champion.

## Players

Western Australia has two Indigenous players in the squad – Chris Yarran and Clayton Garlett.

Yarran wants to make it to the top, hopefully with the Sydney Swans, and is unabashed when he says he wants to be remembered as one of the best footballers to have played the game. His greatest influence has been his mother,

who takes him to every training session and gives him 'the support I need on and off the field'.

Clayton Garlett's ambition is simply to play in the AFL.

The boys will be part of the team that will play a match in Perth before departing for South Africa for exhibition matches against an open-age South African team and then against Swan Districts at Leederville Oval on their return in late April.

AIS/AFL coaching director Alan McConnell said the four boys had great potential and the tour and subsequent game in Perth would give them the opportunity to showcase their talent to many people, including scouts from every AFL club.

McConnell will be assisted in the coaching duties by former AFL champions Michael Voss and Jason McCarthy. Boys from all States and Territories have been selected in the team.



CLAYTON GARLETT



MARLIN MOTLOP

# Stars keep coming from Mallee Park

By PETER ARGENT



When Lindsay Thomas runs on to the MCG in the Kangaroos colours this Saturday, he will be continuing a great tradition of AFL stars

which has come from the South Australian city of Port Lincoln's highly productive football nursery, Mallee Park.

Mallee Park has created the most AFL footballers from a single grassroots club since the Draft started back in 1986.

Created in 1981, and for the past two decades the dominant team in the Port Lincoln Football League, the so-called Peckers have developed some of the best Aboriginal Aussie rules talent in the land.

This Indigenous football club is the pride of the Aboriginal mobs in the local district, regarded by many as the 'best team on the Eyre Peninsula' between 1985 and 2001, and is the envy of many rivals clubs. In this period it collected 11 A-grade titles and many more through the club.

"There is still plenty of talent to come through our system," Mallee Park committeeman and former president 70-year-old Colin Gould said.

"I've been involved at the club since it started back in 1981 and have seen 10 AFL footballers play in our colours."

"We've been pretty lucky – maybe there is something in the water over here."

This talent has a connection which stems back to the inaugural 1985 premiership side of Mallee Park. In a high scoring grand final against Waybacks, the Peckers won 24.21 (165) to 22.9 (141), where a number of the previous generation footballers displayed the skills of this current crop.

In this flag-winning side was Barry 'Jack' Johncock, the father of Crows champion defender

of quicksilver Carlton forward and 2006 'goal of the year' winner Eddie, while the Burgoyne brothers Michael and Tony, who were a part of Mallee Park's initial success, are uncles of Power siblings Peter and Shaun.

Max Thomas, the side's centre half forward, and who was the team's leading goal kicker on grand final day with five majors, is an uncle of Lindsay.

Although the Davey brothers, Aaron of Melbourne fame and Essendon first-year player Alwyn, both are regarded as Northern Territory recruits, their uncle Fabian Davey was also a key member of the Peckers' 1985 premiership glory.

When you add that inaugural premiership team coach Harry Miller's son, also carrying on his father's name, was on the Hawthorn list for two seasons and 18 games, it is easy to understand why the club is the richest recruiting ground nationally.

Elijah Ware, the recently delisted Power footballer and son of foundation Mallee Park player Bert Kartinyeri, also made it onto the highest stage in a couple of appearances last year.

Then you add Byron Pickett's younger brother Marcus, who was drafted in 1999 by the Bombers and played in a pre-season (Ansett Cup) match and the a number of the boys' connection to Gavin Wanganeen through his grandfather Dick Davey, and Mallee Park's family tree has a rich and prosperous history in the AFL code.

**'There is still plenty of talent to come through our system. I've been involved at the club since it started back in 1981 and have seen 10 AFL footballers play in our colours.'**

Graham. Defender Leonard Wells is the father of Kangaroos talent Daniel Wells, while Byron and Norm Pickett are the father and uncle of the 2004 Norm Smith Medallist Byron, who reached the 'holy grail' twice – a premiership with the Kangaroos in 1999 and Power in 2004.

And it doesn't stop there. Edward 'Jappy' Betts is the father



Kangaroos talent Daniel Wells with the ball ... he has a strong link to the Mallee Park club.



# Every game we play is a grand final

**T**HERE has been a lot of hype in the media building the Swans match against the West Coast Eagles as the grand final replay and, although both sides will be primed for a big performance in front of a massive crowd at Telstra Stadium, little thought will be given to last year's match in September.

Both sides will be more focused on September this year and ensuring they get off to a good start in the new race for this year's premiership.

There is no doubt that the rivalry that has developed between the two clubs will come to the fore, but the fact remains that these four premiership points are of equal value to those gained in any other win in the season.

For the Swans it is particularly important that we get off to a good start as we can't afford to lose three or four games as we did last season.

This is made doubly important when you take into account the improvement of some of the sides outside the top eight.

The one factor that is outside our control is the psyche of the West Coast Eagles given the controversy they have encountered over the past few weeks.

Before commenting on this, let me say one thing about the storm over Ben Cousins. I don't know the full circumstances surrounding his situation and whether or not his life as an AFL player has contributed to his situation.

All I can say is that we know that as a fellow human being, he is in need of support and compassion and I wish him the best in his fight to restore his place in the side.

The human dimension in these situations can often get lost as the media magnifies the event 100 times when a player of Ben's standing is involved.

All I know is that such events tend to galvanise a team and bring them closer together – in the short term at least.

Swans coach Paul Roos certainly expects the Eagles to be as formidable as ever and has prepared us that way.

"We can't expect it to be any easier," Roos said. "They're a great side with a lot of talent. Any time you are playing the Eagles ... you do tend to focus on players like Cousins and Chris Judd, but then you take your eye off the others at

## Magic's Moments



With Sydney Swans star Michael O'Loughlin

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your own peril.

"Often it's that collective of the opposition midfield.

"They've beaten us before without a couple of very good midfielders playing."

As always we need to play the game on the field and not in our minds before the ball is even bounced.

Roos has ensured we have a healthy respect for whatever team the Eagles put on the park for the grand final rematch.

"They've been very successful over a long period. It's not as if they've just suddenly got up and won a premiership out of the blue last year," he said.

"They've played in four or five finals series in a row. So there is a

**'As always we need to play the game on the field and not in our minds before the ball is even bounced'**

consistent level of performance. I'm expecting them to play very well in round one, regardless of what's gone on."

Roos certainly has us mentally prepared for the game, but I can assure the fans that our physical preparation has also been first-class.

Our elite performance manager, David Misson, has ensured we are better prepared for the season than any previous year.

That is another reason why this first game is different – it represents the end of months of blood, sweat and tears as we prepared for it.

Misson is the man many of us have nightmares about on hot

summer nights, but he is the man we will thank when crunch time comes on Saturday.

Misson is entering his seventh year at the club and after putting the finishing touches on another arduous pre-season campaign, he is confident we will have enough kilometres in our legs to see it through another premiership campaign.

"I'd probably say we're fractionally ahead of last year," Misson said.

"You know, we've probably had more guys run PBs (personal bests) this year than last year."

"Going into round one we're looking more prepared than last year, at least physically."

Misson said he had seen a steady rise in the level of professionalism at the Swans in recent years, which has coincided with the club's rise to the top of the AFL tree.

"You'd like to think that's the program, but I think probably a big part is it is now unacceptable for players to come back in poor shape after having eight weeks off," he said.

"Three years ago we were putting guys in the fat farm or the fitness farm or whatever you want to call it ... guys who came back in poor shape and they took a month to actually catch up to where the rest of the group were at the beginning."

"That's no longer the case – the guys are coming back in real good shape."

So there it is – grand final replay or not – when we run out onto Telstra Stadium this Saturday our preparation will have been first-class.

Preparation is all about timing, and Roosy and his staff

have been scheduling out training to the minute.

That minute ticks over at 7.30 this Saturday night and – like all the boys – I can hardly wait.

Bring it on!

Oh, before I go I would just like to congratulate my good mate Chris Johnson on his appointment as co-captain of the Brisbane Lions.

He is a champion player who others like to play and I am certain he will prove to be an inspirational leader.

He is allowed, however, to have an off game when he plays against the Swans!

Until next time – Keep Dreaming!



Troy Murphy ready to bowl.

## Rule a blow to tenpin champion

By ALF WILSON



Champion North Queensland disabled tenpin bowler Troy Murphy was shattered that his dream of

representing Australia at one of the world's premier competitions could not come true because of what he says is an unfair governing body rule.

The 29-year-old Townsville man did not get picked for the Australian team at the recent FESPIC Games (Far East and South Pacific Games for the disabled) in Malaysia.

His father Kevin Murphy told the Koori Mail that decision was made despite Troy having been the leading cerebral palsy competitor at this year's national disability tenpin bowling championships in Sydney.

"My son's exclusion from the Australian team stemmed from his classification for FESPIC Games purposes as a category seven cerebral palsy competitor. Under FESPIC Games rules, pairings competing in the cerebral palsy tenpin bowling doubles and teams events must have combined classification of 12 and 24 respectively," Mr Murphy said.

He said that all four cerebral palsy players on the Australian team were category six competitors, effectively ruling Murphy out of contention for doubles and teams events.

"With Troy being a category

seven he had to have a category five player as a partner. It's disappointing that a national team is going away and leaving the best bowler in that category at home. It doesn't make sense to me for an international tournament," Mr Murphy said.

Mr Murphy said Troy had returned home from the national championships confident he had secured a place on the Australian team. But when the side was named and he was not on it, Troy was shattered.

This is the first time disabled tenpin bowlers have had the opportunity to represent their country, which makes it all the more bitter.

"If this selection criteria is going to be used in the future, it is not being fair to all classified bowlers because they have to rely on other bowlers to add up to combined classifications, rather than their own ability," Mr Murphy said.

After returning from the FESPIC Games, Australian team manager Tony Morris said Murphy had been disadvantaged when it came to selection by the fact that there was no competition in his category at the games. This is a different reason given for Murphy's non-selection before the games.

Mr Murphy said he hoped that in the future, like any other sport, officials would select players on their own ability and not have to rely on someone else to make up the classification numbers game.



# Barracudas victory lifts hopes

By ALF WILSON



The grand final win by the Palm Island Barracudas in this month's Cairns Allblacks carnival is a major boost for the north Queensland

Aboriginal community where a domestic rugby league competition will soon be resurrected.

The Barracudas beat the Kulpiyam side, consisting mainly of Cairns-based players, 30-22 in a hard-fought final.

Barracudas spokesman Roy Prior said that the entire Palm Island community was talking about the win in what is one of the best and mostly keenly contested Aboriginal Allblacks carnivals in north Queensland.

"We did manage to win up in Cairns and we were delighted to beat Kulpiyam in the grand final. Kulpiyam beat Yarrabah side Bukki Bunas in the preliminary final," Prior said.

On the first day of the carnival, Bukki Bunas beat the Barracudas in a first-round encounter and then the Palm Island side won by forfeit from a Cairns team.



The Palm Island Barracudas at the Allblacks Carnival in Cairns, north Queensland.

Day two saw the Barracudas beat Cairns Young Guns, then Barkey Warriors from Charters Towers.

"Best forward of the carnival

went to our player Jason Thimble, and the best back for the carnival went to Tabua Ovi. Tabua also won the 100m sprint," Prior said.

Pride was a major factor in the

Barracudas win, according to stalwart Prior, who for many years has been a driving force behind the team.

"The best thing about the win

was all of the players came from Palm Island and we didn't spend money on getting men to play for the Barracudas," Prior said.

He said that seven teams contested the carnival and he was not allowing himself to get carried away with the win.

Players came from Cairns, the Torres Strait, Hopevale, Yarrabah and Palm Island.

Kulpiyam player-coach Gerald Bowie paid tribute to the Barracudas, saying that the final was very close.

"They scored a late try and it was a good clean final. Palm Island had a good young side," he said.

Prior, meanwhile, said the win would give his Barracudas some momentum for the bigger carnivals, such as the Frank and Vern Daisy Cup at the end of year in Townsville.

"As far as a morale boost it is a big tick in the box. It's something we were building on for some years now with the young fellas so the fruit of our hard labour is starting to show some positive signs," he said.

Prior said the player of the carnival was Kulpiyam star and Cairns representative footballer Harzon Murgha.

# My fantasy line-up

**D**URING the NRL season most of the armchair experts get the opportunity to display their knowledge of the game either through the office footy tipping competition or through many of the web-based competitions, including selecting 'fantasy teams'.

While we still wait to see whether we will ever have the opportunity to see all our NRL Indigenous stars play in a team similar to their AFL brothers, I thought I would pick my 'All Blacks Fantasy Team' based on performances in the first round.

I expect I will get plenty of arguments, but that's what the game is all about!

Having said that, I don't believe there will be many who disagree with my selection of Matty Bowen as fullback.

Bowen was simply outstanding against the Broncos and is obviously intent on erasing the memories of a disappointing 2006. He shook off the effects of an early knock to the head to take control of the game in the closing stages just as the Broncos appeared to under in control.

When he evaded the grasp of Darren Lockyer and sprinted more than 70m to the line, the famous Bowen grin emerged as he left Karmichael Hunt grasping at thin air.

His match-clinching field goal simply confirmed that the famous Bowen Magic had returned.

Speaking of returns to form, what about Shannon Hegarty for the Rabbitohs?

Although selected in the centre, it was Hegarty's trademark scoots from dummy-half that brought back memories of the player who represented Queensland and Australia during his time at the Roosters.

Joining him on the wing would be his Souths team-mate Nathan Merritt who, despite one knock-on that led to the Roosters' sole try, menaced the Roosters defence with his genuine pace and evasive skills.

What equally impressed me about Nathan was his eagerness to chase kicks and participate in defence. This bloke could



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be anything when he gets used to playing in a winning side.

Another young player to impress was Newcastle's Brad Tighe, who appears to have finally completed his apprenticeship.

Tighe played with poise and confidence and I believe he is ready to establish himself as a centre of quality in the NRL.

I am going to cheat a little with my next selection given that Greg Inglis was selected at five-eighth for the Melbourne Storm.

As well as he acquitted himself in this position - as he would playing in any number on the field - I still believe he was at his best in this game when he was running into space out wide. Inglis will be a success at five-eighth because of his innate ability, but I believe representative selectors will share my view when the Test and Origin series come around.

His selection at centre allows me to

reward Richie Williams with a position at pivot in my fantasy team.

A two-try performance on debut in front of more than 40,000 people at the spiritual home of rugby league at Suncorp Stadium is the stuff of fairytales.

He has a long way to go to cement his position as a regular NRL player and even further to go if he is to realise his undoubted potential, but there is no doubting the kid's raw talent.

No one is going to dispute my selection of Johnathan Thurston at halfback. His performance against the Broncos was sublime and stamped him as a true great of the current generation.

No less than the undisputed greatest player still playing in Andrew Johns, who, in his newspaper column, has anointed Thurston his successor.

There can be no greater praise.

Although he came off the bench for the Rabbitohs, Dean Widders is worthy of selection in the lock position.

Deano is one of those players who will always threaten a defence because of the number of options he has at his disposal. Widders has a great step, the pace to beat a man on the outside, an astute passing game, and a short-kicking game that can put the defence on the back foot.

Importantly, he has the ability to choose the right option for each situation that confronts him.

His old team-mate from Parramatta, Daniel Wagon, did enough to justify a position in the second row despite the Eels' overall disappointing performance against an impressive New Zealand Warriors side in Auckland.

Wagon's typical high work rate kept the Eels in the hunt, with his second-half try raising the hopes of the Parramatta supporters for a short period.

He is joined in the second row by Cowboys utility player Justin Smith. Smith has been a player I have long admired for his toughness and skill level.

He is largely overlooked by the media

due to the likes of Bowen, Thurston and Webb dominating the headlines. But it is no coincidence that when Smith is in the side and in form the Cowboys seem to function better as a unit.

Having mentioned Carl Webb it will come as little surprise that I have him in one of my two front-row positions.

Every team needs a Carl Webb to intimidate the opposition. He enjoys the confrontation that is required of his position and I can almost swear his smile gets wider the tougher the football becomes.

The Broncos certainly knew they had played after running into Webb's punishing defence.

One Bronco who took all that Webb could throw at him and came back for more was Sam Thaiday. He is certainly aiming to repeat his outstanding achievements from last year, but his immediate goal would be to replace the role played by the great Shane Webcke.

I am looking forward to tracking his performance over the year.

At hooker I almost feel obliged to select Joe Williams from Souths. He deserves his position after his man-of-the-match performance against the Roosters, but just as importantly because of his desire to play for a representative Indigenous side. Any player willing to put his good looks at risk by playing in the front row has a head start.

I was both impressed and pleased by his performance against Easts because I am aware how important this year is to his career.

So there it is - my NRL fantasy side from round one.

There are a lot of great players left out of the side, but remember it was selected only on form in what was a tremendous first round of rugby league.

If I could select one additional player it would probably be Timana Tahu at breakaway - but that's a story for another time!

What a great start to the rugby league year - keep bringing it on!



# Black rabbit honours a strong link

South Sydney has come up with a novel way to honour its strong links with Aboriginal and Islander players.

The Redfern-based rugby league club will feature a black rabbit on its away jersey as a special tribute to the club's Indigenous heritage and its current depth of Aboriginal and Islander players.

It's a move that has been applauded by new Souths player and Koori Mail columnist Dean Widders.

"It's a great way to honour the Indigenous and Islander players who have

always been such an important part of South Sydney," he said. "It also underlines the approach of the new owners, Peter Holmes a Court and Russell Crowe."

Meanwhile, Souths – last year's wooden spooners – are off to a flying start this season, with a sponsorship drive ranking them in the nation's top five earners for jersey advertising of all team sports.

The Rabbitohs have announced a combined venture with property developer Trivest which includes away jersey sponsorship and the re-development of the

South Sydney Leagues Club in Redfern.

The deal completes a campaign by the club to secure home, away and training jersey sponsorship.

Souths co-owner Peter Holmes a Court boasted the club had received \$2.8 million for their combined jersey deals, double the average for NRL clubs.

Holmes a Court said the only contra in that massive figure was for plane tickets through Virgin Blue.

"There's no bull... in there, it is \$2.8 million real," he said.

"The NRL average is \$1.4 million for playing strips and we have raised \$2.8 million."

"I think it's a special place Souths has in Australian sporting history... we can capitalise on that."

Holmes a Court said it was the 'bright future' that sold the club to the corporate world and not co-owner, Hollywood actor Russell Crowe.

Strong management, club history, the strength of the code and perfect timing were the major factors to help Souths. – with AAP

# Rabbitohs family is more than a team

## DEANO'S LEAGUE



With DEAN WIDDERS

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THE passion and pride generated by South Sydney's first-round win against the Roosters will remain with me for a long time into the future. I make this comment knowing that it will be published after our second-round game against the Eels and that one win does not guarantee a successful season, but I believe the season-opener victory was special for a number of reasons.

First, it represents the first dividend for the time, effort and money invested in the Rabbitohs by Peter Holmes a Court and Russell Crowe.

You may notice I have left money at the end of the list because – although necessary – money means little unless it is used to support a vision and this is a quality Peter and Russell have in abundance.

The whole club is working together for the future but, just as importantly for a traditional club like Souths, its values are grounded in the proud history of a mighty past.

One factor in our win was an understanding of the long-held rivalry between the Rabbits and our neighbour foundation club in the Roosters.

Coach Jason Taylor tried to deflect the media focus on this 'feud', but it is something that



Joe Williams dives in for South Sydney's first try during the NRL Sydney Roosters v Rabbitohs game at Aussie Stadium, Sydney, on 19 March. – AAP Image

runs deep in the Rabbitohs' blood.

I started my playing career at the Roosters, but in my time there I never played against Souths so I never had the opportunity to experience the rivalry first-hand.

But when we gathered together before the game, Russell read us part of a specially commissioned history of this great rivalry.

Without divulging too much, it was a special moment that brought the team even closer together and allowed us to focus on coach Taylor's instructions for the game.

This simple story should also reinforce that the club's new owners are proud custodians of the club's great history and its traditions.

This brings me to the great

army of fans who greeted us with roars of support when we ran onto Aussie Stadium.

All clubs have passionate fans, but I doubt if any other club could match the absolute commitment of the mighty 'Souths Burrow'.

All the players commented on the level of support we got and especially the roars of appreciation when our defence held tight close to our line.

We carried their cheers with us back into the shed, for there were many people behind the scenes who deserved to share the accolades.

Coach Jason Taylor has confirmed to all that he heads a new generation of coaches in the game and that he has the capacity to make the team function at a level higher than the

sum of its individual members.

'JT' is a big believer in developing old-fashioned team spirit while keeping on top of all the latest developments in sports science and sports psychology.

The team Errol Alcott has developed off the field has been central to the club's success.

You quickly gain an insight into why the Australian Cricket team was so successful when you experience the professionalism and attention to detail he brings to the organisation.

That is the beauty of Souths at the moment.

From the gear steward at training and the receptionist at the office, through Jason Taylor and the coaching staff, to Shane Richardson and the front office, everybody knows their job, and is

committed to the cause.

The players owed it to all these people to get the season off to a positive start.

It also was great to see some of the players who have toiled hard for Souths over recent years rewarded for their commitment.

While the new recruits all played key roles in the win, the likes of Joe Williams, Shannon Hegarty and Peter Cusack all showed the benefits of playing with some high-class team-mates.

It was great to see Joe Williams playing behind a dominant pack led by Roy Asotasi and David Kidwell. He is showing signs of living up to the hype that greeted his introduction to the NRL three years ago. His untested combination with Jeremy Smith was impressive as they played a leading role in all three of our tries.

In my opinion, Hegarty is back to his best and showing the form that gained him State of Origin selection and a Kangaroo tour in his time at the Roosters.

All in all it was a competent performance that will give us confidence that we are heading in the right direction.

The most pleasing aspect of our performance was our defence. There are two important elements about defence.

First, when your defence is in order, you know you can work with confidence on improving your attack.

Secondly, given the physical nature of the game of rugby league, there is a special confidence that is gained when a team defends its line with the continued commitment we displayed at times against the Roosters.

It is a confidence built on the knowledge that your team-mates are physically and emotionally committed to the cause.

It is the cornerstone of success.

There is a long way to go this season but the club has laid a solid foundation.

It is up to the players to build on all this hard work.

Keep supporting us!



# Former AFL great is at home in the west

By CHRIS PIKE



One of the all-time greatest Aboriginal AFL players, Chris Lewis, has returned home to Western Australia and is on track to become a senior coach at least at the level of the West Australian Football League (WAFL).

Lewis was with the West Coast Eagles from their inception in 1987 until retiring in 2000. He had a 215-game, 259-goal career, which included playing for Western Australia five times, winning two premierships, being named an All-Australian and winning the club's best-and-fairest award.

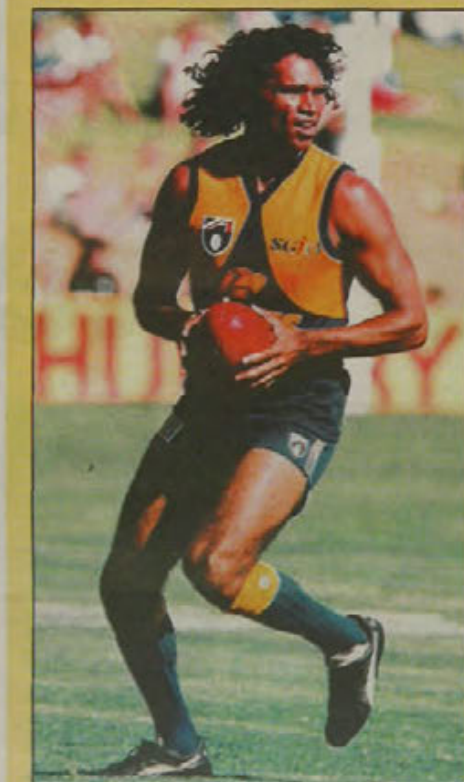
Lewis also overcame adversity in his career, and was a major influence in the racial vilification policy that now ensures Aboriginal players no longer have to put up with what he did early in his career.

After retiring, Lewis coached the Darwin Buffalos for two years, then country Victorian side Sebastopol for two more.

After four years away, Lewis has returned home with a baby girl Kiahni and new partner Marjaty.

But Lewis will not be with Claremont, the WAFL club with which he and his family have a strong history. Instead, he is an assistant coach and Indigenous welfare officer at Swan Districts.

"My partner and I had a baby girl, she's 13 months now, so



Chris Lewis playing for the West Coast Eagles and, right, earlier this year at a coaching clinic.



that was the main reason we came back to WA," Lewis told the Koori Mail.

"We wanted to be closer to the family. I canvassed a few of the mining companies about

some employment, but then Brendan Parker from Swan Districts rang me up. Initially I was interested in the Colts football job that Chad Morrison got, but this job came up and

it suited me even better."

Lewis will use 2007 to get himself reacquainted with the WAFL, and there is no doubt that down the track he would like to follow former Eagles teammates

Chris Waterman (Peel Thunder), Paul Peos (former East Perth), Scott Watters (Subiaco) and even John Worsfold (West Coast) as a senior coach.

"It would be nice to be a senior coach one day, but I will just take it as it comes at the moment. I will deal with the talent I've got and that's why I'm grateful to Swans," he said.

"They've given me the opportunity to stay involved. Steve Turner has been great, along with Craig Callaghan and Tyson Lane."

Lewis recalls the 1990 season as his best, along with the 1992 and '94 premierships. He believes the dark times he went through, particularly in 1996 and then leading up to his retirement in 2000, were learning curves that every player should experience to fully recognise how special the good times are.

"From a personal point of view, 1990 was the year I played my best footy, as I rated pretty highly in the competition, I suppose," he said.

"It was always good to be playing good footy, but it's also necessary to experience the lows as well, as it makes you tougher. If I had my time again, I would do things a little bit different, but I really enjoyed myself every time I stepped on to the ground."

Things turned sour during 1996 for Lewis and he was dropped from the Eagles side back to his WAFL club

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# They're the original Aboriginal All-Stars

By PETER ARGENT

**W**HILE many people talk up the 1994 Australian rules football match between the All-Stars and Collingwood as the first in this series of clashes, a group of Aboriginal legends from the 1980s can lay claim to being the inaugural Indigenous All-Stars.

At Sarah Oval, Mildura, on Sunday 1 October 1983, a collection of the best Aboriginal talent of this era took on the best players Richmond and the Sunraysia Football Association had to offer.

Coached by Michael Wanganeen (the uncle of 300-game Essendon and Power legend Gavin Wanganeen) and managed by Fred Warrior, this star-studded side included the famous Krakouer brothers Phil and Jim, along with 1982 Norm Smith Medalist Maurice Rioli, and Phil Egan among a number of talents from the ranks of the VFL. Four members of the extended Graham mob – Phil, Cecil, Colin and Michael (who was fresh from an SANFL grand final appearance the day before with Sturt) – all played.

Central Districts wizard Wilbur Wilson made an appearance, as did infamous St Kilda hard man Robbie 'Mad Dog' Muir, along with Wally Lovett who had stints with the Tigers and Collingwood.

Other team members playing in South Australia at the time included the oldest of the McAdam siblings, Greg, and the West Torrens duo of Kevin Hill and Peter Carter.

McAdam at this stage had played more than 100 SANFL games and four matches in South Australian tri-colours, before spending a time with the Saints in the VFL.

The Aboriginal super team was captained by South Fremantle champion and dual Sandover Medalist Stephen Michael.

Their opponents were nothing to sneeze at, either. They included the leading players from the Richmond Football Club, which has a heritage in the Sunraysia district.



The team picture of the original Aboriginal All-Stars who played in Mildura on 1 October 1983.

All-Australian big man from 1981 Mark Lee was Michael's direct opponent, while premiership key position player Jim Jess participated, as did one of the toughest small men to ever don a Richmond jumper, Dale 'The Flea' Weightman.

## The Game

Superlatives like 'Spellbinding performance by All-Star Team' or 'Black Magic struck Mildura on Sunday' or 'Football magic was the only way to describe the performance of the Aboriginal All-Stars', were the headlines in the local press the next day.

In a commanding display the All-Stars side won by 138 points – 37.11 (233) to 14.11 (95).

But the crowd of more than 3000 didn't walk away disappointed. With sensational speed and vision, the All-Stars moved the ball at breakneck speed all around the ground,

displaying uncanny skills, including bullet-like handballs which went up to 40m. The players kicked the ball to perfect position. They dominated everywhere.

After stamping their authority with a nine-goal-to-two first term, they blew apart the game with a huge 13-goal second quarter.

The home side showed some endeavour in the second half, but they were never really in the contest.

A Coomealla lad, who kicked 107 goals in the Millewa League during the 1983 season, Rex Handy displayed plenty of promise with an eight-goal haul.

Premiership player in the VFL Jim Jess was comprehensively beaten by Central Districts' Wilbur Wilson, and the class of the Krakouer brothers and Rioli stood out.

West Australian giant Stephen Michael had a great clash with the 200cm, 95kg Mark Lee, while the

trio of Trevor Hill, Greg McAdam and Wally Lovett got into the act with four goals each.

Even Sturt champion and runner-up in the 1973 Magarey Medal Michael Graham had an impact when he got a run in the second half.

## The 1983 Aboriginal All-Stars Team

**Backs:** Cecil Graham (Centrals), Ron Jackman (Coomealla) Peter Carter (West Torrens). **Half Backs:** Phil Graham (Centrals), Wilbur Wilson (Centrals), Phil Egan (Richmond). **Centre:** Kevin Hill (West Torrens), Maurice Rioli (Richmond), Mark Motlop (Glenelg). **Half-forwards:** Robert Keeble (Greenacres), Colin Graham (Centrals), Greg McAdam (North Adelaide). **Forwards:** Rex Handy (Coomealla), Robert Muir (St Kilda/West Torrens), Wally Lovett (Richmond). **First Ruck:** Stephen Michael (South

Fremantle) Phil Krakouer (Nth Melbourne) Jim Krakouer (Nth Melbourne). **Interchange:** Michael Graham (Sturt), Garry Berry (St Kilda) John Mitchell (Coomealla) Trevor Handy (Coomealla), Macca Egan (Robinvale) Ian Berry (St Kilda), Barry Kirby (Coomealla).

Coach Michael Wanganeen, Team Manager Fred Warrior, Runner, Brian Warrior, Indigenous Umpire: Barry Buckskin (Riverland).

● At the conclusion of the match, a shield donated by the Victorian Premier's Office was presented to winning captain Stephen Michael by Dr Ken Coghill, representing the Department of Aboriginal Affairs.

All-Stars event organisers would have liked the concept to become a regular end-of-season feature across Australia. But plans for an Aboriginal side to challenge the next SANFL premier never eventuated.

# Chris Lewis right at home in the west

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Claremont. It turned out to be a blessing in disguise as he played in the Tigers' premiership and had a standout 1997 season back with the Eagles.

"It was a little bit hard, but that's just the way the cookie crumbled," he said.

"In 1996 we won the flag and that was a great opportunity, because Claremont has always been good to me and my family. It more than made up for not being in

the Eagles team, as Claremont are a great club, where my dad won a premiership and my brother has won two."

Lewis retired from the Eagles in 2000, and then played out his career with Claremont in 2001, before heading to Darwin, then Ballarat to coach Sebastopol. He said he found it a great learning experience, but that he still wanted to get back into the WAFL.

"You learn a lot about yourself and how good you are at communicating. When

you've got your own footy side you're not just coaching, you are mentoring, involved in certain areas that you never are as a player," he said.

"Coaching at WAFL level and lower grades is probably harder than the AFL, because you need to understand that players still need to make their living and footy's not as important to them as AFL players, but you still need the same commitment from them."

Lewis has won some great accolades

over the past 12 months. In 2006, he was named in the Indigenous Team of the Century and West Coast's 20-year team. He is also a strong candidate to soon join former Eagles teammates, including Peter Matera, in the WA Football Hall of Fame.

"When you retire you look at these accolades and they become more precious to you. There are a lot of very good footballers in that team, so to be put in that group is a real compliment to what I did as a player," he said.



# Finnan takes on new role in Caribbean



Former Australian netballer Sharon Finnan has taken the next step on what she hopes will be a successful coaching career in the sport. Based

in Cairns where she led local club the Sharks to success last year, Finnan is heading to the Caribbean to become technical director of netball in the West Indies country of Trinidad and Tobago.

The tiny Caribbean nation, just off the coast of South America, has a strong history in netball but has fallen in world standings to around 10 – something Finnan aims to address.

"It's a great opportunity for me," Finnan told Koori Mail from Brisbane, where she was drawing on the knowledge of Vicki Wilson, coach of the Queensland Firebirds National Netball League side.

"I've been to Trinidad before, but as a player and not a coach, so it will be a challenge. I don't know a great deal about netball in Trinidad and Tobago – only that they need help to lift their world ranking.

"As technical director I'll be working with players and coaches at all levels to give the sport a boost, as well as assisting with the coaching of the national team.

"Hopefully I'll have my contract extended so I can be a part of the national team's coaching squad for the World Netball Titles in New Zealand during November."

Finnan, 40 this year, makes no bones about her desire to coach at the top level.

The former National Aboriginal Sports Corporation Australia (NASCA) netball official decided to concentrate on the Trinidad position despite an offer to become an assistant coach for the Australian national side.

"I see the Trinidad move as a step in the right direction for me," she said.

"Right now my focus is there, but down the track I would like to come back to Australia and take on national or even international roles."

Finnan was an Australian netballer between 1990 and 2000, and is a level 2 coach in the sport.

**'Right now my focus is (Trinidad and Tobago), but down the track I would like to come back to Australia and take on national or even international roles'**



Sharon Finnan enjoys a moment with her son Ethan ahead of leaving for her new Caribbean job. Photo by Nellie Pratt of the Cairns Post

# Pioneers to party



When the Pioneers take the field in this year's Central Australian Football League

competition, they'll have more than the usual reasons to succeed.

Victory this year will give the club a remarkable 30 premiership title wins in its 60th year.

And that's something that every past and present player and fan wants more than just about anything else, Pioneers club president Owen Cole says.

Speaking with the Koori Mail in Alice Springs, Cole says major celebrations are being planned to mark the club's diamond jubilee.

Pioneers – a primarily Aboriginal club – were one of four original sides to take the field in 1947 for the inaugural Australian rules football competition in Alice Springs. The club was comprised mainly of players



Pioneers supporters and officials, from left, Clem McMaster, Michael Liddle, Owen Cole, Warren Cole, Brian McDonald, Paul Ross and Sean Griffin.

and supporters living in the many Aboriginal camps around the town.

The club has had its ups and downs, but the fact is the Pioneers have won 29 of the 59 grand finals played in the competition.

"And we really want to make it 30 from 60 this year," Cole says.

"A 50 per cent grand final success rate will be the cream on the cake for what will be a huge celebration no matter what.

"Later this year we'll have a celebration that will feature past and present players, supporters and other dignitaries.

"We're still working out all the details, but it's going to be big."

Pioneers have produced some of Australia's best Australian rules players over the years. They include Brisbane star Darryl White, and Richard Cole who starred for the Essendon Bombers. Football legend

Michael Long strapped on his boots for the Pioneers, while Matty Campbell has just been drafted by North Melbourne this year.

"There's also been heaps of players leave us for the SANFL (in Adelaide)," Owen Cole said.

"Ironically, it's this success with our players that has probably cost us more titles over the years.

"We train up the young fellas and they go on to bigger and better things. But good for them."

Five or six teams are set to contest this year's Alice Springs football competition, with Wests looming as Pioneers' greatest grand final threat.

"We just went down in the final to Wests last year," Cole said.

"I reckon things might be a bit different this year, though."

For more details on the Pioneers celebration, telephone Owen Cole on 0412 297 891.



# New 'super league' comp moves closer to kick off



The new Aboriginal Nations Super League looks set to kick off next month, with details of the competition expected to be finalised this week. Originally designed as a competition covering all of northern NSW, the league now is likely to cover just the north-west of the State.

Goodooga man Michael Anderson, along with the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League and Sports Inc (ARLSI) have been the driving

forces behind the competition, which came about in part because of concerns about 'racist elements' in mainstream rugby league administration. Anderson and ARLSI have been in talks with the Country Rugby League, with ARLSI official Danny Thorne saying many problems had been ironed out.

"We only have some minor details left to finalise, and it appears we can start a competition in April," he told Koori Mail.

Thorne said the competition was likely to

include rugby league teams from Moree, Walgett, Brewarrina, Bourke, Lightning Ridge/Goodooga, Armidale, Coonamble and Tamworth, with open and age divisions.

Thorne believed concerns regarding insurance and grounds had been addressed, and he was looking forward to a strong opening year for the new league.

"A lot of work has gone into this, and we believe it will all prove worthwhile for our people in the end," he said.

## Sports deal wins praise

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work not just on athletes but on building capacity – coaches, officials and the like."

That melds perfectly with the goal of the Indigenous Sport Program – to get more Indigenous people into sport especially structured sport, as well as to increase the physical activity of our people.

The program, established in 1993, has had a major role in supporting a number of Australia's up-and-coming Indigenous sportspeople. Athletes Robert Crowther and Patrick Mills and netballer Bianca Franklin are just three of the thousands to have benefited.

Currey says the program also has valuable spin-offs in Aboriginal communities, such as improving health and ensuring young people are active and diverted away from risk-taking behaviour over a longer period.

ASC Chief Executive Officer Mark Peters said his organisation remained committed through the ISP to improving sport development access and opportunities for Indigenous Australians.

### Elite level

The ISP had contributed to increasing Indigenous participation as athletes, coaches, managers, trainers and officials. It also created pathways through grants for Indigenous athletes to compete at the elite level.

Currey said there was also the chance to establish sports partnerships with private enterprise under the new memorandum.

"Everyone knows sport is a significant part of Indigenous society," he said.

"I believe mining companies, banks and the like would jump at the opportunity to get involved in sports programs, and that's something we can now take a longer-term view of."

Currey stressed a major focus would be on structured sports. To that end, 16 of them – athletics, AFL, basketball, cricket, football (soccer), golf, hockey, netball, rugby league, rugby union, softball, surfing, surf life saving, swimming, tennis and touch football – are being targeted to develop activity plans, in consultation with development officers, for each State and Territory.

"We're already working with the governing bodies of these sports and, again, we'll be able to step up our programs here," he said.

"Frankly, the future's looking a whole lot brighter than ever for Indigenous sport."



Four Aboriginal legends of rugby union ... Lloyd McDermott with the Ella brothers, from left, Glen, Gary and Mark.

# Freeman, Beale guests at dinner



One of the success stories of Australian Indigenous sport, the Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRDT), holds its annual dinner on April 4. The dinner, the 10th to be held, is more than a simple fundraiser. It also allows the organisation to highlight its successes and thank its supporters.

Named for Australia's first Aboriginal rugby union representative, the LMRDT was founded in 1991 to introduce rugby union to young Indigenous men and women across Australia, and ultimately to increase the number of young Aboriginal players representing at the national level.

This year's annual dinner, at Parliament House in Sydney, will include guests Olympic gold medalist Cathy Freeman and Australia's newest Aboriginal rugby union star, Kurtley Beale.

A special feature will be testimonials from some of the young Aboriginal men who have come through the LMRDT system.

### Successful

Tom Evans, who has been running the LMRDT for many years, is looking forward to a highly successful dinner.

"It's just a great opportunity for us to thank our supporters and highlight what we do," he told Koori Mail.

"It's also great that a few of the young men who have come

through the team will be speaking on the night about their experiences.

"We'll also be officially launching our 2007 season, which this year features the National Indigenous Under-16 Tournament, to be played over the last weekend in July on the Gold Coast.

"From that five-team competition we will select an Indigenous Under-16 side to compete at the national rugby Under-16 titles later in the year, as well as to tour New Zealand.

"We'll also be re-launching our scholarship program, which is designed to offer small grants to help young players on their way."

Evans said the LMRDT had helped thousands of young Indigenous people since its

inception. "We've just grown and grown over the years," he said.

"As an indication, our first development day in 1992 attracted 15 boys.

"Last year, more than 2500 people alone tried out for selection in the Under-16s national squad.

"There's real interest in rugby union among Indigenous youth out there."

Evans said raising funds was always a battle, but he was grateful to all those who supported the LMRDT.

"The Australian Rugby Union is very generous to us, and they have our thanks," he said.

● Limited places are still available for this year's dinner. For details, call Tom Evans on (02) 8005 5607 or 0418 976 524.





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## Tahu's shock union move

**R**UGBY union-bound Parramatta centre Timana Tahu, pictured, believes he is no hope of playing for NSW in this year's State of Origin series following his shock decision to switch codes.

Tahu stunned the rugby league world by committing to a four-year deal – reportedly worth almost \$2 million – with the NSW Waratahs and Australian Rugby Union starting next season, turning his back on the only code he has ever played as a professional footballer.

His move came just a few weeks after he described rugby union as 'boring'.

The 26-year-old three-quarter has played five Tests for Australia and 11 Origin games for NSW, but doesn't think he will add to that tally no matter how good his form is with the Parramatta Eels.

"I don't think I'll be playing

any rep football this year considering I've gone to union," he said.

"So I've got 26 rounds to play my best football (with Parramatta) and hopefully we win a grand final.

"If they want to pick me, yeah I'm still available, but I don't think that will be happening."

Australian Rugby League chief executive Geoff Carr said neither NSW nor Test selectors would be instructed to ignore Tahu's claims, but admitted his chances of selection had been hindered by the decision to defect.

"The policy of the league has been over a number of years that we let selectors pick teams, but obviously as part of the selection criteria the selectors have to consider the future," Carr said.

"We've got a World Cup next year so with Timana unavailable for that, it would obviously count against him." – AAP

**'I don't think I'll be playing any rep football this year considering I've gone to union'**

– Timana Tahu



# \$11m sport deal



Up-and-coming as well as established Indigenous sportspeople are set to benefit from a new Federal

Government funding deal to be signed in early April.

Under a new memorandum of understanding with the Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts (DCITA), the Australian Sports Commission's Indigenous Sports Program (ISP) will be funded until the end of the 2008-09 financial year, rather than the present 12 months.

It's an arrangement that between DCITA and the ASC



Indigenous sport development officers gathered at this month's meeting in Canberra.

secures more than \$11 million in Federal funding over three years. Program manager Carl Currey says this means longer-term

planning can now be put in place which can only benefit Indigenous Australians. And it means finding the next

Cathy Freeman, Patrick Johnson or Nova Peris will – at least in theory – be that much more likely. A delighted Currey, speaking to

the Koori Mail after a meeting in Canberra of the nation's 50-plus Indigenous sport development officers, welcomed the proposed memorandum.

"What it means for us is ongoing funding and certainty, and the opportunity to expand on the work we are already doing," he said.

"Our Indigenous Sport Development Officers (ISDOs) will now have the scope to forward plan, maximise resources and work more collaboratively with State and Territory sports authorities as well as the private sector. It means our officers can look longer term at sports, and

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