



Thumbs Up! Children ride a new horse-drawn carriage on Palm Island last week.

## It's the Palm Pony Express

By ALF WILSON



Not everyone on Palm Island is happy about the local council's recent purchase of a 24-seater horse-drawn carriage aimed at promoting tourism and decreasing school truancy rates. But after just a week on the north Queensland island, the carriage, pulled by two former Brisbane trotters named Boxhead and Boolhead, is proving a star attraction with local kids.

The total cost of the carriage and horses was \$35,000 and Acting Mayor Zac Sam says he expects them to prove a major asset for the community.

"It is a very positive thing for the island," Councillor

Sam told the Koori Mail, adding that the carriage could also be used for weddings.

However, his fellow councillor Magdalena Blackley believes the carriage ride is dangerous and the money could have been much better spent, perhaps employing a parks and gardens officer or fixing up a local public toilet.

"That money is now dead money, it is sitting in the form of a horse and carriage with nowhere to go," she said.

Indigenous Community Volunteer Phil Nieass, who helps to tend the horses, said the island's kids loved the carriage ride, a view supported by local teacher Susan Morgan and teaching assistant Maggie Baira, who supervised a ride along the main street of Palm Island on the day the Koori Mail visited.

# NT mine anger

## We're 400 not out!

THIS is our 400th edition and we'd like to acknowledge all of our loyal readers, advertisers, contributors, and other supporters who've stuck with us during the past 16 years and helped make us what we are today. We've certainly come a long way since our modest first edition on 23 May 1991.

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Read how the Koori Mail and major Indigenous issues have evolved over the years, as well as how our readers feel about us, in our special feature on pages 42-48.



Here's cartoonist Danny Eastwood's take on our latest milestone.



The Northern Territory Government has passed a Bill to override the effects of last week's Supreme Court ruling that the Government's approval process for expansion of the Territory's largest zinc mine was flawed. The amendments to the McArthur River Project Agreement Ratification Act last Thursday allow all types of mining at the \$110 million McArthur River Mine (MRM), near Borroloola in the Gulf of Carpentaria, and prevent traditional owners or anyone else from launching legal action to prevent the expansion.

But the Government's haste drew criticism from within its own ranks, with three Indigenous Labor MPs crossing the floor to vote against the Bill. And the Northern Land Council, whose argument that NT Mines and Energy Minister Chris Natt used an invalid process to approve the mine's expansion last October was upheld by the Supreme Court on 30 April, labelled the move 'unfair, unjustifiable and undemocratic'.

The MRM expansion is part of a project by Swiss mining giant Xstrata to turn the operation from underground to open cut mining. After the

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# My FAMILY

Les Ridgeway, Aboriginal Family Historian,  
Bonny Hills, New South Wales



A friend of mine from Sydney took this photo of Ridgeway family descendants earlier this year at a ceremony to mark the signing of the Worimi Conservation Lands Co-Management Agreement, which involved the handback of the Stockton Bight to the Worimi Aboriginal people. That's me in the centre of the photo, holding a framed copy of the agreement that was signed by the NSW Governor Marie Bashir and Environment Minister Bob Debus.

In the photo, I'm surrounded by my three children in order of ages Cheryl, Leslie and Rhonda.

Leslie's wife Kerrie and their four children were there; twins Adam and Joshua, Ben and Tjanara (in Aboriginal language means pretty flower). Rhonda and her husband Jason Willingham came with their three children Mara, Jesse and Nina.

My daughter Cheryl, who had flown in from Geraldton, WA, represented her children Craig who graduated as a civil engineer in February, Mark, who is married

and lives in Victoria; Rachel, who is married and lives in Wiluna, in Western Australia, and Tara, who is also married and lives in Singapore. I have 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

My parents were Arthur John Ridgeway and Amy Marjorie Maher. I turned 79 on 24 March, the day of the NSW election. I was the eldest of eight children – four boys and four girls. Two boys and two girls died but the remainder are still alive and well. Grace, Sandra and Clifford James all live in the Newcastle area.

We have traced our Ridgeway family tree back to a James, born 1550 at Great Horwood Buckinghamshire. Our Maher history extends back to Ireland through Patrick (Paddy) Maher. These days I fill in much of my time doing the family history of other Aboriginal and white families. I am currently working on three ex-convicts who legally married Aboriginal women, who currently have many family connections in both white and Aboriginal folk. That famous NSW cricketer Geoffrey Lawson

happens to be a sixth-generation from a full-blood Aborigine who started his family tree.

The handback of the Stockton Bight to the Worimi people involved quite a process. Another fellow called Len Anderson and I started things off in 2001 by talking to senior government representatives. Len represented the Worimi Local Aboriginal Land Council and represented our Worimi Traditional Aboriginal Elders Group. Many meetings were held of the elected Stockton Bight Aboriginal Negotiation Panel, made up of registered traditional Aboriginal owners who continue to have contact with this cultural area.

During the ceremony I was privileged to hand to former Prime Minister Gough Whitlam a message stick on behalf of our Elders. Auntie Iris Russell, the eldest woman of our cultural group, handed Mrs Margaret Whitlam a decorated boomerang also on behalf of our Elders.

That day on the sand dunes of our country was a great day.

# OUR CHILDREN



Rininya Johnson and cousin Maci Johnson walked in Sydney on Anzac Day for their great, great grandad and great uncle who fought in World War I.

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Like their  
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Royal Australian Navy sailors Gabriel Mills (HMAS Huon) and Donald Banu (HMAS Kuttatubul) were among about 200 former and current armed forces personnel, family and friends to attend the inaugural Coloured Diggers March in Redfern, Sydney, on Anzac Day. "Both our fathers fought in Vietnam and we are here to acknowledge their efforts," they said. Photo: AMANDA JAMES

● Read more about the Coloured Diggers March and other Indigenous Anzac Day commemorations on pages 35-38.

# Anger at NT mine move

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Supreme Court's decision, work on the \$110 million mine was immediately suspended.

Before the Bill's introduction to the Parliament, Mr Natt said it would rectify a technical legal issue surrounding the initial application form lodged by Xstrata for the mine in 2002.

NT Chief Minister Clare Martin said approval of the MRM Mining Management Plan in October had struck the right balance between development, the environment and the community.

"The mine will mean hundreds of jobs for Territorians and hundreds of millions of dollars for the economy," Ms Martin said before the Bill was considered.

"The open pit lead and zinc mine will generate \$328 million a year, employ 264 people directly and another 272 indirectly. During construction 300 people will be employed directly and another 162 people indirectly. The \$32 million Community Benefits Package which is part of the agreement

will make sure locals also gain from this project."

But NLC Chief Executive Norman Fry said the Government's actions did not give certainty.

"Certainty will only come by including traditional owners and the public in the process," he said. "The NT will never achieve statehood under a Chief Minister

Alison Anderson and Karl Hampton crossed the floor to vote against the Bill, which they said should not have been considered while Gulf communities mourned the death of a senior custodian who led the campaign against the mine's open cut expansion.

The Central Land Council said the three Aboriginal MPs had struck a blow for democracy and the rights of Aboriginal people.

Not all Aboriginal people in the mine's vicinity will be unhappy with the latest developments. Yanyuwa man Syd Rusca told SBS TV last week that the people of Borroloola needed jobs from the mine.

MRM's civil works and mining operations were expected to restart after the

passage of the Bill. Last week, the NLC also began legal action against former Federal Environment Minister Ian Campbell, claiming he failed when signing off on the MRM project to consider the effect that a radical 5.5km river diversion would have on the environment.



Borroloola traditional owners during protests against the MRM expansion last year.

Photo by Todd Candie, courtesy of NLC.

who makes decisions for only some Territorians, and who has no interest in improved environmental outcomes or an agreement with traditional owners."

During debate on the Bill on Thursday night, Indigenous Labor MPs Barbara McCarthy,

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# Pay compo - Fraser



Former Liberal prime minister Malcolm Fraser has called on the Federal Government to pay compensation to members of the Stolen Generations. Mr Fraser

joined Aboriginal leader Lowitja O'Donoghue in Melbourne on 26 April to paint a bleak picture of Indigenous affairs one month out from the tenth anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report into the forced removal of Indigenous people from their families.

The report was tabled in Federal Parliament on 26 May 1997. Mr Fraser and Professor O'Donoghue, co-patrons of the Stolen Generations Alliance: Australians for Healing, Truth and Justice, said the best commemoration of the report's anniversary would be a new commitment to its wholehearted implementation.

"The Bringing Them Home report highlighted a very great hurt inflicted on the Indigenous community by policies which our Government now recognises as cruel and misguided," Mr Fraser said.

"The report's recommendations, if implemented, could do much to heal the wounds."

He and former ATSIC Chairperson Professor O'Donoghue said the Howard Government had ignored most of the report.

"But the Australian community has not," they said. "Nearly a million people signed Sorry Books in 1998, and every year since then community groups have launched hundreds of events and initiatives."

They said leadership had often been given by Stolen Generations members themselves.

Mr Fraser compared Australia's treatment of its Stolen Generations with Canada, which has recently announced a compensation package for Indigenous people removed



From left, performer and Stolen Generations Elder Bobby Randall, former Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser and Indigenous leader Professor Lowitja O'Donoghue at a press conference to focus on Aboriginal concerns in the lead-up to the 10th anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report.

from their families and sent to residential schools.

"When they want to do something the Federal Government - and the States for that matter - seems to find in today's world large sums of money. They're mostly spending money where they think there are

going to be large numbers of votes."

Mr Fraser attacked both sides of politics for pushing Aboriginal issues off the agenda, saying Federal policy on Indigenous affairs was now 'going backwards'.

Professor O'Donoghue agreed. "This is the absolute worst time in

Aboriginal affairs history from my point of view," she said.

Professor O'Donoghue said the expansion of Link-Up services, which bring together separated Indigenous families, was welcome, but such services were stretched beyond capacity.

She conceded there had been some progress at government level.

"The Tasmanian Parliament has passed a bill to compensate that State's Stolen Generations," she said.

"And the Australian Senate has received a bill, drafted by (Australian Democrat) Senator Andrew Bartlett, to implement a similar scheme throughout the nation. These steps are welcome."

"But much remains to be done. (The impact of removal) continues into the next generation; it is undermining the mental and emotional health of the children of those removed."

"If we take the Bringing Them Home report seriously, this will help people traumatised by childhood experiences - and their children - to become healthy, contributing members of the Australian society."

"And it will help overcome the distrust which characterises so much of the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians."

Bob Randall, from Uluru, a father figure of the Stolen Generations, announced details of a new on-line museum, which will display the filmed testimonies of 100 Stolen Generations members. Mr Randall also sang his moving Stolen Generations anthem, *Brown Skin Baby*.

Both the Federal Government and the Labor Opposition rejected criticism that they had not made Aboriginal affairs enough of a national priority. - with AAP

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## Graphic designer, 22, takes out this year's national NAIDOC poster competition



This is the striking artwork that won a 22-year-old Aboriginal graphic

designer the 2007 NAIDOC National Poster Competition.

Tyeli Hannah is originally from Ballarat, but now lives in Sydney and works for Vibe Australia.

His original artwork 'The Path We Lead' was chosen from more than 200 entries. It

is explained thus: 'The strong imagery and boldness of colour represents our people and their journey over the past fifty years. The figure climbing the staircase is carrying our battle-torn flags towards a brighter future - a future where all Australians are equal and where our flags are carried with pride and shared by all'.

NAIDOC Committee Chairman Aden Ridgeway said the symbolism in the

artwork paid tribute to the difficult past our people have experienced and promoted a sense of hope for the future.

This year's national NAIDOC theme is '50 Years: Looking Forward, Looking Back'. NAIDOC Week 2007 is from 8-15 July.

NAIDOC posters are free to the public and can be ordered online at [www.naidoc.org.au](http://www.naidoc.org.au) or from Indigenous Co-ordination Centres (ICCs).





Mayors, councillors and CEOs from the 19 Aboriginal shire councils represented at last week's meeting.

# DOGIT councils in crisis meeting

'Govt goal is to wipe us out...'

Story and photos by CHRISTINE HOWES  
in Cairns



"We know what the Government's intentions are and that's basically to wipe out Indigenous communities in Queensland."

Despite the protestations of State Local Government and Planning Minister Andrew Fraser, Queensland's Aboriginal shire councillors were pulling no punches after a crisis meeting in Cairns last week.

It was a big week for Queensland's Deeds of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) communities, perhaps a sign of things to come in the lead-up to the local government elections next March.

Three years into a four-year transition process changing Aboriginal Community Councils under the Community Services Act to Aboriginal Shire Councils under the Local Government Act, the State Government recently announced a major review of all shire councils across the State, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Councils.

Working to a tight time frame, the Government has named a seven-member Local Government Review Commission to make recommendations on boundaries, electoral arrangements, and the make-up and name of new councils for the Government's consideration by August for enactment in time for next year's elections.

The Commission, which has no Indigenous representation but will be supported by a yet-to-be-formed Indigenous Reference Group, has set a deadline of 25 May for public submissions to the review.

DOGIT shire councillors were left reeling at the news, which heralded the biggest potential change to the status of the former mission and reserves since the 1982 Community Services Act, which ostensibly handed over management and control to the communities themselves.

Yarrabah Mayor Vince Mundraby said the announcement came as a shock.

"We see it as a direct attack, especially



From left, Palm Island Mayor Delena Foster, Yarrabah Deputy CEO Ailsa Lively, Palm Island CEO Barry Moyle and Yarrabah Mayor Vince Mundraby.

on the fabric that makes our discrete Indigenous communities, bearing in mind that these are traditional lands of our people," he told Tiga Bayles on Brisbane Indigenous radio station 98.9FM last week.

"The other issue is the actual movement of past legislation bringing our people to one area, one reserve and then saying 'well, here's a whole new behavioural change that you need to do, do this behavioural change within four years, from 2004 to 2008, and we'll see what comes out at the end of it."

"Now we see that the whole new process started just weeks ago may see a downgrade from shire status, which the Aboriginal councils are trying to achieve, to reserve status."

The commitment of the 19 Aboriginal shire councils to preserving their identity and status was reflected in a draft submission prepared by them during their two-day meeting in Cairns with the Department of Local Government and Planning.

During the meeting, department representatives were asked to abandon

their agenda to allow the mayors, councillors and their CEOs the time and opportunity to develop a position statement and the draft submission.

At the end of the second day, the 13-point draft submission read in part that the 19 Indigenous shire councils were 'to remain autonomous local government shire councils' and that 'provided there is support from the 19 communities, the State legislature will create or recognise a Queensland-wide regional local government body' which would represent 'each of the 19 Indigenous shire councils'.

"Today there has been a demonstration of unity among the 19 shires from the Northern Peninsula Area at the tip of Cape York to Cherbourg and Woorabinda in the south and across to Doomadgee, Mornington Island in the Gulf of Carpentaria," Mr Mundraby said.

"We're still fully committed to addressing all issues, from delivery of programs to governance and administration of our shire boundaries and also the capacity that is needed for our communities to develop and grow over time."

Primary issues of concern listed in the councils' position statement included land tenure and boundary changes, extensions to existing boundaries, core and human service delivery, funding, support for voluntary amalgamations and the inclusion of any submission they make to the Local Government Review Commission into the yet-to-be signed Indigenous Partnerships Agreement agreed upon last February at a meeting in Atherton between the councils and the Premier.

After hearing the councils' position, Minister Fraser said he believed the process the Government had put in place would 'provide for better structures for local government which is all ultimately about better providing services for residents in those communities and making sure that we have a firm and stable footing for those communities to get the services they need and to have the representation that they deserve'.

"It may well be that that Commission, independently set up with a clear charter, provides recommendations that says that (for) Aboriginal shires the same set of arrangements are the best for the future," he said.

"But I think it's incumbent upon all of us who serve in positions of elected office to ask the questions of ourselves, to have the courage to have other people go to conduct those inquiries and provide stark recommendations."

"If the Commission comes back and says that they believe that the arrangements that are in place now are the best for the future, then that will be an important step forward."

"If they have other proposals, then those are the things that will be rightfully considered by the Government."

The Aboriginal shire councils have formed a working party to assist with taking the draft submission to communities and to develop a submission from all of the 19 councils to support each of the councils' individual submissions.

"This Government talks transparency but hides every damn detail," said Hopevale Mayor Greg McLean.



# Clock ticking on compo deadline

## Mid-July the cut-off date for Tassie applications

Story and photos by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



The Tasmanian Government has urged members of State's Aboriginal Stolen Generations to apply for financial compensation under the Stolen Generation of Aboriginal Children Act 2006 before mid-July.

State Community Development Minister Michelle O'Byrne said that the Office of the Stolen Generation would be unable to accept any applications after the July cut-off date because the compensation package was a fixed fund.

"It is a worry for all of us that someone might put their application in late; there's no second grabs," Ms O'Byrne said.

She said a lot of effort had been put into an advertising campaign with ads placed in national and local papers, as well as Indigenous publications and community service announcements on the Imparja Aboriginal TV Network and SBS TV.

"The press advertisements feature three members of the Stolen Generations of Aboriginal children, Annette Peardon, Heather Brown and Eddie Thomas, whose images appear alongside their own thoughts on the importance of this issue," Ms O'Byrne said.

She revealed that almost 100 applications had already been received and said she hoped the current final round of national advertising would encourage more people to come forward and have their cases assessed.

The Stolen Generation of Aboriginal Children Act 2006 provides for one-off payments to not only living members of the Stolen Generations, but surviving children of those who are now deceased. A payment of \$5000 will be made to living children of deceased members of Stolen Generations, with a maximum of \$20,000 for any one family. The remainder of the \$5 million package will be divided equally among members of the Stolen Generations.



Premier Paul Lennon outside Tasmanian Parliament late last year with Eddie Thomas and Annette Peardon who feature in advertisements for the State's Stolen Generations compensation process.

Ms O'Byrne stressed that it was impossible to accurately calculate the payment applicants may receive as it was unclear how many other eligible applicants may come forward before the cut-off date.

"However, it is clear from the number of applications that the process is working as it was intended and that members of the Aboriginal community are aware of this historic legislation," Ms O'Byrne said.

complete reliable data, extremely good government records relating to the removal of Aboriginal children did exist.

She didn't anticipate a long delay after the January date in payments being made.

"I know it's not going to make people's lives better or make up for what they have been through. Financial compensation doesn't fix things, it's a way of saying sorry, as a society we put a weight on financial

had been interest from other State governments and overseas.

"Obviously there's been interest, it's ground-breaking stuff. Not just for Australia, it's being watched internationally," she said.

The only other place in the world to compensate Indigenous stolen generations has been Canada, through its residential schools compensation process.

Unfortunately, the Tasmanian Parliament's 1997 apology and the current compensation process came too late for some stolen children and their parents, with some dying before they could be reunited.

● Advice on eligibility and information about the claims process is available from the Office of the Stolen Generation Assessor, Department of Premier and Cabinet, Level 12, AMP Building 86 Collins Street, by visiting the Stolen Generations website at [www.dpac.tas.gov.au](http://www.dpac.tas.gov.au) or by calling the Stolen Generations Information Line on 1300 654583.

### 'It is a worry for all of us that someone might put their application in late; there's no second grabs'

All applications will be assessed by 15 January 2008 against criteria set out in legislation. Former premier Ray Groom was appointed independent assessor in December last year.

Ms O'Byrne said that some cases had been very clear-cut, while others had needed to be cross-referenced. She explained that although there was no

compensation," said Ms O'Byrne, herself a mother of two young children.

"I hope we go some way to easing the pain. I cannot possibly imagine what it would be like to have your baby taken away."

But the Minister said it had been an incredible honour for her to be part of the compensation process, about which there

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## Bringing them home

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# Noonkanbah victory

## Native title over historic Kimberley blockade land

By KEN BOASE



Nearly three decades after hitting news headlines over a tumultuous blockade against mining, the Yungngora people have won formal

recognition of their native title over 1811-square-kilometres of land at Noonkanbah, in Western Australia's Kimberley region.

And the win was made even sweeter by an apology from the WA Government for its predecessor's role in the blockade.

In an on-country ceremony on 27 April, the Federal Court handed down a consent determination granting the Yungngora exclusive native title rights over an 1811-square-kilometre section of land 150 kilometres south-west of Fitzroy Crossing.

The consent determination gives traditional owners exclusive rights over the Noonkanbah pastoral lease and some Crown land, and non-exclusive rights over two other land parcels, including an airstrip and a stock route.

The Yungngora people have held the pastoral lease since 1976 and in 1979 famously set up a blockade against American mining company AMAX, which wanted to drill for oil on the lease at a place known as Pea Hill.

The week-long blockade, led by Yungngora leader Dickie Cox, made headlines around the world and the then WA Premier Charles Court ordered a police escort for the drilling rig and loudly



Ernie Bridge, former Aboriginal Labor MP, honoured a commitment he gave to the Yungngora people and sang a song after the Noonkanbah Native Title decision was ratified. Photos by Simon Dowling

proclaimed that his government would no longer co-operate with Aboriginal people on land rights issues.

The police escort broke the blockade and AMAX was able to conduct its test drilling, but no oil was ever found.

Speaking at the 27 April ceremony, Mr Cox said he flew to Perth soon after the blockade to take Premier Court to task.

"I went to Perth and I met him and told him 'no, you should not be doing this and changing the rules and sending the police and arresting us in the wilderness' and that it was not good enough. He didn't say anything."

"We feel very happy about the land and we've been living here a long time and the land we've got in our hands now and there'll be no more trouble. We felt good when the

**"On behalf of the WA Government, I apologise sincerely to the Yungngora people – I am sorry they were subjected to those actions."**

– WA Deputy Premier Eric Ripper

Aboriginal Land Trust gave us this land freehold (in 1976) and native title is the strongest law we've got now.

"This will change our life because we had trouble for a long time and it (the decision) will make everybody see that our leaders, who are strong people, support them right from that time of the trouble and back to my father and grandfathers' time."

"We've got about 300 people living at Noonkanbah and about 20 working on the station so it's a strong community and now we know we're living on country."

At the ceremony, a statement was read out by WA Deputy Premier Eric Ripper formally apologising for the conduct of the WA Government in 1979.

"On behalf of the WA Government, I apologise sincerely to the Yungngora people – I am sorry they were subjected to those actions," Mr Ripper said.

"Unfortunately, the past cannot be changed, but today's determination ensures them a brighter future."

Former Labor MP Ernie Bridge, who represented the Yungngora people, honoured a commitment he made to the traditional owners that he would sing a song if the determination was successful.

Kimberley Land Council Executive Director Wayne Bergman congratulated the Yungngora people on the successful conclusion to their long struggle for control of their land.

"The actions of the Noonkanbah people and their supporters across the Kimberley, and across Australia played a significant

part in the movement towards land justice for Aboriginal people, which resulted in the implementation of the Native Title Act," Mr Bergman said.

"Our challenges today are not so different from the challenges of the past and we continue to fight for rights to our land, for engagement in the economy, for environmental and heritage protection, and for improved social conditions for our people."



Justice Robert French, of the Federal Court.

National Native Title Tribunal member Dan O'Dea said the agreed outcome showed how far the nation had come in developing a framework to resolve conflicts where traditional owners could gain control over their traditional lands.

"That struggle over Noonkanbah went to the heart of the aspirations of Aboriginal people to control their own land," Mr O'Dea said.

"Their example has greatly influenced the subsequent development of the law towards recognition of Indigenous ownership of traditional lands."

"This is a great legacy and all parties are to be congratulated for their perseverance and commitment in reaching agreement."



The crowd at the Noonkanbah consent determination ceremony.



Outgoing Native Title Tribunal member Fred Chaney was at the ceremony.

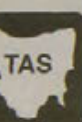


A small, hopeful group farewelled the delegates, Greg Brown and Caroline Spotswood (at either end of the flag in the front) at Hobart airport. Heather Sculthorpe is in the centre of the photo.



# Tassies fight for return of remains

Story and photo by Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



Two Tasmanian Aboriginal delegates are in London awaiting the delayed results of mediation over the fate of their ancestors' remains held by UK Natural History Museum (NHM).

The mediation follows a High Court case brought against the museum earlier this year by the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC), in a bid to stop testing on the remains of Tasmanian Aborigines.

The delegates, Greg Brown and Caroline Spotswood, last week spent more than 20 hours in mediation with three members of the NHM's Board of Trustees, two Australian Government observers, lawyers representing both sides and mediators Sir Laurence Street and Lord Woolf.

The delegates said both parties agreed it had been a valuable exercise, which had led to a greater understanding of

each party's views.

However, members of the NHM's Board of Trustees want to hold further discussions with their other board colleagues – delaying any decision for a further week.

Legal experts working on the case have mixed opinions on whether the mediation will return favourable results to Tasmanian Aborigines.

Unfortunately, the delay in a decision has not only meant a strain on funds to keep the delegates abroad, but affected their plans to visit Scotland to negotiate further repatriations.

Greg Brown said: "It is clear that attitudes are slowly changing with the realisation that it is not appropriate for institutions to hold [human] remains in their collections. The Cambridge and Oxford universities and the National Museum of Scotland hold Tasmanian Aboriginal remains.

"Clearly, their views are now part of a minority group of institutions who still hold attitudes more reflective of those held in the last two centuries."

Ms Spotswood added: "We hope that these institutions will realise this and come to their senses. We want them to meet with us and agree to return the remains so that we can fulfil our cultural obligations and lay the spirits to rest."

Back home, TAC spokeswoman Heather Sculthorpe expressed dissatisfaction with the Australian Government's involvement as observers of the mediation.

"The Attorney-General's Department sent someone and the Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FACSIA) sent Paula Margie. When we had such a battle convincing them to send two of our delegates rather than one," said Ms Sculthorpe.

Ms Sculthorpe said that a blanket claim by the Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination, for the return of Australian Indigenous remains held by institutions was hampering efforts of Tasmanians.

"FACSIA's role has been most unhelpful," she said.

The original number of Aboriginal

remains being mediated over has been reduced from 17 to 13, with the return of four sets of Tasmanian Aboriginal remains upon the delegates' arrival in London.

"(It was) both a joyful and deeply distressing occasion for Aborigines," Ms Spotswood said. "These remains, together with those of 13 more of our people, were removed without any Aboriginal consent from Tasmania during the 1880s and we have been fighting since the 1980s for their return."

"Greg and I are proud and honoured to be able to take them home to lay their tormented spirits to rest."

"However, we are grieving also, because the only reason the Museum has allowed these four remains to be returned at this point is because scientists have finished their tests on them."

"We have been telling the Museum for over 30 years that physical interference of any kind with our dead is an absolute violation of Aboriginal spiritual beliefs and we are completely opposed to any form of it."

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# Palm mum tells of terror

Story and photos by  
ALF WILSON  
A Koori Mail exclusive



The partner of a Palm Island man arrested in relation to the November 2004 Palm Island riot says the related police raid on her house will haunt her for the rest of her life.

Yvette Lenoy was seven months pregnant when police with weapons smashed down the door of her house looking for her partner David Bulsey who they later arrested and charged with being part of the riot.

Last week, she spoke exclusively to the Koori Mail about the aftermath of the incident. Nursing her baby Cameron Francis Tracey Bulsey, Ms Lenoy described it as the most traumatic experience of her life.

She said that Mr Bulsey was asleep in a bedroom when the police raided and she was in the living room. "I heard a big thump and they broke down the door, there were too many to count," she said.

Ms Lenoy said she and Mr Bulsey's seven children were overcome with fear during the raid and Mr Bulsey's arrest. She said that soon after she went into shock and became ill, and had to ask a neighbour for help.



David Bulsey with his partner Yvette Lenoy and their baby Cameron Bulsey, named after Mr Bulsey's mate Mulrunji Doomadgee who died in police custody in 2004.

"I had extremely high blood pressure and ended up in Townsville hospital," she said. "I had to be rushed to hospital in Townsville. My baby was born a

month premature and has a heart condition.

"I still feel sick from the whole thing and want justice done."

The Palm Island riot followed the death in custody a week earlier of local man Mulrunji Doomadgee. Mulrunji's arresting officer, Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, will face a Townsville Court next month charged with his assault and manslaughter.

Charges of rioting against Mr Bulsey were dropped during committal proceedings in July 2005 when the Crown Prosecutor told the court he would present no evidence.

Standing beside his partner Ms Lenoy last week, Mr Bulsey, 55, struggled to hold back the tears as she spoke of their baby's medical condition.

"We named our daughter Cameron Francis after the first two names of Mulrunji who was my mate and hunting partner. Her third name is after Mulrunji's long-time partner Tracey Twaddle," he said.

Young Cameron was born on 12 December 2004 and has a diagnosed heart condition.

Mr Bulsey's bail conditions prevented him from returning to Palm Island for some time. Now back home, he said he would travel to Townsville when Sgt Hurley faced trial.

"I had to walk past the media during my appearances in court and Hurley was taken in the back way by police when he was a witness. It will be good to see him have to walk in to court like the accused Palm Islanders," he said.

## Minister in attack on ALP's new body policy



The Federal political divide on the issue of national representation for indigenous Australians widened last week with Indigenous Affairs Minister

Mal Brough dismissing Labor's new policy to create an Indigenous representative body as a return to 'failed ALP ideas of the past'.

Labor announced at the party's national conference in Sydney on 27 April that it would create the new body if it won power at the next election.

The policy forms part of a new ALP Indigenous affairs platform that merges a 'rights agenda' with practical initiatives around employment and education.

It commits the party to a formal apology to the nation's Stolen Generations and to acknowledgement of first nation status when referring to Indigenous Australians.

Endorsement of the platform by the ALP network evoked a scathing response from Mr Brough, who declared that the renewed support for a new national representative body contradicted Labor Leader Kevin Rudd's description of the ALP as 'a party of the future'.

"ATSIAC was a failed model of Indigenous representation - 80 per cent of eligible people didn't even bother to vote in elections," Mr Brough railed.

"It was a key cause of the rotting, inertia and compromise within

Indigenous affairs. It cost millions to run. Large numbers of staff were on six-figure salaries. Senior figures abused their position, taking taxpayer-funded junkets around the world. It failed to tackle tough issues like family violence

"And this is Labor's answer for the future.

"How can reinstating a model with its inherent excesses that benefit a few while the majority languish be the way forward for first Australians?

"Labor wants to go back to a model that failed and that most Indigenous people were glad to be rid of."

However, Northern Territory Labor MP Warren Snowdon said any new Indigenous representative body created under a Labor Government would not be simply another ATSIAC.

Mr Snowdon told ABC TV's Stataline program that Indigenous community leaders would be properly consulted before the plan was set in stone.

"The idea from our perspective is that it should be a democratic institution but it needs to properly represent the views and interests of Aboriginal people, Indigenous Australians from across the country, and have some regional structures to feed into it," he said.



MAL BROUGH



WARREN SNOWDON

# Abuse report with NT Govt



Aborigines in the Northern Territory are desperate for a solution to the child sexual abuse rampant in their communities, the head of an inquiry into their plight says.

Co-chairs Rex Wild QC and Aboriginal health advocate Pat Anderson handed their findings to NT Chief Minister Clare Martin on 30 April, marking the end of the seven-month investigation.

The high-profile inquiry was set up by the NT Government in June amid reports of widespread and often unreported child sexual abuse in some remote areas of central Australia.

Among the allegations, children as young as five were said to have contracted sexually transmitted diseases while young girls were being prostituted for petrol in Mutitjulu, near Uluru.

Shortly before handing their findings to the Government, Ms Anderson described the inquiry as a 'harrowing process'.

"The people who spoke to us were desperately worried about it all and desperate for something to happen and be done about it," she said.

Mr Wild said the inquiry had visited about 45 communities, held 260 meetings, received 65 written submissions from individuals and organisations and spoken to 'a number of victims'.

"We have a lot of material to consider and we've enjoyed meeting people, even though the subject matter has been pretty grim," Mr Wild told reporters outside Parliament House in Darwin.

Asked if he was distressed by some of the things he had heard, Mr Wild replied: "Yes, we were very distressed ... we're concerned by the things we've found."

But he refused to comment further on the report recommendations, saying 'that is a matter for the Chief Minister'.

Mr Wild, the former director of public prosecutions, has said in the past that he was surprised at the extent of the abuse and estimated the problem would take at least a generation to overcome.

### Serious problem

"There's no doubt sexual abuse is a serious problem within many Aboriginal communities across the Northern Territory," he said in March.

Ms Martin said the report would be released to the public only once a final copy had been printed, which should take about a month.

"This is an important report and the NT Government will prepare a comprehensive response as a matter of high priority," she said.

"I know the inquiry has consulted widely and there has been a very thorough

consideration of the issues that surround the tragedy of child sex abuse."

But NT Opposition Leader Jodeen Carney said it should be released as soon as possible.

"Why is there another substantial delay in dealing with this issue?" she said. "This decision is prolonging the veil of silence over this issue ... I would have hoped that something as serious as child sexual abuse would have spurred the Government into decisive action."

The child abuse inquiry has not been without controversy.

The NT Government scrambled to replace the head of the investigation when former Australian Federal Police commissioner Mick Palmer quit after just six weeks in the job to focus on his role of securing Australia's transport system against terrorist attacks.

Then late last year, it was revealed Ms Martin had known about the child abuse allegations 18 months before she ordered a formal investigation.

On 26 November 2004, she sent a note to a Cabinet colleague detailing widespread 'social dysfunction', including chemical addictions and malnourished children at Mutitjulu.

She said adults there were addicted to marijuana, alcohol and petrol, which had resulted in sexual abuse, child prostitution and widespread neglect. - AAP



# Justice focus in WA

## AJA revamp proposal is welcomed

By ELIZABETH MURRAY in Perth



Indigenous people in Western Australia will enjoy greater equality with a focus on social justice and self-determination under a proposed revamp of the State's Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA).

International justice consultancy Global Justice Services (GJS) was contracted by the WA Attorney-General's Department to look at possible developments for the AJA, after the Government allocated \$10.8 million to implement the recommendations of the Mahoney Inquiry into the management of offenders in WA.

GJS Managing Director Alan McCagh proposed broadening the scope of the agreement to involve Aboriginal communities in creating more culturally appropriate justice services and 21 justice plans for regional communities.

A spokesperson for the State Attorney-General's Department told the *Koori Mail* on Friday that the recommendations, designed in consultation with regional communities, were still only at a discussion stage.

Two significant WA studies in 2006 strongly recommended a community justice model that acknowledged social justice needs to counter disadvantage, and included Aboriginal people in the decision-making processes.

The abolition of ATSIC in 2005 left the early incarnation of the AJA under the care and monitoring of the State Government, with the staff of some signatories ill-prepared or unwilling to fulfil the commitment.

The reduction of the number of Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system is a key aspect of the AJA, but alarming imprisonment



A Deaths in Custody (WA) banner makes a pertinent point at last year's Perth Deaths in Custody vigil - 'Build communities not prisons'.

rates indicate a rise not only in arrest rates, but in breaches of release orders and re-offending.

Incarceration figures jumped to a record figure between November 2006 and January 2007, and continue to escalate, while Aboriginal deaths in WA police custody also rose sharply during 2005/06 after the AJA was signed.

to sleep 'double-up' in single cells.

Mr McCagh said access to justice for people in communities on a magistrate's circuit was driven by institutional supply and 'not consistent with a demand-driven, community-access-to-justice model'.

Research showed accused people were pleading guilty to offences without appropriate defence preparation or pleas of mitigation, he



**Nyoongar Elder Ben Taylor has expressed concern over the increased need to build new prisons in regional areas and has welcomed a suggestion to instead open rehabilitation centres.**

Although Aboriginal people make up just three per cent of WA's population, they account for more than 42 per cent of the State's adult male prisoners, about 60 per cent of female prisoners, and 73 per cent of juvenile detainees.

The WA prison muster has climbed to the same level seen before the 1998 Casuarina Prison Christmas riots, forcing prisoners

said, and there was no flexibility to change court dates when they were unable to attend due to funerals or health problems.

Mr McCagh said legal representation was inadequate and arrested parties could be remanded for a month without contact from a lawyer, and that no structured notification system existed to alert the Aboriginal Legal Service or Legal Aid when someone had

been jailed. "There are no lawyers or advocates based in these towns to service the justice sector. Further to this, because of time/resourcing limitations, lawyers and advocates can only work with key government agencies in a limited way, which reduces the quality of services provided," he said.

"Chronic alcohol and drug abuse by men, women and juveniles within Pilbara communities ... was discussed at length," he said, and communities in Newman, Tom Price, Onslow and Hedland requested alcohol and drug rehabilitation for men, women and children.

Participants in the consultant's local reference groups also complained that young people's chances of obtaining driving licences were very limited, and court services in the Pilbara region were also inadequate.

Mr McCagh said participants were keen to become more involved in the justice process and they were often already pro-active in monitoring their communities.

Nyoongar Elder Ben Taylor said he was pleased changes were being considered to help Aboriginal people to have access to fairer justice services in regional communities. He said changes had been 'a long time coming'.

Mr Taylor expressed concern over the increased need for construction of new prisons in regional areas. Commending a suggestion to open regional rehabilitation centres, he said the Attorney General needed to focus on rehabilitation.

The Law Reform Commission of WA last year completed a six-year study into the application of customary law in regional and remote communities. Its 131 recommendations aimed to assist the Government to improve conditions for Aboriginal people and offer appropriate recognition and respect for the diversity of traditional laws.

Commission project writer Victoria Williams said community justice plans would have to incorporate social justice strategies and allow Aboriginal people to have a central role in determining culturally appropriate justice outcomes in their communities.

The commission also recommended the establishment of Aboriginal-controlled local community justice groups to deal with justice issues and work in partnership with government agencies.

### NATIONAL COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMME

The Australian Government's *National Community Crime Prevention Programme* invites non-profit community groups to apply for funding under its *Small Grants Programme*.

Grants of up to \$5,000 are available for community organisations to purchase small, tangible items of equipment, or undertake small scale projects, that will directly assist the local community to prevent crime.

Applications close at 5pm on Thursday 28 June 2007. Applications must be postmarked or hand delivered on or before the closing date.

Application forms and information are available:

- at [www.crimeprevention.gov.au](http://www.crimeprevention.gov.au)
- from the Strategic Policy Coordination Branch Attorney-General's Department Robert Garran Offices National Circuit BARTON ACT 2600
- by phoning (02) 6250 6711
- by e-mailing [nccppinfo@ag.gov.au](mailto:nccppinfo@ag.gov.au)



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## Literature review on the link between primary health care and health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians

The Department requires a consultant to research the literature on the link between primary health care and health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, produce a comprehensive literature review and a report on this review, and conduct a seminar on the findings.

There are no conditions of participation.

The work is to be conducted from June-September 2007.

This work may involve consultation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community groups, organisations and/or individuals and hence may require travel.

Parties interested in tendering must address the evaluation criteria in the format outlined in the Request For Tender document, available in the first instance by registering on the Department's internet site at [www.health.gov.au/tenders](http://www.health.gov.au/tenders)

Any difficulties accessing this site should be addressed to the Project Officer John Leonard, on: Phone: (02) 6289 7216, Fax: (02) 6289 5911 or Email: [john.leonard@health.gov.au](mailto:john.leonard@health.gov.au)

Tenders will close at 2pm on 28 May 2007 in Canberra.



# Babana celebrates first year



A voluntary group established to support, enable and empower Aboriginal men in the Sydney suburbs of Redfern and Waterloo has celebrated its first year of operation.

Babana, which means 'brother' in the Dharuk language, was formed last March by Aboriginal men who saw a need for a broad-based group that could be a focal point for community support in the inner-city suburbs which have had their share of social problems over the years.

The group holds regular meetings and has experienced a significant growth in membership. Members share ideas, network and identify ways to support Aboriginal men and their families.

Last month, more than 100 Babana members and friends travelled aboard the Tribal Warrior Association vessels 'Tribal Warrior' and 'Deerubbun' for lunch at Shark Island in outer Sydney Harbour. Rugby League legend Arthur Beetson was among them.

"Men's groups can only be successful if they earn the goodwill, trust and support of the wider community," Mr Beetson said.



Members of the Babana men's group, supporting Aboriginal men in Redfern and Waterloo.

"What I have seen here today tells me that Babana has made a good start towards earning that goodwill, support and trust."

Babana worked with the Aboriginal Churches Partnership of Redfern and Waterloo on the inaugural Coloured Diggers March held in Redfern on Anzac

Day to increase awareness of the often unrecognised contribution of Indigenous servicemen and women.

Other projects have included a NAIDOC Week harbour boat trip; representations to City of Sydney and Leichhardt councils including on an appropriate acknowledgement to

Aboriginal people in the Hyde Park upgrade; volunteering at last year's New Employment Opportunity Network employment expo and 2007 Yabun Festival; a 'No Drugs on the Block' campaign to discourage drug use by talking about the negative impacts of the highly visible use of drugs in the community; and liaison with Redfern police about improving relations with the Aboriginal community.

Members say the group is making a difference.

"A year ago there was nothing like Babana in Redfern-Waterloo," said honorary Babana Elder Eric Robinson.

"Babana has already done a lot in its first year. I hope there are more Babana partnerships with Federal and NSW government departments and private sponsors which benefit Aboriginal men, their families and this community."

Last year, Babana operated in a relatively informal capacity. This year, the group is taking steps to ensure it is properly equipped to be sustainable in the long term, including working towards becoming an incorporated body.

# Wake up, Cape told

Story and photo by  
CHRISTINE HOWES in Cairns



Moves by the Queensland Government to enact 'Wild Rivers' legislation in far north Queensland have triggered an attempt by traditional owners to 'grab hold' of the environmental agenda on Cape York, a Cairns forum has heard.

Hosted by the Cape York Institute, speakers at the 'Kin and Country - The Cape York Conservation Agenda' were Balkanu Cape York Development Corporation Chief Executive Officer Gerhardt Pearson, 2007 Australian of the Year Tim Flannery and 2007 Young Australian of the Year Tania Major.

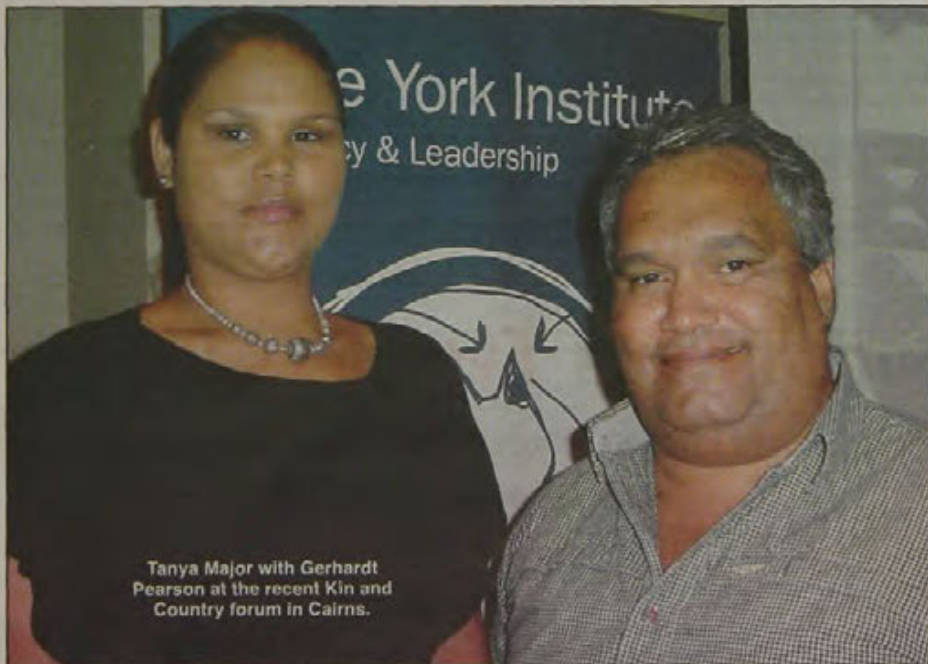
Mr Pearson said his concern about the Government's wild rivers legislation was that it affected native rights and potentially 'locked away' future economic opportunities for traditional owners.

"Traditional owners assert ownership of all of these rivers and there is not one TO group in Cape York that has those economic rights," he said.

"These rivers from a TO's point of view are important to our culture, important to our future and they have been important in our past. "And there is no one in Cape York more than TOs who want to ensure these rivers are protected, that these rivers are maintained and not destroyed."

"The protection of these rivers needs to take into account that you cannot discriminate, you cannot just set aside our existing rights, you cannot not take account of future opportunities for our people and others that use these rivers in Cape York."

Mr Pearson said Aboriginal people wanted to do the right thing for country but couldn't in a situation where there was ongoing politics, division and a system



Tania Major with Gerhardt Pearson at the recent Kin and Country forum in Cairns.

where they were continually left out of the agenda.

He said Aboriginal people had effectively been locked out of decision-making processes by a failure to follow through on recommendations from a 1991 Electoral and Administrative Commission Review (EACR) which suggested a series of agreements between Aboriginal community councils and shire councils, the effective collapse of the 1996 Cape York Heads of Agreement, the shelving of a report suggesting the structure and make-up of natural resources management board for Cape York and a lack of support for community efforts to break free of passive welfare and substance misuse.

"To this date mechanisms in current legislation at the time have not been brought into effect and our

people continue to be disenfranchised from key land use decisions," Mr Pearson said about the 1991 EACR recommendations.

He said it was time for Cape York stakeholders to wake up. "It is not governments that can turn the situation around for people in Cape York, and for the greater economy of Cape York," he said.

"It is people, it is a relationship between individuals that in fact cause great things to happen. And we advocate that pastoralists, the environmental movement and Indigenous people in Cape York had better wake up to themselves."

"We can't afford a future where we're at constant conflict with each other, certainly the environment that we're so concerned about can't afford that situation."

Dr Tim Flannery, who spoke to

the forum via video link from Sydney, said he believed the internal stresses faced in Aboriginal societies were fundamental obstacles that needed to be overcome in order for there to be sustainable conservation.

He called on young Indigenous people to become educated in science.

"Science allows us to understand the future impacts of things like climate change," he said.

"It is a powerful management tool and I look forward to the day that we have Indigenous PhDs coming out of our universities fully equipped to go back and work in their region of Australia in a way that will strengthen the entire community and its response to these great challenges we all face."

Ms Major also acknowledged

the need for strong communities to sustain protected environments.

"We know what we need to do to care for our country, to allow it to sustain us and for us to sustain it, and we know the consequences that will flow from our failure to do so," she said.

"It is clear to all of those involved in the Cape York Agenda, including myself, that a dysfunctional cycle of drug abuse and welfare passivity has eroded my people's capacity and inclination to take responsibility for their economic and social well-being."

Ms Major said despite having managed and looked after land for thousands of years, Indigenous people were refused the right to jointly manage national parks, could not access funding to set up regional land management and 'have had to watch as feral weeds and animals spread across the Cape'.

"In other words, at a time when government and other stakeholders and the public are accepting that Indigenous people must take responsibility for re-building healthy communities and healthy people, they are in fact damaging the most strongest pillar of our responsibility: our connection to country," she said.

"What government must understand is that by undermining Indigenous people's connection to land, my people's right to take responsibility in an area where it is strongest will be eroded and destroyed."

Ms Major said the 11 years which had passed since the signing of the Cape York Heads of Agreement had been 'wasted'.

"As part of the upcoming generation of Indigenous leaders, I cannot stress enough the importance of reaching agreement on the use, management and conservation of Cape York Peninsula," she said.

"We must work together to secure the future of this region."



# Rent to buy in Wadeye



Four Aboriginal families from Wadeye, in the Northern Territory, have become the

first in the remote community to enter into arrangements with the Federal Government to buy their own homes.

The families will rent the homes for two years while participating in money management training to help them prepare for purchase through Indigenous home ownership programs.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough flew to Wadeye last Thursday to hand over the keys to the houses at the Wudapuli and Nama outstations, under the first stage of a new Federal Government lease-purchase scheme.

"In the past six months, the Government funded the construction of display houses on two outstations within good proximity to schooling and services and where the traditional owners were keen to expand their communities," he said.

"This is a major step for these families and is the first stage of the Howard Government's lease purchase scheme to provide Indigenous people in remote communities with the opportunity to buy their own home."

Aboriginal leader Pat Dodson recently warned that Aboriginal people could struggle to meet rent and mortgage repayments under such arrangements.

However, Mr Brough said more families registered last week to join the new scheme and buy

houses in Wudapuli and Perrederr.

He said the families moving into the new houses had agreed to free up rental housing in Wadeye, get involved in cleaning and painting houses in Wadeye, do similar work on dwellings in their communities and ensure their school-age children attended school.

"Rents for the properties, to be managed by Indigenous Business Australia (IBA), will be in line with rents usually charged for these types of properties," he said.

The Minister said the rents, believed to be between \$140 and

\$150 a week, were much higher than rents that are currently paid in remote Indigenous communities.

Two designs were used in the houses; one a 200-square-metre home with eight bedrooms and the other a four-bedroom model. Both were designed in consultation with the families.

Mr Brough said the scheme gave the Indigenous families involved the opportunity to achieve something that, until now, had been beyond their reach.

"Most Australians take for granted that they can, if they wish, buy their own home," he said.

"This has not previously been something Indigenous people in remote communities could achieve."

The Minister said decisions on the total number of houses to be built in the Wadeye region would be based on demand. Builders used local labour to construct the homes.

Mr Brough also announced \$3.7 million in Federal funding to tackle violence at Wadeye. The funds will be used to:

- Build a safe house in Wadeye to provide emergency accommodation for victims of violence.

- Establish a children's services centre that will provide childcare and other associated children's services, such as playgroups along with health and parenting support services.

- House staff of the children's services centre and safe house.

"Violence in any community is unacceptable, particularly when it is against women, children or the elderly," Mr Brough said.

"The measures I am announcing today are a direct result of personal pleas to me from women, particularly grandmothers, in Wadeye and they will go a long way to helping break the cycle of violence and protect the community."

"Violence is not something that is exclusive to Indigenous communities, but in urban and major regional centres there are stronger support services for victims and programs that can substantially help curb violence."

"Unfortunately, this same level of service is not available in remote communities and I'm determined that Indigenous Australians should have the best services that the Government can provide."

Wadeye hit the headlines earlier this month when lawyers for the remote Top End community lodged a complaint with the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (HREOC) alleging that the Territory Government had failed for 30 years to pass on all of the funding it received from the Commonwealth for the local Catholic school.



The Thardim family with their newly built eight-bedroom house at Wudapuli, in the Northern Territory.

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- Showcasing the Best – aimed at internationally profiling high quality art, and creating international opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and their artistic practice

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Your proposals will help shape the cultural landscape for Indigenous arts. We want to achieve the best results for Indigenous artists and Australia's arts. We will ask you to highlight in your strategic proposal some of the following:

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#### How do I get involved?

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Send us a letter: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts, PO Box 788, Strawberry Hills, NSW 2012

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# Strong field for NSW land council positions



A strong field of candidates has emerged for the coming election to the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC). NSWALC Administrator William Johnstone and Chief Executive Officer Geoff Scott said the State Electoral Commission had recorded 52 nominations for the nine Council positions to be contested at the 19 May election.

A record number of voting members have been registered for the May poll across nine new regions – more than 16,500 registered voting members from 116 Local Aboriginal Land Councils across the State.

Mr Johnstone and Mr Scott said this represented the highest number of voting members recorded since the amendments to the NSW *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* in October 2002.

They said the NSWALC would now turn its attention to achieving a maximum voter turnout on 19 May. "We would urge everyone

**'We would urge everyone involved in the land council system to encourage as many eligible people as possible to ensure they vote in the forthcoming poll which will take NSWALC into a new era'**

**– NSWALC Administrator William Johnstone**



"The election will see a new Council working with a new administration at NSWALC, and a range of new stakeholders, including a new Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and a new Parliament."

involved in the land council system to encourage as many eligible people as possible to ensure they vote in the forthcoming poll which will take NSWALC into a new era," they said.

## Who's standing where

(Names are listed in order as per the ballot paper)

**WIRADJURI**  
(5 nominations): James Ingram, Bob Maynard, Craig Cromelin, Violet Sheridan, Robert Carroll.

**WESTERN**  
(2 nominations): William Murray and Des Jones.

**SOUTH COAST**  
(6 nominations): Ron Mason, Lana Callaghan, Les Simon, Neville Hampton, Basil Smith, Veronica Graf.

**SYDNEY/NEWCASTLE**  
(10 nominations): Patrick Lock, Jenny Munro, Cliff Foley, Cheryl Kitchener, Rick Welsh, Rob Welsh, Phillip Hall, Jim Wright, Lennie Malone, Roy Ah-See.

**CENTRAL**  
(6 nominations): Neville

Merritt, Willy Carr, Stephen Ryan, Neville Brown, Darren Toomey, Neila Scott.

**CENTRAL COAST**  
(5 nominations): Charles Quinlan, Ruth Campbell, Bev Manton, Noel Lockwood, Angela Cowan.

**NORTH COAST**  
(5 nominations): Trevor Kapeen, Patricia Laurie, Des Williams, David Daley, Dallas Donnelly.

**NORTH WEST**  
(8 nominations): Joe Flick, Karen Craigie, George Fernando, Lynn Trindall, Lyall Munro, Ray Tighe, Tony Flick, Steve Gordon.

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Tuesday 8 May, 1pm to 3pm

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Monday 21 May \*, 9.30am to 1pm

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Tuesday 22 May \*, 9.30am to 12 noon

Richmond Room, Ballina

Tuesday 22 May \*, 2pm to 4.30pm

Casino RSM, Casino

Wednesday 23 May \*, 9.30am to 2pm

BanawBlu Cafe, Bonalbo

Thursday 24 May \*, 10.30am to 3pm

Grafton Community Centre, Grafton

Friday 25 May \*, 9.30am to 12 noon

Nambucca Community Centre, Nambucca Heads

\* These workshops will be held in conjunction with the Artlaw Centre of Australia's Artists in the Black program kindly supported by the NSW Department the State & Regional Development and Arts Northern Rivers Inc.

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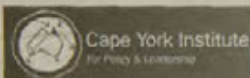
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Information sessions and client meetings with staff from the Australia Council for the Arts' Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Board are being held across Australia. Come and hear how the Australia Council supports and promotes Indigenous art, and receive detailed information about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board and its grants.

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**Adelaide SA**  
Information sessions  
Tuesday 8 - Wednesday 9 May 2007  
Morning: 9:30am - 12pm  
Afternoon: 2pm - 4pm  
Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute,  
Kaurna Gallery,  
253 Grenfell Street, Adelaide

**Port Lincoln SA**  
Information session and client meeting  
Thursday 10 May 2007,  
9:30am - 3:30pm  
Port Lincoln Aboriginal Community Council  
30 Ravendale Rd, Port Lincoln

**Mt Gambier SA**  
Information session and client meeting  
Thursday 11 May 2007,  
10am - 2pm  
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**Broome WA**  
Information sessions  
Monday 21 May 2007  
Morning: 9:30am - 12pm  
Afternoon: 2pm - 4:30pm  
Client meetings  
Tuesday 22 May 2007  
Goolami Media Enterprises  
3 Blackman Street, Broome

**Kununurra WA**  
Information sessions  
Thursday 24 May 2007  
Morning: 9:30am - 12pm  
Afternoon: 2pm - 4:30pm  
Client meetings  
Friday 25 May 2007, 9:30am - 12pm  
ICC Office - Kununurra  
2250 Coolbah Ave, Kununurra

**Woodford QLD**  
Information session and  
client meetings  
Friday 8 - Monday 11 June 2007  
Festival of the Dreaming  
Beerwah-Kilcoy Rd, Woodford

**Perth WA**  
Information session  
Tuesday 19 June 2007  
Morning: 9:30am - 12pm  
Afternoon: 2pm - 4:30pm  
Client meetings  
Wednesday 20 June 2007  
King Street Arts Centre  
367 Murray Street, Perth

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Information session and  
client meetings  
Thursday 21 June 2007  
The Pirex (Old Convent),  
George Street, Kellerberrin

For more information or bookings, please contact the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Board on (02) 9215 9167, (02) 9215 9067, toll free 1800 226 912 or email [atsia@ozco.gov.au](mailto:atsia@ozco.gov.au)

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Widjabul Elders of the Bundjalung nation with NSW Governor Marie Bashir at the opening of Widjabul Park. From left, Ann Roberts, Irene Harrington, NSW Governor Marie Bashir, Dorothy Gordon, June Gordon and Heather Ritchie.

# New park is named for the Widjabul



The Widjabul  
tribe of the  
Bundjalung  
Nation was  
honoured late

last month when NSW Governor Marie Bashir opened a park named for them at Southern Cross University in Lismore, northern NSW.

Professor Bashir said she 'applauded the vision and wisdom of everyone involved, especially my Indigenous sisters and brothers' in the establishment of Widjabul Park, which she called a 'tranquil oasis that gives us a place to come and sit and be at peace with the world and to escape the stress of modern life'.

As well as paying her respects to the Bundjalung traditional custodians of the land, she spoke of the importance of the natural environment in promoting a state of emotional well-being, boosting the immune system and supporting a healthy heart.

"I would like to take this opportunity to record my respect for the traditional owners of this land and thank them from my heart and also to thank all of Australia's Indigenous people who have been nurturing this great continent for thousands of years," the Governor said.

"It is great to live in a time when Aboriginal culture is being increasingly respected and valued and I hope and trust that this will continue to grow."

"We share the responsibility of preserving and halting the



Irene Harrington, NSW Governor Marie Bashir, and local State MP Thomas George.

depletion of these irreplaceable resources that have sustained human life for thousands of years.

"The establishment of Widjabul Park might seem a small contribution to this goal but it is a very significant one."

"It showcases an outstanding

Widjabul Park is the result of a combined project by the university and the Rotary clubs of Lismore, Lismore West, Goonellabah, Lismore Central and Summerland Sunrise. It was initially created as part of the university's water catchment management plan.

The concept includes a lake, which is a water bird habitat with a wildlife refuge island in the centre. Rainforest trees have been planted in the surrounding area, as has a rare Wollemi pine. There are also picnic tables and a barbecue area, funded by the combined Rotary clubs.

Rotary club members, university students, staff and members of the community joined together in 2005 and 2006 for tree-planting days in order to bring the project to completion.

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example of a proud and harmonious community where everyone has pulled together - the Indigenous community, academics, staff, students and the combined Rotary clubs of Lismore who have sponsored and led this project from its inception."



# Wiradjuri people take mine fight to Canada



Wiradjuri Aboriginal people fighting gold mining at Lake Cowal, in central New South Wales, have taken part in

an international day of action in Toronto against the Canadian-owned gold-mining giant Barrick Gold.

The Mooka and Kalara families within the Wiradjuri nation say Barrick Gold's open-pit mine is desecrating the sacred site of Lake Cowal, and destroying the environment.

Wiradjuri representatives joined Aboriginal Elders from Western Shoshone, in Nevada, USA, to attend Barrick's annual general meeting in Toronto last Wednesday, challenging management's reports to shareholders on the company's operations around the globe.

During the meeting, Neville 'Chappy' Williams served a Notice to Quit on Barrick Gold's Chairman and board of directors.

"As an Elder of the Wiradjuri Nation I serve this document on Barrick Gold on behalf of the Mooka and Kalara united families within the Wiradjuri Nation," he told shareholders and others at the gathering.

The Notice to Cease Illegal Occupation of Lake Cowal read: "Under Wiradjuri custom, tradition and law/lore you have received your three warnings. You must now respect the unceded sovereignty of the Wiradjuri Nation and cease all operations; restore the landscape; remove all equipment and replace all artifacts to their GPS'd positions. We reserve our right to take further action as necessary."

The protesters said in a statement provided to the Koori Mail that Barrick Gold's Chairman had blamed the company's sliding performance on non-government



Pictured at CKLN 88.1 radio station in Toronto, Canada, before the Barrick Gold 2007 annual general meeting are, from left, Christian Pena (Pascua Lama Project), Sakura Saunders (CorpWatch), Wiradjuri representatives Arinya Freeman and Neville 'Chappy' Williams (Lake Cowal) and Semhar (CKLN radio announcer).

organisations that pressured governments to require too many permits before mining could start.

The Aboriginal protesters said a shareholder approached them afterwards saying they were considering selling their shares after hearing about the cultural impact of Barrick's operations.

In a demonstration on the sidewalk outside the Barrick meeting, supporters handed shareholders an 'Alternative

Barrick Annual Report' complete with testimonies from communities they say are adversely affected by Barrick Gold Corporation's mining practices.

Opponents of mining operations like Barrick Gold's say the mines use huge amounts of water and leave thousand-year legacies of acid mine drainage, destruction of ecosystems, disease and regional climate change.

In November last year, Mr

Williams demanded a moratorium on gold mines in the Murray-Darling Basin and earlier this month environmentalists picketed Barrick Gold's Lake Cowal mine over the use of cyanide, which they claim will permanently poison the local water supply. The protest caused operations to be shut down and a delivery of cyanide to be delayed.

Eight protesters were charged, but Graham Dunstan, from

Cyanide Watch, told the ABC that the protests would continue until the mine was closed.

For more information on the protesters' position, go to [www.protestbarrick.net](http://www.protestbarrick.net)

The Mooka and Kalara united families in the Wiradjuri nation will meet in Condobolin next Wednesday 16 May. For more information, call Neville Williams 0416 316 774 or 0421 795 639, or Willie Gilbert on 0403 613 481.



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## 2007 WOMEN'S DIRECTOR SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

The ACT Women's Director Scholarships Program is an ACT Government initiative that aims to develop the skills and knowledge of women who are currently in, or who aspire to undertake decision-making roles.

The Program is an action of The ACT Women's Plan and aims to work towards achieving a culture of equal representation and recognition of women.

The Program offers a choice of one of the following two courses:

1. **Directors Essentials**, which provides a practical toolkit for director-owners and those aspiring to directorship roles; and
2. **Company Directors**, which develops the skills and knowledge of directors and senior officers, thereby contributing to improved individual, company and board performance.

Two Scholarships are available for each course.

Application packages can be obtained by downloading the application form from <http://www.women.act.gov.au/directorscholarship.htm> by contacting the Office for Women, Department of Disability, Housing and Community Services on 6205 0515 or by emailing [women@act.gov.au](mailto:women@act.gov.au)

Applications close COB Monday, 28 May 2007.



## NSW ABORIGINAL NURSING AND MIDWIFERY CADETSHIP PROGRAM

The NSW Public Sector Indigenous Cadetship Program is funded by the Commonwealth Department of Employment and Workplace Relations.

Are you of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and studying for an Nursing or Midwifery undergraduate degree, on a full time basis at a NSW or ACT University?

Are you interested in combining your studies and gaining experience in your chosen discipline through work placements in a NSW Hospital?

If you have answered 'Yes', then a Cadetship may be for you.

A cadetship is an opportunity for Indigenous Australian students interested in combining full-time undergraduate tertiary study with employment in a NSW Public Sector agency.

Cadets will receive a study allowance of \$600 per fortnight (before tax) during the 40 week academic year and receive a wage for the 12 week work placement period.

The agencies below are currently offering Indigenous cadetships:

Agency	Position Offered & targeted disciplines of study	Closing Date & Contact:
NSW Health	Position - Nurses and Midwives 10 positions at Various Locations within NSW (2 positions to be located within Justice Health) Area of Study: Bachelor of Nursing, Bachelor of Midwifery	18th May 2007 Contact: Ms Sue Balding 02 93919367 <a href="mailto:sbald@doh.health.nsw.gov.au">sbald@doh.health.nsw.gov.au</a>







## Funding for collaborative projects

Funding is available for groups of community-based organisations to establish or expand collaborative partnerships aimed at improving the quality and efficiency of their services.

Grants for developing business cases or implementing planned activities are being offered through the following two programs:

### Building Links — a Strengthening Non-Government Organisations initiative

Applications are invited from groups of organisations formed around a lead organisation funded by the Department of Communities or Disability Services Queensland. The group may include organisations that do not receive funding from either department.

### Building Rural Links — a Blueprint for the Bush initiative

Applications are invited from groups of organisations providing services to communities west of the Great Dividing Range, small communities east of the range and those in Cape York and the Torres Strait. These groups can include a broad range of organisations, with at least one organisation currently funded by a Queensland Government agency that provides human services.

For information packages, please phone 1300 794 611 or visit [www.communities.qld.gov.au](http://www.communities.qld.gov.au)

Funding submissions for both programs must be lodged by 4 pm on Monday 6 August 2007.



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## Australian Government Water Fund Community Water Grants

### Call for applications Round 3

*Communities across Australia are saving water and helping their local environment by working in partnership with the Australian Government.*

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Community Water Grants is now accepting applications for on-the-ground projects that deliver real water savings or water quality improvements.

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More than 3,000 projects are already under way around Australia. As part of the \$2 billion Australian Government Water Fund, Community Water Grants is providing \$200 million over five years for projects that save, reuse or improve the health of our water resources.

Registrations close 5pm EST 22 June 2007  
Applications close 11am EST 4 July 2007

For an application form and details of current projects visit [www.australia.gov.au/communitywatergrants](http://www.australia.gov.au/communitywatergrants) or phone 1800 780 730.

#### Want to find out more?

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The successful Palm Island rescue crew, from left, team captain Niu Rabuka, Bruce Reid, John Oliffe, Billy Landers, Ili Dabea and Joeline O'Neill.

# Palm crew's success is no accident

Story and photos by  
ALF WILSON in Townsville



A five-man, one-woman team from the north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island took out second prize in the regional section of the Road Accident Rescue (RAR) Challenge held at the Townsville Entertainment Centre late last month.

Niu Rabuka was the proud captain of the Palm Island team, made up of Ili Dabea, Billy Landers, Joeline O'Neill, John Oliffe and Bruce Reid. The Road Accident Rescue Challenge pitted rescue teams' skills against each other. First placing in the regional section went to the Townsville team, while Charters Towers came in third.

"This has been a very good experience for us," Mr Rabuka said.

Mr Reid said the competition hosted the best RAR team from the seven regions across Queensland.

"The team was made up of rural fire fighters/SES and Queensland Ambulance Service personnel from Palm Island. A

paramedic is the only permanent employee. The rest are all volunteers," he said.

Mr Reid said the Palm Island team members were proud of being awarded the regional runners-up medals, only being beaten by Townsville, an all-permanent team.

"Leading up to the competition the Palm team only had one full training session as a team, the QFRS from Ingham assisted the team with training," he said.

It was the second year that

and Mr Oliffe a CDEP worker.

Mr Reid hails from Home Hill and is a paramedic who has provided training on Palm Island.

"It was a good, positive thing for Palm Island, which gets a lot of negative publicity," he said after the event.

Between January 2006 and March this year, Queensland Fire and Rescue staff attended almost 10,000 crashes.

During that period 924 trapped people were freed from vehicles and the 'Jaws of Life' machine were often required.

So the chance to compete in such a competition and fine-tune skills is a major positive.

About 150 firefighters and paramedics also attended lectures, which were aimed at improving techniques to reduce rescue times, which can have a bearing on crash victims' chances of survival.

The first day of the competition coincided with Fatality Free Friday, which is a worldwide initiative designed at reducing the road toll.

The last day saw the State finals of the event, which was well attended by members of the public, including youths looking at a career in one of the services.

**'(The crew's success) was a good, positive thing for Palm Island, which gets a lot of negative publicity'**

the Palm Island side has competed at the State competition, and feedback from the organisers on the improvement of the team was very positive.

Mr Rabuka and Mr Dabea work at the Palm Island supermarket, mother-of-one Ms O'Neill is an island community pre-school teacher, Mr Landers is a full-time ambulance officer,



# More power to Warmun



The commissioning of the diesel-powered Warmun Power Station on 24 April was the first step to normalising power services for remote Indigenous communities in Western Australia, according to Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough.

"Warmun Power Station is the first of five new power stations being built under the first phase of the Aboriginal Remote Community Power Supply Project (ARCPSP)," Mr Brough said.

Warmun is about half-way between Wyndham and Halls Creek, in Western Australia's Kimberley region.

Negotiations for the ARCPSP, a joint initiative of the Federal and West Australian governments, began in 1998. In 2005, both governments signed an 11-year agreement worth more than \$42.5 million.

"The Australian Government has provided half the ARCPSP funding – \$21.25 million – through the Department of Families, Community

Services and Indigenous Affairs," Mr Brough said.

"This investment is another example of the Australian Government's determination to provide Indigenous Australians with the same level of service as other Australians.

"It is clear that in remote Indigenous communities, basic services are not being properly met.

"In the past, governments have been complicit in accepting lower standards of service for Indigenous Australians in remote communities.

"Governments must have high expectations for and of Indigenous people. The commissioning of this power station in Warmun is an example of this new determination, as outlined in my

blueprint for action in Indigenous Affairs.

"I commend the WA Government's partnership in this initiative and the involvement of Horizon Power in helping close this service provision gap for remote Indigenous communities in Western Australia."



The new diesel-powered electricity station at Warmun, in the north of WA, which was commissioned on 24 April.



Warmun Community Chairwoman Shirley Purdie, Kitja Elder Sandy Thomas, Tom Stephens, MLA for Central Pilbara-Kimberley, and Horizon Power Managing Director Rod Hayes at the commissioning ceremony in Warmun.

## Local government reform: *Get involved!*

### Get involved and have your say

The Queensland Government recently announced local government reform in Queensland. This reform will build stronger, more sustainable councils for all Queenslanders.

A Local Government Reform Commission has been established to recommend the name, class, boundary and electoral arrangements for the new local government areas.

The objective of this reform is to achieve a new system of local government in Queensland that:

- facilitates optimum service delivery to Queensland communities;
- ensures local governments effectively contribute to and participate in Queensland regional economies;
- manages economic, environmental and social planning consistent with regional communities of interest; and
- effectively partners local government with other levels of government to ensure sustainable and viable Queensland communities.

The Commission invites written suggestions from local governments, interested parties, and the public to assist in its review.

#### Suggestions should be made in writing and sent to:

Local Government Reform Commission  
PO Box 16325  
City East, Queensland, 4002

**Suggestions must be received by 5pm 25 May 2007.**

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Members of the Northern Suburbs Reconciliation Group at a recent meeting in Perth.

Reconciliation  
alive in west

Story and photos by KEN BOASE  
in Perth



The grassroots reconciliation movement in Western Australia is alive and growing, thanks to the tenacity of some determined members of groups in Perth.

Several groups that were started in Perth during the 1990s have soldiered on despite a lack of funds or other government support.

The Northern Suburbs Reconciliation Group (NSRG) started in 1998 as part of the learning circle movement and, although its numbers have never been large, the group has continued as an outreach for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in its region, the Moro tribal area.

Two other groups are based around Vincent, in Perth's inner northern suburbs, and Bayswater, in north-east of the city.

Nyoongar Elder Oriel Green has been involved with the NSRG since its inception, and said that it was important for Aboriginal people to be involved with reconciliation to give guidance and encouragement to non-Indigenous Australians.

"If we don't participate and show that we're there for reconciliation, then white people won't participate either. I agree that it's up to white people to put their foot forward and many of them are, especially those in the NSRG," Ms Green said.

"The Aboriginal people who have been involved in that group have been hanging in there to help guide and change attitudes of some white people we've come into contact with through the group's activities."

NSRG Indigenous Co-chair Will Lefroy said he was amazed at the

dedication to the reconciliation cause shown by some non-Aboriginal people when he attended a group meeting about two years ago.

"I attended one of the meetings and I came away amazed at how passionate these people were, and 90 per cent of them were non-Indigenous. I was shocked that there were Wadjela (white) people who agreed with our position," Mr Lefroy said.

"When you're young, you don't realise what the history is and what the issues are, but as you grow you learn the truth and now I've got a greater understanding of the past and what really happened."

"Finding out the truth made me angry

Non-Indigenous Co-chair of the NSRG Doreen Walters said the group's survival was largely down to research at the local level about the Moro tribes of the area.

"We decided to do tours of Moro country, and that was a very big part of what we've done in the past nine years," she said.

"We always look for the big picture, that was another of our convictions, the big picture for the whole of Australia, but at the same time you have to keep the grassroots on the spot where you are and try to advance from there."

Ms Walters said that all in the group appreciated that many Aboriginal people

had good reason to be cynical about the reconciliation movement, and all worked to make and maintain contact with Aboriginal families in the northern suburbs around Balga. "What we've tried to do is to make friends, that's been one of our absolutely basic things is to build friendships and then to try to grow from there," she said.

"Although those friendships have not been large in number, they have been very important to the whole

possibility of continuing."

Ms Walters said the national reconciliation movement still faced a huge political challenge.

"I would say it's very daunting because it's gone off the radar screen, the whole sense of reconciliation which was so boosted by the bridge walks in 2000," she said.

To contact the NSRG phone Ms Walters on (08) 9341 2840.



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DOREEN WALTERS

and then finding the NSRG really shocked me and it made me want to get involved and find out what they're about."

Mr Lefroy said that he and other Indigenous members of the NSRG were there in an advisory capacity only.

"A lot of Aboriginal people I know feel that reconciliation is never going to happen and a lot of white people, even some of my friends, still believe that Aboriginal people get all of these handouts and it's just not true," he said.

"Most of us have white friends or family so we don't judge the whole white population on what the rednecks say. We're happy people but we're just very careful about who we trust and what we say."

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# An Aborigine in India

**A**USTRALIAN blackfellas may like the comforts of home, but they're also a cosmopolitan lot. Many have travelled the world, often to promote Indigenous Australian art and culture to a burgeoning tourism market. Brisbane-based Goreng Goreng / Munna Jali and Birri Gubbi woman ANGELINA HURLEY is a seasoned traveller but still got a bit more than she bargained for on a recent trip to India. She shares part of her story here.

## Part 1 – Holy Crap, India!

10pm at night and I wait totally jet-lagged and tired with a crowd of hundreds around a small luggage carousel. A very suspicious Customs officer stares totally confused back and forward from my passport photo to my face and at the front where it says Australian. He says nothing, stamps it slowly and stares intently at me while I manoeuvre my backpack through the crowd.

Holy crap, it's nearly midnight and there are hundreds and hundreds of people outside. I haven't seen this many black faces in the same place since NAIDOC Week or when I went back to visit family on the mission. I get whisked off at high speed into the darkness in an old pre-paid taxi. Then the aroma hits me ... oh the smells! They rush in through the back windows, practically slapping me in the face.

Rubbish, cow manure, fruit, incense, flowers, a rainforest-like smell, dirt and dust, car exhausts, chai tea, wood fires burning. My non-English speaking driver is zipping through the streets dodging cows, dogs and people, stopping occasionally to tell people that he has an Australian in the back. Men and women, young and old, children, anyone who can stick their head into the back window wobble their heads and smile broadly at me. Unknown to me they're speaking Malayalam, the dialect of Kerala.

"Sorry I don't understand."  
"You Hindi, Hindi?"  
"No, no Australian."  
"Punjab, Punjab?"  
"No, no Australia."  
"Tamil, Tamil?"  
"No, sorry no."  
Starting to get freaked out, I ask the driver if we can go. He wobbles his head at me, smiles and speeds off with his hand permanently glued to the horn and nearly running over everyone in his path.

Kerala is tropical, hot, noisy, smelly, humid and in your face but just beautiful. It was a culture shock all right, in more ways than one. Going to the toilet in any other country is always an experience and people always have a story to tell. I have travelled all over the world – Tahiti, South America, South Africa, Cambodia, Europe – but think India may very well take the cake. To this day I have no idea how those immaculately dressed women squat over a hole in the ground. The reason everyone wears some form of sari, dress or sarong type wrap around becomes immediately evident. And with the food, well ... when you gotta go.

**'We are thinking you are one of us!'**



Bottom left: Six-year-old Angelina Hurley dressed up in an Indian costume for a birthday party: "My mum made my costume, Dutch clogs and all. I came first in the competition." Top left: Angelina Hurley today. Right: An Indian didgeridoo player.

Holy crap, the sacred temple. The temple visits are very special spiritual experiences, and luckily for me usually always came with a local storyteller happily volunteering to tell me their amazing history.

Funny how all the migalooos seemed to have to pay for that. I zip around a corner to a very posh toilet block. There is (like everywhere in India) a bureaucracy and I am amazed, but not surprised, to find an administration desk at the front. What? The man behind it asks me in Malayalam ...

"One rupee or two?"  
"Sorry I only speak English."  
"You are not from here?"  
"No, sorry."

He wobbles his head and asks me again – "One rupee or two?" I thought, shouldn't I be asking how much it is?

He points at a sign on the wall that says if you are just going in to do a number one it's one rupee. But if you are going to do a number two it's two rupees. I'm embarrassed at having to announce my toiletry intentions in front of a huge crowd of people (and there is always a huge crowd of people).

"Oh, I don't know? It might change when I get there."  
The septic system as it is in India doesn't allow for paper to be thrown down it. He gets frustrated, gives me a handful of toilet paper and tells me to remember to use

the buck (the vessel for the loo paper). Number twos are more expensive in holy places. Don't even remind me about the squatting part of it.

## Part 2 – Yoga and Mozzies

The Yoga Ashram sits peacefully on the side of a dam in the beautiful Indian tropics. I arrive in the middle of the night to some very strange animal noises penetrating the silence that seem too close for comfort. Yoga Camp? Army more like it. Your preconceptions of a lovely, peaceful, relaxing, yogic holiday

experience quickly go out the window when being woken up by someone smashing a cowbell at 5am. I had done this before and know what to expect, but it is still a shock and quite amusing to watch everyone else struggle with you. I quickly get adopted by the other Indian people at the camp.

"We are thinking you are one of us?"

"Sorry no, I am from Australia?"  
"Yes but you are looking, Punjabi?"

"No."  
"Tamil?"  
"No."

"Are you from Mumbai?"  
"No."

"Yes, but your parents are Indian, yes?"

"No, sorry."

"Your grandparents?"  
"No."

"Arghh yes, your great parents!"  
"No sorry, I am Aboriginal."

"Where is that?"  
"No, I am native, original, ummmm from Australia."

"Oh yes, but someone in your family migrated to Australia from India yes?"

I give up trying to explain as they refuse to believe I have no Indian heritage. I sit passively in on conversations about arranged marriages, food, children, yoga, the weather and constantly try to avoid being roped into performing in the local talent show.

Yoga army took its toll in more ways than one. Everyone relished in, suffered and endured the emotional, spiritual, and physical roller-coaster. There was crying, laughing, happiness, anger, disbelief, starvation (the food wasn't that crash hot). And mozzies like you wouldn't believe. Prehistoric, huge, furry, ugly mozzies that devour you day and night. The yogic and spiritual philosophy of the ashram came to a head at the end of the month when a local Indian man stood up and asked the yogi / guru ...

"What for I am?"

To which he answered wobbling his head from side to side with the common broad smile.

"I don't know! I don't even know why I am here."

An answer prompting a round of hysterical laughter.

## Part 3 – Angie and the Elephant

Thought they were cute didn't you? Wee!!!!!! On my day off from yoga army camp, I was taking a walk through the Kerala jungle when at a little lakeside stood a couple of frantic Indian ladies waving at me to jump on board their boats. Turned out that what looked like the middle of nowhere was a weird disused amusement park. Well sort of. It was an overgrown, bizarrely landscaped park on the side of the dam where these ladies had little boat tours

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The Koori Mail would like to hear about the international experiences of other Indigenous people, too. If you have an informative or funny story to tell and would like to share it with our readers, email an outline to editor@koorimail.com. Maximum story lengths will apply.



## DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



### Quote



**We know what the Government's intentions are and that's basically to wipe out Indigenous communities in Queensland.**

— Hopevale Mayor Greg McLean at a Cairns crisis meeting of Aboriginal shire councillors. The councillors met to discuss proposed sweeping changes to local government in Queensland.

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### Unquote

## Overriding issue? It's complicated

**T**he Northern Territory Government's overriding of the Supreme Court ruling that it had failed to follow proper procedure when approving the expansion of the \$110 million McArthur River Mine near Borroloola illustrates a few things.

The first is that money talks. The second is that governments can usually find a way to get what they want. The third is that Aboriginal politicians walk a tightrope when considering, along with their parliamentary colleagues, issues that have such specific ramifications for Aboriginal people. And the fourth is that Aboriginal interaction with and involvement in the mining industry is complicated.

MRM/Xstrata's threats to walk away from the mine that is expected generate \$328 million a year and directly employ 264 people hit their target.

The Territory Government pushed through its Bill because it said the Supreme Court's decision hinged on a mere process technicality, not an opinion that the mine's expansion to open cut should not proceed.

Although three of the Territory's five Aboriginal Labor MPs crossed the floor to vote against the Bill, they did so on the basis that it was inappropriate for the Bill to be rushed through while sorry business for a senior traditional owner was going on, and certainly not just days before that leader's funeral.

So it would appear their main issue was about timing and respect for Aboriginal protocol (and few Aboriginal people would argue that), not necessarily the Bill per se.



The whole matter of their dissent appears to have been 'handled' within the party in a very civilised fashion. One of the three, Karl Hampton said he was proud of the way his parliamentary colleagues had listened to the Aboriginal MP's concerns. And Chief Minister Clare Martin said she accepted the three renegades' decision to express concern about the timing of the legislation.

But although the Central Land Council congratulated the MPs for their stance, some people might have preferred a feistier discussion harking back to the actual environmental and cultural issues championed by the Northern Land Council and others.

Some traditional owners say the planned mine poses considerable social and environmental risks. Others say Borroloola Aboriginal people badly need some of the hundreds of jobs the mine's expansion will create. As one traditional owner said, 'Those welfare days have gone, forget about that stuff. We gotta get ahead. What else have my poor people down there got? They've got nothing.'

As we said, it's complicated. But jobs and other opportunities aside, a five-kilometre river diversion? For mother earth, that's gotta hurt.

## A Yarn With...



**Eunice Wanganeen-Bartlett**

**Senior Project Officer, Adelaide, SA**

**Favourite food?**  
Butterfish from Point Pearce, steak and pizza

**Favourite drink?**  
Coke

**Favourite music?**  
Rock 'n' roll, country

**Favourite sport/leisure?**  
Netball, football and softball

**Favourite holiday destination?**  
Port Victoria and anywhere on the Yorke Peninsula, South Australia

**What are you reading?**  
The Koori Mail

**What is your greatest highlight in life?**  
My hubby Jason, my children and grandchildren

**What do you like in life?**  
To always have a sense of humour

**What don't you like?**  
Racism and people who don't listen

**Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?**  
My family, friends and relatives

**Who inspires you?**  
Aborigines who make a difference

**If you could, what would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?**  
Equality for everybody

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# Tell your story



Stephen Hagan

## HAGAN'S VIEW

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My father once said to me in relation to my connection to country: "If you don't know where you come from you won't know where you're going."

I believe the most effective way of preserving our culture is for Indigenous people to take ownership of everything that is recorded on them.

And yes, I'm also sick and tired of hearing some non-Indigenous people use the loosely and convenient saying of Winston Churchill: "History is written by the victors".

The British might have colonised our lands and assumed ownership, but they have not won our hearts and do not own the rights to our stories.

Unlike other civilisations which have had a history of committing their past in the written form, Indigenous Australians have been great exponents of oral history. Although our ancestors did communicate their stories through cave paintings, rock engravings, message sticks and artistic work on artifacts and ornaments, it is widely accepted that the art of recording through a detailed written language was alien to them.

Where once the oral teaching of the old ways was passed on by Elders to the young, the new post-1788 ways of the formal British education model have almost rendered the education role of Elder obsolete today.

Added to this unsatisfactory predicament is the latest uncontestable challenge for our children's attention from the PS3, Xbox 360 and the saturation of American culture on Pay TV and in local cinemas.

What hope is there for our existing Elders, especially those in rural and urban areas, to take our youth for walks into the bush to learn of the old ways or to sit

around a campfire on the banks of the river to hear of their connection to country?

Our best chance of not totally losing our young to these contemporary competing interests is to tell our stories through another medium – book, stage or film – so when the time comes, and they've had their fill of modernity, it will be there for them.

I believe the onus today is now placed firmly on the shoulders of those within Indigenous family units who are broadly accepted as a representative of their mob to commence the literary journey of recording their stories.

There is no time like the present to start the yarning circles and commence the historical research.

Although we like to think our Elders will be with us forever and can tell their stories when they're ready, mortality statistics (men 59 and women 65) tell us otherwise.

I am constantly reminded of the sad fact that the majority of Indigenous people I speak to in rural and urban areas can't go further than two generations into their Indigenous family tree.

For those who can name their maternal or paternal Indigenous grandparents, most would not have the faintest idea of their connection to country. I'd go so far as to suggest that at least 70 per cent of people I have spoken with fall into that category.

Most of these people offer a range of contributing factors for their lack of knowledge: 'I'm a member of the Stolen Generations and still searching'; 'My white mother remarried and her new white partner won't allow any discussion on our Indigenous past'; 'My parents assumed the identity of a Maori, Indian etc to escape stereotyping and discrimination'; to a simple 'we lost touch with our people when we moved in search of work' justification.

The blame game can be easily proportioned, depending on what side of the family fence you wish to sit – but to me, what is more important is for the recording of family stories so those wanting to be introduced to the family or to get re-acquainted should not be denied that opportunity, irrespective of their complex family past.

I consider myself very fortunate in that both my parents always identified strongly with their cultural ties to country. Although I lost my mother several years ago when she was in her 60s and still miss her dearly, I am grateful that I still have my father to consult with on cultural matters and am pleased to report that I and other family members from all parts of the country recently celebrated his 75th birthday with him in April.

From all those special moments with my parents, I was able to write my biography *The N Word – One Man's Stand* (Magabala 2005) in such an inclusive way that I believe I was able to do justice to both sides of my family throughout my book.

Writing a story isn't essentially talking in purely historical jargon about where you were born, worked or who you associated with.

A literary journey allows you – the writer – to be as expressive or creative with the story as is factually possible, without being flexible with the truth, to allow for the reader to engage fully with you. Or as Winston Churchill also said: "Truth is incontrovertible, malice may attack it and ignorance may denude it, but, in the end,

there it is."

When I wrote my book, I was conscious that it would be relied upon by members of my extended family as a useful historical source for them to consult and relay to their children and grandchildren.

That is why writing a book on one's family is a very serious and responsible position to take on because it may be the first and last time such a publication will be attempted by members of that family.

So whether my relatives are a first, second or third cousin on my father's Hagan/Lewis side (Kullilli/Mardigan) or my mother's Mitchell/Whitford side (Kooma/Gungari), there is enough information contained in my book for them to use as a starting point for the commencement of their own literary

**'I'll stick to my belief that we – Indigenous Australians – come from the land and one day will return to it ...'**

journey.

Most families would have a member who can write or type their story. If there are none forthcoming or exhibiting the patience or skills to do so, I would encourage the family to find another respected and trusted person to pen or type their story.

The reason social commentators are allowed to get away with their biased version of history is because not enough of our stories are out in the public domain to refute such literary nonsense.

It still frustrates me to read that our ancestors migrated to Australia when this landmass formed part of the Sahul continent, connected to the island of New Guinea via a land bridge. Others say we came by boat 40,000-50,000 years ago across the Timor Sea from India.

I don't fall for the old theory that we came from India or New Guinea and if there was any DNA evidence connecting us with those races, I would argue that they migrated from Australia and settled in their new homelands and not the other way around.

While eminent scientists are off testing their DNA theories to confirm whether their



Jim Hagan celebrating his 75th birthday with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

discoveries suggest that early ancestors of the hominids (the family of great apes and humans) migrated to Eurasia from Africa about 17 million years ago, just before these two continents were cut off from each other by an expansion of the Mediterranean Sea, I'll stick to my belief that we – Indigenous Australians – come from the land and one day will return to it – hopefully well past our current expected expiry date of 59.

In the week when there will be major celebrations of the Koori Mail reaching its milestone of 400th fortnightly editions, we should take time to reflect on how this wonderful Indigenous newspaper: 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned and 100 per cent self-funded, has been an essential part of our lives.

How else would we get to read all the ground-breaking Indigenous news stories from around the nation, or to view colourful photographs of ordinary Indigenous people going about their business, or the political and sport columns of Indigenous people we all feel we know personally through the intimate perspectives of their areas of interests?

And let's not forget the wonderful team of dedicated staff who continue to excel every fortnight in presenting a truly informative and empowering publication for all its readers – Indigenous and non-Indigenous.

Now, try thinking of what it would feel like to wake up without our other favourite publications: Rugby League Week, The Australian, Women's Weekly, WHO, The Bulletin, Bible, Racing Form Guide, etc. If that thought is inconceivable, try imagining a world where there were no Indigenous authored book, publications or journals of our history in this country in libraries or book stores.

What would we read to find out about our people?

You've hit the nail on the head. We would be reading a non-Indigenous perspective of our people like we did in schools of a bygone era and believe me, that in itself was a traumatising experience.

So when I speak to my children of their connection to country, I always recall the influential words of my father: "If you don't know where you come from you won't know where you're going."



# Not interested? Say so – nicely



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It is nice when someone shows an interest in you. But sometimes, no matter how flattering it is, you just don't like them back. The other day I got this email asking what could you say to someone who likes you very deeply but you don't like him or her back.

In a situation like this you have to be sensitive and tough at the same time. Think of yourself as an echidna with velvet feet, tiptoeing your way through the Kakadu of their heart.

You have to tell them in a sensitive way that you don't fancy them. Pad softly through the undergrowth of their emotions. After all, they are human and they have feelings. Let them know your reason why you don't. It's okay not to like

someone 'cos you don't find them attractive, or 'cos you like curly-haired green-eyed sweeties. Don't let them go on with hope that they've got a chance with you. How shameful for them.

You've also gotta be tough. Mature adults can take rejection nicely wrapped. If you have decided you are not interested in someone, don't try and be nice by saying 'I'm busy this Friday, but I'll call you'. This makes them think that they will have a chance with you. Tell them straight out once and hopefully you don't have to tell them again.

Remember that Simpsons episode where Ralph takes Lisa to the Krusty Show? And she screams out that she never liked him? And it

was shown on TV? You gotta do it nicely and pick your time so that you don't cause any more stress than the situation. Lisa could have told Ralph when they were alone or in a crowd just as long as no one else heard what was going on.

Confidentiality should be the right of cartoon characters, too.

No matter if the two people are teenagers or middle-aged adults, when dealing with matters of the heart you have to be gentle.

No one likes to be made a fool of. Respect their feelings. Don't be cruel or shame 'em out. Nice people say what needs to be said without anyone feeling or looking stupid.

# An Aborigine in India

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still operating. "Half an hour 400 rupee. We take you around the lake."

"Oh I don't think so, thank you."  
"Yes madam, yes, please here come sit, sit."

"Just half an hour madam."

I jump into the boat, with a freshly cut coconut with a straw sticking out of it in one hand, and my bag and camera in the other. While one lady pours petrol from a plastic container into a motor that looks like it belongs on my backyard lawnmower, the other stands back to rev it up. We take off at lightning speed across the lake. Five minutes into the peaceful ride through gorgeous scenery and jungle...

"You want to see elephants?"

"Elephants! What elephants?"

"We take you to see elephants?"

"Elephants! Cool! Why not?"

"We take you, we take you, 100 rupee."

The Indian money machine spins outta control as the trip starts to turn into the boat ride down the river in Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. I have no choice. We get to the entrance of what I can only guess is a wildlife park. Then I get ushered down a path to some Indian men waiting with sticks and pointing into the jungle.

"Four elephants, four!"

"Oh wow cool."

They drag me to a huge enclosure with two five-year-old elephants. Very cute until they turn around and start playing with their own poo. They take photos of me then drag me off to the side of the river where a huge – and I mean HUGE – old elephant is getting a bath in the river.

"Madam you ride this one, you ride, 100 rupee."

"Oh no, no thank you."

"Yes you ride on his back."

"I don't know, no, no thanks."

"Yes, yes we get ready."

Another tourist, an Aussie girl, is standing next to me.

"I'll get on if you get on."

So they drag the elephant out of the river, attach a seat to his back and we walk up a huge bamboo-type structure to get straight on to his back. We have a quick trip, the elephant obviously very relieved for it to be over as his pace quickens on the way back.

As we jump off the Indian ladies grab the cameras out of our hands.

"Photo, photo?"

"Okay."

As I start to pose for the photo the giant elephant curls his trunk around my waist, sniffs me all up and down, and then proceeds to slide his trunk, which is covered in his own poo, right down my pants. All the way down my front right leg. I look down in horror as everyone

bursts out laughing.

Then the elephant turns to the Indian man opposite me wearing an orange sarong and rips it off him. Before the Indian man realises what's going on, he is standing in front of us with nothing on except for a pair of really daggy undies. Thank God he has those on. Then the elephant passes the sarong to me as if to say – sorry, here, wipe it off with this. The Indian man and I look at each other and laugh hysterically. The Aussie girl reminds me that elephants are vegetarian so his poo shouldn't be that bad.

As we leave they hit us up for money for bananas to feed the elephants. We get the conversations about their families, kids and grandkids all the way back on the boat. Drenched in elephant poo and nearly 600 rupees poorer I go back to the yoga camp/army.

## Part 4 – Mopeds, Cricket and Indian Didj Players.

After yoga camp/army experience I decide to go get some real relaxation. I arrive in Goa a bit hesitant but open-minded. Some people said 'don't go, it's not like it used to be, it's too touristy, it has been ruined'. Others said 'if you don't want to get hassled (not that I was, I really just blended in. They all thought I was Indian) and have a nice place to swim it is still a good place to go.'

So I book into at the most comfortable place I can find, rent a local moped and try to ride it. I don't know why I try as I have never ridden one before. There are the usual bloody dogs, goats, cows, people and other crazy moped drivers on the road. Man I wouldn't have stacked it if there wasn't that bloody goat in the way, or the dog running in front of me, as I try to dodge a sacred cow, with four crazy moped riders furiously beeping at me and yelling (probably 'get out of the way!') as they speed past.

I freak out, put the brakes on way too hard and crash in front of a crowd of men building a new house out of dirt mixed with cow poo. They all run out with the attendants from the neighbouring hotel to help me.

"Okay madam, okay?"

"Yeah, yeah, I'm fine. It's fine."

Thank you!"

I'm totally embarrassed as I watch the builders laugh and an older man drives past me slowly, wobbling his head and mumbling something at me (probably 'stupid tourist!'). So that was totally it for my Indian driving experience. I decided never to go there again. But honestly, please, a bloody goat, dog and sacred cow... what sort of traffic hazard is that normally?

After injuring myself I decide to

soak my sorrow in the ocean. I get dropped off by a local taxi driver who won't take me all the way to the beach. He stops and says he is too embarrassed to go to the end as that's where all the westerners go swimming with nothing on.

"What? A nude beach?"

"No madam, not totally nude. All the western women wear hardly anything at all. Little things on them. And the English ones. Revolting."

He spits sideways. I try not to laugh.

"Someone should tell them that if they look like that, they should cover themselves up. I never go, I am too embarrassed. It is full of ugly, ugly people."

"Okay, no problem. I'll walk."

As I reach the beach there is a hoard of bizarre-looking tourists from all over the world... English, German, Turkish, Israeli, Aussie etc. As I walk across the sand, I start to see what the taxi driver means. An overweight middle-aged Englishman lies on his back asleep. The front of him is red raw with sunburn. He is wearing a hideous pair of Speedos two sizes too small. I quickly look the other way and shudder thinking of how much pain he was going to be in the next day. There is the obligatory cow here and there, scattered down the beach. I sit down and just get settled when I'm interrupted by...

"Hello, are you from here?"

I look up to see two skinny Indian guys. One is holding a cricket bat.

"Ugh? Oh, sorry, no."

"Kerala? Are you from Kerala?"

"No, I am from Australia?"

"Oh! Cricket, cricket!"

"Ponting!, Sharne Warne! Gillie, Gillie!"

"Oh, yeah right, cricket. Sorry I don't follow cricket, I really don't know anything about it."

"Yes cricket, shit, bloody, shit."

"Excuse me?"

"The Australian cricket team."

They say bloody and shit all the time."

"They do?"

While showing me their cricketing moves they insist...

"Yes, yes." You're out – Shit, bloody shit! It's a six, bloody beauty mate!"

"Well maybe they do. Sorry I don't watch cricket."

"Okay, we see you. Bye."

They happily wander off repeating profanities they apparently learned from the Australian cricket team. I lie back and try to relax when with the wind comes my most hated sound, the delayed repetitive beat of a totally out-of-time bongo player. But what really gets my attention is the accompanying wail of a didgeridoo. I look up to see a skinny dread-headed bongo-playing hippy who looks like he literally hadn't bathed since the 70s. With

him is an Indian guy carrying a didgeridoo and trying to play it – badly.

"Hey mate where did you get that?" I ask.

"Oh I made it."

"Yep, I'm sure you did."

"Who taught you how to play it?"

"I taught myself."

"Have you ever been to

Australia?"

"No."

"Have you ever met any

Aboriginal people?"

"No, why?"

The hippy butts in...

"Yeah, we paint them and sell them in the street. We give lessons too. If you want to learn how to play one we'll be back there in an hour."

"Well sorry, no, I don't. And actually they are a men's instrument and women aren't supposed to play them. It's very disrespectful."

"No it isn't."

"Oh believe me, yes it is, and I think I know."

"Why would you know?"

"Believe it or not I am actually Aboriginal, that's why. So you are painting them, selling them, giving lessons on them without any permission and knowledge or experience of Australian Aboriginal culture at all."

"Well everyone else does it."

"Right mate, yep that makes it okay."

On the verge of getting totally pissed off, I walk away. The global appropriation, disrespect and cultural theft of indigenous peoples everywhere throughout my travels and now in India is too much for me to bear. I leave the bizarre beach life of Arambol and head back down south.

## Part 5 – Trying To Get Out – Indian Bureaucracy

Over it! I am totally over it. I had a great time, bought beautiful things, met lovely people, saw an amazing country. But I'm hot, tired, have been eaten to death by mozzies, spewed my guts up a few too many times, got harassed for NOT being Indian, and it's time to go home. I hit the airport early and wait outside, not in the front waiting area. It's the rules. I don't understand, but wait on one of the only four available seats. The ticketing desk opens two hours later. Someone told me on my travels that because there are so many people in India they make stupid tasks an actual job so that people can have work. That makes sense but is annoying as all hell. I stand at the counter with the attendant looking at my ticket totally puzzled.

"You are leaving India tonight?"

"Yes, that's why I am here."

"But your ticket says that you are not arriving in Australia for another month."

"Yep, I know. I changed it."

"So you are flying to Singapore, then to Australia."

"Yes."

"But not straight away."

"That's right."

"Hmmm. I will have to get

someone to look at this ticket."

"Why? It doesn't stop me from

leaving India. My plane leaves in

one hour."

"Yes, but you are not going back

to Australia for another month."

"Sooooo!"

Frustration and panic set in as the attendant calls the airlines security ticket person over to take my ticket and passport to a private room. God knows what for. They leave me standing at the ticket counter while the whole flight gets checked in. The security ticket person comes back just before I have to board.

"Very sorry Madam for the inconvenience. There is no problem with ticket. You can go."

I run through to Customs, put my two bags through security, run up three flights of stairs and hit the back of the line onto the plane when the security man at the door stops me.

"Sorry Madam, you cannot get on unless you have tags on your bags."

"Tags? What do I need a tag for? I just came through customs and security."

"Sorry Madam, that is the rules. You need a tag on both your bags."

"But they are just going in the

overhead locker."

"Sorry Madam I cannot let you on the plane without a tag on your bag."

"Oh for Christ's sake, where do I get a tag?"

"At the front of the airport,

Madam."

"You mean way at the front, at

the entrance, back out before

Customs and security and the ticket

counter?"

"Yes Madam, that is where we

keep them."

"You gotta be kidding me! God

just let me out of here!"

I run back through Customs, through security, through the whole bloody airport to grab two tiny tags for my bags. I get back up to the plane door.

The security guy looks at the tags, smiles, wobbles his head and lets me through. I am the last person on board. I walk onto a plane full of pissed-off people who have been waiting for me for an extra half hour.





Merritt Patten RLFC Secretary Ricky Lyons says divisions over rugby league knockout carnivals in NSW are tearing apart the most sacred cultural sporting event in NSW, if not Australia.

— See next page

# Marching for a just cause

As President of the NSW Local Government Aboriginal Network, I would like to congratulate David Williams for his courage and commitment in organising the Coloured Diggers March on Anzac Day this year.

For many years David has been a tireless fighter for the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ex-service personnel who have been discriminated against since World War I, despite serving alongside other Australians in many theatres of war.

Many people have criticised David for organising an 'alternative march'. The truth of the matter is that the

shabby and discriminatory treatment experienced by Aboriginal servicemen, on their return to Australia set a precedent of 'separateness', which only naturally has culminated in this 'separate march'.

It is disappointing that all too often we have to resort to drastic measures to get our point across in this our own land.

Congratulations to David and all the Coloured Diggers who marched.

**BARRY BIRD**  
President  
NSW Local Government  
Aboriginal Network



David Williams, left, and Pastor Ray Minniecon led the inaugural Coloured Diggers Anzac Day march through Redfern.

# Proud of ancestry

Did you realise the Howard Government has now placed a lot of war documents online that anyone can access for free?

My Dad has done a lot of research in recent days, and we have learned that both my great grandfathers fought at Gallipoli.

So, this Anzac Day, I saluted Private Hurtle Austin Patterson, No 34 of the 9th Battalion of the 3rd Brigade Light Infantry — the first group of soldiers to land on Anzac Beach at 4.30am on 25 April.

Hurtle Patterson fell wounded alongside many of his comrades who were cut down

on that fateful day, but he somehow survived and was rescued by soldiers arriving many hours later.

He eventually died from a malignant tumour in his neck where the bullet had lodged, but not before he saw his son (Austin Patterson — my grandfather) born.

I also saluted Private William Clair Hamburger (yes, what a name!), No 1558 of the 54th Battalion of the Australian Imperial Forces, who also fought at Gallipoli, in France and various other places for four years before being sent

home after his lungs were burned out by mustard gas.

He survived until the late 1940s, when six days before his daughter's wedding, he was killed in a car accident.

Two brave men that both fought at Gallipoli, that I am so proud to call my great grandfathers (their kids married, and they were my grandparents).

**JODIE GANDOLFI** (nee Patterson)  
United States  
Via email

# Listen to Dean Widders

I have played and coached in the NSW Aboriginal Knockout and been the ACT representative on NARLA for years.

For me and many others from around NSW, the Knockout meant much more than the football being played.

I would also like to say that I played in the very first Knockout and also played in the first oldies game.

While I have not been involved

for seven years, I have always attended the Knockout to not only support something that is very special to me, but also to renew friendships from people that I have met over many years.

Unfortunately, now a lot of these friends don't go because of the bickering and bull...

I would like to compliment young Dean Widders for his column in the last edition of the Koori Mail (Edition 399, 25 April)

because he is saying what a lot of our people are thinking.

Dean, you are right in what you are saying, brother. This Knockout was set up for a special reason — not just for the magic that happens on the field. But unfortunately, over the years, the reasons behind the Knockout have been lost.

I hope Dean's article reaches the organisers of all these Knockouts and with the support of other Kooris writing in, maybe we

as a group of people can attend a united NSW Aboriginal Knockout for the first time in many years.

Once again, Dean, thanks for speaking out in your article.  
Yours in rugby league

**KEN EVANS**  
Via email

• More letters on the Knockout — Pages 24, 25

## YOUR POETRY

### Mother

23rd of March 2007  
Is a date I'll never forget  
I lie in a room with my mother  
Watching her take her last breath

Only 50 years of age she was  
An Aboriginal woman though  
Our death rate is 17 years  
younger  
Through statistics this is shown

My mother, I think to myself  
As I sit alone and cry  
I'm really struggling to breathe  
Feels like I lost my air supply

I feel like a newborn baby  
Whose cord has just been cut?  
Though that blessing is now not  
upon me  
I feel like my heart's been cut

Everyone's trying to comfort  
Everyone's trying to understand  
But until you've lost your mother  
Really, I can't even comprehend

The loss, the fear, the pain  
Just hits you from head to toe  
You feel like a zombie walking  
around  
You feel as if you just don't know

Don't know of how you're going to  
be  
Just how are you going to  
survive?  
Dear mother, I do love you  
And how I wish you were still alive

My children, there's five  
Your grandchildren, too  
I'm so lost in all my feelings  
They are all going to miss you

A very simple woman, you were  
Lived your life from day to day  
Not a want for many things  
Simplicity was your way

There were many days you went  
without  
Even your basic needs  
You appeared to have very little,  
Mum  
But you died with such dignity

You never changed for nobody  
You lived your life for you  
I watched you closely in the room  
Your parents were waiting for you

I believe you saw them in that  
room  
As you waved your hand up high  
You were like this little girl again  
I believe you were comforted  
inside

That's when you called for your  
baby  
With your strength to come close  
to you  
Your hand glided peacefully down  
his face  
I believe you were preparing us  
too

17th of July 1956  
Was the date that you were born  
May you rest in peace now,  
Mother dear  
Your spirit is no longer torn.

**CHERIE ROSE**  
Via Email



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# Tearing us apart



RICKY LYONS

I would like to put forward my opinion on what the Knockout means.

I have played for my community (Wiradjuri Warriors and Koorie United) in many Knockouts over the past 20 years, and we played for the honour to host the Knockout in our community. Not for the money, but for the prestige of being the best Aboriginal rugby league team in NSW.

It has always been the tradition that the team that wins the Knockout has the right to host the next one in their community or, if they choose, to host it in another community. This is what Walgett BAC did after they won the Knockout three years in a row, they hosted it in Sydney (Guildford).

We formed a club to win the Knockout. We did this and broke the all-time record by winning it four times in a row and made history. No other club has done this, so I ask you who won the Knockout for the past four years?

We hosted the Knockout in Redfern and Marrickville from 2004-2006 and now we have listened to the Aboriginal community of NSW, saying that we should move the Knockout out of Sydney.

We did this and we approached several clubs to provide an expression of interest if they would like us to host the Knockout in their community.

The Lismore Aboriginal community provided us with a letter of interest and we met with the Northern United RLFC to discuss this idea.

Our committee went to Lismore and had many meetings to investigate the possibility of hosting the Knockout in Lismore in October 2007. After many months, we decided to host the Knockout there.

This group calling itself the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League and Sports Inc have never approached the winning team and asked what we (Merritt-Patten Redfern RLFC Inc) were doing in relation to hosting this year's Knockout.

They didn't bother to call, or write to the winning club at any time; they just went right ahead and decided for themselves where the Knockout should be held.

The NSW Aboriginal Rugby League and Sports Inc ought to pull their heads in and think about the consequences of this rebel act.

It tears apart the most sacred cultural sporting event in NSW, if not Australia.

They believe that if you can't win a Knockout, just host your own. What a bunch!

If you want to win the real Knockout, come to Lismore in October 2007 and take it off us.

RICKY LYONS

Secretary of the Merritt Patten RLFC

## Get our act together for our people

In relation to the NSW Aboriginal Knockouts, it is sad to see our countrymen divided over this issue.

For the past years our people have been and are still fighting the non-Indigenous communities and government at all levels for reconciliation towards our people.

The irony is that we Indigenous people can't even reconcile our own differences for the betterment of our people and communities.

There's no doubt that our people love rugby league (it's in the blood), and as a Queensland Murri I look forward to these Knockouts. It gives me a great opportunity to catch up with people I don't see for the year and a great opportunity for some of our mob to be involved in the game.

With Knockouts being organised and separated to various parts of NSW, it's difficult for many people to choose where to go as this is an opportunity for many clans/tribes to get together in one place.

But to the point, what is the motivation behind the concept of divided competitions?

Is it the money/revenue? Well, let me tell you, money divides. Is it the power? We can only be stronger together. Is it past differences? Our people are meant to be strong. Stop being hard-headed and wake up!

Traditionally, our people worked together and shared our resources. Don't let yourself become stubborn and be like this society of greed, hatred, jealousy, envy, back-stabbing and so on.

Get it together for our people.

R CONLON  
Brisbane, Qld



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## YOUR POETRY

I am

I am a child  
I am all the things of my past  
I am my mother's figure  
I am my father's sad puppy dog eyes  
I am all I see  
Birds gliding in the clear blue sky  
Steam coming from hot chocolate on an ice-cold windy day  
I am all I hear  
Rocks grinding and falling down a mountain like an avalanche sweeping the trees off their feet  
Teachers screaming in anger at the bad boy in class  
I am all I feel and taste  
Prickly thorns scraping against my skin in the garden on a hot, sticky day  
My Nan's warm, soft

hands wrapping around my belly  
Cold lemonade sliding down my throat  
My tastebuds sizzling with the heat of chilli sauce  
I am all I remember  
Being in a car accident and the claustrophobia that followed  
When my uncle died and I knew his pain was over  
I am all I think  
My mum loving me more than everything else  
That the world is beautiful every day and everywhere  
I am like an oyster  
Cautiously opening for the world to see my inner beauty.

I am the woman of the future.

HOPE DAVISON  
Narrabundah, ACT

# Left in confusion

Once again, we, the supporters are left in confusion about the Knockout amid reports about three knockouts being planned for the Knockout weekend.

I totally agree with Dean Widders and his views in the last edition of the Koori Mail (Edition 399, 25 April) that all the supposed organisers

should come to some agreement so that we know what is going ahead.

I am all for the Knockout in Lismore and want nothing to do with the supposed NSW Aboriginal Rugby League and Sports Inc (NSWARLSI) knockout at Port Macquarie (now Kempsey). Did we, the supporters have an input into this committee?

Wasn't NARLA abolished because of confusion and in-house fighting and being involved with a split in the previous Knockout etc?

I have only missed a couple of Aboriginal Knockouts in all the time it has been running and have always loved meeting my family from the bush and meeting up with old friends.

plus watching all the footy. But with the increase in entrance fees, paying for the food that Elders have always got for free, I am disgusted with this current confusion over the Knockout.

Keep up the good work Koori Mail.

CAROL SIMON  
Sydney, NSW

## Darug people to get together

This is a letter to all Darug (Dharug) people.

On 24 June there is to be the Darug annual family reunion.

There is to be a barbecue lunch for all, and we hope to reach as many Darug people as we can.

It's a day to come share our family and tribal history, bring photos and any info you might have on the history

of our people and the family.

Last year we had about 150 family members come share the day. A video was made as a reminder of the day, photos and information shared.

This year the new Darug book will be on sale for \$30.

If you are interested, please email Des Dyer at [desmond4552@yahoo.com](mailto:desmond4552@yahoo.com) or Liz at [darugweavers@](mailto:darugweavers@)

[koee.com.au](http://koee.com.au).

RSVP by 10 June for catering numbers. Before we can issue your invitation, we need to have contact with you and verify your Darug heritage.

For info, go to <http://darugweavers.tripod.com/ourblackandwhitefamily>

LIZ LOCKE  
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## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Aquaculture (Zones - Lower Eyre Peninsula No. 2) Policy 2007

Aquaculture (Zones - Coffin Bay) Policy 2007

Pursuant to Section 12 of the Aquaculture Act 2001 notice is hereby given that the Minister for Agriculture, Food and Fisheries has released the above-mentioned draft aquaculture policies for public consultation. The policies have been developed in accordance with the provisions of Part 4 of the Aquaculture Act 2001.

With the introduction of the Aquaculture Act 2001, there is an opportunity to develop planning practices that better reflect the needs of the aquaculture industry, government and the community in South Australia.

The Draft Aquaculture (Zones - Lower Eyre Peninsula No. 2) Policy 2007, and the Aquaculture (Zones - Coffin Bay) Policy 2007 have been developed to ensure the ecologically sustainable development of aquaculture and associated activities in the Lower Eyre Peninsula and Coffin Bay Regions. The policies aim to provide certainty for industry stakeholders, improve community confidence and facilitate the consolidation of existing industry and opportunities for moderate aquaculture development.

Section 29 of the Development Act 1993 enables the Minister for Urban Development and Planning to amend a development plan in accordance with an approved aquaculture policy under the Aquaculture Act 2001.

It is proposed to amend the Land Not Within A Council Area (Coastal Waters) Development Plan, subject to the approval of the Draft Aquaculture (Zones - Lower Eyre Peninsula No. 2) Policy 2007, and the Aquaculture (Zones - Coffin Bay) Policy 2007 by establishing new aquaculture zones with associated Objectives and Principles of Development Control.

The draft policies and policy reports will be available as at Friday 20th April 2007 from PIRSA Aquaculture, 14th Floor, 25 Grenfell Street (GPO Box 1625), Adelaide 5001, on the internet at [www.pirsa.gov.au/aquaculture](http://www.pirsa.gov.au/aquaculture), by telephoning (08) 8226 0314 or by faxing (08) 8226 0330.

Written submissions in relation to the draft policies and/or proposed amendments to the Land Not Within A Council Area (Coastal Waters) Development Plan are invited from the public and should be made to PIRSA Aquaculture, GPO Box 1625, Adelaide SA 5001.

Submissions should be made on the policy submission template also available through the above contacts. Submissions must be received by 5pm on Tuesday the 19th June 2007.

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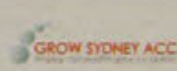
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## Expressions of Interest

### Out of Home Care Funding Rollout

The Department of Community Services (DoCS) is inviting expressions of interest from government and non-government organisations, small and large, to deliver Out of Home Care (OOHC) services to children and young people in NSW.

The ultimate goal of DoCS is to improve the well-being of the children and young people it supports in OOHC through the development of an integrated service system that responds to their changing needs.

This EOI is one element of a funding review process being undertaken by DoCS as part of the DoCS reform package. Under the EOI around \$617 million will be provided over 5 years by the NSW Government for the expansion and development of OOHC services.

DoCS is seeking applications for both statewide and locally based services. Both placement and support services are required and applicants are encouraged to provide all key components necessary to support a child or young person through their time in OOHC.

Applicants will be required to demonstrate that they can provide integrated services to support children and young people throughout their time in care, adapting to their changing circumstances and meeting their new and emerging needs with minimal disruption. This can be either through provision of the full spectrum of services by the applicant on their own, as part of a consortium of service providers through other partnership arrangements, or through effective referral processes.

Organisations that have experience working with Indigenous and culturally and linguistically diverse communities are encouraged to apply.

Applications will be assessed to identify those that will deliver a high quality integrated service model cost effectively.

The information package, required forms, information on the briefing sessions to be held 4 May 2007 to 24 May 2007, and supporting information can be obtained by visiting [www.community.nsw.gov.au](http://www.community.nsw.gov.au) or calling DoCS on (02) 9716 2262.

The closing date for submissions is 3.00pm (EST), 30 July 2007.

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

## NSW HEALTH

### ENROLLED NURSE COURSE SEPTEMBER 2007

Applications are now available for the NSW Public Hospital Enrolled Nurse Course to commence on 24th September 2007.

**Applications Close 5pm Friday 8th June 2007.**

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The Enrolled Nurse Course consists of 12 months full time employment in a NSW Public Hospital and attendance at TAFE for 15 weeks of lectures.

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**There are targeted positions for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people:** An exemption has been granted under the provisions of Sections 8 and 51 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*, for NSW Department of Health to designate, advertise and recruit 32 positions per year as Trainee Enrolled Nurses for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

#### Selection Criteria for all applicants

1. Be a minimum of 17 years of age at commencement of the course
2. Documented evidence in Literacy and Numeracy requirements for the course
3. Hold a First Aid Certificate that is valid at the time of application and on the commencement of the course
4. Be eligible for full time employment in Australia
5. Good written and verbal English language skills
6. Demonstrated understanding of the role of a TEN
7. Demonstrated knowledge and ability to work as a team member
8. Ability to attend TAFE and clinical placements as required
9. Ability to demonstrate problem-solving skills
10. Awareness of Occupation Health and Safety, Equal Employment Opportunity and the Ethnic Affairs Priority Statement

#### For Aboriginal targeted positions only

11. Aboriginality (Aboriginality is a selection criteria for targeted positions under Section 126 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*)

Application forms and an information package for all applicants can be found on the Nursing and Midwifery Office web site at [www.nursing.nsw.gov.au](http://www.nursing.nsw.gov.au) or by calling 1800 330 933.

Information for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People  
Project Manager - Aboriginal Nursing and Midwifery Strategy  
Ph: 9391 9367 or email [Aboriginalnursing@doh.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Aboriginalnursing@doh.health.nsw.gov.au)



## Your Say

# Individual title the way to go

This is a letter that I have sent to the Commonwealth and State Ministers for Aboriginal Affairs and all Shadow Ministers:

Dear Minister,

The survey findings of the Australian Bureau of Statistics on Aboriginal housing and infrastructure as reported in the press on 18 April, reflects the continued bankruptcy of a policy based on collective ownership of housing stock and land title.

I would refer you to a Bulletin article, 16 May 1993, to further demonstrate how little progress has been made in 14 years.

The National Commitment to Improve Outcomes in the Delivery of Programs and Services for Aboriginal Peoples and Torres Strait Islanders, endorsed by the Council of Australian Government on 7 December 1992, has also clearly failed.

I would suggest it's time to abandon collective ownership and move to policy based on individual title, whereby the individual family has ownership of their house and the right and responsibilities that go with property ownership.

I would recommend the writings of Hernando de Soto and a guide to new policy formulation. Hernando de Soto's book, *The Mystery of Capital: Why Capitalism Triumphs in the West and Fails Everywhere Else*, published by Bantam Press in 2000, should be mandatory reading for anyone looking to develop a new policy direction.

Of course, institutions like Aboriginal land councils and

Aboriginal housing associations have a vested interest in maintaining collective ownership of houses and land.

However, may I suggest that a 99-year lease arrangement similar to that which is in place in the ACT might be a way of moving to individual ownership so that Aboriginal people can be placed on a similar footing as other Australians.

I would argue that the forage group was the backbone of traditional Aboriginal society - not the collective tribal model advocated by the likes of Nugget Coombs and blindly followed by various Commonwealth governments since 1967.

The current collectively-controlled Aboriginal settlements and land ownership pattern owe little to traditional culture where decisions about their day-to-day welfare was made by the forage group - not bureaucrats.

The settlements were largely created to make rationing and later the provision of services easier.

I am not advocating a return to a nomadic existence as I have met few Aboriginal people who wish to give up electricity, piped water, sewage and automobiles. What I am advocating is a move from the current socialist model to one based on capitalism.

After all, Australia is a capital country and why should remote Aboriginal people be forced to live in a two-tiered socialist environment?

The Commonwealth (Northern Territory Land Rights) Act has created two classes of Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory - traditional owners and the landless majority.

Obviously, traditional owners have a vested interest in maintaining the status quo as do most black and white bureaucrats.

I hope you will take time to read this letter and not simply sign some patronising response prepared by your officers.

To avoid this occurring, I am also sending copies of this letter to the media and shadow ministers.

DAVID HUGGONSON  
Canberra, ACT

## YOUR POETRY

### One More Drink

Give me one more drink  
For I refuse to think  
About the insanity  
And calamity.  
You thrust upon these shores.

Give me one more drink  
For I can no longer stare,  
At your version of freedom  
Birthed in the devil's lair.

Give me one more drink  
For the night is young,  
My eyes are still alert,  
I'm not yet numb.

The pain of dispossession  
Simmers like acid  
In my veins.

You've destroyed our dreaming  
For monetary gain.

JONATHAN HILL  
Minyerri, NT

## Contributions welcomed

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# Davis family gathering

To the members of the Davis family (descendants of Lily Davis), Fred Davis, Harry Davis, Bob Davis, Mary Riley-Blair (nee Davis), Alice Jerome (nee Davis), Ruth Bond (nee Davis) and Sydney Ober, Mary Ober, Annie Ober and the Eggmolesse families – we would like to get in touch with you to discuss a couple of things.

Did you know that:

- We are one of the largest Murri and South Sea Islander families in Queensland.

- Many of our uncles, aunts and grandparents were amongst the original true fighters for our people in regards to land rights and many other issues surrounding our people

- Our families populate many areas from down NSW all the way up to Cairns – Kempsey, Brisbane, Nambour, Cherbourg, Hervey Bay, Mackay, Mt Isa, Cairns.

- Many people from our family where founding members of different Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations

- Many of our family have trades and tertiary qualifications

- Many of our people hold prominent positions throughout our community

One of the most important facts that you may not know is: Our families don't know each other, especially our children.

We're not saying that we want our families to become really close and share everything. We understand that in today's world, due to circumstances like money, it is hard and sometimes unfair to expect others to give when

we all have our own families.

What we're saying is, it would be good in the spirit of our loved ones who have passed and our Jarjums that we know who each other is and where we all come from.

We have lost some of the leaders in our families and these leaders knew every bloodline, last name and connection. If we don't start to reconnect we may end up walking past each other in the street.

So what some of us would like to do is have a gathering and begin preparation for a Davis reunion.

Where: Story Bridge Park, Brisbane (under Story Bridge look for the barbecue under the big tree)

Date: Saturday, 19 May 2007

Time: 10.30am-2pm

What to bring: BYO barbecue and something to sit on.

This has been in our Elders' hearts for a long time, we're sure.

Looking forward to seeing you all there. If you have any questions, please call us on 0420 852 678.

JEANETTE KIRK (nee Eggmolesse)

LUCY BANU (nee Davis)

Via email

● Koori Mail columnist Stephen Hagan writes in this issue on the importance of family history. See his comments on Page 21

## Tracing family history

I was going through the Clarke/Russell genealogy recently.

This genealogy goes back to a convict named Thomas Mayers, who wed Aboriginal girl Mary Ann Perry, whose mum was a Port Stephens Aborigine. Mayers and Perry had a daughter called Susannah Mayers, who wed Robert Clarke.

Robert and Susannah had a large family of 16 and one of their children John Clarke (born 1867 at Forster and died 1915 at Taree) wed Jane Russell (born 1884 at Forster).

John and Jane's second born John Clarke (born 1894 at

Forster) wed Irene Morgan. This couple moved to Victoria and it was their first-born Muriel Irene Clarke who wed Edward Kneebone and who we believe may be related to returned athlete Nova Peris-Kneebone. Robert Clarke (born 1836 at Manning River and died 10 September 1901) wed on 29 December 1864 to Susannah Mayers (born about 1842 at Raymond Terrace and died 18 March 1891 at Forster).

It was this couple who started the Clarke, Cunningham, Dumas, Forster and Syron families, who all have connection to Forster and the Worimi Nation.

I invite Koori Mail readers who are connected to this genealogy to contact me as I am doing Aboriginal genealogy on certain family history. I charge for this information to cover my expenses.

By the way, Jane Russell was my grandmother Elizabeth's younger sister so we are all one royal family who are connected to the English, Irish and goodness who knows. We even had a Japanese person marry one of our distant relatives.

LES RIDGEWAY

Aboriginal Family Historian  
Central Coast, NSW

## Uncle Herb can play

I would like to congratulate Uncle Herb Patten on getting into the grand final of 'Australia's Got Talent' and then into the final two.

You may not have won Uncle Herb, but listening to you play songs such as *Unchained Melody* and *Imagine* on the gum leaves was not only really beautiful and talented. It reminded me of my late father playing the gum leaves in Tasmania's bush years ago. Australian Indigenous people have got talent. Thanks again Uncle Herb and best wishes to you.

NAGELLA GREEN  
Palm Beach, Qld

## YOUR POETRY

### Fatal facade

Life lingers like a lost flame  
Flickering between horizons  
Of fear and fortitude.

Free will is a freedom  
Bestowed upon a few.

The fate of others is pre-determined,  
Like cyclical oppression or  
Shackles of poverty that  
Can never be removed.

The destiny of our

dreaming  
Has been all but  
destroyed,  
Replaced with capitalism's  
wicked wheel  
We are trapped in a  
spiritual void.

Whilst the nation's wealth  
Breaks national records,  
The plight of our people  
lies hidden,  
Like a well disguised sore,  
Fester beneath the  
facade of  
'A fair go for all'...

JONATHAN HILL  
Minyerri, NT




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### National Indigenous Women's Convention 2007

'Women at the Centre'  
**ULURU**  
August 8 - 12



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Website: [www.atsiwomen.com](http://www.atsiwomen.com)

It is important to take time every so often to nurture yourself by taking a break from your everyday routine. How does a few days without any cooking, cleaning or family responsibilities sound?

**In their place we will provide a program that will ...**

**Rest your mind**  
**Uplift your spirit and**  
**Satisfy your soul.**

We are in for an incredible 5 Days as the Convention plans to address the issues of domestic violence, parenting, substance abuse, sexual abuse and leadership development.

**For this exciting event world leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist Church Dr Ella Simmons, Vice President and Heather-Dawn Small, Director of Women's Ministries, will be our special guests.**

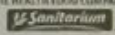
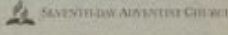
In addition to presentations by Heather-Dawn and Dr. Ella, delegates will join work groups that will begin the process of developing strategies to address these issues in their respective home regions.


**The Convention will showcase:**

- Excellent Speakers
- Dynamic Workshops
- Great Music
- Meeting Old and New Friends
- Exercise and Fun
- Vegetarian Meals

**NO CHILDREN PLEASE**

Hosted by the Women's Ministries Department of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, South Pacific Division

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## NURSE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

### RURAL AND REMOTE UNDERGRADUATE SCHEME


Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA) is seeking applications from students who live in rural or remote Australia and are currently undertaking or intending to enrol in an accredited undergraduate or graduate entry, pre-registration (entry to practice) nursing course at an Australian University to become a Registered/Division 1 Nurse.

For applicants studying in a full time capacity, the scheme provides full and partial scholarships worth \$10,000 per year during their nursing studies. There are 110 scholarships available and of these 10 are designated for awarding to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

For enrolled nurses studying in a part time capacity and upgrading their qualifications to that of a Registered/Division 1 Nurse, the scheme provides full and partial scholarships worth \$5,000 per year during their nursing studies. There are 20 scholarships available for enrolled nurses studying in a part time capacity towards their Registered/Division 1 nursing qualification.

For further information about these scholarships please visit the RCNA web site [www.rcna.org.au](http://www.rcna.org.au) or call the free call number 1800 11 72 62.

This Scheme will open on 5 May 2007 and close on 13 July 2007







Australian Government

# How we're improving Private Health to cover Australia's growing health needs.

Australia's health system is designed to make sure all Australians are well covered.

But with continuing improvements in medical science, and as our population ages, the demands on our system are going up all the time.

That's why more than ever is being spent on Medicare. But Private Health Insurance also plays a

really big role. In fact, more than a third of all hospital treatments are done through Private Cover. Just imagine the pressure on Medicare if it wasn't there.

So it's in everybody's interest to keep the Private system strong.

That's why we're introducing improvements to Private Health Insurance.

**Easier  
to compare.**

Until now it's been very difficult to compare the products from different health funds. That's why we've made it compulsory for all health funds to describe every one of their policies, including the price, in the same format. You can ask them for a copy. But what's even easier is going to our new, independent website that shows every available product from every fund. A simple search facility lets you compare all the policies that might suit your needs.

Go to [australia.gov.au/privatehealth](http://australia.gov.au/privatehealth) and follow the links. Or you can call 1800 307 446.

Health funds can now extend your hospital cover to include medical treatments that can be done without you having to go into hospital. For example, dialysis or chemotherapy undertaken in your own home, and programs to manage heart disease and diabetes.

Check with your health fund to find out what new options they may be covering.

**More  
Medical  
Treatment  
Options.**





## Higher rebates for older Australians.

Everyone with private health cover receives a rebate of at least 30%. And from the age of 65 you'll receive a rebate of 35%. And when you reach 70 it increases to 40%.



## The gap. It's your right to know.

Lifetime Health Cover encourages people to take out private health insurance earlier. If you join after July 1 following your 31st birthday you'll pay a premium loading of 2% more for every year you wait.

Until now, you'd pay that loading for the rest of your life. But we've improved the rules so that if you have Private Health Cover for 10 continuous years and keep it, you stop paying the loading. It's a fair reward for your commitment.



## Improvements to Lifetime Health Cover.

We've worked hard to close the gap between what a fund pays and what a particular medical service costs. Over 82% of all hospital medical services now have no gap at all. But to keep you fully informed, we've produced a checklist. It will help you find out from your doctor, health fund and hospital if there are any gaps and how much they'll be. You can collect it from your health fund or download it from our website.

For more information about the new private health improvements, you can simply pick up a brochure from your health fund, or download it from our website.



## Private Health Improvements

**australia.gov.au/privatehealth**  
**Call 1800 307 446**  
 8.30am - 10pm AEST



# MUSICNSW whichway

## Whichway Music industry workshops

MusicNSW, Whichway and APRA are running a four day music industry and songwriting workshop and information sessions from June 19 to the 22nd to be held at the Redfern Community Centre. The workshops are especially aimed at NSW Indigenous contemporary music artists. Past attendees have included Emma Donovan, Radical Son, Wire MC, The Stiff Gins, Sharnae Fenwick, Konnect A Dot, James Henry, L.J Hill and many more. We are looking for emerging artists that have some industry experience and or are serious about developing their careers in the music industry.

Leading music industry professionals will run the workshop and information sessions.

### Topics covered include

- Publicity
- Marketing
- Music management
- Record label and distribution information
- Networking and resources
- Business planning
- Touring and venue information
- How to get a gig
- Funding bodies and support organisations
- Legal, copyright and royalties
- Radio play

Top contemporary Indigenous music artists will present the APRA songwriting workshops.

### Areas covered include

- Arrangement
- Lyric writing
- Choosing the right producer and studio
- Personal experiences about the music industry

Numbers are limited so to express your interest please send a bio and demos to Whichway at MusicNSW 44/54 Botany Road Alexandria NSW 2015.

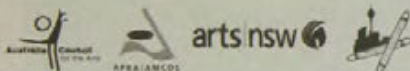
For more information contact Michael on 02 9699 9706 or email michael@musicnsw.com or go to the MusicNSW website at [www.musicnsw.com](http://www.musicnsw.com) and click on Whichway.

The Whichway music industry workshops are proudly supported by The Australian Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, The Australian Performing Rights Association, MusicNSW, Whichway, ArtsNSW and Gadigal Information Service.

Troy Horse Building Level 3, 44-54 Botany Road,  
Alexandria NSW 2015

P: 02 9699 9706 F: 02 9699 9763  
[www.musicnsw.com](http://www.musicnsw.com)

Expressions of interest close on Tuesday 5th June



## NATIONAL COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMME

The Australian Government's National Community Crime Prevention Programme invites incorporated, non-profit community groups and local government to apply for funding for community safety and crime prevention projects. Applications should involve innovative ways of reducing and preventing crime and the fear of crime.

Funding is available under three streams:

Community Partnerships Stream	up to \$500,000 per project
Indigenous Community Safety Stream	up to \$150,000 per project
Community Safety Stream	up to \$150,000 per project

Specific funding is available under each stream for security related infrastructure, such as closed circuit television systems, where projects are integral to a local community crime prevention strategy.

In addition to projects across Australia, there are also targeted funds for the Greater Western Sydney Region available in each of the three streams.

Applications close at 5pm on Thursday 28 June 2007. Applications must be postmarked or hand delivered on or before the closing date.

Application forms and information are available:

- at [www.crimeprevention.gov.au](http://www.crimeprevention.gov.au)
- from the Strategic Policy Coordination Branch  
Attorney-General's Department  
Robert Garran Offices  
National Circuit  
BARTON ACT 2600
- by phoning (02) 6250 6711
- by e-mailing [nccppinfo@ag.gov.au](mailto:nccppinfo@ag.gov.au)



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## Do you need help to stay at home?

Commonwealth Carelink Centres

Freecall 1800 052 222\*

[www.comcarelink.health.gov.au](http://www.comcarelink.health.gov.au)

Would you like information about the wide range of community care programs and services available to help you stay at home?

Call Freecall 1800 052 222\* or visit one of the Commonwealth Carelink Centres around Australia to get information about services in your local region.

\* Calls from mobile phones are charged at applicable rates.

Authorised by the Australian Government, Capital Hill, Canberra.

## North Coast Institute

### Come Learn with TAFE NSW – North Coast Institute

TAFE NSW-North Coast Institute offers a range of exciting programs and services specifically catering for Aboriginal people.

The North Coast Institute encourages participation across our full range of courses with opportunities to learn in the areas of Arts, Tourism, Primary Industries, Health and much more.

We have Aboriginal Support Officers and Coordinators located across the North Coast NSW who can discuss your needs.

Contact: Natalie Keanie-Smith on (02) 6586 2217 or Customer Service on 131 601

### PLUS! Earn with TAFE

The North Coast Institute encourages employment opportunities for Aboriginal people. For more information log on to <http://www.nci.tafensw.edu.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm>

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From left, Aboriginal artist Ivan Copley, former AFL star Che Cockatoo-Collins, Kurna man Frank Wanganeen and Bureau of Statistics SA chief Mike McGrath in the new ANZ House in Adelaide.

# Culture hits new heights



Aboriginal culture is being acknowledged in a new building, recently opened in the heart of Adelaide in South Australia.

ANZ House is the South Australian home of the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

A feature of ANZ House is an original artwork titled 'Wiru' by South Australian man Ivan Copley. The artwork featured the Seven Sisters Dreaming in South Australia.

A plaque next to the artwork acknowledges the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains as the original custodians of the land.

ABS Head Statistician Brian Pink

from Canberra was amongst guests at the opening.

ANZ House is believed to be the first Commonwealth department and building in South Australia to display such an acknowledgment of the Kurna people.

The building is 21 storeys high, with two levels of basement parking. Stage two of the project includes a second tower of 12 storeys.

There are many 'Sisters' stories in Aboriginal Australia linked to the 'Pleiades' group of stars.

In most, the sisters spend much of their time running away or hiding from a man. Some parts of the Seven Sisters stories are secret but others can be shared.

# State looks at rights



West Australian Attorney-General Jim McGinty has launched a bid that could see human rights enshrined in State law.

Many people were unaware that the basic human rights they often took for granted were not protected by law, Mr McGinty said last Thursday.

"A lot of people are shocked when they find out that in WA, basic human rights such as the right to a fair trial, freedom of expression, the right to protection from torture or degrading treatment and the right to privacy are not protected by law," he said. The creation of a WA Human Rights Act would mean that certain rights would have to be considered

and observed by all levels of government."

The Attorney-General has asked a panel of four independent people to consult West Australians on how a WA Human Rights Act should operate and what rights it should protect.

Former Federal Minister Fred Chaney will chair the group which includes executive director of the WA Council of Social Service Lisa Baker.

The other two members are former Anglican Archbishop of Perth and Primate of the Anglican Church in Australia Peter Carnley, and Associate Professor Colleen Hayward, manager of the Kulunga Research Network with the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research. -AAP



# Pedersen wins Maza Fellowship



Actor Aaron Pedersen has won the \$10,000 2007 Bob Maza Fellowship.

Pedersen was announced as the recipient of the fellowship at the opening of the Message Sticks Indigenous Film Festival at the Sydney Opera House on Friday night.

The Bob Maza fellowship is awarded each year to further an Indigenous actor's professional development and career opportunities in the international arena.

It celebrates the life and work of Bob Maza (1939-2000), who was the first Indigenous AFC Commissioner, an actor and activist, a lifelong theatre and film advocate, and a mentor.

Aaron Pedersen is an Arrernte/Arabana man from Alice Springs. After training as a journalist, he switched to acting. Through his television work on *Wildside*, *Water Rats*, *MDA*, *Territorians*, *Grassroots*, *Queen of Hearts*, *Black Jack* and *The Secret Life of Us*, Pedersen has championed the changing representation of Indigenous people in Australia.

He has recently finished filming the lead role in the six-hour mini-series, *The Circuit*,

and is currently filming a lead role in *City Homicide*.

Pedersen's film work includes *Dead Heart*, *Grange*, *Unfinished Business*, *Mimi* and *Mirror Images*. His theatre credits include *The Accidental Death of an Anarchist*, *King Lear*, *Black Medea*, *Eating Ice Cream With Your Eyes Closed*, *The Club* and *Conversations With the Dead*, for which he won a Green Room award for Best Male Actor in a Leading

Film for his work on *My Brother Vinnie*, the heartfelt documentary that explores his close relationship with his 34-year-old brother Vincent who has a mild intellectual disability and cerebral palsy.

Unable to attend the ceremony due to work commitments, Pedersen told the Australian Film Commission, which makes the award: "Uncle Bob was an inspiration for my career as an

actor and it is an honour and a privilege to receive this fellowship in his name.

"I plan to undertake training at an international drama school with the fellowship. I see this as a valuable step in increasing my familiarity with the international scene and furthermore, reinforcing the fact that Indigenous actors can play mainstream roles."



Bob Maza Fellowship winner Aaron Pedersen.

Role in 2002.

In the same year, Pedersen was also the winner of the Sidney Myer Performing Arts Indigenous Individual Award.

In 2003 he won a Deadly Award for Male Actor of the Year and in 2006, Pedersen was nominated for two Deadly Awards - one for Male Actor of the Year and one for Outstanding Achievement in

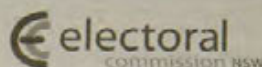
AFC Indigenous Branch Manager Sally Riley said the commission knew that Pedersen would make the most out of the opportunities the fellowship offered.

Previous recipients of the Fellowship include actor, director and writer Leah Purcell, actor and musician Tom E Lewis and theatre actor Ursula Yovich.

## Three make award shortlist

Three Indigenous authors have made the short list for the 2007 NSW Premier's Literary Awards.

They are Alexis Wright, Quentin Beresford, and Laurel Nannup. The winners will be announced on 29 May.



### ABORIGINAL LAND RIGHTS ACT 1983

### 2007 NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL ELECTION

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 the Central, Central Coast, North Coast, North West, Northern, South Coast, Sydney/Newcastle, Western and Wiradjuri Regional Aboriginal Land Council areas respectively.

#### POLLING DAY IS SATURDAY 19 MAY 2007

Candidates - Persons nominated as candidates for the 9 Regions are:

#### CENTRAL REGION

Candidate  
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CARA, Willy  
RYAN, Stephen  
BROWN, Neville

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44 Mumford Cr, Dubbo 2830  
Cottage 14 Naniima Aboriginal Reserve via Wellington NSW 2820  
Unit 1/3 Lansdowne Dr, Dubbo 2830  
29 Third Avenue, Narrimere 2821

#### CENTRAL COAST REGION

Candidate  
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CAMPBELL, Ruth  
MANTON, Bev  
LOCKWOOD, Noel  
COWAN, Angela

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9 George Street, Karuah 2324  
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Lot 146 Eileen Street, Corindi Beach 2456

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Candidate  
KAPEEN, Trevor  
LAURIE, Patricia  
WILLIAMS, Des  
DALEY, David  
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6 Robinson St, Yamba 2484  
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Gingie Village, Walgett 2832  
48 Deran St, Narrabri 2390  
108 Gwydir St, Moree 2400  
19 Muhl Cres, Moree 2400  
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Lot 11 Barwon Four, Brewarrina 2839

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LIVERMORE, Gregory  
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46 Kinara St, Tamworth 2340  
50 Quinn Street, Tamworth 2340  
149 Howell Rd, Tingha 2369  
10 Nancy St, Tamworth 2340

#### SOUTH COAST REGION

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SIMON, Les  
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10 Irene Ave, Batehaven 2536  
62 Village Rd, Jervis Bay 2540  
5/11 Osborne St, Dapto 2530  
81 Cassia Street, Barrack Heights 2528

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MUNRO, Jenny  
FOLEY, Cliff  
KITCHENER, Cheryl  
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50 Matthews Lane, Pictou 2571  
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#### WIRADJURI REGION

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3/5 Wiradjuri Pl, Griffith 2680

Polling Places - Polling places will be open from 8am to 6pm. A list of polling places is available from the New South Wales Electoral Commission website at [www.elections.nsw.gov.au](http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au). Details will be published in major local newspapers.

#### Postal Voting

Postal voting facilities will be available for electors unable to vote at a polling place. Applications for postal votes must be received by the Returning Officer no later than Friday 11 May 2007. Postal vote applications are available from the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council, the New South Wales Electoral Commission, Level 25, 201 Kent Street Sydney, 2000 and at [www.elections.nsw.gov.au](http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au). Telephone (02) 9290 5923 or 1300 135 736. Fax (02) 9290 5939.

Brian DeCelle  
Returning Officer

## NSW grants available to protect languages



The NSW Government is seeking expressions of interest in grants to protect and teach Aboriginal languages.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch said one-off grants of up to \$25,000 were available to Aboriginal community organisations as part of a \$200,000 program.

Mr Lynch said NSW had a proud record of recording and teaching Aboriginal languages.

"New South Wales was the first Government in Australia to adopt a formal Indigenous language policy," he said.

"In the last two decades, Aboriginal people have made it clear that they want their languages back."

"Language is a cornerstone of culture, identity and pride. You can't have a culture without a language."

"For Aboriginal people, language is a direct

link to their identity, land and country and reflects their unique cultural concepts, spirituality and way of looking at the world."

Before the arrival of Europeans, at least 70 Aboriginal languages and dialects were spoken in the area now called New South Wales.

Now only about 20 distinct Aboriginal languages are used throughout the State.

"Through the hard work of our Aboriginal Languages Research and Resource Centre, we are determined to help Aboriginal people retain their languages," Mr Lynch said.

"Funding local initiatives through these grants are an important way to build protect and teach languages."

Further details about the Community Language Assistance Program Grants and application forms are available at [www.alrc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.alrc.nsw.gov.au) or by calling (02) 9219 0700.

Applications close on Friday, 25 May.



# Sorry Day kicks off

There's something for everyone in May-June big weeks highlighting Indigenous history and reconciliation.

Later this month, many Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians will observe several important occasions.

● **Sorry Day 2007** will be on Saturday, 26 May.

● **Sunday, 27 May** will mark 40th anniversary of the important national milestone, the 1967 Referendum.

● **And Reconciliation Week 2007** will run from Sunday 27 May until Sunday 3 June,

which is also Mabo Day – the anniversary of the High Court of Australia's decision in the historic Mabo case.

There'll be dozens, if not hundreds, of community events happening around the country.

Our next edition will be published on Wednesday 23 May, and we welcome additions to this Sorry Day/ Referendum Anniversary/Reconciliation Week calendar. Submissions should be short, to the point and emailed to [sorryday@koorimail.com](mailto:sorryday@koorimail.com) by close of business on Tuesday, 15 May.



**Until 14 May (National):** Drawing Together – art competition exploring reconciliation. For details or to obtain a copy of the entry guidelines visit website [www.apsc.gov.au/drawingtogether/index.html](http://www.apsc.gov.au/drawingtogether/index.html)

**11 May (NSW):** 11am. Sardon Point Aboriginal Place Declaration. For details contact Dooch Kennedy on (0434) 366 374.

**17 May-20 May (ACT):** A live-in three-day conference at Acton in Canberra aimed at raising awareness of the importance of reconciliation to Year 11 and Year 12 students in the ACT. For details contact Genevieve Auld on email [u4412146@anu.edu.au](mailto:u4412146@anu.edu.au) or phone (02) 6125 6894.

**18 May (NSW):** 8am. 2007 Reconciliation Golf Challenge, Campbelltown Golf Course. Breakfast provided at 7am. Fee \$60. For details contact Billy Bell on (0421) 772 567 or email [billy.bell@dji.nsw.gov.au](mailto:billy.bell@dji.nsw.gov.au)

**20-26 May (WA):** National Archaeology Week in Albany, Western Australia. National Archaeology Week ends the day before Reconciliation Week. Activities in Albany are planned to

extend over both weeks to further reconciliation through recognition of cultural heritage. For details contact Claire Greer, on (0401) 227 011 or email [Claire.Greer@postgrad.curtin.edu.au](mailto:Claire.Greer@postgrad.curtin.edu.au) or visit website [www.archaeologyweek.com/states/wa.php](http://www.archaeologyweek.com/states/wa.php)

**21 May-15 June (NSW):** Guringai Festival Reconciliation writing competition. Reconciliation: Why is Reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians important? How can I help? Entry is open to all students in the Northern Sydney region. For details contact (02) 9777 7985 or email [rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au](mailto:rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au)

**23 May-9 June (Vic):** 'Gaayip' Exhibition. An exhibition in support of Reconciliation Week 2007 at Manningham Gallery, Manningham Council Municipal Offices, 699 Doncaster Road, Doncaster, Victoria. Free. For details call the gallery on (03) 9840 9367 or email [galleries@manningham.vic.gov.au](mailto:galleries@manningham.vic.gov.au) or visit website [www.manningham.vic.gov.au](http://www.manningham.vic.gov.au)

**24 May (NSW):** 12pm. Transforming Indigenous Poverty, jointly hosted by NATSIEC and the NSW Ecumenical Council. This lunchtime gathering will take

the form of a dialogue between Fr Jojo Fung, a notable Indigenous Jesuit Malaysian thinker and writer, and Indigenous Christian leaders from the Sydney area. For details contact Jonathon Inkpin by email [jinkpin@ncca.org.au](mailto:jinkpin@ncca.org.au)

**24 May (ACT):** 10.30am. A commemoration of the Bringing Them Home Report's tenth anniversary will be held in the Great Hall of the Federal Parliament. Speakers will include the inaugural Chair of ATSC Professor Lowitja O'Donoghue, HREOC's Indigenous Social Justice Commissioner Tom Calma, historian Henry Reynolds and Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs Jenny Macklin. Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough has also been invited. For details (02) 6281 0940.

**24 May-15 July (NSW):** 6-7pm. Guringai Festival. Theme: Corroboree, culture, community. For details contact Vivien Mouradian on (02) 9424 0868.

**25 May (NSW):** 10.30am. Kiama Reconciliation Walk and Flag Raising Ceremony. For details contact Anne Phillips on (02) 4232 0448, or email [annep@kiama.nsw.gov.au](mailto:annep@kiama.nsw.gov.au) or visit website [www.kiama.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kiama.nsw.gov.au)

**25 May (Qld):** Dinner at the University of Queensland. For details contact (07) 3365 6733.

**25 May (NSW):** 9am. 'Are we bringing them home? 10 years later'. A conference for service providers, Indigenous people, policy workers, and others interested. For details contact (02) 6258 9102.

**26 May (SA):** 10.30am-4pm. Journey of Healing South Australia. The Stolen Generations Track Home Migration Museum, 82 Kintore Ave, Adelaide. Displays, information, guest speakers, free barbecue and drinks, as well as the Ngarrindjeri Stolen Generations book launch entertainment. For more details visit [www.ngarrindjeri.com](http://www.ngarrindjeri.com) or [www.ngarrindjeri.org](http://www.ngarrindjeri.org) or [www.ngarrindjeri.net](http://www.ngarrindjeri.net)

**26 May (SA):** 1.30-4pm. Participate in an ANTAR South Australia community forum reflecting on the 1976 referendum. For details (08) 8227 0170 or email: [antarsa@internode.on.net](mailto:antarsa@internode.on.net)

**26 May (NSW):** 10am. The NSW Sorry Day Committee is holding its State march commencing at

Sydney Town Hall, proceeding down George St to First Fleet Park, Circular Quay. For details contact (0437) 100 121.

**26 May (Qld):** Dawn. There will be dawn commemoration at the memorial plaques at five sites around Brisbane. Information about Bringing Them Home will be carried in all Brisbane local papers in the week leading up to Sorry Day. There will be films and events at libraries. For information contact (07) 3360 8444

**26 May (NT):** Alice Springs will have displays in all schools, and in the public library. The Central Australian Stolen Generations and Families Aboriginal Corporation will hold a family fun day at its offices. The Centre for Appropriate Technology will distribute DVDs of Stolen Generations stories to work places and remote communities. For information contact (08) 8953 3899

**26 May (WA):** In Perth, Sorry Day will be commemorated at a gathering in Wellington Square, with Kate George and Archbishop Barry Hickey as guest speakers. For details (08) 9486 1577

**26 May (SA):** In Adelaide, a Sorry Day commemoration will take place at the University of South Australia. The Minister for Education is urging schools to hold commemoration. For information contact (08) 8379 3211

**26 May (London):** The European Network for Australian Indigenous Rights is again commemorating Sorry Day at a gathering at Victoria's Embankment Gardens. This year its theme is 'Day of Healing and Reconciliation'. Francis Firebrace of the Yorta Yorta and Brigitte Andersen will join other performers in an evening of songs, story telling and dance. For further information contact [info@eniar.org](mailto:info@eniar.org)

**26 May (NSW):** Noon. The NSW Sorry Day Committee will hold a community gathering at First Fleet Park, Circular Quay. Guest speakers include Peter Garrett. For details phone (0437) 100 121.

**26 May (ACT):** 7am. The Journey of Healing ACT group is holding 'Remember the Children'. A simple ceremony to remember Indigenous Children who were taken from their families, those who never found them, and those who

are still searching. For details contact (02) 6258 9102.

**26 May (ACT):** 10am-3pm. Celebrating survival. A family festival in the park, children's activities, stalls, fun, food and concert with Indigenous and non Indigenous performers and entertainment. Journey of Healing (ACT) Inc. For details contact (02) 6258 9102.

**26 May (NSW):** 6.30pm. 'Their spirit still shines' Elders' Reconciliation Debutante Ball. Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation Reconciliation Group. Three course meal, guest speakers, entertainment and much more. WIN Entertainment Centre, Wollongong. Tickets \$45 per person. For details contact Sheree Rankmore on (02) 4228 1585 or email [culturaldevelopment@exemail.com.au](mailto:culturaldevelopment@exemail.com.au)

**26 May (NSW):** 10am-3pm. 40th Anniversary Referendum Commemoration – Lismore People for Reconciliation. This event involves a march through Lismore CBD to Heritage Park and a gathering in the park with a 'talking tent' for Elders and others to share their experiences of life before and after the 1967 Referendum. For details contact Thelma James and Clare Gallagher on (02) 6622 7094 or email [rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au](mailto:rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au)

**26 May (NSW):** 3-10pm. Indigenous Carnivale 2007. An all ages arts and music festival with all proceeds from ticket sales going to the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME) Performances include Emma Donovan, DJ Wanted, Street Warriors, The Herd, and Glebe Primary Kids with Aunt Wendy's Mob plus more. To be held at the Manning Bar. From 7pm, art exhibition curated by Bronwyn Bancroft. For details contact [indigenouiscarnivale@gmail.com](mailto:indigenouiscarnivale@gmail.com) or visit [www.indigenouiscarnivale.com](http://www.indigenouiscarnivale.com)

**26 May (NSW):** Launch of 'Family Pictures Exhibition' an acknowledgement to the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum. Presented by Newcastle City Council's Guraki Aboriginal Advisory Committee. For details contact Newcastle Region Library on (02) 4974 5348 or email [rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au](mailto:rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au)

**26 May (NSW):** Noon-3pm. Mt Druitt Reconciliation Walk 2007. Australians for Reconciliation Chiffley Committee. Includes live entertainment before and after the walk and a Sorry Ceremony. For details call (02) 9891 8406 or email [rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au](mailto:rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au)

**26 May (NSW):** Western Sydney Stolen Generations Support Group will organise an event in the Liverpool area. For details contact (02) 9720 8384.

**26 May (Qld):** 12-3pm. Queensland Sorry Day Journey of Healing working groups and the State Library of Queensland will commemorate the 10th anniversary 'Bringing them Home Report' at the Kurl Dhagun Indigenous

**Sorry Day commemoration held at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in Canberra last year.**





# a milestone week

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**Knowledge Centre – Talking Circle** Mawair Green at the State Library. Guest speakers, refreshments, entertainment and planting the Stolen Generations track home. For details email Helen@nsdc.org.au

**26 May (Old):** 6pm-1am. Referendum dinner dance at the Zillmere PCYC, Zillmere Road, Zillmere. For details contact Meeanjin on (07) 3257 5433.

**26 May (ACT):** 2-3.30pm. Stories from the 1967 Referendum. To celebrate National Reconciliation Week and the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum, Dr Jackie Huggins and Professor Peter Read will facilitate an afternoon of stories at the National Museum of Australia from some of the people who were actively involved all those years ago. The event will recall the commitment, tensions and achievements of those who campaigned so passionately for change. Free but bookings are essential on (02) 6208 5021.

**26 May (Qld):** Stylin' Up youth music festival in Brisbane. For details contact (07) 3403 5846.

**27 May (ACT):** 'Their Spirit Still Shines': 40th Anniversary of the 1967 Referendum - Reconciliation Australia. In attendance will be surviving members of the Federal Council for the Advancement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders (FCAATSI), the Prime Minister and other invited guests. Old Parliament House. For details contact (02) 6273 9200.

**27 May (Vic):** 2pm. Groove 4 Reconciliation. Featuring Illiana Atkinson, Funk 'n' Deadly Aboriginal band the Grenadines, plus French gypsy heat from the Hot Club Swing, and guest Robbie Thorpe. Venue, Geelong Performing Arts Centre, 50 Little Malop Street, Geelong. \$15/\$10 concessions, accompanied kids are free. For detail call (03) 5258 4397.

**27 May (NSW):** ASG Sorry Day Commemoration. Intimate yet welcoming and friendly event to commemorate Sorry Day and pay respect to the Stolen Generation, and Narrabeen Lake. For details www.asgmwp.net

**27 May (NSW):** 10th anniversary of Sorry Day public meeting and commemoration at Bowral. For details contact Jody Wiggins (Wingecarribee Reconciliation Group) on (02) 4872 4448 or email rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au

**27 May (NSW):** 7pm. 1967 Referendum, 40th Anniversary Dinner at Carlingbah. Celebrating overturning discriminatory laws, finally recognising Indigenous Australians as Australian Citizens in Constitutional Law for the first time. Cost \$35. RSVP 11 May 2007. For details contact Stuart Hills on (02) 9523 0514 or email hillsstuart@optusnet.com.au

**27 May (SA):** 1pm. Free family barbecue and concert for reconciliation for the community of Murray Bridge at Soundshell at Edwards Square, Murray Bridge. For details contact David Haines on (08) 8532 1303 or email badhain@lm.net.au

**27 May (Qld):** Murri Milestone. Public forum, lunch, family day & barbecue at the Queensland Museum. Keynote speaker Tania Major. For details contact (07) 3840 7555.

**27 May (NSW):** 7.30-9.30pm. Sharing Personal Experience through Culture and Knowledge. Four Aboriginal people each give a 10-minute talk about their personal experiences and then come together as a panel for a question and answer session. \$5 donation (free for students and pensioners). Supper provided. North Shore Temple Emanuel, 28 Chatswood Ave, Chatswood. For details contact Nic Wilton on (02) 9888 5774.

**27 May (NSW):** 12.30-6.30pm. Voice of Hope - New Pentecost Forum 2007. Graeme Mundine from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ecumenical Commission of the National Council of Churches will open the Forum. Guest speakers including Rev Dr Jojo Fung, Sr Susan Commelly and Tony Kevin will offer fresh perspectives on how people of faith can help build a just and compassionate society and world. Location Australian Catholic University, 40 Edward Street, North Sydney. For details contact Minh Nyugen on (0403) 181 586 or email mnguyen@d7design.com.au

**27-28 May (Vic):** 9am-5pm. Yapaneyepuk Indigenous Education Conference. Worawa Aboriginal College will celebrate 25 years of operation which coincides with the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum. To mark these milestones Worawa Aboriginal College will convene a Conference on Indigenous Education at the Crown Casino, Promenade Room Southbank, Victoria. RSVP 12 May. For details contact (03) Melinda Spiteri on (03) 9654 1200, email office@cse.edu.au or visit website www.cse.edu.au/index.php or www.worawacollege.com.au/

**28 May (NSW):** 9.15am-1pm. 'Their Spirit Still Shines' - Celebration of the Referendum. Flag raising, morning tea, guest speakers, video show and talk, info expo, lunch. Location, University of Technology Sydney, Level 3, Tower Building 1, No 1 Broadway Ave, Ultimo. For details contact Lisa Murphy on (0424) 793 579 or by email lisa\_nsw@hotmail.com

**28 May-20 July (NSW):** Central Coast Aboriginal Artists Exhibition and Competition at Gosford Regional Art Gallery. Gosford Regional Art Gallery, 36 Webb Street, East Gosford. For details call (02) 4320 0630 or email sean.loneragan@ofc.commerce.nsw.gov.au

**28 May (Qld):** 1-3pm. Cherbourg historical display and event. For details contact Lesley Williams on (07) 3225 8991.

**28 May (Qld):** 1-3pm. Kuril Dhagun Indigenous Knowledge Centre, State Library will hold a barbecue and a talking circle. For details call (07) 3642 9887.



Stolen Generations Alliance Co-Patron Professor Lowitja O'Donoghue will speak in Canberra on 24 May at a commemoration of the 10th anniversary of the Bringing Them Home Report.

**28 May (NSW):** 11am. Tony Donovan Reconciliation Prize Award Ceremony. 36 Webb St, East Gosford. For details contact Sean Lonergan (02) 4320 0630.

**28 May (NSW):** UTS Reconciliation Week forum and arts festival. Morning tea and lunch provided. For details contact Lisa Murphy on Lisa.x.murphy@ofc.commerce.nsw.gov.au

**28-31 May (Qld):** Young Indigenous Leaders Forum (for participants aged 18-25 years) at Parliament House in Brisbane. For details contact 1300 555 954 or (07) 3008 8636.

**29 May (NSW):** 10am-2pm. An Indigenous Reflection in the 1967 Referendum. This seminar will be MC'd by Koori Radio's Pauline Whittion. It will feature special guest speakers Professor Mick Dodson, Dr Jackie Huggins, Professor Aileen Morton Robinson, Professor Larissa Behrendt, Professor John Maynard and Gary Foley, plus Frances Peters-Little will launch her new documentary on the 1967 Referendum. For details contact (02) 9219 0719 or email leticia.anderson@daa.nsw.gov.au

**30 May (SA):** 10am-4pm. 'Their Spirit Still Shines' a special reconciliation event to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Referendum and Reconciliation Week. To be held at the Playford Civic Centre, Playford Boulevard. The event will feature

information displays, activities for children, music and entertainment and a free barbecue lunch. It will be an action packed, fun filled day for everyone. For details contact Eleanor Berridge on (08) 8263 1155 or email eleanor.berridge@health.sa.gov.au

**30 May (NSW):** 9.30-6pm. Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of 1967 Referendum at Coffs Harbour Education Campus. Flag raising, morning tea, mock referendum, movies and more. For details contact Shuan Hart (02) 6659 3359 or email shuan.hart@talensw.edu.au

**31 May (NSW):** 6pm. 'Health Equality in 25 Years' Indigenous Health Forum. 'Health Equality in 25 Years' Indigenous Health Forum - presented by the Sydney University Medical Society, MIRAGE and Golden Key Society. For details contact Ineke Weaver by email iwev6767@gmp.usyd.edu.au

**31 May (NSW):** 10.45am. Commemoration ceremony to remember the service and sacrifice of Indigenous veterans - RSL, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans and Services Association, Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Aboriginal Affairs, and the NSW Reconciliation Council. Special guest speakers, commemorative performances, and ceremonial wreath laying in the Pool of Reflection, Anzac Memorial in Hyde

Park. Drinks and light refreshments provided. For details contact Rod Molham on (02) 9264 8188

**31 May (Qld):** Reconciliation Business Awards. For details contact (07) 3224 5783 or email rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au

**31 May (Qld):** Reconciliation Business forum which will focus on the important aspects in providing impetus to Indigenous economic development. For details contact (07) 3224 6099 or email rosie.southwood@reconciliation.org.au

**31 May (NSW):** 9am-12pm. Reconciliation Flag Raising Ceremony-Wyong Council. For details contact Mitchell Bennett on (02) 4350 5214.

**1 June (NSW):** 10.15am. Hornsby Children's Voices for Reconciliation. Performances by local students and visiting Aboriginal students; Smoking Ceremony and Welcome to Country from elders; Members of the Stolen Generations will meet the children. For details contact Helen White on (02) 9484 1043 or email helen.white@aapt.net.au

**2 June (NSW):** 10am-4pm. Journeys into Understanding - Aboriginal Culture. Dialogue with Aboriginal presenters - explore the Aboriginal local heritage, the Aboriginal people's connection with the land and the role of the traditional custodians. For details contact Trish MacDonald-Harrison on (02) 9524 9685 or email trish.harrisonquest@bigpond.com

**2 June (ACT):** Free barbecue in Commonwealth Park, with well-known Indigenous bands, with the theme of 'celebrating survival'. For details call (02) 6258 9102.

**2 June (NSW):** National Youth Reconciliation Forum and Arts Festival - National Reconciliation Network Forum at the University of Technology Sydney, Building 6, Harris Street, Ultimo. The Forum will include discussions, guest speakers, Indigenous art exhibitions, music, information about social justice campaigns, and more. Young people aged 16-29 years welcome. For details contact Sylvie Ellsmore on (0403) 977 213.

**4 June (NSW):** 9am-2pm. 'Our Place In Reconciliation' Primary Schools Convention. A yearly Reconciliation for primary school students held at Parliament House. The convention this year will commemorate the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum. For details contact Daniela Giorgi on (02) 9230 2334 or email daniela.giorgi@parliament.nsw.gov.au or visit www.parliament.nsw.gov.au

**14-15 September (Qld):** National Indigenous Legal Conference. Panel discussion on significance of the 1967 Referendum. For details call (07) 3226 8244.



# Wongatha finding concerns



A leading West Australian land council says a chaotic situation is looming with development project approvals and protection of Aboriginal heritage in the north-east Goldfields unless the State

Government intervenes to ensure commonsense and consistency amongst Government agencies.

Goldfields Land and Sea Council Executive Director Brian Wyatt said the Federal Court's Wongatha decision on 5 February had left a gaping hole in heritage protection and the hole needed patching quickly.

"If it isn't, the mining sector, government and Aboriginal people will all be burdened with unnecessary delays and higher costs," he warned.

"The highly successful Regional Heritage Protection Agreement regime, struck between the State and the GLSC in 2001, must be continued if a semblance of order is to remain."

The Wongatha and another seven groups spent years in court claiming title over 160,000-sq-km tract of land north of Kalgoorlie, in the State's south.

Justice Kevin Lindgren dismissed the collective claim, but said native title probably did exist in the area for individuals and much smaller groups.

The WA Chamber of Minerals and Energy has expressed disappointment at the Federal Court's ruling on a native title claim, which it says is ambiguous and did not completely address the issue.

Now the GLSC has written to Premier Alan Carpenter urging that heritage protection be made a condition for new post-judgment tenements. The letter also expressed concern about inconsistent activities of the Office of Native Title (ONT), Department of Industry and Resources (DOIR) and Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI).

"On one hand, ONT and DOIR are deep in

## Judgment leaves holes, says Goldfields LSC Chief Executive

negotiations with us for establishing the orderly processing of new claims and a viable process for heritage protection in the Wongatha area," Mr Wyatt said.

"On the other hand, DOIR wants early granting of tenements before heritage matters are resolved.

"On the basis of the Wongatha judgement, DPI has abandoned negotiations with former native title claimants over joint management of Lake Ballard reserve, an action that will further fuel people's anxieties about heritage protection.

"We are seriously concerned to be getting confusing and sometimes contradictory messages from government. A firm political hand is required to ensure consistency and commonsense prevail.

"Our discussions with ONT and other agencies were giving us a clear message that the Government does not want myriad, ill-considered and overlapping claims to be lodged, and yet DOIR's intention to grant tenements without heritage caveats will result in just that.

"Without a sensible heritage protection system, lodgement of new claims is one of the few remaining options traditional land owners have for securing protection of sites."

Mr Wyatt said the relationship between all parties prior to the Wongatha decision was clearly working, with thousands of heritage agreements having been struck between traditional landowners and mining and exploration companies.

"Similarly, productive negotiation processes between traditional land owners and Government agencies have also been established," he said.

"The GLSC is most concerned at the way these are now being destabilised."



Ingham-based Indigenous truckie Gavin Myran standing next to the 215cm-tall truckie James Coles.

## That's about the size of it!

Story and photo by ALF WILSON in Townsville

When Ingham truckie Gavin Myran met fellow

truckie James Coles at a roadhouse near Townsville, it was a classic case of the 'short and the tall'.

Or perhaps David and Goliath when the height difference is taken into account.

Mr Myran stands at 165cm tall, while Mr Coles is arguably Australia's tallest truckie at 215cm.

Mr Myran, 34, works for Ingham-based Mystgold Pty Ltd. He has been a truckie for three years and was driving a Kenworth carrying produce from Mackay to Townsville when we caught up with him on 27 April.

We happened to mention to Mr Myran that later in the afternoon, a truckie who was 215cm tall might be there.

"I would like to see somebody that tall," he said.

Most people

associate very tall men with professional basketballers.

When Mr Coles arrived at the roadhouse, Mr Myran was sitting with veteran truckie Colin Glindemann.

"I am a midget compared with him," Mr Myran said.

Fleet owner Mr Glindemann watched as this picture was taken of the pair and said it was a classic.

"I have never seen a truckie as tall as him and the other fellow is so much shorter," he observed.

Mr Coles drives a Kenworth K-104 and usually carries bananas in the B-double refrigerated truck.

The big fella, who has many nicknames, including Big Bird, Daddy Long Legs, Stretch and Skylab, said it was a pleasure to meet Mr Myran.



New South Wales Department of  
Aboriginal Affairs

Join us for a night of cinema commemorating the 40th anniversary of the 1967 referendum which paved the way for Aboriginal people to become citizens of Australia.

Images that captured a unique moment in history will be shown with a feature film at locations in metropolitan, regional and rural NSW.

Call the NSW Department of Aboriginal Affairs (DAA) for information about a momentous occasion caught by the lenses of Australian filmmakers.

In Lightning Ridge call the DAA office in Bourke on (02) 6872 1904. In Coffs Harbour call the DAA office on (02) 6648 5800. In Orange call the DAA office in Wagga Wagga on (02) 6937 3040. For information about screenings in Tamworth, call the DAA office in Tamworth on (02) 6701 9000. For details about the event in Murrumbidgee, call the DAA office in Narooma on (02) 4476 4955 and for information about screenings in Sydney and Campbelltown, call the DAA office in Sydney on (02) 9219 0700.

### DEPARTMENT OF AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE DADHC.07.08 NORTHERN REGION FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION AND SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY "STRONGER TOGETHER"

A NSW GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE

The Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care is calling for organisations to submit tenders for a service in its Northern Region to provide individual support for up to 13 adults with an intellectual disability. They may have complex support needs. The service includes a case management component and requires flexibility, ranging from intensive 24 hour per day supervision to less restrictive or minimal support.

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

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, telephone 1800 880 027, fax (02) 8270 2090, email [tenders@dadhc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tenders@dadhc.nsw.gov.au)

Tenders close: 5pm Friday 8 June 2007.

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Louise Durmush, from Dubbo, marches to support ex-servicemen and women.



Ben Landyariel, Ethan Landyariel, Faith Landyariel and Helen Anu carry the Torres Strait Islander flag in the Redfern march.

# Honouring our Black Diggers



Gumbaynggirr man Rob (Joe) Bryant, a veteran of the Vietnam War.

Photographs by AMANDA JAMES  
Words by AAP and AMANDA JAMES



The pews were packed and it was standing room only in the aisles at an Anzac Day Sydney church service honouring Indigenous Diggers. The special service at St Saviour's Anglican Church in inner-city Redfern on 25 April paid respect to past and present Indigenous servicemen and servicewomen.

The church, hung with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags, was the end point of the inaugural Coloured Diggers March, which had set out from The Block.

Former and current armed forces personnel were joined by more than 200 family and friends and marched behind a banner bearing the words Honour, Recognition and Respect.

The shine of medals and waft of fresh rosemary sprigs added to the uplifting atmosphere of the colourful and energetic spectacle.

Pastor Ray Minniecon and organiser Brenda McDonnell led the service, under the theme Our Unsung Heroes.

NSW Governor Marie Bashir, Federal Labor Member for Sydney Tanya Plibersek and Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore led the congregation in placing rosemary sprigs and plastic poppies as an act of reconciliation.

## Candles, stories

As the names of those remembered rang out during the Redfern service, candles were lit for Diggers no longer with us, and stories were told by family members of uncles, aunts, grandfathers and great grandfathers who went to war.

Many told how their loved ones often received little or no recognition for their sacrifice, and were refused entry into hotels and RSL clubs.

Retired naval submariner David Williams acknowledged he had been refused entry to pubs, but said he was proud that Aboriginal people were now respected for their contributions to Australia's armed forces.

"I say to walk down most streets of Redfern in this day and age, and to have a



The banner says it all... Black Diggers ready to lead the Anzac Day march in Redfern.

parade and to have you guys say thank you for my colleagues from past, present and beyond on, it is unbelievable," he said.

"And I've never been so proud, I had tears in my eyes, I tell you, I'm a big sook when it comes to those sort of things."

Mr Williams said the armed forces had been ahead of the times in employing Aboriginal people without discrimination before it was made law.

"The military was the first equal opportunity employer in Australia, long before it was gazetted," the 29-year veteran said.

Redfern Aboriginal Medical Service

Chief Executive Officer Dr Naomi Mayers also remembered.

"My own uncle fought for his country and was refused entry to RSL clubs, as were most Aboriginal people in the defence forces," she said.

NSW RSL President Don Howe dismissed reports that the League opposed the separate Aboriginal Anzac Day march.

"I hope that Anzac Day is above politics, creed and race," Mr Howe said.

"We had no problem with it. We endorsed it. In fact we'll be working with the Aboriginal community for a special service at the Anzac Memorial (in Sydney) on May

31, which is Aboriginal Reconciliation Day."

There were also cheers and tears at Sydney's official Anzac Day march as 20,000 war veterans and their descendants honoured the sacrifice of those who served Australia in war.

About 500 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and women fought in World War I, and an estimated 5000 took part in World War II.

Others served in the Vietnam and Korean wars, or are presently serving in Iraq.

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## What they said at the Anzac Day march in Redfern...

"Lots of Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders fought for this country, this is our country and whoever is in charge has to look after our wellbeing also."

— David Williams

"Today is about recognition. Our men and women weren't treated equally, now is the time. Setting up this march has been five years in the making and today I am very proud."

— Pastor Ray Minniecon

"I'm here for my great grandmother, Dorrie Nichols. She was a special agent for the Australian army in World War II, but was never mentioned. She was a strong woman."

— Victor Wallford

"In WA the Nyoongars marched in front of the Anzac parade, it's our time to be foregrounded. We are marching as a unit, there is strength in numbers and I want the younger ones to know and understand our history too."

— Rob (Joe) Bryant

"This is an unbelievably proud moment in history for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ex-servicemen, it's about recognition."

— Ray McMinn, Dharruk Elder of the Mingeletta Aboriginal community, Elder of the Pottery Minbee Elders and Seniors Council Central Coast, who served 28 years in the Royal Australian Navy submarines.

"I'm here as a physical face in honour of all women who served in the Land Army, wives and mothers at home and to acknowledge Torres Strait Islander women and children for their efforts during World War II."

— Margo Weir, ex-service Royal Canadian Navy

"I'm supporting all the mob that served in any form."

— Les Lang from Moree, National Service Association

"I was taken away from my family to Bomaderry Boys' Home while my father was fighting for this country. He fought in the First and Second World Wars. I am marching in his memory."

— Cecil Bowden

"I'm here with my mum to remember our people who lived and died in the war."

— Jaiki Pitt

"Empowerment, recognition and independence for the women who went to war."

— Nancy Hillwood

"I march for my two Koori uncles and my white father who fought."

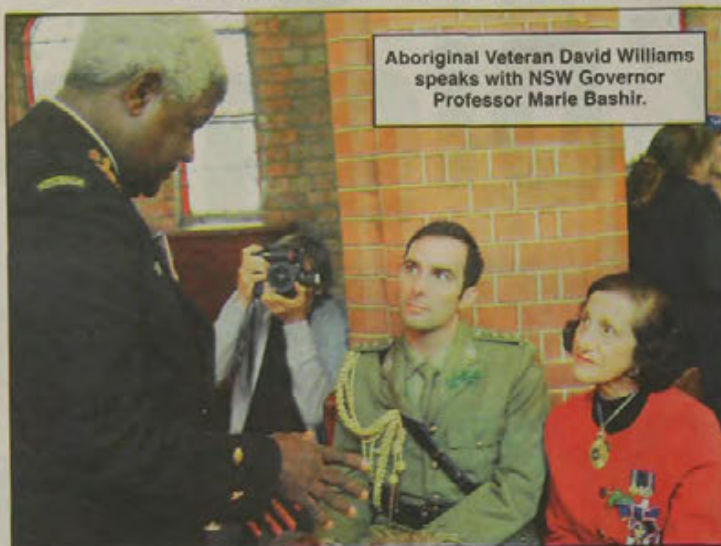
— Lorraine McGee-Sippel

"I am learning about identity and marching for the Anzacs, to show respect of life and for family members who fought for us."

— Ali-Grace



David Williams and Pastor Ray Minniecon lead the Coloured Diggers March through Redfern.



Ali-Grace, Raymond and on shoulders Yarran Finn at the march.



The Anzac service at St Saviour's Anglican Church in inner-city Redfern.



Nancy Hillwood, Sue Newman, Lorraine McGee-Sippel and Sue Burnett were there.



Cecil Bowden and Valerie Murphy in Redfern.



## Special recognition at Adelaide service

SA

Recognition of Indigenous Diggers in Adelaide this year had added meaning, given the 40th anniversary of the 1967

Referendum which sought to give equality to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Vietnam Veteran Gil Green laid a wreath at the War Memorial on North Terrace during the Anzac Day dawn service on

behalf of all Aboriginal servicemen and women.

State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jay Weatherill and Reconciliation Australia wrote to the Returned and Services League (RSL) before Anzac Day, seeking approval for a special recognition of Aboriginal servicemen and women at this year's dawn service. The RSL invited Mr Green to lay a wreath along with other VIPs.

"This year marks one of the

most important milestones in Australian history," Mr Weatherill said.

"On May 27, 1967 Australians voted 'yes' to a question that should never have had to be asked. Despite the Constitution discriminating against them until 1967, Aboriginal people have served in virtually every conflict and peacekeeping mission in which Australia has participated since the Boer War."

Most estimates put the

number of Aboriginal Australians who served in World War I at about 500, and about 5000 for World War II, although there are no accurate records of how many Aboriginal men and women actually enlisted before 1980.

"Aboriginal people shared in the tragedy of war, yet Aboriginal servicemen and women returned home to a country which viewed them with suspicion," Mr Weatherill said.

"The Aboriginal community

paid a high price through this service, with about one-third of the Aboriginal soldiers who served overseas killed in action or dying of wounds or disease.

"Anzac Day is about those who gave selflessly for their nation and this is represented no more starkly than those Aboriginal people who offered their lives for their country even when they did not enjoy the same rights as the rest of the community."

## Black Diggers honoured on Rottnest

# Victory at Wajemup



Nyoongar Elder Moort Hansen plays the didgeridoo during the Anzac dawn service on Wajemup (Rottnest Island), with Len Collard in the background.

Story by KEN BOASE  
Photos by GLEN STASIUK



The recognition of Wajemup (Rottnest Island), off the coast of Perth, as a traditional Aboriginal site has been formally acknowledged, with Indigenous Diggers

honoured for the first time as part of the island's Anzac Day dawn service.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans Association (ATSIVA) was represented by President Paul Hansen who laid a wreath at the island's Anzac memorial to the sounds of the didgeridoo after a formal welcome to country.

More than 4000 Aboriginal men from all tribal areas of Western Australia were imprisoned on the island between 1838 and 1903, and the graves of more than 400 who died there have been identified.

The future of the burial site was first brought into question in the mid-1990s by the formation of the Aboriginal Rottnest Island Death Group Corporation, which called for a proper memorial and a stop to any tourism development over the site.

Rottnest Island Authority Indigenous board member Karen Jacobs said the Authority was keen to acknowledge the Indigenous history of the island and this had led to the Anzac tribute.

"Wajemup has a long history of Aboriginal celebration and cultural healing and was used by women and children but has always been known as a men's healing site and prior to 6000 years ago it was part of the mainland," Ms Jacobs said.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans Association President Paul Hansen laying a wreath in honour of Aboriginal war veterans. "The men buried over there were also war veterans," he said.

"The Board of Rottnest has come a long way, especially in the past 12 months, in recognising the Aboriginal history and the suffering caused by the prison on the island.

"Communities right across WA were left without leaders and decision-makers because they'd all been imprisoned on Rottnest and over that period more than 4000 men were taken there."

Ms Jacobs said that more than 400 graves had been identified and there was possibly more than one body in each grave. She said there was a plan for a permanent memorial giving honour

and recognition to those who died.

"We're also working with different language groups around the State who know that they have ancestors buried there and there'll be provision for them to place their own memorial," she said.

"The whole of the area identified as the burial ground is now under heritage protection, no tourism development or construction of any kind will be allowed, including houses, and in fact some buildings and tourism facilities have been already moved away from that area."

Aboriginal Rottnest Island Death

Group Corporation Chairman Len Collard suggested during his Welcome to Country address at the Anzac service that those buried on the island were war veterans in their own right.

"I put the questions as to how do the Aboriginal patriots who fought to defend their country against the colonisers fit into the Anzac genre, and was their status military or criminal," he said.

"There are always new readings of historical interpretations and I just gave those present some food for thought to reflect on those who were incarcerated at Rottnest as men defending their country as patriots against the invaders."

Mr Hansen, who served in Vietnam in 1971, agreed with the view that the men buried on the island were also war veterans.

"They were treated worse than a lot of our POWs were, and being warriors they would have been in a similar situation," he said.

"I had the honour of laying the wreath and it was very moving to watch the sun come up over the mainland during the service."

"Our men have served in every theatre of war that Australia has been involved in, including right back to the Boer War, and none of them got proper recognition and they were on half rations and half pay during the two world wars."

"They were not given land like the Europeans were when they got home, they weren't allowed to drink with their comrades in arms and they weren't allowed to join the RSL."

Ms Jacobs said that the Rottnest Island Authority was hoping that the Indigenous component of the Anzac service would become an annual event.

**'The Board of Rottnest Island has come a long way, especially in the last 12 months, in recognising the Aboriginal history and the suffering caused by the prison on the island.'**





## Message clear at Newcastle march



The courage of Indigenous servicemen and women was also remembered at an Anzac Day march in Newcastle on the New South Wales coast.

Among those who attended were, from left, Auntie Brenda Simon, Uncle Gary Simon, Professor John Lester and Sue Hodges.

Auntie Brenda and Uncle Gary represented the Westlakes Aboriginal Elders at the march.

Uncle Gary had a brother-in-law and two uncles serve at Gallipoli.

"We just wanted to give the mainstream a gentle reminder that Aboriginal soldiers fought and died for this beautiful country in a time when they weren't even considered citizens," Ms Hodges told the Koori Mail. "Many of our Black Diggers fought in the trenches and lost their lives alongside other Australians. They made the ultimate sacrifice and their memories will always live on in the memories of those left behind."

## Big numbers in Townsville

Story and photos by ALF WILSON in Townsville



A record number of people attended the Townsville Anzac commemorative service and parade along The Strand, including many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders people.

The Koori Mail was at the dawn service for the laying of the wreaths.

Lee Smallwood placed one on the cenotaph at Anzac Park on behalf of Indigenous war veterans. She was one of the invited guests at the VIP area for the Anzac Day celebrations.

"There have been a lot of Indigenous service people and it is important they be remembered," she said.

### Touching

Torres Strait Islander Vicki Saylor was with Scott Anderson at the service, and both said it was a touching ceremony.

"This is a day to celebrate for those who sacrificed, no matter what colour or creed they were," Ms Saylor said.

Mr Anderson said it was his first time at the ceremony and he found it touching.

"It is important that Indigenous people who fought in the wars are remembered and not forgotten," he said.

An estimated 3000 people were at the dawn service and more than 40,000 at the main parade, which started at 9.30am.

Among the marchers was Radio 4K1G station acting manager Velma Gara who was with pupils from one of the 32 schools taking part.



Vicki Saylor and Scott Anderson at the dawn service in Townsville.



Lee Smallwood at the Townsville Cenotaph where she laid a wreath on Anzac Day.



Velma Gara marches with schoolkids in the parade along The Strand in Townsville, north Queensland.



Indigenous school students march in Townsville.



# Fun for all the family at Lake Tyers event



The Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust in Victoria held a successful community fun day recently, attracting about 200 people from the surrounding towns of Lakes Entrance, Bairnsdale, Sale and Morwell.

The event, at the Ron Edwards Oval at Lake Tyers, in Gippsland, featured a basketball tournament, canoeing, sprints and a women's 20-a-side footy match between Lake Tyers (the Bung Yamda Girls) and Bairnsdale. Lake Tyers used their home-ground advantage to win.

Nicky Hood was named best player for Lake Tyers, while Alana Brown was named best for Bairnsdale.

A basketball tournament featured four teams of seven playing off against each other. There was also canoeing from the Lake Tyers old jetty and, for the younger set, a jumping castle.

A healthy lunch and dinner was topped off with an award presentation and a disco.



Lake Tyers community fun day basketball competition winners, from left, Josh Tuono, Robert Wilson, Wayne Hood, Sione Tuono, Jasmine Clarke, Amber Wilkinson and Tiarnie Hill.



Basketball competition runners-up. Back, from left, Shannice Pearce, Marion Tulonno, Janelle Bryant, Brandon Hood, Johnboy Johnson and Gary Wilkinson. Front, from left, Zoe Mullett, Taonika Tregonning.

## Breastplate sale halted by Minister



South Australian Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Jay Weatherill has used his powers under the SA Aboriginal Heritage Act to determine a breastplate found in the far north-east of

South Australia is an Aboriginal object of significance. The determination effectively stops the sale of the breastplate without the Minister's permission.

The 20cm plate was destined for auction before Mr Weatherill stepped in under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988 to request the plate be surrendered to determine whether it was an Aboriginal object. As an "Aboriginal object", it is considered significant according to Aboriginal tradition or is of significance to Aboriginal archaeology, anthropology or history. Mr Weatherill has ordered an urgent inquiry into the ownership of the breastplate. The matter will now be referred to the State Government Investigation Unit.

"Establishing who is the rightful owner of the breastplate is essential before any further steps can be taken," he said.

"This breastplate is a significant piece of our shared Australian history."

"It is one of the earliest symbols of reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians."

"As such it has enormous historical value to both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people."

"While some say acts of symbolic reconciliation are not important, I think the enormous interest in this breastplate shows how wrong this is."

The plate was one of three presented

to the Yandruwandha people of Coopers Creek by the Royal Society of Victoria in 1862 for the help given to explorers Robert O'Hara Burke, William Wills and John King during their 1860-61 expedition.

"This was at a time when the two groups would have been unknown and a potential threat to each other's safety. As such, I believe it to be one of the first tangible symbols of reconciliation."

Burke and Wills died of starvation during the trip but King survived through the care and compassion of the local Yandruwandha people. The breastplate was located in 2001 near Innaminka by Strathalbyn brothers Eric and Klaus Ganzert.

### Assessment

"Over the past few weeks, the breastplate has undergone testing and analysis, including an assessment by the Australian National Museum," Mr Weatherill said.

"The relevant Aboriginal community, their Native Title Committee and the State's Aboriginal Heritage Committee have also been consulted."

"Consultations have largely concluded that the breastplate is an Aboriginal object of significance to Aboriginal history. Evidence from the Museum also supports the view that the breastplate was one of the three specifically made in recognition of the humanity shown by the Yandruwandha people to Burke, Wills and King."

Mr Weatherill said the outcome of the process highlighted the importance of the Aboriginal Heritage Act.



Torres Strait Islander actress Vicki Saylor back home in Townsville.

## Mum's the word

Story and photo by ALF WILSON



Torres Strait Islander actress Vicki Saylor has returned from three weeks in France where she met the rich and famous at a film festival where thousands watched a movie

in which she starred.

Townsville-based Ms Saylor attended and performed at the 29th International Women Directors' Festival in France.

Ms Saylor made her acting debut in the movie *Call Me Mum*, which was selected for screening at the festival – one of the largest and oldest of its kind.

Ms Saylor is manager of the Townsville and Aboriginal and Torres Islander Cultural Centre.

Of Damley Islander descent, she starred and sang in the film, directed by Margot Nash, and performed traditional stories while attending the festival.

She played an ill Islander woman named Flo in the tear-jerker movie. Flo hadn't seen her son since he was taken from her as a toddler.

Ms Saylor was honoured to meet renowned British actress Charlotte Rampling and got to mix with rich and famous international people including film buyers and movie buffs.

"I got to have dinner with Charlotte

Rampling and Paris was everything I have thought and then some more," she said.

"Charlotte has a copy of the movie and will email me about what she thinks of it."

Ms Saylor said she visited the Australian Embassy and got to see the Eiffel Tower. She hopes to get more acting parts as a result of the movie.

The State Government provided a grant of around \$4000 to help Ms Saylor take Indigenous culture to an international audience.

### Important

Member for Townsville Mike Reynolds congratulated Ms Saylor on being invited to attend the festival, saying the film's rich Torres Strait Islander culture was an important addition to this year's show.

While in France, Ms Saylor also took the opportunity to promote and market the Townsville Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Centre and develop its networks and global links.

She said she was honoured to be part of it all.

"I am a true-blue Aussie – an Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander. A lot of people know a little bit about Aboriginal culture and I just think this is a wonderful opportunity for the rest of the world to hear about Torres Strait Islander culture as well," she said.

*Call Me Mum* was shown on SBS-TV on Sunday.



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**– SA Minister Jay Weatherill**





# Perspectives on the 1967 Referendum



# Facing the facts

By LARISSA BEHRENDT

**V**IEWS about the place and role of Aboriginal people in the national consciousness are not just philosophical or psychological – they translate into differences in legal status and resource allocation.

The nature of native title and the way in which it has been demonised and weakened since it was first recognised in the Mabo case highlights how so-called 'special laws' for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people can actually provide lesser protection.

It seems Indigenous conceptions of rights and political aspirations are tolerated only until they look like upsetting power structures within the legal system.

The reason Aboriginal people and our rights are so vulnerable to whims of the legislature stems from assumptions within our founding legal document, the Australian Constitution, drafted in the Australian colonies and enacted by Queen Victoria in 1900.

This year is the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum that amended the Constitution. It is a moment to celebrate that this country, sceptical of constitutional change and founded on institutional racism, voted by an overwhelming majority to include Aboriginal people in the census and to empower the Federal Government to make laws on their behalf. It is a moment to celebrate the people's movement that built over decades to make that historic change.

But it is also time for deep reflection. Forty years later, despite that grassroots call for equality, we still see Aboriginal communities living in conditions far below those of other Australians.

We must ask ourselves: Why hasn't the constitutional change and the resources and attention provided since, brought equality to Indigenous people?

One of the defining characteristics of our legal system – as Aboriginal people know all too well – is that its faith in the benevolence of government.

The founding fathers of our Constitution agreed that the decision-making about rights protections – which ones we recognise and the extent to which we protect them – were matters for the Parliament. They discussed including these rights in the Constitution, but rejected the idea and our founding document is still silent on human rights.

This document was framed within prejudices like white racial superiority and the subordination of women.

A non-discrimination clause prohibiting the state from depriving anyone of 'life, liberty, or property without due process of law' and denying 'any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of its laws' was proposed by Tasmania. It was rejected by the other colonies on the basis that constitutional rights protection was unnecessary as Parliament could be entrusted to make laws for rights if necessary.

This meant of course that Parliament could also make discriminatory laws – and it has used this power from the start.

Larissa Behrendt is Professor of Law and Director of Research at the Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning, University of Technology, Sydney. In this edited extract from her 2006 Rick Farley Lecture, she points out what the 1967 Referendum didn't achieve – and what this means to us.



When we look at the intentions and attitudes of the men who drafted our Constitution, it's no surprise that it offers no protection against racial discrimination today.

But the key problem is what is missing from the Constitution, more than any legacy of prejudice embedded in its seemingly neutral text. Our founding document leaves Indigenous people vulnerable by relegating the most fundamental human question of how we value and protect rights to the legislature.

Although people often think the 1967 Referendum gave Aboriginal people citizenship rights, or the right to vote, it didn't. We already had those. The 1967 Referendum did two things:

- It enabled Indigenous people to be included in the census, and
- It enabled Federal Parliament the power to make laws in relation to Indigenous people.

In her biography of Faith Bandler<sup>1</sup>, Marilyn Lake explains something of the aims of the campaigners for this constitutional change.

Supporters saw including Indigenous people in the census not just as a body-counting exercise, but as a nation-building exercise. Their vision was of a symbolic coming together into an imagined inclusive community that could transcend an 'us and them' mentality.

Their arguments for giving the Federal Government power to make laws in relation to Aboriginal people, rather than leaving it to each State, reveal a belief that the Commonwealth would use the power to protect Indigenous people.

This has not been the case. Look at policies like taking Aboriginal children from their families, or removing heritage protections to preserve Aboriginal culture,

or extinguishing native title. Or how a law recognising a right is followed by another that closes the door again.

Look, for instance, at how the Native Title Amendment Act 1998 (Cth) prevented the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) from applying to certain sections of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)<sup>2</sup>

The failure to protect rights and the false reliance on government benevolence has a heavier impact on Aboriginal people.

In 1997, the High Court considered for the first time the legality of the policy of child removal in the case of *Kruger v The Commonwealth*. The plaintiffs' case argued that the effect of the relevant Northern Territory Ordinance violated human rights, including the implied rights to due process before the law, equality before the law, freedom of movement and the express right to freedom of religion contained in S.116 of the Constitution. That they lost on each count was a dramatic demonstration of Australians' lack of rights protection and of the disproportionate impact on Indigenous people.

But the *Kruger* case does serve to show how the harms of child removal, as a particularly Indigenous experience and a particularly Indigenous legal issue, connect to what we hold as fundamental – the right to due process before the law, equality before the law, freedom of movement and freedom of religion.

It is a chilling demonstration of how few of the rights we assume as inherent, are actually guaranteed us.

It spotlights the intended silences in our Constitution about rights and reveals the rights violations that can result.

While we celebrate the achievement of the Referendum campaigners, we must also face the facts today.

The hopes for social justice that inspired them, and united such a large proportion of the Australian electorate in 1967, did not

translate into Federal action to create the necessary mechanisms.

Neither has the added Federal Government power always been used to benefit Indigenous people.

No more has inclusion in the census count overcome divisive 'us and them' thinking on Indigenous issues.

Indeed, the Federal Government power has itself been employed as a barrier to effective policy-making, with key areas of government responsibility shared with the states and the now self-governing Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. Instead of co-operating for success, the two levels of government more often blame each other for failure.

A recent example was the response prompted by negative media coverage of findings of high incidence of sexual assault in some communities and gang violence in others.

Federal Aboriginal Affairs Minister Mal Brough blamed the Northern Territory Government for not putting police into communities where violence was endemic. While he was absolutely correct that any community of 2500 people with no police force would have law and order issues, it was a simplistic response focused only on blame (and cost) shifting.

Many other factors contribute to the cyclical poverty and despondency within some Aboriginal communities that create, over decades, the environment in which the social fabric unravels and violence, sexual abuse, substance abuse and other anti-social behaviour is rife.

Just as unhelpful was the response of Northern Territory Chief Minister Claire Martin in asserting that the problem was the Federal Government's failure to provide adequate housing and health and education services.

Both were of course correct. Governments – Federal, State, and Territory – all continue to underfund the most basic Aboriginal community needs like health services, educational facilities and adequate housing services.

Forty years ago it was precisely the same unjust conditions that made Australian voters direct the Commonwealth to take responsibility for the good government of Indigenous people, just like all other Australians.

The 40th anniversary of this historic referendum is a time to reflect on what it really achieved and how much further we still have to go to achieve social justice for Aboriginal people, otherwise we fail to learn the lessons of that extraordinary campaign.

Facing the facts so we can meet our own challenges today is the way we can truly honour those ordinary, everyday Australians all around the country who changed our Constitution in 1967.

<sup>1</sup> Marilyn Lake Faith: Faith Bandler, Gentle Activist Sydney, Allen & Unwin, 2002.

<sup>2</sup> In addition, we have seen the High Court avoid the question of whether the races power can only be used to promote the rights of Indigenous people in *Kartinyeri v Commonwealth* (the Hindmarsh Island Bridge case) (1998) 195 CLR 337.





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Applications are sought to fill vacant APS 6 positions, in the Alcohol and Indigenous Programs Section of the Drug Strategy Branch (Indigenous Team).

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##### **SEVERAL POSITIONS**

##### **APS 5 & 6**

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Currently we have vacancies available in the Substance Use Section and the Petrol Sniffing Prevention Section of the Health Strategies Branch, Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health. Both sections work closely with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders, the Drug Strategy Branch and various organisations involved in the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of those effected by substance use.

Future APS Level 5 and 6 vacancies in other areas of OATSIH may also be filled through these recruitment rounds.

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The successful applicants will be required to work individually and as a member of a team to undertake the following tasks/responsibilities: prepare complex Ministerial and Departmental correspondence, submissions, briefings and reports; monitor and analyse financial reports; negotiate, develop and manage funding agreements and contracts within the operational requirements; represent the Department across a variety of forums; analyse and integrate information and contribute to policy and program development; and co-ordinate cross program activities.

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##### **PROJECT OFFICER**

**\$54,310 - \$57,322**

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**Position closes 31 May 2007, 7pm AEST.**

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Koori Mail Directors, back from left, Trevor Kapeen (Nungera Co-operative, Maclean), Don Daley (Bunjum Co-operative, Cabbage Tree Island), Graham Randall (Buyinbin Co-operative, Casino) and, front, Pam Roberts (Bundjalung Tribal Society, Lismore) and Board Chairman Russell Kapeen (Kurrachee Co-operative, Coraki).



The staff team that brings you the Koori Mail each fortnight. Back, from left, Graham Hunt (Sub-Editor), Naomi Moran (Advertising Assistant), Steve Gordon (General Manager), Grace Gordon (Accounts Manager) and Kirstle Parker (Editor). Seated, from left, Solua Middleton (Journalist), Sue Deegan (Office Manager), Theresa Dalton (Receptionist) and Stuart Corlett (Advertising Manager).

# Black and white and read all over

Welcome to the 400th edition of the Koori Mail! To mark this milestone, we have produced this special feature highlighting who we are and just some of what we have done ...

THE first edition of the Koori Mail, published on 23 May 1991, had a modest 24 pages and a recommended retail price of \$1. It was distributed primarily in New South Wales, with some copies going over the Queensland and Victorian borders.

Perhaps not surprisingly, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC) – then in just its third year of operation – was our largest advertiser, followed by Aboriginal Hostels Limited and the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS).

Our masthead has remained virtually unchanged since that first edition, except for the addition of the words 'the Voice of Indigenous Australia' which we think we can confidently claim.

Our founder Owen Carriage dreamed of an unbiased and non-political paper. This was a credo honoured by the five Bundjalung Aboriginal organisations from northern NSW that took over the Koori Mail less than a year later

## From humble beginnings

OUR humble first edition reported on a National Inquiry into Racist Violence in Australia, which heard evidence of concerning levels of violence against Indigenous Australians and over-policing of Aboriginal communities.

A front-page story on the unveiling of the first memorial to Aboriginal servicemen and women, on Yugambah country on the Gold Coast, carried a photo of a fresh-faced Captain Wesley Aird.

In a guide to voting in elections, political candidates including NSW Shadow Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Col Markham agreed on the significance of the Koori vote. Mr Markham said Aboriginal people should use their numbers to significantly alter the outcome of elections, but said many were not entitled to vote because they weren't registered.

There was the announcement of a \$9.3 million NSW Government strategy to create up to 1000 jobs for Aboriginal

people in the NSW Public Service and local government.

We included a four-page guide to tracing an Aboriginal family tree called 'Looking for your mob', and a review of May O'Brien's book *The Legend of the Seven Sisters*.

We spoke with Rockhampton man Wayne Costelloe, the first Aboriginal volunteer to travel overseas with the Australian Volunteers Abroad (AVA) program. At the time, Mr Costelloe was teaching English at a college in Thailand.

In an article titled 'Too dark for the light horse', historian David Huggonson highlighted the discrimination faced by many Indigenous servicemen and women upon their return from war.

And former Forbes footballer Mark Hill, then aged 20, was reportedly on his way towards first grade with a berth in the Western Suburbs President's Cup team, playing centre or lock forward.



and still own us today.

Since our first edition (see breakout story), we've expanded our distribution into every State and Territory and published literally thousands of stories, photos and readers' letters and hundreds of cartoons – all

related to the issue of the day.

We've developed into a national publication, and have been there for virtually every major milestone in Indigenous affairs – from the rise and demise of ATSIC to the High Court's Mabo

judgement, responses to the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, the passage of the historic *Native Title Act 1993*, formation of the Torres Strait Regional Authority, establishment of the National Inquiry into the Separation of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from the Families and the resulting *Bringing Them Home* report, the 2000 Sydney Harbour Bridge walk and the reconciliation revolution, athlete Cathy Freeman's world-beating performance at the Sydney Olympics, and the announcement of 'new arrangements' in Indigenous affairs.

We've featured the words of many of our leaders including Lowitja O'Donoghue, Charlie Perkins, brothers Patrick and Mick Dodson, Marcia Langton, Peter Yu, David Ross, Rob Riley, Geoff Clarke, Sugar Ray Robinson, Gatilj Djerikura, Mum Shirl and Bob Bellear. We honour those who have passed on.

We've charted the success of countless Indigenous achievers in community, business, political and sporting spheres. And we covered the powerful, courageous, extraordinary, tragic, heart-warming and funny personal stories of everyday people.

We've done it to give voice to our people, as a bridge between black and white Australia.

Following is how some of the nation's big Indigenous stories unfolded on our pages, with an update on progress or otherwise since then.



## From the Chairman

ON behalf of the Board of Directors of the Koori Mail, I thank you – our readers – for supporting a newspaper we are very proud to call our own.

The Koori Mail started with a dream and has become a very rewarding reality.

The newspaper might be owned by five small Aboriginal organisations in Bundjalung country on the NSW north coast, but we hope all other Indigenous Australians feel a sense of ownership over it too.

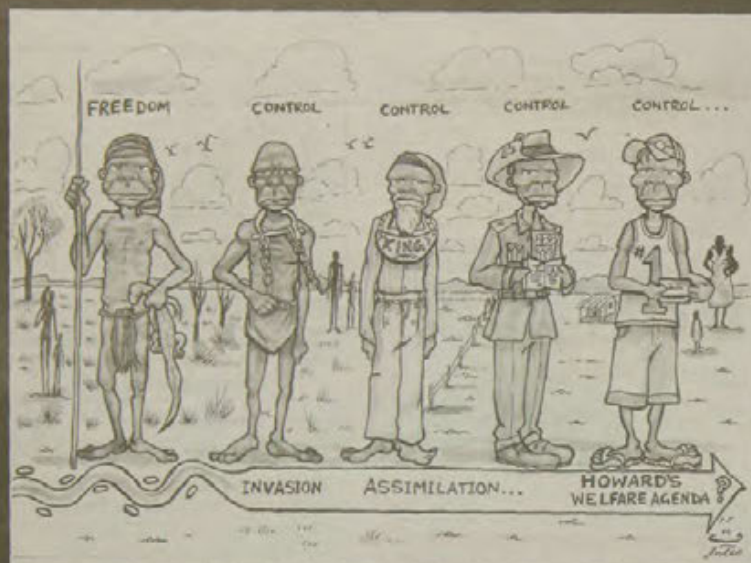
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Chairman  
Koori Mail



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## As seen by our cartoonists...



Cartoons have always featured in the Koori Mail, and our paper has been blessed to have two leaders in the field. Above at right is an example of the work of Danny Eastwood, from just two editions ago. Eastwood, an award-winning artist, has been a mainstay of the Koori Mail and his cartoons have been enjoyed over many years. Leading WA artist Julie Dowling's work have also featured on our editorial pages. At left is an example of her work from Edition 339, November 17, 2004.

# Shining light on custody deaths

In Edition 29 on 1 July 1992, we reported on the second stage of the Federal Government's \$400 million response to the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADIC).

The \$250 million was to be spent on providing employment and training opportunities – about 7000 jobs in the next three years – and on land acquisition. The first stage response to RCIADIC had encompassed \$150 million focussed on law and justice, combating alcohol and substance abuse, human rights and related areas.

The Royal Commission was established in 1987 in response to a growing public concern that deaths in custody of Aboriginal people were too common and poorly explained. It investigated the deaths of 99 Aboriginal people in police and prison custody between 1 January 1980 and 31 May 1989.

### Over-represented

The RCIADIC concluded that Indigenous people were no more likely to die in custody than other Australians. But it found that Indigenous Australians were over-represented in custody at a rate 29 times that of the general community and that the major factor contributing to this was their disadvantaged and unequal position in Australian society.

In all the deaths investigated, no charges were recommended against any police officers or prison officials.

The RCIADIC final report in May 1991 made 339 recommendations directed to all levels of government, Aboriginal communities and organisations, education institutions and the media, covering such areas as law and justice, custody, policing and custodial practice, health, education,



Covering the issues ... Edition 29, 1 July 1992 – \$250m for land, jobs, training 7000 new jobs in next three years (left) and Edition 340, 1 December 2004, Island Fury, Deaths in custody spark 'Palm' riot.

employment, community infrastructure, self-determination and reconciliation.

Despite this, the number of Indigenous prisoners has actually increased – from 14.5 per cent of the total prison population in 1992 to 22 per cent in 2005. Indigenous juveniles are still 25.6 times more likely than non-Indigenous juveniles to be in custody.

One of the most high-profile Aboriginal deaths in custody in recent times has been that of Mulrunji Doomadgee in the Palm Island police station at the end of 2004. Mulrunji died a short time after being arrested for public drunkenness, despite a RCIADIC recommendation that such



arrests be a last resort.

In Edition 340 on 1 December 2004, we reported on a riot sparked on Palm Island by Mulrunji's death. More than a dozen Palm Islanders were charged in relation to the riot that razed the police station and barracks; some have been convicted and others acquitted.

Focus has now shifted to the trial in June this year of Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley, a police officer charged with Mulrunji's assault and manslaughter. Snr Sgt Hurley was charged in January following an independent review of the Director of Public Prosecutions' decision not to charge him.



## Telling you about our very best!

Not surprisingly, NAIDOC Week has always featured prominently in the pages of the Koori Mail.

The week, mostly celebrated in early July, is a highlight of the Indigenous social calendar.

In Edition 380 on 19 July last year (as shown above), we reported from the national focus city of Cairns, north Queensland, and profiled the national NAIDOC award winners including academic and Koori Mail columnist Stephen Hagan, who was named National NAIDOC Person of the Year.

Soon, at the national awards dinner in Darwin on 13 July, Hagan and other 2006 winners will hand their NAIDOC mantles to this year's award winners.

Naturally, the Koori Mail will be there for the 50th anniversary NAIDOC celebrations and will bring the highlights of the event to our readers in full colour.



# Genocide and the national inquiry

IN Edition 152 on 4 June 1997, we reported on the tabling of the Bringing Them Home (BTH) report from the National Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from their Families.

The Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission (HREOC) Inquiry found that respective governments since colonisation had forcibly and systematically separated Indigenous children from their families and communities.

It concluded that between one in three and one in ten Indigenous children were forcibly removed from their families and communities in the period 1910-1970.

The BTH report said this occurred with the aim of making those children's culture and ethnic identities disappear and was genocidal under international conventions. This assertion sparked fiery national debate and was angrily rebutted by the Prime Minister John Howard. The report made 54 recommendations, including for compensation, a national apology for the Stolen Generations, resources for family tracing and reunions, support for cultural maintenance and for the history of removal to be taught in all schools.

Mr Howard was jeered at the May 1997 National Reconciliation Convention when he did not issue a national apology for the pain and suffering of the Stolen Generations. Six months later, the Government announced a \$63 million package of initiatives focusing on family tracing and stress and trauma counselling for Stolen Generations members. The package fell well short of Indigenous expectations, as did the PM's 1999 expression of his 'deep and sincere regret' about past injustices suffered by Indigenous Australians.

In Edition 365 on 30 November 2005, we reported how a decision by the Canadian Government to pay hundreds of millions of dollars in compensation to its stolen generations had sparked calls for the Australian Government to follow suit. However, these calls got short shrift, with the Government saying simply 'decisions taken by the Government of Canada are taken by that Government having regard to the circumstances which apply in that country'.

Nevertheless, late last year the Tasmanian Government became the first in Australia to both apologise and agree to compensate members of the Stolen Generations and their families for their trauma. The process to identify and calculate levels of compensation is expected to conclude around mid-2007.



ABOVE: Edition 152, 4 June 1997 – Genocide: That's the verdict from the stolen generations inquiry.

BELOW: Edition 365, 30 November 2005 – Australia, it's time to pay.



The 26 May anniversary of the tabling of Bringing Them Home has been observed as a national 'Sorry Day' since 1998. It is followed by Reconciliation Week, from 27 May (the anniversary of the 1967 Referendum) and 3 June (the anniversary of the High Court's Mabo decision).

As reported in recent editions of the Koori Mail, the National Sorry Day Committee and the newer Stolen Generations Alliance believe the Federal Government's response to the Bringing Them Home Report to have been woefully inadequate, and will use this year's tenth anniversary of the report to demand more action.



Cartoonist Danny Eastwood's view of Anthony 'The Man' Mundine's long-awaited fight with – and victory over – Danny 'Machine' Green as reported in the Koori Mail's Edition 376 on May 24 last year.

## Cathy Freeman and more of our sport stars

ON 4 October 2000, we joined the groundswell of national pride in Cathy Freeman's stellar achievements – declaring her 'A champion for our people'. Cathy mesmerised the nation when she won gold in the 400m at the Sydney Olympic Games. In so doing, she became the first Aboriginal person to win an individual gold medal. Hers was Australia's 100th gold medal in Olympic history.

But we'd had also run the Aboriginal flag up the

Olympic flagpole four years previously when Cathy and two other Aboriginal Olympians won medals at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

As a member of Australia's triumphant women's hockey team, Nova Peris became the first Aboriginal person to win a gold medal. Cathy won silver in the 400m. And Baeden Choppy helped Australia's men's hockey team to win bronze. Hurdler Kyle Vander-Kuyp and boxers James Swan, Justann Crawford and

Robert Peden gave their all at Atlanta, too. And a further nine Indigenous athletes and two Indigenous officials took part in the 2004 Athens Olympics.

The likes of Cathy, Nova and Baeden may have retired, but a new generation of Indigenous star athletes including sprinter Josh Ross and soccer player Jade North is beginning to emerge.

Past Olympians and future prospects, they're all our heroes.



Saluting our sports heroes ... The front page from Edition 132, 14 August 1996, at left and the cover from our 2000 Olympic Games feature on 4 October 2000.







Another of Danny Eastwood's great cartoons, this time from one year ago in Edition 375, 10 May 2006.



## Our Idol boast

LAST year, Australia recognised the outstanding singing talents of Darwin Aboriginal teenager Jessica Mauboy by voting her runner-up 2006 Australian Idol. We reckon we know how to pick 'em early, having ventured in Edition 318, more than two years earlier, that Jess was 'A star in the making' (see above). Jess, then 14, had just won the grand final of the Telstra 'Road to Tamworth' talent search competition at the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

# A long, hard road to reconciliation

IN Edition 16 of the Koori Mail on 18 December 1991, we reported how Indigenous protesters in Western Australia heckled Aboriginal Affairs Minister Robert Tickner about his announcement of the new Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation (CAR).

The protesters said Aboriginal interests were not represented adequately on the council, which was to steer a 10-year reconciliation process aimed at improving relations between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians.

It was an inauspicious start to a body which, although not without its critics, did much to raise the profile of Indigenous issues in this country and encourage everyday white Australians en masse to question what they could do to address Indigenous disadvantage.

The Council was chaired first by Patrick Dodson and later by Dr Evelyn Scott. On 27 May 2000, at a national event called Corroboree 2000 at the Sydney Opera House, the Council launched a 'Document Towards Reconciliation' and a set of strategies titled the 'Roadmap for Reconciliation'. The next day, as reported in Edition 227 of the Koori Mail, about 200,000 Australians walked across the Sydney Harbour Bridge in support of reconciliation. The Council's second Chairperson, Dr Evelyn Scott, said the strength of that popular support for the walk had produced a mandate for a treaty



Reporting on reconciliation ... The naming of the new Reconciliation Council was on the front page of Edition 16, 18 December 1991 (left) and in Edition 227, 31 May 2000, the Koori Mail had extensive coverage of the nationwide marches for reconciliation, with the cover featuring the march across the Sydney Harbour Bridge.



between white and black Australia.

The Council's final report, six months later, recommended that the Federal

Government initiate a process to unite Australians by way of a formal agreement or treaty, and proposed legislation

providing a formal framework for advancing the reconciliation process.

The Federal Government took nearly two years to formally respond to the Council's recommendations, eventually rejecting most of them. Prime Minister John Howard flatly rejected the idea of discussing a treaty process, branding the initiative as inappropriate and divisive.

In January 2001, a new not-for-profit body called Reconciliation Australia was established. While it receives some Federal funding, Reconciliation Australia relies heavily on private funds.

For the past few years, the Federal Government has focussed more on what it calls 'practical reconciliation' in the areas of employment, health and housing than symbolic measures including a national apology.

Reconciliation has grown into a considerable grassroots movement with local reconciliation groups throughout the country and additional momentum contributed by lobby group Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR).

Reconciliation Australia, now co-chaired by Aboriginal historian and author Jackie Huggins and Jewish lawyer Mark Leibler, is currently focussing on support for the development of Reconciliation Action Plans by industry, community organisations and the like, and commemoration later this month of the 40th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum.





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# Aw shucks....

**W**E don't often blow our own trumpet, but it's nice to know we're making a difference. Many of our supporters have taken the time to tell us what we mean to them and we thank them for their encouraging words. We can't publish them all – and plenty were so effusive we had to tone them down – but here's what some of them said...

Just about everyone I know reads the Koori Mail as it is truly a people's publication in the fullest sense. You perfectly place the topical, hard-hitting and tragic stories alongside the positive, humorous and uplifting stories that we are so deprived of in mainstream media. I love this about you and we all need to nourish our souls and to hear we are just as worthy as everyone else. My favourite parts are always the political stories. I look forward to reading the next 400.

**Jackie Huggins**  
Bidjara/Birri Gubba Juru  
Brisbane

I've been a reader – and a teller to other people of things that I read – of the Koori Mail for years. It is absolutely essential that the voices of Indigenous Australians be more widely heard and listened to, and the Koori Mail has played, and continues to play, an invaluable role in the making that happen. A huge congratulations to everyone involved in making edition number 1 happen, edition number 400 happen, and every other edition in between.

**Andrew Bartlett**  
Queensland Democrats Senator

The Koori Mail plays a very important role in communicating to Indigenous and non-Indigenous people right across the country.

What sets the Koori Mail apart from many other media outlets is that, through Indigenous eyes, you have a strong focus on the many positives within Indigenous Australia.

Of course, you'll criticise and question governments and for that matter, Indigenous leaders, where you think it's warranted.

That's what a healthy democracy is all about.

But it's important that as many Australians as possible, Indigenous and non-Indigenous alike, have the opportunity to see the diversity of Indigenous Australia and the real contributions many individuals and entire communities are making to improving the circumstances of first Australians, and the Koori Mail is crucial in this.

What a great milestone to achieve



When I was asked to make a comment regarding the 400th edition I had a chuckle because I'm not only an avid reader of the Koori Mail, I'm also a hoarder as you can see from this photo of myself with about 25 Koori Mail editions that sit in a box under my desk at work.

The oldest Koori Mail I have goes back to January 2004 when Jodie Patterson did a spread on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Country Music at the Tamworth Country Music Festival.

With this in mind I would therefore like to say a big thank you for Koori Mail's support over the years. The Koori Mail has also featured some great photos and stories of my very talented family. To me it's my family photo album and even though I have kept so many, I cherish every one of them.

I really do look forward to receiving the Koori Mail each fortnight – it's great reading and captures the spirit of our wonderful community.

**Agnes Donovan**

400 editions. I wish you continued success in the future.

**Mal Brough**  
Federal Minister for Families,  
Community Services and  
Indigenous Affairs

Having worked at the Koori Mail for ten years variously as a cadet, a reporter, a photographer, and as the editor from 1997 to 2004, I have seen this unique publication go from a 24-page paper with limited stories and advertising to one averaging over 80 pages a fortnight and now considered a 'must-read' for Indigenous peoples and Australians with an interest in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs.

I consider it an honour and a privilege to have worked for the Aboriginal owners of the Koori Mail, and applaud their foresight and commitment to a publication which truly is 'one paper, many voices'.

**Todd Condie**  
Northern Land Council, Darwin  
Yidinji (Far North Queensland)

As someone who appreciates Indigenous words in all their forms, I love the Koori Mail for the voice it provides our diverse communities, the platform it provides our political views, and the showcase it provides our evolving arts and cultures. I am unashamedly subjective and so my

favourite pages are of course about 'Books'. 400 editions and going strong. Congratulations!

**Dr Anita Heiss**, (from the  
Wiradjuri Nation, living in Gadigal  
Country, NSW) National Co-  
ordinator, Black Words

The Koori Mail has become a legend in its short life and brings the latest news of Indigenous Australia to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and to the wider population as well.

As a former Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs, I have always been a great supporter of the paper and we certainly need strong Indigenous voices speaking out at this time as we always have.

**Robert Tickner**  
CEO Australian Red Cross

As a subscriber for many years, our organisation has grown in strength and numbers as has your publication. Different sections within our organisation also subscribe for their own copy of Koori Mail due to its popularity among staff and our community members.

We are proud of what the Koori Mail has achieved.

**Denise Lewis**  
Chairperson, Kalwun  
Development Corporation Limited  
Gold Coast, Qld

Congratulations Koori Mail for reaching your 400th edition. I'm sure you'll be there for many many years to come.

I have been a reader of the Koori Mail for a number of years. I think it's a wonderful paper.

**Liz Locke**  
Darug woman living in  
Wollongong

I write to celebrate the 400th edition of the Koori Mail. I have learned over the years that voice is freedom and freedom is responsibility. The Koori Mail has been wonderfully responsible in facilitating the voice of Indigenous Australia, the first peoples.

**Richard J Frankland**  
Writer/Director, Golden  
Seahorse Productions  
Melbourne, Vic

It's been a real pleasure to have met you all and to have an involvement by way of providing you with items that concern our Aboriginal folk.

Koori Mail, the Aboriginal owned and controlled paper, each edition brings to folk real stories, a wide coverage of topics, with entertaining sporting achievements. Keep up this great work.

**Les Ridgeway**  
Bonny Hills, NSW

I have been a regular reader of the Koori Mail for over a decade. I have been active in housing, health, land, Stolen Generations and criminal justice issues. I have also been involved in community radio for many years and have an active interest in Indigenous arts more generally.

The KM has been an important tool for keeping up to date with what has been happening around social justice and human rights matters in other parts of the country.

**Stephen Hall**  
Perth, Nyoongar Boodja

I would like to thank the Koori Mail for the deadly story you told about my dad Murray Chapman after he passed away. Thanks heaps Koori Mail!!

**Patrick Chapman**  
Canberra ACT

Congrats on your 400th edition. I have been reading the Koori Mail for a few years now and I can't wait to get my paper through the mail.

**Heidi Locke**  
Darug, Wollongong

Congratulations and thanks for the Koori Mail. I read every edition. It's great for hearing about issues, developments and success stories around the country.

**Malcolm Lewis**  
Toowoomba, Qld

Congratulations to the Koori Mail on your 400th Edition! What a deadly achievement! I just want to say as an Aboriginal woman who reads your paper on a regular basis, thanks so much for the stories and information from across Australia and the Torres Strait Islands on current Indigenous issues, arts, education, sport, 'Your Say', job ads and everything else!

**Jo Leonello (Barnagalia woman)**  
Project Officer  
Indigenous Initiatives  
Office for Women, Adelaide

What a powerful thing for Aboriginal people to have their own national paper and one that is independent and 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned.

I've travelled all over Aboriginal Australia and wherever I've been there's always been Koori Mail stickers and copies of the paper.

You've done, and continue to do, a deadly job.

Australia would be a much poorer and more boring place without the Koori Mail.

**Alastair Harris**  
Darwin, NT

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PAT LOCK



PAT TURNER



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RICHARD FRANKLAND



RON MORONEY

# Awshucks...



PAT ANDERSON

We congratulate the Koori Mail for 400 editions of our only national Aboriginal-owned newspaper. The paper is a vehicle for Aboriginal voices in health, education, culture and all the other diverse areas in our lives. Wherever we are found fighting for our people, the Koori Mail has been there with us.

**Pat Anderson and Mick Gooda**  
*Co-operative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health*

The European Network for Indigenous Australian Rights warmly congratulates the Koori Mail on your 400th edition. ENIAR is a London-based group of Indigenous and non-Indigenous volunteers who aim to raise awareness of Indigenous Australian issues and promote human rights. We do this through events such as Sorry Day and the Sea of Hands, plus assistance to visiting Indigenous delegations and our website [www.eniar.org](http://www.eniar.org). The Koori Mail provides a rich source of information for organisations such as us and we hope you will thrive for many more years.

**European Network for Indigenous Australian Rights**  
*London, England*



JAY WEATHERILL

I am writing to let you know that what you are doing is truly inspiring to the Indigenous Australians. I enjoy reading the Koori Mail because it lets people know what is happening with Indigenous Australians and Indigenous communities around Australia. Keep it up, you're doing a great job!

**Marlena Malone, 21**  
*Woorabinda, Central Qld*

Congratulations to the Koori Mail. Here in Kempsey, with only limited Indigenous airtime, the Koori Mail is a lifeline of information and inclusion for the 7000 Koori people of the Macleay area.

**Sharon Livermore**  
*Kempsey Koori Artists*



RACHEL SIEWERT

The Koori Mail has made a huge contribution to the struggle for healing and justice for the Stolen Generations and all who have been affected by the forced removal policies. Its constant news reports from around this country and overseas have kept these issues on the national agenda. That has put us in a position where we can work for the kind of outcomes that are being achieved in countries such as Canada.

**Brian Butler**  
*Chair, Stolen Generations Alliance*



SUE GORDON

Aboriginal leadership is crucial to achieving progress in Aboriginal communities. The Koori Mail tells stories of leadership that are inspirational to other members of the Aboriginal community. Its pages provide a forum for debate and

discussions that give public policy makers fresh ideas to pursue. Congratulations on your 400th edition.

**Jay Weatherill MP**  
*SA Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation*

Thank you for all the job vacancies you have placed in the Koori Mail that have assisted my clients in looking for work and also giving my clients and me great pleasure in your paper.

**Amanda Connor**  
*Customised Assistant Consultant, Jobfind Centre Maroubra, NSW*

The Koori Mail is a most welcome and wise guest at our place. It also encourages us to say what we need to say, thanks to a few of your quality reporters here in WA, where the only other newsprint is just another part of the 'whitewash' by mainstream society. You tell so many wonderful and exciting stories, as well as report on the important social justice topics in each edition.

**Dr Brian Steels**  
*Researcher, Counsellor and Consultant Perth and Roebourne, WA*

The Koori Mail is the journal of record on all matters relevant to Aboriginal men and women. The paper faithfully reports events that shape our State and define our nation... As a standard bearer of a free press, the Koori Mail delivers the highest quality news through the timely distribution of information in service of the public interest.

**Paul Lynch**  
*NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister*

The Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) congratulates the Koori Mail on its 400th Edition. This is a remarkable achievement for an Indigenous media outlet and it is with great pleasure that I provide our support to the Koori Mail in its celebrations. ALRM has been a subscriber of the Koori Mail for many years and we have as an organisation utilised it as an advertiser of ALRM business and have sent numerous Letters to the Editor.

The Koori Mail has never been backward in stating undeniable facts about our disadvantage and big business on many fronts. The Koori Mail is OUR voice. Well done by a wonderful, responsible organisation.

**Neil E Gillespie**  
*CEO, Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc Adelaide, SA*

I have been a reader of the Koori Mail for some time now and appreciate that news is included from around Australia. We, in the West, often felt that only Aboriginal people from the

Eastern States got a voice in the national media. The Koori Mail changed that by publishing news and stories of cultural and local significance from all states and territories and from urban, regional and remote communities alike – making sure that Indigenous Australians are aware of what is going on nationally.

From day one the Koori Mail has provided leadership in presenting Indigenous news and has not steered away from reporting the sometimes controversial news. The Koori Mail has set standards for others to follow and sets an example by persevering, by being ethical, and by inspiring and encouraging others.

I want to offer my congratulations on achieving the 400th edition of this fine Indigenous newspaper. I look forward to the next 400-plus editions of the Koori Mail.

**Dr Sue Gordon, AM**  
*Chair, National Indigenous Council*

On behalf of the Board and staff of Indigenous Business Australia I'd like to congratulate the Koori Mail on achieving the milestone of its 400th edition. At a time when negative stories on Indigenous issues are in the predominance, the Koori Mail has challenged stereotypical views through providing a balanced approach to reporting and allowing Indigenous Australians to have a voice.

**Ron Moroney**  
*General Manager Indigenous Business Australia*

Thank goodness for the Koori Mail. Congratulations to everyone around the country involved in reaching this milestone. Your paper is a refreshing antidote to the dismal state of reporting of Aboriginal issues in the mainstream media. Keep serving up independent, well-researched, compassionate journalism for the next 400 – it's never been more needed.

**Senator Rachel Siewert and the Australian Greens team**

The Koori Mail has been a leader within the Indigenous media, having been the only national Indigenous newspaper for many years reporting on political and social stories to sport and the arts. It educates and creates awareness of the very important issues faced in our communities.

**The Living Black Team**  
*SBS TV, Sydney*

Congratulations, I am so grateful to finally have a voice.

**Diana Carew-Reid**  
*Midvale, WA*

I would like to extend my congratulations to the Koori Mail for producing its 400th edition this year.

The Koori Mail is an outstanding print success and an asset to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities of Australia. Since the first fortnightly edition was published in 1991, the Koori Mail has been a vehicle and a strong voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Well done. NITV supports you on the anniversary of this momentous occasion. We look forward to reading the next 400 editions.

**Patricia Turner**  
*CEO, National Indigenous Television Ltd*

The Koori Mail is an important voice in the Indigenous community. As a non-profit Indigenous publishing house, we value the support of Koori Mail in promoting and empowering Indigenous authors and illustrators from all over Australia. Congratulations on the 400th edition! A fantastic achievement and we look forward to many more!

**The team at Magabala Books**  
*Broome, WA*

Reconciliation Australia congratulates the Koori Mail on 400 fantastic editions, bringing together Indigenous news and information from all around the country. The Koori Mail has been invaluable to our work, helping us promote the Indigenous Governance Awards and the 40th Anniversary of the 1967 Referendum through the Perspectives on the Referendum series. Your focus on positive stories of Indigenous success alongside incisive political coverage makes the paper an essential information source. Your success helps advance reconciliation by providing a voice and a forum for Indigenous people across the country. We're looking forward to working with you for the next 400.

**Reconciliation Australia**  
*Canberra, ACT*

400th Edition eh? Congratulations Koori Mail! What a great achievement. The paper continues to be a voice for our mob, written mostly by our mob too, and is Aboriginal owned. Too deadly! Stay strong, stay deadly and stay beautiful. Looking forward to the 800th edition.

**Paulette Whitton**  
*Presenter/Producer, Blackchat Koori Radio, Sydney NSW Gamilaroi country*

The Koori Mail has been the eyes and ears for our people from day one. Over the years it has supported our people in more ways than one. It has become a leader in its field. Keep up the good work.

**Pat Lock**  
*Chairperson, Carwoola Council of Elders Sydney, NSW*



# NSW funding for Sorry Day



NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Paul Lynch has announced funding of \$10,000 to support the commemoration of Sorry

Day this month. Mr Lynch said Sorry Day had added significance this year, coinciding with the 10th anniversary of Bringing Them Home – the report documenting stories of the Stolen Generations. "The tabling of Bringing Them Home on 26 May 1997 revealed for the first time the true extent of the forced removal policies that were in place right up to the 1970s," the Minister said.

"For some 150 years, thousands of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children were forcibly removed from their families. These children were placed in institutions, fostered or adopted into

throughout Australia. Mr Lynch said the NSW Government was proud to support the State's Sorry Day Committee, which was the elected representative body for the Stolen Generations in NSW.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities," Mr Lynch said.

"It is also an opportunity for the broader Australian community to empathise with and support those who suffered under removal policies."

"Sorry Day offers a forum where Stolen Generation members can express themselves through song, dance, poetry readings and the telling of their life stories."

"Importantly, supporting this annual event helps ensure that the suffering of Australia's Stolen Generations is never forgotten."

## 'It is an opportunity for the ... Australian community to empathise with and support those who suffered under removal policies'

non-Aboriginal families."

One of the report's recommendations was that an annual Sorry Day be held.

Sorry Day has become an annual event commemorated on 26 May each year

The committee is made up mainly of members of the Stolen Generations.

"Sorry Day is a national day of commemoration, particularly for the Stolen Generations, their families as well as

### Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

## Notice of an Application for Registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party

### APPLICATION MAP



Name of applicant: Martang Pty Ltd  
Date received: 9 March 2007  
Public comments due: 23 May 2007

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) has received an application by Martang Pty Ltd for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party for the area inside the application map shown above. If registered, the applicant will be responsible for making key decisions about cultural heritage protection and management under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006.

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

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

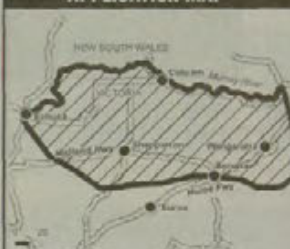
The Council invites written comments on this application, which can be sent to: Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat

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### Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

## Notice of an Application for Registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party

### APPLICATION MAP



Name of applicant: Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation  
Date received: 23 April 2007  
Public comments due: 23 May 2007

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) has received an application by Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party for the area inside the application map shown above. If registered, the applicant will be responsible for making key decisions about cultural heritage protection and management under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006.

As a registered native title holder for the shaded grey areas (above), the Gunditj Mirring Traditional

Owners Aboriginal Corporation will be registered as the sole Registered Aboriginal Party for that area, in accordance with the Act.

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

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

The Council invites written comments on this application, which can be sent to: Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council Secretariat

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### Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

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### APPLICATION MAP



Name of applicant: Budja Budja Aboriginal Co-operative Ltd  
Date received: 26 April 2007  
Public comments due: 23 May 2007

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (VAHC) has received an application by Budja Budja Aboriginal Co-operative Ltd for registration as a Registered Aboriginal Party for the area inside the application map shown above. If registered, the applicant will be responsible for making key decisions about cultural heritage protection and management under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006.

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# Kamilaroi warrior masters Indigenous study



Story and photos by  
ZOE SATHERLEY



Kamilaroi man Angus Binge grins through tears. A proud man, he knows what it feels like to have a foot in two 'camps' – as an Elder of the Kamilaroi

tribe from the Moree area, and as a recent Master of Indigenous Studies graduate from Southern Cross University in Lismore in northern New South Wales.

His tears are for the old pain of his childhood and for the new joy of achievement.

Angus now lives in Lismore, but

grew up on a mission in Moree, where he said he was sexually abused for ten years until he was able to legally leave as a young adult.

At 64, he can finally talk about the years of distress and degradation he suffered and begin his long healing journey because of a trauma and grief healing process he underwent as part of studying for his Master of Indigenous Studies.

"Professor Judy Atkinson led the many sessions we had. She took us through a process of looking into our personal 'treasure chest' where we keep all the good things in our life," said Angus.

"The trouble was that when I looked inside my treasure chest, all the good things were buried under layer upon layer of yucky stuff ... bad memories that overwhelmed me with grief and sadness.

"I couldn't really move on in my life because at a deep fundamental level I was still carting around this chest of misery. Everything good that came along just got buried under all this dark rubbish. It really affected my attitude to my life and the world.

"I didn't want to look into that treasure chest because I was afraid of what might be lurking in there. But once I was able to tip it upside down and process what came out, I was also able to get it out of my life forever. Now, my treasure chest is filled with everything in my

life that is good and beautiful – like this here degree of mine."

Angus, a father of six, grandfather of 10 and great-grandfather of three, said he hoped to be a role model for Indigenous people whatever their age.

"If I can go to university and graduate, anyone can," he said as the tears openly rolled down his cheeks.

"You're never too old. I want to be a good role model for young men and women and teenagers."

Angus has just accepted a position as an Aboriginal health educator in Alice Springs with

the Northern Territory Government and also plans to complete a PhD.

In previous roles he has worked for the North Coast Area Health Service as a health educator, with the NSW police Department for 12 years as an Aboriginal liaison officer and as the pastor of the Moree Aboriginal Full Gospel Church for 22 years.

"But I started out digging ditches and graves with a pick and shovel when I first left the mission. So I guess you could say I have come a long way since those days," he said.

## INTERNATIONAL GRAMMAR SCHOOL



### INDIGENOUS EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP K-12

International Grammar School is a co-educational, secular school, which reflects the contemporary and cosmopolitan nature of our inner city location. The school seeks to provide students with a learning experience that focuses on academic achievement and the development of a strong sense of individual and social responsibility. Our educational philosophy focuses on the provision of a quality learning environment for Preschool, Primary and High School students with a special focus given to language studies and music.

IGS offers a scholarship open to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander child. The scholarship covers Tuition fees and the supply of text books and other support from Kindergarten to Year 12. Applicants will be considered for entry at any point. (Preference may be given to an early entry.)

The scholarship will be awarded to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander child who, in the opinion of the selection committee, is likely to benefit most from the IGS educational experience. In making this decision the selection committee will consider the following factors:

- Supportive family/community and commitment to an education at IGS
- Residential proximity or transport access to IGS
- Developmental attributes of the child including social skills
- Relative disadvantage
- Reasons for choosing IGS

The selection will be based on the application. A short-list of candidates may be selected for a meeting and discussion with the applicant and their parent/guardian. The judgment of the scholarship committee will be final. The selection committee will consist of an IGS Board Member, the Principal and a local indigenous representative.

The terms of the scholarship will be:

- Full Tuition fees K-12
- Supplementary fees for other programs undertaken by the scholarship holder whilst at IGS
- Supply of text books and other specified materials K-12
- Supply of uniform and other requirements

The scholarship will be open to Indigenous students already enrolled at IGS as well as external applicants.

Application should be made first by phone to PA to Principal on (02) 9219 6706 and an application form will be made available.

Due Date: Friday 22 June 2007.



Gribi graduates, family and friends after the graduation ceremony.



# Wadeye celebrates book launch



A series of three Indigenous language books and audio recordings have been launched in Wadeye, Northern Territory, marking a milestone for participants in the Wadeye Endangered Languages Project.

The project has been a five-year partnership between the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education and Thamarurr Regional Council and funded by the Federal Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts as part of the Indigenous Language

Maintenance Initiative.

Batchelor Institute Director Dr Jeannie Herbert said the launch of the books was a significant day for everyone involved in the project, which was aimed at the documenting of Indigenous

community Elders to pass on cultural knowledge and revitalise endangered languages. The language resources can be used by the school, clinic, Knowledge Centre, Thamarurr rangers and other community organisations.

Maree Klesch, Mark Grocombe and Dr Lysbeth Ford have worked with Elders and extended family in each language group to record, document and develop resources primarily for the Marri languages Marri Ngarr,

also supported through collaboration with the OLSH School Wadeye.

"All of the participating Elders are aged and very frail and their participation in project activities, particularly the extensive fieldwork, is testament to their commitment and strong support of the project," Ms Klesch said.

The project results have assisted in encouraging other Indigenous people from the Northern Territory, western Australia and in the Western rivers region of NSW to work on their languages and produce resources that support their language maintenance and revitalisation.

**'All of the participating Elders are aged and very frail and their participation in project activities, particularly the extensive fieldwork, is testament to their commitment and strong support of the project'**

ancestral knowledge, recording country, dreamings and ethnobiology of each tribe and clan.

The resources produced include books, posters and DVDs that provide practical tools for teaching children and assisting

"The project also provides training to Indigenous people in the use of digital technologies used for this documentation process," Dr Herbert said.

Wadeye Endangered Language project team members

Marri Tjevin, Marri Amu and Magati Ke.

There are 23 clan groups at Wadeye and about seven languages in the community. Murrinh Patha is the most widely spoken language and as such is

# Flood of learning



Heavy flooding in the Northern Territory's Kakadu National Park towards the end of the wet season can mean a change of plans when you're delivering education.

Take the case of computing and English teacher Donna Iddon, from Charles Darwin University's Jabiru Training Centre. Her usual routine on Monday mornings is to load a set of computers into her vehicle and drive to the ranger station on the East Alligator River to teach computing skills to the live-in rangers.

But after heavy rain dumped more than 800mm of water on the region in a few days the roads became impassable as the floodwaters spread out across Kakadu National Park.

Her solution to the problem of reaching her destination was simple - she would go by boat.

So for several weeks while the waters spread out across the floodplain, Ms Iddon drove from Jabiru down the road towards the East Alligator River, stopping where the flooded Magela Creek barred her progress.

From that point she unloaded her equipment into a boat waiting for her and was whisked upriver through the billabongs and paper-bark studded flood plain to another point where the water across the road was low enough to come ashore.

Waiting for her was the rangers' four-wheel-drive vehicle, which took her the final few kilometres to the ranger station and her 'classroom', otherwise known as the main office of the station.

While Monday mornings in the wet season concentrated on computer skills, the dry season will see her switch to report writing for

the rangers under a Federally-funded scheme designed to enhance literacy and language learning in the workplace.

"It's not a bad way to start your working week," said Ms Iddon as she stopped her vehicle at Magela Creek, took off her shoes, hitched up her slacks and climbed aboard the 4m aluminium dinghy skippered by ranger Fred Jangala Baird, who was waiting for her.

As Ranger Baird revved up the outboard and headed off down Magela Creek, Ms Iddon had time to observe the wetlands at close quarters as the boat skimmed past half-submerged trees.

Magela Creek had actually cut off the road in two places, so the boat took a swerving course down the waterway for about 2km to beach at the edge of the road where the water had subsided to knee-height.

Unloading the boat of the computers and transferring them to a waiting vehicle did not take long, although Ms Iddon was warned to look out for crocodiles that might have strayed across the floodplain.

Her biggest problem was not so much the crocodiles, but the water which was up around her knees as her rolled-up trousers started to get wet.

"I wish my legs were just a bit longer," she said.

Safely arrived at the ranger station by boat and car, Ms Iddon plugged in the computers and invited the rangers to begin the lesson with her. She had also brought some carrot cake and coffee, and everyone settled down for the lesson in a relaxed atmosphere.

Her teaching session was finished by midday, and she repeated the process of the vehicle and boat trip to get back home to Jabiru.



Teacher Donna Iddon and ranger Fred Baird head off down the flooded Magela Creek.



Donna Iddon with rangers Steve Johns (left) Fred Baird and Lucas Paterson at the East Alligator River ranger station. Photos courtesy of Charles Darwin University, Darwin.



# World to focus on Indigenous health

## Key Adelaide talks



Indigenous people from Canada, New Zealand, Latin America, Asia and Australia joined international specialists in Indigenous and public health policy at a

symposium in Adelaide last week. The symposium was hosted by the Co-operative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health (CRAH) and convened by Flinders University.

Professor Fran Baum, one of the organisers and head of the Department of Public Health at Flinders, said the aim of the gathering was to ensure that Indigenous health issues were fully considered by the World Health Organisation's Commission on Social Determinants of Health (CSDH).

The meeting will make recommendations to the International Commission in Vancouver next month.

"It's very significant because it's the first time that I think there's been a global meeting looking at the social determinants of Indigenous health," Professor Baum said.

"We're not looking at medical aspects, we're looking at things like housing, employment, culture and how they have

such a big impact on health."

CRAH CEO Mick Gooda said he welcomed an international focus on the social issues that affected the health of Aboriginal Australians, such as employment, education, housing and exposure to racism.

"The Aboriginal health sector is confronted with the difficulty that no matter how we improve health services provided to our people, we have little control of government agendas on these social determinants," he said.

"As long as our people are unable to access education, jobs and services taken for granted by other Australians, our health outcomes will not be improved."

The 70 participants heard 15 case studies, covering a broad range of practical issues.

Australian case studies included an analysis of the factors contributing to the death of a central Australian Aboriginal woman, an examination of alternatives for power and water supply to a remote community and a presentation on the Close the Gap campaign, the plan to equalise health status between Indigenous and non-Indigenous population in the next 25 years.



● LEFT: CEO of the Co-operative Research Centre for Aboriginal Health Mick Gooda. "As long as our people are unable to access education, jobs and services taken for granted by other Australians, our health outcomes will not be improved," he told an international health symposium in Adelaide.

## Indigenous heart patients disadvantaged



Indigenous Australians are 40 per cent less likely to receive diagnostic procedures for

heart disease while in hospital than their non-Indigenous counterparts, a conference has been told.

The disparity of care was staggering, said Traven Lea, manager of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander program for the National Heart Foundation.

"If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, you should expect to receive 40 per

cent less basic diagnostic procedures undertaken just to investigate what is going on," Mr Lea said last Friday outside the Challenges in Cardiology VII conference in Brisbane.

"If you don't get the right diagnostic procedures in the first place, it flows on to your actual intervention."

"It's like setting a plaster cast on a broken arm without doing an X-ray."

A report last year from the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) found hospitalisation rates of Indigenous Australians for

cardiovascular disease were two to three times higher than for the rest of the population.

Indigenous Australians also were twice as likely to die from cardiovascular disease.

Part of the reason lay in personal risk factors such as smoking, obesity or poor nutrition, as well as communal risk factors including poor housing, education and employment opportunities.

But health services also could contribute to the problem of poor Aboriginal heart health.

"Outside of hospital, without getting care, they (Indigenous

Australians) are 1.4 times more likely to die from their (coronary) event," Mr Lea said.

"But interestingly enough, when they are in hospital, they are 2.3 times more likely to die."

The AIHW report also identified case complexity as an issue in the survival rate of Indigenous Australians with heart disease if they had other factors, or co-morbidities, such as kidney disease and diabetes.

Mr Lea said if an Indigenous patient presented with three conditions they were more likely to get the same level of care as their non-Indigenous counterpart.

"But if you come in there (to hospital) with just your coronary event and no co-morbidities, the data is suggesting you will receive 40 per cent less diagnostic procedures," he said.

Mr Lea called for a "rigorous and methodical" examination of the journeys of Indigenous patients from being admitted to hospital to after they leave.

"The silence on this report has been deafening and we are keen to be able to start this conversation and make sure it is heard in the corridors (of power) where it needs to be heard," he said. - AAP

## Aboriginal health 100 years behind: Report



The health of Aborigines lags a century behind other Australians, according to a new World Health Organisation (WHO) report which condemns the

Government's failure to apologise for the past.

The major report analyses the health status of Indigenous people in Australia and New Zealand, painting a far poorer picture on this side of the Tasman.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have significantly worse outcomes than their fellow countrymen on every indicator of health, bar none, according to

the WHO commissioned paper.

In New Zealand, while inequality exists between Maori and non-Maori the gaps were fewer, smaller and closing, it said.

"Unfortunately we can't say the same here," said co-author Lisa Jackson Pulver, from the Muru Marri Indigenous Health Unit at the University of New South Wales.

The researcher said Indigenous Australians were dogged by health problems which had not affected others for years.

"Leprosy, rheumatic heart disease and tuberculosis haven't been experienced in white populations for decades but they are

still problems for some Indigenous communities," the report states.

"On many indicators, our health now remains unacceptably lower and at levels experienced nearly a century ago by our non-Indigenous peers."

The authors say public acceptance of the stance that colonisation stripped Aboriginal people of their rights is needed before they can move forward.

"Prime Minister (John) Howard refers to the recognition of past wrongs as the black-arm band view of history for which he is unwilling to say sorry," the report says.

"However, to see the acknowledgement

of past wrongs as symbolic fails to acknowledge the profound psychological impacts that these past and current wrongs have on Aboriginal people's sense of identity and our capacity to actively participate in Australian society."

The paper, to be presented in Geneva in June, includes life expectancy as the strongest indicator of poor health, with Aborigines almost 20 years behind other Australians.

There also was greater levels of ill health, which led to higher levels of disability, lower quality of life and high rates dangerous behaviour such as smoking and substance abuse. - AAP



# Week to raise awareness of MS



Each day two or three Australians learn they have the disease multiple sclerosis (MS). And the incidence of the disease is increasing each year. MS usually hits young people in their 20s and 30s. Most are women.

More than 16,000 Australians already have MS; many more live with it. It affects the lives of families and friends and its impact is felt in the community at large.

This is why MS Awareness Week, from 3-9 June, is dedicated to raising funds so better treatments can be offered and more research can find the answers to prevent or cure MS.

Funds raised will manage and fight the disease. Recent research has led to discoveries that have already helped identify genetic and environmental factors for MS. More targeted research will add new knowledge – and help

## The facts about a chronic disease

- Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a chronic, often disabling disease that randomly attacks the central nervous system (brain and spinal cord). The progress, severity and specific symptoms of the disease cannot be predicted.
- MS is a lifelong disease for which a cure is yet to be found. However, doctors and scientists are making discoveries in treating and understanding MS every day.
- An estimated 2,500,000 people around the world have multiple sclerosis.
- An estimated 16,000 people around Australia have MS.
- Multiple Sclerosis affects three times as many women as men.
- The average age of diagnosis is 30, and 87

per cent of those with MS are of working age.  
● The MS Society of NSW/Vic has more than 8500 registered clients.

### Symptoms and Impacts

- Symptoms may include extreme tiredness (fatigue), impaired vision, loss of balance and muscle co-ordination, slurred speech, tremors, stiffness, bladder and bowel problems, difficulty walking, short-term memory loss and, in severe cases, partial or complete paralysis.
- Relationship and employment problems.
- The cost of the illness can be as high as 20 per cent of income spent on health.

develop prevention strategies – which are a core goal,” said MS Research Australia (MSRA) Executive Director Jeremy Wright. Australian scientists are

contributing in the global search for answers to this mysterious disease, and are optimistic about finding a cure in the future. Discoveries about

environmental factors show that the amount of sunlight – and perhaps the role of vitamin D – may be key factors.

Also, the stimulation – or lack

of it – for the immune system in early childhood looks relevant.

MS is an auto-immune disease and has higher incidence where fewer infectious diseases occur in childhood. Developed countries like Australia, with advanced hygiene systems, have a higher incidence.

“More than ever, we are keen to raise awareness of MS and achieve freedom from MS, freedom from its impact on individuals, freedom for their families and society generally,” said Mr Wright.

To know more about the causes and to find better treatments, the community is asked to look out for fundraising events in their area. Volunteers will be selling Freedom from MS pins, pens and keyrings on 7 June to raise funds to help improve treatment, prevent and cure MS. To order merchandise boxes or donate, visit [www.msra.org.au](http://www.msra.org.au) or call 1300 356 467.

# Sport stars set for health day



Footballer David Peachey and former Olympian Nova Peris will be among Aboriginal sports stars and entertainers to attend a

Health Day at Moruya, on the NSW south coast, later this month.

The event is expected to draw a big audience, and will include medical ‘pit stops’ and sports workshops.

“It’s great to be a part of this,” said local Aboriginal health worker Dennis Scott.

“We want to make Koori kids and their families aware of the health problems we face as a community and how to prevent them. Everyone in our community has an aunty or uncle with diabetes or some other health problem.

“We want to prevent our kids having similar problems by encouraging them to monitor their health by having regular checks with their GP even if they’re not sick.

“The big drawcard is the stars, but everyone will enjoy just coming together as a big mob and catching up with other families along the coast.”

Other stars set to attend include touch footballer Bo De La Cruz, footballer Dean Widders, hip-hopers Street Warriors and comedian Sean Choolburra.

The gathering is on Friday 25 May at Moruya Showground, and all Aboriginal children, parents and others are invited. Invitations with permission notes are going out through schools.

On the day, children can have a medical ‘pit stop’, supported by Katungul, Healthy for Life, local doctors and students from the Australian National University Medical School in Canberra.

“There’s no pins or pricks,” said Aboriginal health worker Jade Hansen.

“It’s a chance to get their teeth, eyes, ears, exercise, height, weight and diet checked.”

Free transport will be provided from



Olympic Champion Nova Peris and Healthy for Life Aboriginal health worker Jade Hansen are looking forward to the big gathering in Moruya on 25 May.

Ulladulla and Eden and there will be a free barbecue lunch.

Child Health Checks is a Commonwealth Government initiative under the Healthy for

Life Program, which is a partnership between the South East NSW Division of General Practice and the Katungul Aboriginal Corporation.

## Drug use is target of partnership



The Partnership for Aboriginal Care (PAC) has obtained funding to develop and implement a strategy aimed at combating illicit drug use by Aborigines on the NSW mid-north coast.

The program, called ‘Illicit Drug use – A Koori Intervention’, is based on the development and implementation of a co-ordinated and integrated approach to the delivery of drug and alcohol services in the region.

PAC Chief Executive Officer William Trewlynn said: “It’s about developing a range of culturally appropriate training programs and resources that meets the needs of local Aboriginal people.”

PAC was one of the 57 community organisations to obtain funding under the Commonwealth Government’s National Illicit Drug Strategy Community Partnership Initiatives announced by Ageing Minister Christopher Pyne on 13 April.

The funding of \$120,000 over two years will provide the foundation for a longer-term approach to substance misuse in the Aboriginal community.

“If you have a skills set within the community that can deliver effective programs and interventions, then there is community ownership and a greater likelihood of success,” Mr Trewlynn said.

The approach is based on working in partnership with individuals, Aboriginal communities, service providers and Government agencies to maximise resources and funding in the region.

PAC is a collaboration between the North Coast Area Health Service, Hunter New England Area Health Service, Durri Aboriginal Medical Corporation and Biripi Aboriginal Corporation.



# Redfern centre to host music workshop



A four-day music industry and songwriting workshop will be held at the Redfern

Community Centre, Sydney, next month. It will run from 19-22 June and is being organised by MusicNSW, Whichway and APRA.

The workshops are especially aimed at NSW Indigenous contemporary music artists. Past

attendees have included Emma Donovan, Radical Son, Wire MC, The Stiff Gins, Sharnee Fenwick, Konnect A Dot, James Henry, L J Hill and many more. Organisers are looking for emerging artists who have some industry experience and/or are serious about entering the music industry.

Leading music industry professionals will run the workshop and information sessions. Topics

will include publicity, marketing, music management, record label and distribution information, networking and resources, business planning, touring and venue information, how to get a gig, funding bodies and support organisations, legal, copyright and royalties and radio play.

Top contemporary Indigenous music artists will present the APRA songwriting workshops.

Areas will include arrangement, lyric writing, choosing the right producer and studio and personal experiences about the music industry.

Numbers are limited. To express an interest, send a bio and demos to Whichway at MusicNSW 44/54 Botany Road, Alexandria, NSW, 2015.

For more information, contact Michael on (02) 9699 9706 or

email michael@musicnsw.com or go to the MusicNSW website at [www.musicnsw.com](http://www.musicnsw.com) and click on Whichway.

The Whichway music industry workshops are supported by the Australian Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, the Australian Performing Rights Association, MusicNSW, Whichway, ArtsNSW and Gadigal Information Service.

# Work tipped to set record



Clifford Possum Tjapaltjarri's work - Warlugulong - is expected to make art history as the most expensive Aboriginal painting sold when it goes to auction later this year.

Sotheby's is hoping the canvas will fetch between \$1.8 million and \$2.5 million in July. That amount would far exceed the current record of almost \$780,000 set by a Rover Thomas painting in 2001.

The previous record for Clifford Possum work is just under \$412,000.

The massive work, two metres high and more than three metres wide, is considered one of the most significant Western Desert 'dot' paintings held in a private collection.

Sotheby's director of Aboriginal Art Tim Klingender said Clifford Possum broke new ground in the work by blending Indigenous and European visual conventions.

"He basically mapped his country from an aerial perspective using traditional motifs and concepts but was also informed by western maps," Mr Klingender said.

"It allows non-Indigenous people to see the way that Indigenous people see the landscape."

The painting's main subject is the Fire Dreaming, an ancestral story that recurs in Clifford Possum's work.

It tells the story of two brothers who spear a kangaroo and eat all of it themselves, instead of sharing it with their father. Angered by their selfishness, their father, who is the ancestor of the blue-tongued lizard, creates a massive bushfire that engulfs and destroys his sons.

But the masterpiece contains up to nine other ancestral narratives and also plots key features in Clifford Possum's traditional country.

The work will tour New York, London and Sydney before it goes to auction on 24 July.

But even if it goes to an international buyer it would need Federal Government approval before it could leave Australia. - AAP

# Qld artist Melbourne-bound after winning study grant

Story and photo by ALF WILSON



The Australia Council for the Arts is supporting north Queensland-based Torres Strait Islander artist Aicey Zaro to undertake arts study in Melbourne. An Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board grant will also enable Aicey, whose family hails from Murray Island in the Torres Strait, to attend the King Kadu (Richardo Idagi) art exhibition that opened last week at the Melbourne Koorie Heritage Trust Gallery.

"It should be exciting and great to promote my art and the Torres Strait culture down in Victoria," he told the Koori Mail last week.

"We'll go for about two weeks and Aicey will have art residency with art teacher Scott Elphinstone who'll help him explore new and exciting mediums," said Aicey's wife Bernice, who will accompany him.

## Cultural gallery

Aicey and Bernice display a range of Indigenous art in their Zaro Cultural Gallery in Home Hill, north Queensland, including silk paintings, jewellery, crockery and glassware.

Aicey's handcrafted art has been displayed in Italy at an exhibition in the town of Vercenza, about 80km from Venice.

And he and Bernice recently had their work displayed at the 'My Identity' art exhibition held at Lifeline North Queensland's Conference Centre.

Aicey said that the gallery received support from the local community and visitors from all parts of Australia. "I paint things that I have seen and been told about by my parents, grandparents, uncles and aunts," he said.

"But what inspires me most of all is the land of my mothers and fathers. As a young child I would go outside and draw anything and everything, and I still do."

"I loved drawing from a young age. With six brothers and two sisters, we didn't have the privileges that some young people had, so we resorted to walking around the cane fields or lagoons. Most of my family are talented artists and musicians."



Aicey and Bernice Zaro with one of Aicey's works.

# Entries open for print award



The doors are open for all living Australian artists to enter the 32nd Fremantle Print Award - said by organisers to be Australia's most exciting prize for contemporary printmaking.

Artists can submit one print or artist's book that has been completed during the past two years, using any print process.

The annual print prize and exhibition of Australia's leading printmakers is in its 32nd year.

Fremantle Arts Centre Exhibitions Manager Jasmin Stephens said the award provided a strong context for artists to have their work shown and to be

considered for acquisition into the City of Fremantle Collection and the Little Creatures corporate collection.

"Collectors and first-time purchasers alike are drawn to the national scope of the exhibition," Ms Stephens said.

There is the \$10,000 Acquisitive Prize, with the work to be acquired by the City of Fremantle Art Collection.

And there now is the \$6000 Little Creatures Acquisition Fund, with one or more works selected for the Little Collection.

There also is the award's \$3000 Non-acquisitive Prize.

The works will be selected and judged by Clotilde Bullen, Associate Curator,

Indigenous Art, Art Gallery of Western Australia; Susanna Castleden, Artist and Co-ordinator Printmedia, Department of Art, Faculty of Built Environment, Art and Design, Curtin University of Technology; and Jason Smith, Curator of Contemporary Art, National Gallery of Victoria.

The closing date is 1 June. The exhibition runs from 8 September to 21 October 2007.

For entry forms: email [printaward@fremantle.wa.gov.au](mailto:printaward@fremantle.wa.gov.au) or download from [www.fremantle.wa.gov.au](http://www.fremantle.wa.gov.au). Fremantle Arts Centre is at 1 Finnelly Street, Fremantle. Admission is free. Open daily 10am-5pm.





Kellerberrin Arts Centre Manager Frank Walsh with CANWA Projects Officer Andrea Hammond and CANWA Managing Director Pilar Kasat.

# Arts healing in the Wheatbelt

By Perth Correspondent  
KEN BOASE

**WA** The opening of the first Indigenous art and cultural centre in the Wheatbelt region of Western Australia has

helped to heal major rifts between local families dating back to the region's colonisation in the early 20th Century.

Many Indigenous Elders and leaders have said that reconciliation with the wider community won't be possible until Indigenous people have reconciled among themselves.

If that is true, then the Kellerberrin Art Centre has given the issue a kick-start in the Eastern WA Wheatbelt, much of which was not colonised until the early 20th Century and in some cases as late as the 1920s.

The Kellerberrin centre was started by the Community Arts Network of WA (CANWA), which was seeking to offer the Eastern Wheatbelt Indigenous community access to the arts

and an outlet for local expression of art and culture.

CANWA Managing Director Pilar Kasat said the organisation was keen to develop a presence in the region and people in Kellerberrin had already articulated some desire through partnerships that had been formed with the shire and some individuals in the area.

"We wanted to support an Indigenous initiative and we learned that Kellerberrin was a very important Nyoongar place and the local community wanted to develop Aboriginal tourism but they wanted their culture to be respected and they didn't want to be exploited," Ms Kasat said.

CANWA Special Projects officer Andrea Hammond said the idea began to take shape very quickly after Yamatji man Frank Walsh, who lives in nearby Quairading, was employed to manage the centre which opened in October last year.

"Initially we needed to find an office and a manager to fill the position so they were baby steps, but once we found Frank

and he started to do the community consultations and art workshops and school programs, it expanded and grew from there," she said.

"Art and cultural development is an amazing avenue for community and individual capacity building and once you start to develop that, you realise that the sky's the limit and that's what we're finding in Kellerberrin."

Mr Walsh said the original brief for the position was to offer Indigenous people in the Wheatbelt access to the arts and culture, and the achievements had so far surpassed all expectations of the original intent.

"We're working at the grassroots level and I believe that's why we've achieved so much," he said.

"That's the approach I wanted to take and with CANWA supporting and developing that position over the last 12 months it's really shown what can be done with Indigenous people taking the lead with proper support behind them."

## Award entries are open



The Mil-Pra AECG Art Exhibition and Award in Sydney provides an opportunity for Indigenous artists to celebrate aspects of traditional and contemporary Indigenous culture, expressing their ideas through a range of mediums and styles.

The annual exhibition plays an important role in connecting a broad spectrum of Indigenous artists from NSW and the ACT, providing a space

for the exploration of contemporary issues and exhibition of new works. It involves emerging and established arts professionals working in a variety of mediums exploring the central theme 'Caring for Country for Our Future'.

Entries will not be accepted after 3pm, Saturday 9 June 2007. The number of works exhibited will be subject to hanging space. The exhibition will be launched at the Liverpool Regional Museum on 7 July.

## Apply for a 2008 Indigenous Arts Grant

The City of Melbourne invites Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and organisations to apply for an Indigenous Arts Grant, a funding category of the Arts Grants Program.

The City of Melbourne is looking for creative project ideas that will make a strong contribution to the city's cultural life in 2008.

Grants are also available in the following categories: Arts House, ArtPlay, Arts Projects, Community Cultural Development, Young Artists, and Writing about Melbourne.

For guidelines and application forms contact the City of Melbourne on 03 9658 8877 or visit [www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/arts](http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/arts)

All applicants must speak with the Indigenous Arts Program Manager, Janina Harding on 03 9658 8877 before submitting their application.

Closing date for applications is 5pm Monday, 25 June 2007.

No late applications accepted.



## Enter now for 2007 Memento Awards



The Memento Australia Awards 2007 are open for entries. The awards reward and promote artists, craftspeople and designers who create innovative, quality and authentic mementos for the tourism and retail gift markets that reflect the unique character and spirit of Australia.

The Memento Australia Awards provide a linkage and understanding between creative suppliers and consumer markets and assist suppliers and retailers to profit from an Australian tourism gift market worth \$700 million a year.

The challenge is to create Australia's best memento, inspired by the diverse aspects of Australian life, land or spirit.

Memento winners will share in a prize pool valued at more than \$30,000.

Entries close at 5pm on Tuesday 31 July 2007. More details and entry awards are available at [www.mementoaustralia.com](http://www.mementoaustralia.com)



artsACT

## 2008 ACT Arts Fund

Applications are invited from individuals, groups and organisations who propose projects and activities that support, promote, present, develop or provide access to high-quality arts in the ACT.

Applications for Project Funding, Community Arts Funding, ACT Creative Arts Fellowships, ACT Book of the Year Award, and the ACT Poetry Prize will close 5:00pm, Wednesday 30 May 2007.

Applications for Key Arts Organisation Funding Category will close 5:00pm, Friday 15 June 2007. All those interested in this Category must meet with artsACT prior to lodging an application.

For a copy of the Information Booklet and application forms, please visit [www.arts.act.gov.au](http://www.arts.act.gov.au) or phone 6207 2384.

## Arts funding

Applications for funding for the touring of performances and contemporary music are now open.

Applications close

Playing Australia..... 22 June 2007  
Contemporary Music Touring Program..... 3 July 2007

Festivals, artist residencies and exhibitions development and touring funding is also available.

Applications close

Festivals Australia..... 16 July 2007  
Festivals Australia Regional Residencies ..... 16 July 2007  
Visions of Australia ..... 3 September 2007

For information and application forms visit:

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# Employment

## Indigenous Job Opportunities



Country Energy Board Chairman Barbara Ward and Managing Director Craig Murray with first-year apprentices, including Indigenous apprentices already employed by the NSW-based utility under its STEP partnership with the Federal Government.

**C**OUNTRY Energy in NSW has recruited an additional 24 Indigenous apprentices across New South Wales, further boosting local service levels.

Announced before a Country Energy Board meeting held in Port Macquarie last Wednesday, Country Energy Managing Director Craig Murray said the mid-year apprentice intake was part of the Structured Training and Employment Program (STEP) run by the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR).

"The partnership focuses on the recruitment, training and retention of 50 new Indigenous apprentices before September 2007, with 26 Indigenous apprentices already employed under this arrangement in local communities across New South Wales," Mr Murray said.

Country Energy is owned by the NSW Government, with about 4000 employees serving more than 870,000 customers.

The Indigenous apprenticeship program goes hand-in-hand with the utility's goal of providing challenging career opportunities in

## Country Energy takes on extra 24 apprentices

country and coastal areas, with the service having employed more than 600 apprentices from all walks of life in less than six years.

Regional General Manager Far North Coast Brian Glawson said: "Apprenticeships provide new recruits with the skills and training

to establish a foundation for long-term employment and career development in their local community.

"Employing new apprentices, trainees and employees is part of our long-term plan to strengthen our workforce and improve service

levels across the State."

Recognised by DEWR as a Corporate Leader for Indigenous Employment, Country Energy recently established an Indigenous network for all of its Indigenous employees and prospective employees.

The aim of the network is to:

- Provide a culturally supportive environment
- Improve career opportunities for all Indigenous employees
- Encourage Country Energy employees to recognise and respect the value of Indigenous culture.

Indigenous apprenticeship opportunities with Country Energy for men and women in this intake include careers as lineworkers in Lismore and Ewingsdale.

Unlike apprenticeship programs offered by other energy companies, where first-year apprentices are attached to centres in Sydney, Newcastle and Muswellbrook, Country Energy apprentices are based at field locations in or near their local community.

For more details on employment, general apprenticeships or the location of the 24 Indigenous apprentice positions with Country Energy, visit [www.countryenergy.com.au](http://www.countryenergy.com.au), a local Customer Service Centre, or call 132 356.

## It's your guide to employment

Welcome to the Koori Mail's Indigenous Job Opportunities section. Each edition we publish hundreds of employment advertisements from around the nation. To be part of this section, simply give our advertising staff a call on (02) 66 222 666, email [advertising@koorimail.com](mailto:advertising@koorimail.com) or see our website - [www.koorimail.com](http://www.koorimail.com)

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# TAFE NSW - Hunter Institute has the following vacancy.

Applicants must obtain an application package either by logging onto [www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au](http://www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au) 'Employment at Hunter TAFE' section or phone the Recruitment Officer on (02) 4923 7370 quoting the Job Reference Number.

Applications close 5:00 pm, Friday 18 May 2007

## ABORIGINAL PROJECT OFFICER, EDUCATION OFFICER (Temporary for 12 months) - Maitland Campus Job Reference No: H107/105E

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for Job Reference No. H107/105E as authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act.

NB: 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. Screening checks will be conducted on the successful applicant.

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[www.dhs.vic.gov.au](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au)



## Koori Early Childhood Field Officers (2)

Child Youth & Community Support

Initial Work Locations:

Traralgon-VG/DHS/GIP/26160

Bairnsdale-VG/DHS/GIP/66266

Part Time (0.5) / Fixed Term to 1 June 2008

\$47,295 p.a. to \$57,425 p.a. (pro-rata)

In this position you will be required to enhance and increase the participation of Indigenous children in kindergartens and other universal services. You will require an understanding of current issues, trends and experience in early childhood education. Equipped with a variety of skills and strategies, you will travel throughout the region, liaising with Aboriginal communities, schools and kindergartens to ensure the provision of culturally inclusive curricula for all children in attendance and act in an advisory capacity to the department on Aboriginal issues relating to early childhood services.

A qualification in Early Childhood and/or Community Development or Education would be highly desirable.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Sue Killeen on 51 772553. 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 the relevant reference number.

Closing date for applications is Monday, 21 May 2007.

Note: The Anti Discrimination Tribunal has granted exemption from the operation of Section 13, 100 and 195 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 in relation to this position. Only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

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.

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If after reading the selection documentation you require further information, contact Caroline Carmody the Assistant Director, Audiovisual Archives on (02) 6246 1148 or e-mail: [caroline.carmody@aiatsis.gov.au](mailto:caroline.carmody@aiatsis.gov.au)

Applications together with an application cover sheet and the names and telephone numbers of 2 recent referees should be forwarded to:

The Recruitment Officer  
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies  
GPO Box 553  
Canberra ACT 2601

Closing Date: COB 19 May 2007

Applications may also be forwarded by e-mail: [hrtteam@aiatsis.gov.au](mailto:hrtteam@aiatsis.gov.au)

Applicants must send a brief statement of claims against the selection criteria which include the ability to demonstrate knowledge and an understanding of Indigenous cultures and the issues affecting Indigenous Australians today and an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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The selection process will include a physical fitness test, an assessment centre process and a stringent medical examination and psychological profile. You will also be required to undergo a police check and full security check. The ability to hold an Australian Security Clearance is essential.

Applicants will be placed on in a talent pool and may be offered a place on a scheduled recruit course during 2007.

Applications may be lodged online at [www.afp.gov.au](http://www.afp.gov.au)

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### 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.

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SBS, Australia's multicultural and multilingual broadcaster has the following vacancy:

### Aboriginal Program Casual Producers - Band 3

SBS Radio Melbourne is seeking casual Producers for the Aboriginal Program. Candidates with a background in Journalism and broadcasting would be preferred.

The Duty Statement and Selection Criteria for this position can be found on our website at [www.sbs.com.au](http://www.sbs.com.au) or you can obtain a copy from the Recruitment Officer on (02) 9430 3654. For further information regarding this position, please contact John Golubic in Melbourne on (03) 9949 2117. Applications addressing the Selection Criteria should be received by the Recruitment Officer, SBS, Locked Bag 028, Crows Nest NSW 1585 or email [recruitment@sbs.com.au](mailto:recruitment@sbs.com.au) by 5pm Friday 18th May 2007.



### Koori Juvenile Justice Support Worker

Opportunity for a skilled individual to connect with and support Indigenous youth who have come into contact with the youth justice system.

Working within the Eastern Metropolitan Region, you will have the capacity to identify issues and work with a range of programs to support those at risk of offending. You will liaise with a range of services including Indigenous support services, Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service and Community Justice panels.

You will need effective communication skills and the capacity to establish or build on links with the local Indigenous community. You will need knowledge and understanding of the community and an understanding of the services involved in the youth justice system.

Please obtain a position description before applying, contact Gaby Thomson on 59693255 or see [www.anglicarevic.org.au](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au). Please apply to Gaby Thomson, Program Manager, Integrated Family Services, 282-284 Maroonah Hwy, Healesville, 3777. [gaby.thomson@anglicarevic.org.au](mailto:gaby.thomson@anglicarevic.org.au) Closing date 25 May 2007.

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### Home and Community Care (HACC) Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Liaison Officer

Position No: 410006

Salary: \$55,270 per annum

**The Position:** The HACC Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Liaison Officer (HALO) position aims to increase access to Local Government HACC services by Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander HACC target populations (Elders, people with a disability and their carers) in the Cities of Hume, Whittlesea and Darebin. To achieve this, the Officer will work with staff in the participating Local Governments, Aboriginal assessment officers and allied health staff, to facilitate access into appropriate services such as home care, meals on wheels and personal care. The position has a strong client focus with emphasis on supporting client needs through priority access, care monitoring and advocacy to increase positive outcomes for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander clients, using Local Government HACC services.

The HALO position has been developed through a partnership of six organisations - the Victorian Aboriginal Community Elders Service, the Aborigines Advancement League, the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service and the Cities of Hume, Whittlesea and Darebin. Strategic direction for the position is provided through the HACC Metro Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) Network, with the City of Darebin being the auspicing agency for the position.

**Highly Desirable:** The City of Darebin is seeking to appoint an individual who has significant experience working within Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations related to aged and disability community care services. Demonstrated experience in working independently to deliver service outcomes for clients is a key selection criterion. Respect and understanding of the diversity within Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities along with the ability to develop service links between mainstream and Aboriginal sectors is a key requirement.

Only applicants from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background need apply.

EEO Exemption No. A147/2005

Salary will be in accordance with Band 6 of the Victorian Local Authorities Award 2001. A vehicle is provided with the position.

To receive a position description and background information, please call Janet Hahn, Darebin City Council, (03) 8470 8333.

All applicants are required to address the selection criteria in their written application.

The successful applicant will be required to apply for a Working With Children Check.

Applications close on Thursday 17 May at 4:00pm and should be addressed to: Manager, Organisation Development, City of Darebin PO Box 91 PRESTON VIC 3072 or e-mail to: [applications@darebin.vic.gov.au](mailto:applications@darebin.vic.gov.au)

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## Department of Infrastructure

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For further information visit

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Or contact the Diversity Coordinator

Phone (03) 9655 6842

Email [indigenousprograms@doi.vic.gov.au](mailto:indigenousprograms@doi.vic.gov.au)



### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT (TRADE) OVERSEER (VARIOUS POSITIONS)

(Trade) Overseer, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07246. Total remuneration package valued to: \$63,704 p.a. (\$55,550-\$55,550) Total remuneration package includes a fixed salary; employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading and incidental allowance (currently) \$2,179, which also applies during the occupancy of this position.

Responsible to the Senior Overseer for the daily operation and organisation of work related activities including the supervision and training of inmates. **Selection Criteria:** Trade certificate or equivalent qualification in the chosen field. Experience in supervising work in a production environment. An understanding of manufacturing procedures and systems. Demonstrated ability to motivate, supervise and instruct unskilled workers. Sound communication, interpersonal and organisational skills. Experience in operating within set budgets and operational plans. Knowledge of quality management systems and customer service principles. Commitment to the implementation of the Way Forward principles and Work Readiness program. Willingness and ability to work in a flexible manner within a team environment. Current driver's licence and have a willingness/ability to drive within NSW. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Applicants must satisfy Correctional Officer entry requirements. Certified copies of qualifications must accompany application. Applicants for this position must have Certificate IV in Workplace Training & Assessment or be willing to obtain this qualification as required by the Department. Physical involvement in work tasks will be required. Applicants must submit a signed Applicant Declaration form with their application. Applicants are required to provide contact details for two nominated referees, one of which must be a current or recent supervisor. An eligibility list will be created and may be used to fill permanent or temporary positions within the Central West area.

**Inquiries:** Mr Derek Brindle (02) 8346 1217. **Information Packages:** [http://www.dcs.nsw.gov.au/careers/trade\\_positions](http://www.dcs.nsw.gov.au/careers/trade_positions). **Applications Marked 'Confidential':** To: The Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, "Wellington Overseer Campaign", GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001. **Closing Date:** Friday 11 May 2007.

### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT SENIOR (TRADE) OVERSEER (VARIOUS POSITIONS)

Senior (Trade) Overseer, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07247. Total remuneration package valued to: \$70,577 p.a. (\$61,779-\$61,779) Total remuneration package includes a fixed salary; employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading and incidental allowance (currently) \$2,179, which also applies during the occupancy of this position.

Responsible to the Manager of Industries for the daily operation and organisation of work related activities including the supervision of staff and the training of inmates. **Selection Criteria:** Trade certificate or equivalent qualification in the chosen field. Experience in supervising staff in a production or service related industry. An understanding of manufacturing procedures and systems. Demonstrated ability to motivate, supervise and instruct skilled and unskilled workers. Proven communication, interpersonal, organisational and conflict management skills. Sound experience in operating within set budgets and operational plans. Demonstrated ability to work within a quality management framework and proven customer service skills. Commitment to the implementation of the Way Forward principles and Work Readiness program. Willingness and ability to work in a flexible manner within a team environment. Current driver's licence and have a willingness/ability to drive within NSW. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Applicants must satisfy Correctional Officer entry requirements. Certified copies of qualifications must accompany application. Applicants for this position must have Certificate IV Workplace Training & Assessment or be willing to obtain this qualification as required by the Department. Physical involvement in work tasks will be required. Applicants must submit a signed Applicant Declaration form with their application. Applicants are required to provide contact details for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. An eligibility list will be created and may be used to fill permanent or temporary positions within the Central West area.

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## ABORIGINAL WELLBEING OFFICER

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You are able to demonstrate knowledge of Indigenous social welfare and rehabilitative needs and your outstanding communication skills allow you to relate effectively to people across all levels, both internally and externally. Previous leadership experience within a correctional environment will be highly regarded. You will be required to undergo a company and police security check.

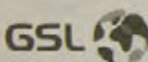
Before applying, please read the Position Description at [www.gslpl.com.au](http://www.gslpl.com.au) (click on the career options link).

To apply, please email your resume and application letter to: [Employment.PPP@gslpl.com.au](mailto:Employment.PPP@gslpl.com.au)

An understanding of and a commitment to human rights are a prerequisite for all positions with GSL.

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Applications close Saturday 19 May 2007.



### OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

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### DIRECTOR, INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT

Ref No. 70110

*"The University of Western Sydney considers that being an Indigenous Australian is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)"*

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The Director Indigenous Employment will lead by providing high level input into strategy development and planning including the development of policies, systems and initiatives that contribute to and support the work of the University's Equity & Diversity Unit and the Office of Human Resources.

You will have leadership and managerial responsibility for Indigenous employment, working with senior managers and line managers to actively promote the development of agreed targets for employment initiatives for Indigenous employees. You will also have responsibility for ensuring the development and implementation of a University wide cultural awareness training program and the development of a program of Indigenous traineeships.

**Position Enquiries:** Helen Lyons, (02) 9678 7540.

**Closing Date:** 26 May 2007.

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## Aboriginal Health Research Fellow

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Reference No. 99744

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For more information or to apply online, please visit <http://positions.usyd.edu.au> and search by reference number 99744.

Specific enquiries about the role can be directed to Associate Professor Jeffrey Fuller, Director PHCRED, NRUDRH on (02) 6620 7332 or email: [jeffrey.fuller@nrhs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jeffrey.fuller@nrhs.nsw.gov.au)

Closing: 30 May 2007



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### THE EQUITY OFFICE, UQ GATTON AND IPSWICH Equity and Diversity Officer (part-time)

**The role:** Provision of support, consultancy and education in relation to staff and student equity and diversity in education and employment; contribute to policy review and development on equity and diversity issues; represent the interests of The Equity Office at Gatton and Ipswich campuses, providing a key link between the Director and the staff and students at those campuses.

**The person:** Relevant formal qualifications and experience; able to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of equity and diversity issues in higher education for staff and students; an ability to relate to people from diverse backgrounds, ages and at different levels; demonstrated capacity to work independently with minimal supervision and at all times demonstrate personal integrity and discretion.

**Remuneration:** \$34,204 - \$37,410 p.a., which includes an employer superannuation contribution of 17%. Part-time (18 hours per week), HEW Level 7, continuing appointment available from July 2007.

**Contact:** Obtain the position description and selection criteria online or contact Dr Ann Stewart, telephone (07) 3365-3052 or email [equity@uq.edu.au](mailto:equity@uq.edu.au).

**Applications close:** 18 May 2007. **Reference No:** 1265319.

### How to Apply

- visit [www.jobsatUQ.net](http://www.jobsatUQ.net) to obtain a copy of the position description and selection criteria
- include a covering letter, curriculum vitae and statement addressing the selection criteria
- quote the vacancy reference number on your covering letter



The University is an equal opportunity employer.

St Lucia Ipswich Gatton

## Queanbeyan City Council

### COORDINATOR LINKS TO LEARNING

Fixed Term Appointment until Dec 2009  
(Permanent Part Time 30 hours per week)

Queanbeyan City Council seeks a motivated and creative person to effectively co-ordinate the Links to Learning Program to assist young people who experience significant difficulties participating in formal learning environments to access, remain in or return to education and training to complete two years minimum post-compulsory education or accredited training. The Coordinator will collaborate with key agencies and develop pathways tailored for each individual participant.

The person we seek must possess a Diploma, in social or behavioural sciences, education or similar, possess a deep level of understanding of youth issues, have 4-7 years work experience with a minimum of 2 years experience working with disadvantaged youth, an ability to develop, implement and assess a structured program for young people, ability to liaise, coordinate and negotiate with a broad range of agencies, high level of oral and written communication skills, computer skills and a current drivers licence.

This Grade 11 position has a starting salary range of \$46,030.40 up to \$52,936 pro rata against a 38 hour week. Work will be offered subject to meeting all requirements relevant to the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 and NPSA (Notional Agreement Preserving the Local Government (State) Award) conditions apply.

To be considered for this position, intending applicants must obtain an information package from the Human Resources section, located at 263 Crawford Street, or alternatively by contacting the 24 hour answering service on (02) 6298 4504, or by Email to: [recruit@qcc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:recruit@qcc.nsw.gov.au). For further information contact Philippa Moss on 62980281.

Applications close at 5.00pm Monday 14 May 2007.

Gary Chapman  
General Manager

Queanbeyan City Council is an equal opportunity employer and encourages applications from Multicultural and Aboriginal people. Council employees enjoy free parking and a dynamic, safe and healthy working environment.



## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Grade 2/3 (HCS Admin)

Weja Branch - Nowra

Permanent Part-time - Position No. HCS-07-00518

Salary package is valued up to EFT \$47,947 pa includes a salary range of \$40,300 pa to \$43,450 pa, leave loading and employer's contribution to superannuation.

### Job Description:

Provide a range of administration, office management and customer services to support branch teams.

### Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated experience in a high volume administrative position involving customer service, finance, records management and purchasing.
- Proven strong interpersonal and customer service skills.
- Effective communication (both verbal and written) skills.
- Demonstrated ability to work in a team environment, manage time effectively and set priorities.
- High level of computer and keyboard skills including knowledge and experience with relevant Microsoft Office applications in word processing, spreadsheet and database software.
- Understanding of and commitment to EEO, OHS, Ethnic Affairs and Ethical Practices.

**Job Notes:** This is a permanent part-time position (28 hours per week) with the possibility of being made into a permanent full-time position. Applicants must obtain the Information Package, which contains further information about the position and information about the department. Applicants must address the full Selection Criteria.

For application package and further information: Anne McGinn on (02) 4421 7611.

Applications to: Branch Manager, Weja Branch, Home Care Service of NSW, PO Box 1135, NOWRA, NSW 2541.

Closing Date: Friday, 18 May 2007.



## Australian Government

### Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

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### Communication and Media Branch

#### Indigenous Communications Section

### Public Affairs Officers

Grade 2 (APS 6) \$58,742 - \$67,014

Reference No. 41006190

Grade 1 (APS 4-5) \$51,029 - \$55,584

Reference No. 50014167

Canberra

### The vacancies

The Indigenous Communications team is seeking Public Affairs Officers with demonstrated experience and ability in the following areas: media liaison; preparation of articles, media releases and speeches; development and implementation of communication strategies and campaigns; production of communication materials; events; administration and project management.

These positions will be offered as ongoing and non-ongoing employment opportunity for 12 months

### HOW TO APPLY

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## Housing

**Housing Officer** - North West Queensland Area Office, Client Services

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$42 640 - \$47 552 p.a.

**Location:** Mt Isa

**VRN:** H01337/07

**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.

**Asset Data Maintenance Officer** - Portfolio Information Management, Business and Performance

**Category:** Administration and Secretarial

**Salary:** \$42 640 - \$47 552 p.a.

**Location:** Brisbane

**VRN:** H01317/07

**Key Duties:** Inputting and maintaining the department's Real Property Asset Register and related property records ensuring data integrity. Provide information and advice on the department's real property data.

**Skills/Abilities:** High level of communication, attention to detail and experience using databases.

**Senior Housing Officer** - Central Queensland Area Office, Client Services

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$50 420 - \$55 444 p.a.

**Location:** Rockhampton

**VRN:** H01334/07

**Key Duties:** Support the delivery of quality client service by the Area Office. Supervise a small team.

**Skills/Abilities:** Organise and deliver integrated services to a diverse range of clients with diverse needs. Strong communication, team work and problem solving skills.

**Senior Housing Officer** - Far North Queensland Area Office, Client Services

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$50 420 - \$55 444 p.a.

**Location:** Cairns

**VRN:** H01335/07

**Key Duties:** Support the delivery of quality client service by the Area Office. Supervise a small team.

**Skills/Abilities:** Organise and deliver integrated services to a diverse range of clients with diverse needs. Strong communication, team work and problem solving skills.

**Co-ordinator (Housing Improvement Program)** - Community Program Delivery, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Housing

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$75 019 - \$80 440 p.a.

**Location:** Cairns

**VRN:** H01319/07

**Key Duties:** Co-ordinate the improvement of asset and tenancy management practices of Indigenous Councils in their roles as registered housing providers through the implementation and on-going management of Housing Improvement Plans.

**Skills/Abilities:** Consult with and support designated Government Champions through regular meetings, background briefings, progress and feedback reports on housing and related issues.

**Capital Works Manager** - Property Portfolio Management, Portfolio Investment

**Category:** Management

**Salary:** \$83 117 - \$87 907 p.a.

**Location:** Brisbane

**VRN:** H01326/07

**Key Duties:** Lead and coordinate the overall property acquisition activities of the department in line with documented output objectives including the management of planning, development and department wide coordination of forward years acquisition programs.

**Skills/Abilities:** Work requires a high level of staff management, communication and negotiation skills and extensive knowledge and experience in investment property matters.

**To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:**

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

or E-mail: [jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au](mailto:jobvac.hsg@csq.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Phone: (07) 3238 3998

**Closing Date:** Monday, 21 May 2007

## Queensland Police Service

**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:** Woorabinda

**VRN:** P0172/07

**Position Description:** [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Shane Gleeson Phone: (07) 4935 0155

**Closing Date:** Monday, 21 May 2007

## Communities

**Principal Project Officer (Identified)** - Program Management (Two temporary position for two years.)

**Category:** Policy and Planning

**Salary:** \$75 020 - \$80 441 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM1329/07

**Location:** Brisbane

**Key Duties:** These positions will provide intensive practical organisational development support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations in South the East Queensland Region currently funded by the Department of Communities. They will also enhance the Departments capacity to monitor and support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander managed organisations. Extensive travel within South-East Queensland will be required.

**Principal Advisor (Identified)** - Program Management (Temporary position for two years)

**Category:** Policy and Planning

**Salary:** \$83 118 - \$87 908 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/COM1328/07

**Location:** Brisbane

**Key Duties:** This position will provide guidance, advice and support to Strengthening Indigenous Non-Government Organisation Regional Project Officers who provide intensive practical organisational development support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations funded by the Department of Communities. The position is responsible for providing considered, balanced and timely advice to the Director, Strengthening Indigenous Non-Government Organisations Project in relation to the implementation of the Strengthening Indigenous Non-Government Organisation project.

**To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:**

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7675

or E-mail: [vacom@corporatelink.qld.gov.au](mailto:vacom@corporatelink.qld.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Monday, 28 May 2007

## Disability Services Queensland

**Social Worker** - Programs and Community and Specialist Services Directorate

**Category:** Community Care

**Salary:** \$42 596 - \$62 544 p.a.

**VRN:** QLD/DSQ1338/07

**Location:** Goodna

**Key Duties:** The Social Worker operates within a case management practice framework and provides professional discipline-specific services to people who have an intellectual disability, their families and carers.

**Skills/Abilities:** A degree in Social Work from a recognised University or qualifications considered equivalent and eligibility for membership of the Australian Association of Social Workers.

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Vacancy Processing Officer Phone: (07) 3006 7689

**Closing Date:** Monday, 21 May 2007

## Local Government, Planning, Sport and Recreation

**Indigenous Advisor** - Service Delivery; Sport, Recreation and Racing (The recommended person for this position will be subject to a criminal history check.)

**Category:** Sport and Recreation

**Salary:** \$58 432 - \$63 508 p.a.

**Location:** Toowoomba

**VRN:** LGPS1381/07

**Key Duties:** Participate in regional project teams undertaking program initiatives, client advice, needs identification and funding program delivery.

**Skills/Abilities:** Sensitivity/knowledge/understanding of Indigenous societies, cultures/issues; Project management; Client service; Networking/negotiation skills; High level oral/written communication skills; Research/analytical skills.

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

or Phone: (07) 3224 5048

E-Mail: [jobvac.dlgpsr@csq.qld.gov.au](mailto:jobvac.dlgpsr@csq.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Garry Humphries Phone: (07) 46153600

E-Mail: [garry.humphries@dlgpsr.qld.gov.au](mailto:garry.humphries@dlgpsr.qld.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Monday, 21 May 2007

## Natural Resources and Water

**Regional Cultural Heritage Coordinator** - Service Delivery, Central West Region

**Category:** Community Engagement

**Salary:** \$75 020 - \$80 441 p.a. Plus Superannuation

**Location:** Rockhampton or Mackay

**VRN:** NRW5212

**Key Duties:** This position is responsible for managing operational matters arising from the implementation of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 and the Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2007. The position is also responsible on providing advice in relation to policy matters arising from implementation of the legislation and contributes to the development of options to resolve these issues.

**Position Description:** Internet: [www.jobs.qld.gov.au](http://www.jobs.qld.gov.au)

**Enquiries:** Faxback Service Phone: (07) 3239 3083

**Closing Date:** Monday, 14 May 2007

*A non-smoking policy is effective in Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.*

## Diversity Adviser

**\$67,556 - \$81,738 + super.**

**Position No: DPI 15603**

Do you have a sound background in diversity and good networks within Victorian Indigenous communities, people with disabilities, youth, women and CALD groups?

In this Melbourne CBD based position you will take a lead role in the development and implementation of DPI's Diversity Strategy, developing effective communication strategies and training to ensure the department increases its understanding of diversity.

Highly developed communication and interpersonal skills are essential. You will assist with participation on working groups and developing networks to support the implementation of diversity strategies including the Indigenous Partnership Framework and Inter-departmental Committee on disability.

**To apply online and for further information on position description and selection criteria visit**

**[www.careers.vic.gov.au](http://www.careers.vic.gov.au)**

**Closing date for applications is 23 May 2007.**



For information about DPI visit the website at [www.dpi.vic.gov.au](http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au) or call the Customer Service Centre on 136 186.



## Indigenous Series Producer

- Ultimo, Sydney
- Temporary Vacancy, June - December 2007
- \$65,424 - \$80,940 + super (pro rata)

As part of the ABC's Indigenous Employment Plan, the multi award winning Indigenous Programs Unit, ABC TV, NSW is seeking a motivated and experienced person to fill the temporary role of Series Producer. The successful applicant will manage the talented Message Stick team, producing Indigenous documentaries by Indigenous television documentary makers.

The role requires strong editorial and managerial skills. The successful applicant will be able to demonstrate experience as a television producer and/or journalist. Experience in production of TV programs or events related to Indigenous culture is highly desirable. The role also requires good judgement in the selection of stories and negotiations with on camera talent.

Knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and the ability to communicate effectively with people from these backgrounds is essential. Strong contacts or links within the Indigenous community is highly desirable.

**Please note: this vacancy is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only which reflects the objectives of the ABC's Equity and Diversity Management Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.**

For details contact Susan Moylan-Coombs on (02) 8333 4025 or visit [abc.net.au/jobs](http://abc.net.au/jobs)



department of disability,  
housing & community services

Applicants should note that Selection Documents and Application Packages including referee report proformas are available on the ACT Governments website at: <http://www.jobs.act.gov.au>

Applications for this vacancy can be mailed to: Shared Services, Recruitment Services, GPO Box 158, Canberra ACT 2601 or via email to [jobs@act.gov.au](mailto:jobs@act.gov.au)

### Office for Children, Youth and Family Services

#### Quamby Youth Detention Centre

The Department of Disability, Housing and Community Services manages the Quamby Youth Detention Centre for the ACT Government. While we perform an important custodial role, our major focus at Quamby is supporting and rehabilitating its young residents. We do this through education programs and activities that help young people make positive changes to their lives.

We currently have a range of career opportunities at Quamby for men and women who have life experience and enjoy being involved with young people. You may be working with young people in your current job, or working as a volunteer in youth programs or even coaching sport. The people we seek will respect young people, they will be enthusiastic, motivated and want to make a difference. We anticipate that for many applicants, these positions will represent a career change, providing an opportunity to work in a youth-related area they may not have previously considered.

The Department actively encourages expressions of interest from female, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

**The Positions:** these positions at Quamby are fulltime appointments to the ACT Public Service. Full training is provided and the remuneration, including superannuation, is very attractive. All positions attract shift penalties.

## YOUTH WORKERS

(AS03/4 broadband) Several

**\$42,763 - \$51,751**

**Applications close: 17 May 2007.**

**Contact Officer:** Matt Kennedy (02) 6207 0719.

**Selection Documentation** may be downloaded from: [www.jobs.act.gov.au](http://www.jobs.act.gov.au)

**Applications:** Via email to [jobs@act.gov.au](mailto:jobs@act.gov.au) or by post to: Shared Services, Recruitment Services, GPO Box 158, Canberra City 2601.





## FIELD OFFICER

This is an Aboriginal identified position.  
We have a vacancy in the Newcastle office of the  
Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited.  
For more information and selection criteria, please  
contact Vikki Lennon, telephone: (02) 8842 8000 or  
email vikki.lennon@alsnswact.org.au

Closing date: 21/5/07.



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

**Indigenous Health Worker (South) - Division of Community, Allied and Oral Health, Indigenous Health Service, Gold Coast area, Gold Coast 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: H07GC186. **Duties/Abilities:** Advance the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander people living in the Gold Coast Health Service District through the provision of efficient, effective, confidential and holistic primary health care services. Develop close linkages with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Under s25 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person. 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.

**Indigenous Health Worker (Indigenous Hospital Liaison Officer) - Division of Community, Allied and Oral Health, Indigenous Health Service, Gold Coast area, Gold Coast 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: H07GC187. **Duties/Abilities:** Develop links and work collaboratively with Indigenous Health Workers and District health service providers to strengthen the interface between hospital and community, and to support the clinical pathways of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients and their families. The position will be physically located at the Gold Coast Hospital campus, however there will be a requirement to move across various locations, depending on service demand. Under s25 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person. 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.

Enquiries: Melissa Browning (07) 5525 5707.

**Indigenous Health Worker (Indigenous Immunisation Officer) - Division of Community, Allied and Oral Health, Indigenous Health Service, Gold Coast area, Gold Coast Health Service District.** Remuneration based pro rata on equivalent full time value up to \$52 431 p.a., comprising salary rates: \$21.06 - \$23.17 p.h., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) or Salary rates: \$20.75 - \$24.73 p.h. (T02) (Part time position, 45.6 hrs p.w.) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) JRN: H07GC188. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide efficient, effective, confidential and holistic primary health care services to the Gold Coast Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community that includes: assessment, early intervention, liaison, advocacy, vaccination and immunisation support and health promotion. Develop close linkages with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Under s25 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person. 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.

Enquiries: Melissa Browning (07) 5525 5707.

## To Apply For Positions Grouped Above:

Application Kit: (07) 5537 0394 or  
[www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)  
Closing Date: Monday, 28 May 2007

## Mental Health

**Indigenous Health Worker (Mental Health) - Child and Youth Mental Health Service, Division of Mental Health, Gold Coast area, Gold Coast 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: H07GC184. **Duties/Abilities:** Provide efficient, effective, confidential and holistic mental health care services to the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in particular children, youth and their families that include: assessment, early intervention, liaison, advocacy, and support and health promotion. Develop close linkages with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, other health care workers, government and non-government organisations. Under s25 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.

Enquiries: David Pinchin (07) 5537 0622.

Application Kit: (07) 5537 0394 or  
[www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus](http://www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus)  
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A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A zero-tolerance policy is effective in Queensland Government buildings, offices and public vehicles.



## Youth Justice Conference Convenors

Indigenous people, people from non-English speaking backgrounds and women are encouraged to apply. Cultural appropriateness of convenors will be carefully considered for every conference.

The Department of Juvenile Justice calls for applications from persons interested in being appointed as a Youth Justice Conference Convenor in the Dubbo region which covers the local areas of Cobar, Bourke, Brewarrina and Goodooga.

**NB: Applicants must be prepared to undertake 2 weekends of convenor training in Bourke on 7/8 & 21/22 July 2007.**

Youth Justice Conferencing is a community based response to offending behaviour by young people. Victim(s) and support persons, the young person's family and/or significant others, a police officer and other relevant people are invited to attend a conference to negotiate an outcome which makes up for the damage caused and helps young people to take responsibility for offending behaviour. YJC Convenors will be responsible for the preparation and facilitation of Youth Justice Conferences.

### Successful applicant will have:

- Effective group facilitation skills
- Ability to work with local community networks
- A sensitivity to, and understanding of, issues facing young people, victims of crime, indigenous people, people from non-English speaking backgrounds, people with disabilities, and gender issues
- A knowledge of, and commitment to, the principles of Youth Justice Conferencing
- Effective oral communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to work with limited supervision, manage time and meet strict deadlines
- Live or work in the Cobar, Bourke, Brewarrina and Goodooga area(s)

**Note:** Conference Convenors will be paid and utilised on a fee-for-service basis. Frequency of engagement will be determined by the volume and type of conference referrals. Conference Convenors will be appointed in accordance with Schedule 1 of the Young Offenders Act, 1997 (NSW). Convenors will be paid \$36 per hour.

Prohibited employment declaration form and consent for employment screening must be completed and attached to application for application to be considered. Relevant criminal history and apprehended violence order checks, structured referee reports and prior employment checks, including disciplinary proceedings, will be conducted on recommended applicants. It is an offence under the NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act, 1988 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply to work as a convenor.

Intending applicants should contact Dudley Beeton, Manager Youth Justice Conferencing, Dubbo on 02 6881 0739 email: [dudley.beeton@djj.nsw.gov.au](mailto:dudley.beeton@djj.nsw.gov.au) or Mary McDonnell, Officer on 02 6881 0739 email: [mary.mcdonnell@djj.nsw.gov.au](mailto:mary.mcdonnell@djj.nsw.gov.au) or write to PO Box 865, Dubbo 2830 to obtain an information package: Applications close on 1 June 2007.

(GAD 50000)



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Do you have a desire to work with local people to bring about social change?

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### Regeneration Manager - Dubbo

The Department of Housing is committed to community development alongside its client service and asset provision.

We are seeking a dynamic committed leader to guide the Department's ground breaking community work in Dubbo.

This is a challenging, exciting and rewarding project that offers the successful candidate a highly satisfying experience and immense skill development in community regeneration.

You will have strong skills in

- communication and facilitation,
- co-ordination of service delivery, and
- knowledge of disadvantaged communities.

Experience in community development particularly in Aboriginal communities would be an advantage. The Department will provide strong support and coaching.

The Department is in a position to negotiate on long-term employment arrangements and location.

In return we offer a great work environment and career opportunities, a generous package is on offer for the right candidate.

### Want to know more?

Contact NSW Businesslink on (02) 6392 8250 and quote DOH-07-00456 for an Information Pack or phone Ken Bone, General Manager - Southern and Western NSW Housing Services on (02) 8750 8828 for further details. Applications to: [nswhousing@businesslink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:nswhousing@businesslink.nsw.gov.au) or apply online as per the link provided in the Information Pack. The closing date for applications is 18 May 2007.



NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING



## Australian Government

## Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

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## Coffs Harbour Indigenous Coordination Centre

### Expected Vacancy

**APS Level 4 (Corporate Support Officer)**

**PN 40003742**

**\$48,360 - \$52,045**

The work of the Coffs Harbour Indigenous Coordination Centre (ICC) includes delivering Government programs, liaising with a wide range of Australian Government, state, territory and non-government agencies, contributing to policy and program review and formulation, and working cooperatively with program areas within FaCSIA to achieve the Department's strategic outcomes.

### The Vacancy

The position provides corporate support to the ICC including facilities and fleet management, reception, coordination and liaison with financial management issues, input into the preparation of briefings and parliamentary questions and administrative support for the ICC management and program staff.

### 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) 8255 1153. 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.

**Applications close 18 May 2007.**





Australian Government  
Department of Health and Ageing

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Australian Government  
Department of Education,  
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INDIGENOUS EDUCATION POLICY BRANCH, INDIGENOUS  
AND TRANSITIONS GROUP (HIGHER EDUCATION TEAM AND  
NATIONAL PROJECTS TEAM)

### Policy/Project Officers

\$58,668 - \$65,519

DEST Level 3 (APS 6)

Reference no: 07-134

CANBERRA

The Indigenous Education Policy Branch in the Department's Indigenous and Transitions Group works towards accelerating educational outcomes for Indigenous people in the schools, vocational education and training and higher education sectors through the provision of quality policy advice. The Branch manages a range of national projects and programmes designed to improve educational outcomes of Indigenous Australians.

The Higher Education Team position provides an opportunity for a policy and project manager to support the Indigenous Higher Education Team in meeting its business obligations to implement the initiatives of the Australian Government.

The National Projects Team position provides an opportunity to contribute to the development of policy in Indigenous education through the management and evaluation of a number of national flagship and strategic projects.

**Please note:** In order to perform the duties of both these employment opportunities efficiently and effectively, the successful applicant/s will need to have an understanding of the issues affecting Indigenous Australian people and possess the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with them. In addition, applicants who are short listed for further consideration will need to provide the selection panel with 2 referee reports, with at least one from an Indigenous Australian in either oral or written form.

For further information about the National Projects Team position contact Jacqui Walker (02) 6240 8271, or for the Higher Education Team position contact Tundra Reid (02) 6240 8892.

For Selection documentation see below.

### How to Apply

The selection documentation is available on our website at [www.dest.gov.au/recruitment](http://www.dest.gov.au/recruitment), or by email [recruitment@dest.gov.au](mailto:recruitment@dest.gov.au), or 24 hour answering service on (02) 6240 9154.

Please note that applications will not be acknowledged on receipt. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted regarding the next phase of the selection process. To those applicants who are not short listed, we extend our thanks for considering DEST as a potential employer.

Successful applicants must be Australian citizens. Conditions of employment are contained in the Department's Certified Agreement.

Applications addressing the selection criteria may be emailed to [recruitment@dest.gov.au](mailto:recruitment@dest.gov.au), faxed to (02) 6123 5111 or mailed to:

The Recruitment Officer - Location 758  
Department of Education, Science and Training  
GPO Box 9880  
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Applications close: 17 May 2007

[www.dest.gov.au](http://www.dest.gov.au)

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North Coast Institute

### JOIN OUR TEAM

Have you got the skills we need?  
Want to work in a flexible and professional environment?  
The North Coast Institute encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for our vacant positions.

Check our website on:  
[www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm](http://www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm)



Murdoch Childrens  
Research Institute

### Aboriginal Project Officer Aboriginal Research Officer

The Murdoch Childrens Research Institute is seeking an Aboriginal Project Officer and an Aboriginal Research Officer to join the Healthy Mothers Healthy Families Research Group in Melbourne.

### Aboriginal Project Officer (ref MC1324)

The Aboriginal Project Officer will be a member of the Victorian research team for a study of women's views and experiences of maternity and postnatal care in Victoria and South Australia.

The Project Officer will assist with co-ordinating consultation with Aboriginal community organisations and communities in Victoria regarding development of the study. The position is offered part-time for one year, with the possibility of extension. All staff working on the project will have opportunities to participate in research training activities as members of the Healthy Mothers Healthy Families Research Group.

### Aboriginal Research Officer (ref MC1327)

This position is for an Aboriginal Research Officer funded by an NHMRC Capacity Building Grant awarded to Mother & Child Health Research at La Trobe University, the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute and the Primary Care Research Unit, University of Melbourne. The focus of the grant is on building capacity for conceptualising complex questions, working with populations who are usually excluded from research, and on conducting complex interventions.

The position presents an outstanding opportunity for an Indigenous researcher to work as a member of a research group committed to building sustainable Indigenous research capacity and working in partnership with Indigenous community organisations and communities.

The aim of this position is to provide research training at a level appropriate to the skills and experience of the successful applicant within the framework of professional development activities provided by the Capacity Building Grant. The position is offered full-time for 3 years.

For further details about these positions, please obtain a position description from the MCRI website at: [www.mcri.edu.au](http://www.mcri.edu.au)

Enquiries: A/Prof Stephanie Brown ph: 03 9090 5205

Written applications quoting applicable reference number to: Ms Andrea Frigo, Human Resources Officer, Murdoch Childrens Research Institute, 9th Floor Royal Children's Hospital, Flemington Road, Parkville VIC 3053 or via email [recruitment@mcri.edu.au](mailto:recruitment@mcri.edu.au)

Applications close: Wednesday 30 May.

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### EXECUTIVE MANAGER FAMILY SERVICES FULL-TIME

This position is responsible for the management of the day to day running of the Family Services area and the supervision of staff in the delivery of programs.

- Previous experience in staff supervision, leadership and programs within a Community setting;
- An understanding and commitment of Koori culture;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Knowledge and experience working with Child Protection and Department of Human Services;
- An ability to delegate caseloads to team members through a central intake process;
- Previous experience in managing and balancing a divisional budget including grant funding.

Confidentiality and a professional attitude is a must.

For a copy of position description please contact Scheme Moulton on 03 5825 2111.

All applicants must address the selection criteria in the position description, include a resume and referees.

Successful applicant must undergo a Police Check.

Applications will close on Wednesday 23rd May 2007. (Applications will not be accepted via email) and addressed to:

Felicia Dean, Chief Executive Officer  
Rumbalara Aboriginal Co-operative Ltd  
PO Box 614, Mooroolbathra Vic 3629.



Government of South Australia  
Department of Education and  
Children's Services

### PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR (PSD 3)

Location: Kalaya Children's Centre (5622-5)

Term of Appointment: 23.07.07 - 25.01.12

Classification/conditions: Salary \$80,506/CS Act Conditions

Information: Ms T Cocchiari tel 8416 7303

Specifications: Ms A Williams tel 8416 7303

Applications close: 24/05/07

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Persons who are registered or are able to be registered to teach in South Australia and meet DECS minimum employment requirements are invited to apply for this position.

Applicants are requested to provide an original application plus two copies, addressing the job and person specification and including three current referees.

Applicants who have not already lodged an application for employment will need to do so before any employment offer can be made.

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National  
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Tribunal

### Member's Assistant

- Rewarding work/life balance
- \$49,689 - \$53,949 plus 15.4% superannuation
- Located in Adelaide- Contract for 15 months

The Member's Assistant provides high-level administrative and secretarial support to the Member, working with limited direction for extended periods. Members of the Tribunal are appointed by the Governor-General and their functions include mediating native title claims, conducting future act hearings, and helping people understand native title.

To be successful in this role you must have:

- the ability to work under limited supervision, while managing a variety of tasks and meeting deadlines;
- high-level administrative skills, and
- well developed communication and research skills.

To apply, view the Application Kit on our website at [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au) or freecall 1800 814 592, quoting reference number 304. For further information about the vacancy, please contact Sharon Middlin on (08) 8306 1244.

The Tribunal embraces diversity in its workforce and Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply. Applications close: 17 May 2007

Resolution of native title issues over land and waters.



## STATE-WIDE COORDINATOR

Applications are invited for a State-wide Coordinator for the Western Australian Aboriginal Health Worker Association. This position will be based in Perth WA.

A challenging opportunity exists for a suitably experienced and skilled person to undertake the role. The successful applicant will be responsible for the establishment, implementation and evaluation of strategic plans and operational systems that effectively capture and deploy resources to enhance and augment the status of the Association for Aboriginal Health Workers at local, state and national levels. Applicants will be sent a position package and must respond to the Selection Criteria in writing. **Aboriginal persons are encouraged to apply.**

**Conditions:** 12 months contract initially with the possibility of extension dependent on funding. Some out of hours work may be required. Applicants must be prepared to travel to country areas of Western Australia (or interstate) by air or motor vehicle. Contact Jenny Poelina on 0438 944 556 to discuss the position further or Sandra Colvard on 08 9227 1631 for Selection Criteria.

**Written applications should be forwarded to:**

Chairperson WA AHW Association  
PO Box 8493, Stirling Street, PERTH 6849.

**Closing Date:** Applications close at 5pm on Monday 21st May 2007.

## Lismore Aboriginal Women and Children's Refuge

The Lismore Aboriginal Women and Children's Refuge has recently been restructured and is inviting applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women for the following positions.

### Manager

(Permanent 38hr/wk, Job share 3 days/wk)  
SAC Award Grade 6

We are seeking two (2) experienced women to job share the Managers position. The role requires demonstrated management experience and to ensure the Refuge provides a culturally appropriate and professional response to women and children who are victims of family violence and/or sexual assault.

### 3 x General Support Positions

(permanent part-time 25hr/wk)  
SAC Award Grade 3

To provide a culturally appropriate response to women and children who are victims of family violence and/or sexual assault. This includes supportive counselling, practical support, referral and advocacy.

### Housekeeper/Cleaner Position

(permanent part-time 12hrs/wk)  
SAC Award Grade 2

Position requires good organisational skills and experience in household management and to attend to the cleaning needs of the Refuge.

**Closing Date:** 16th May 2007.

**Enquiries and application packages contact:** Felicia Colyer or Pat MacArthur on (02) 6621 5187.

To be Aboriginal is a genuine requirement for these positions under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Successful applicants will be required to undergo a "working with children's check" and a Police criminal record check.

## SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE ABORIGINAL CORPORATION MEDICAL OFFICER/S Full-time or Part-Time Positions

### AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY EXISTS . . .

For a Doctor/s (GPs) to commence a full-time or part-time Medical Officer position for the South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation (SCMSAC).

SCMSAC is situated on the beautiful scenic NSW South Coast at Nowra within the City of Shoalhaven - approximately 2 hours south of Sydney. SCMSAC is a dedicated and enthusiastic community controlled Aboriginal Health Organisation, which has been operating for 24 years.

The successful applicant/s will be working from a rather new purpose built complex with spacious and well-equipped clinic facilities in Nowra. Further the SCMSAC also provides General Practitioner services to outreach Communities (via our other clinics at Wreck Bay and Orient Point) for the Wreck Bay Community, (owners of the favored Booderee National Park incorporating pristine waters and lush bush lands) and the Jerrisa Community located at the mouth of the beautiful Shoalhaven River (Orient Point).

SCMSAC has been accredited by AGPAL for the past 3 years and has just completed the re-accreditation process for it's second term. Further our GPs are supported by a Practice Manager, RN, and Aboriginal Health Workers within a multi-disciplinary health team. The service is offering hours of 9am to 5.06pm (7.36 hours per day) Monday to Friday (or part time) salary package of over \$109,000 to \$130,000 (full time equivalent) plus the provision of added salary sacrifice arrangements (up to a maximum of \$32,099 grossed-up) for the night applicant/s on a contractual basis.

The successful applicant would possess a degree in Medicine. Current registration in NSW, knowledge of OH&S Act and Infection Control guidelines, experience in treating patients in all age groups, effective communication skills and the ability to work under pressure.

#### Desirable qualifications/experience include:

- Interested and/or experienced in working with Aboriginal people; and
- Ability to work within a multidisciplinary team.

For further information regarding the position please contact Damien Matcham on (02) 4428 6666. Applications should include an expression of interest (EOI) and resume with at least two (2) recent referee's who are familiar with your work.

**EOI close on Monday 21 May 2007.**

**Written applications can be e-mailed faxed or addressed to:**

Damien Matcham, Chief Executive Officer  
South Coast Medical Service  
Aboriginal Corporation  
PO Box 548, NOWRA NSW 2541  
OR facsimile (02) 4428 6602  
OR e-mail to: damien@southcoastams.org.au



Australian Government  
Indigenous Land Corporation

## FINANCE OFFICER

- Excellent opportunity based in Canberra
- Interesting and challenging work
- An attractive salary starting at \$47,000 (plus 15.4% Superannuation)
- Opportunities for career advancement

We are looking for an energetic, highly focused individual to work in a challenging, diverse and rewarding team environment. We are seeking a person who has had experience working with financial accounts such as Accounts Payable/Receivable, ideally within the Pastoral industry as they will be part of this organisation's commercial team looking after the pastoral, horticultural and tourism enterprises. Specifically, you will be required to:

- Undertake the accounts payable/receivable function for ILC Commercial Properties.
- Monitor budgets, assess request for procurement of goods and prepare purchase orders
- Assist in compiling monthly and year end accounts
- Monitor and maintain registers - livestock and assets

The successful applicant will need well developed interpersonal skills (including written and verbal) and experience in the provision of effective financial and administration services with agricultural business will be an advantage.

An attractive salary package will be negotiated commensurate with your skills and experience and you will be engaged as an ongoing employee under an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA).

For further information, please contact Merrin Porteous, Senior Administration Officer on (02) 6269 2514 or freecall 1800 818 490. (Position documentation and more information on the ILC are available on our website at [www.ilc.gov.au](http://www.ilc.gov.au))

Please ensure that you have read the material prior to calling the contact officer.

Applications should be emailed to [vacancies@ilc.gov.au](mailto:vacancies@ilc.gov.au)

Or marked "Confidential" and forwarded to:

Adam Jenkins  
Indigenous Land Corporation  
GPO Box 652,  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Applications close at 5:00pm on Friday 18 May 2007.



ACT Department of Education and Training

## TEACHING IN CANBERRA

A Lifestyle Choice



## Teachers

Applications are being sought from suitably qualified teachers for employment in 2008 across all learning areas.

### ACT Government schools

The ACT's co-educational and non-selective schools offer exciting teaching opportunities for enthusiastic teachers.

**Schools in Canberra offer a range of different educational settings including:**

Years P-2 (early childhood schools)

Years P-6 (primary schools)

Years P-10 (primary/middle/high schools)

Years 7-10 (high schools)

Years 11-12 (secondary colleges)

Special schools (for students with moderate and severe disabilities)

Qualified teachers are needed in all subject areas. Particular areas of need include technology, mathematics, science, hospitality, school counsellors (school psychologists), teacher librarians, special education (including autism) and student support (student management specialists).

### Employment Opportunities

Employment is offered on a merit basis to successful applicants who will be offered permanent employment or temporary contract employment.

Only applicants who have a minimum of four years full-time (or equivalent) tertiary study leading to an award of a recognised school teaching qualification are eligible for permanent appointment.

### Attractive Employment Conditions

Teachers in the ACT enjoy favourable conditions of employment including a generous superannuation scheme, cumulative paid personal leave, annual leave bonus, parenting leave and 14 weeks paid maternity leave, salary packaging opportunities and a comprehensive induction and orientation program.

The salary for four year trained classroom teachers ranges from \$50,365 to \$71,767.

The ACT provides recognition of prior experience and additional qualifications for starting salary purposes.

### Development Opportunities

ACT teachers have excellent professional development opportunities with access to a range of professional development programs, both in schools and within the system including professional development support for beginning teachers.

For further information go to the Teaching in Canberra website:

[www.TeachCanberra.act.gov.au](http://www.TeachCanberra.act.gov.au)

### Submitting an Application

Applications must be submitted on the application form - Application for Employment Classroom Teacher 2007-2008.

This form and an information package may be obtained:

- by registering your intention to apply on-line <http://www.det.act.gov.au/department/teachrecruitprocess.htm>
- from any ACT Government School
- by emailing [teachingincanberra@act.gov.au](mailto:teachingincanberra@act.gov.au)
- by phoning (02) 6205 9284, or
- by writing to the Department at the address below.

### Teacher Recruitment

ACT Department of Education and Training

PO Box 1584

TUGGERANONG ACT 2901

Applications must be received by close of business 22 June 2007.

The ACT Public Service is an equal opportunity employer. Legislation prohibits unlawful discrimination and promotes equality of access to employment.

The ACT Public Service strongly supports, recognises and values the diversity of cultures within the Australian community. Indigenous Australians, people from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds and people with a disability are encouraged to apply.

Applicants must be either Australian citizens or have permanent resident status.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES SENIOR CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER

Clerk Grade 3/4

Multiple Positions, Various Locations  
Metropolitan & Regional Positions  
Permanent Full-Time  
Vacancy No: 97DCS7742

Total remuneration package valued up to \$60,163 per annum (salary \$49,792 pa to \$54,520 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** To support the provision of front line services to the community from Community Service Centres. To be responsible for supervising and organising one or more key CSC administrative functions on a day-to-day basis.

#### Selection Criteria:

- Well developed interpersonal and communication skills to provide quality client counter and switch services in a high volume office.
- Demonstrated experience in coordinating and delivering administrative services across a range of administrative, clerical and client service functions.
- Capacity to work well in a team with fluctuating workloads and changing priorities.
- Ability to set up and operate office equipment such as photocopiers, fax machines, overhead projectors, computers & printers.
- Demonstrated capacity to understand and implement Department policies and adhere to relevant legislative or regulatory requirements, e.g. obligations under the State Records Act, 1998.
- Demonstrated computer application skills including Microsoft Office suites, databases and the ability to use the Department's data management systems (KIDS, SAP HR, and SAP Financials).
- **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:** Various Permanent Full-time positions and various locations are available. 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, complete the Location Nomination Form, Prohibited Employment Declaration and the Screening Consent forms contained in the Information Package.

**Inquiries:** For information about the position, please e-mail: [adminreview.csc@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:adminreview.csc@community.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 149 919 or email: [Dominic.Houghton@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Dominic.Houghton@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'CONFIDENTIAL':** Post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466 Liverpool BC 1871 or apply on-line at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or e-mail to: [JobsDOCS@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDOCS@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007

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# AES ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY

## FIELD OFFICER (x 2 positions) School Based Traineeship Program Location: Perth & Townsville

### Job Description

The Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) is a not for profit organisation that specialises in providing employment opportunities for Indigenous people. The AES is 100% Indigenous operated and managed and has been operating in NSW for the past 10 years.

We are expanding our operations to Perth through our highly successful School Based Traineeship Program for Indigenous students in high school. The program allows the trainee to work with a host employer and complete a Certificate 2 in Business Services while completing their HSC. Our partners in the program include the ANZ, Commonwealth and Westpac Banks.

The AES is seeking a highly motivated and well organised individual to expand and manage the School Based Traineeship Program throughout WA. It is an exciting opportunity for an individual interested in developing Indigenous students to succeed in the workplace. The successful applicant will be given a portfolio of trainee's who they will be mentoring to ensure they successfully complete the traineeship, working closely with the trainee's host employer, family and their school.

**Duties:** Meet with schools to promote SBT; liaise with host employers regarding selection of trainee's; liaise with schools regarding performance of trainee's; provide ongoing mentoring support to trainee's; provide ongoing advice and support to host employer; work in accordance with Group Training Organisation standards; database management.

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality and/or Torres Strait Islander; 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 qualifications; experience working with young people; experience in human resource management; experience working within the education sector.

**Remuneration package:** base salary up to \$60,000.

**Inquiries:** Phil Lockyer (02) 8571 0999, 0427 938 908 or phil.lockyer@Aborigines.com.au

**Closing date: Friday 18 May 2007.**



Australian Government  
Indigenous Land Corporation

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

- Exciting opportunity based in Brisbane
- Interesting and challenging work
- An attractive salary of up to \$47,000 (plus 15.4% super)

We are looking for an energetic, creative, self-motivated, highly focused individual to work in a challenging, diverse and rewarding team environment. We are seeking a person who has had experience in office administration and accounts payable/receivables. Specifically, you will be required to:

- Provide a range of administrative, financial and other office based activities to support Project Teams
- Monitor budgets, arrange quotes for procurement of goods and prepare purchase orders

The successful applicant will need well developed interpersonal skills (including written and verbal) and experience in the provision of effective financial and administration services. Purchasing and project and contract management skills will be an advantage.

An attractive salary package will be negotiated commensurate with your skills and experience and you will be engaged under an Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA).

For further information, please contact **Cathy Neighbour** on (07) 3854 4600 or Freecall 1800 818 490. (Position documentation and more information on the ILC are available on our website at [www.ilc.gov.au](http://www.ilc.gov.au))

Please ensure that you have read the material prior to calling the contact officer.

Applications should be emailed to [vasandis@ilc.gov.au](mailto:vasandis@ilc.gov.au)

Or marked "Confidential" and forwarded to:

Adam Jenkins  
Indigenous Land Corporation  
GPO Box 652,  
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

**Applications close at 5:00pm on Friday 18 May 2007.**

## NSW HEALTH NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE

Apply online: [www.nhc.nsw.gov.au/apply](http://www.nhc.nsw.gov.au/apply)

Application kits may be obtained from: [www.nhc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.nhc.nsw.gov.au)  
Phone: 1800 150 991 or email: [RecruitmentServices@nhc.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:RecruitmentServices@nhc.health.nsw.gov.au)

### KEMPSEY HEALTH CAMPUS

#### Aboriginal Health Education Officer - Female

Aboriginal Health Services Position No: 1104/06

Perm Part Time, 32 hpw

Readvertised

NCAHS considers that being female and Aboriginal are genuine occupational qualifications for this position under Section 31 and 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

#### Aboriginal Health Education Officer - Male

Aboriginal Health Services Position No: 0900/06

Perm Part Time, 32 hpw

NCAHS considers that being male and Aboriginal are genuine occupational qualifications for this position under Section 31 and 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

**FOR ABOVE TWO POSITIONS:**

Salary: AHEO (Non-graduate-graduate) \$18.85-\$35.40 ph

Enquiries: Wayne Budden, (02) 6588 2865

COMMUNITY AND ALLIED HEALTH - TWEED HEADS

#### Aboriginal Hospital Liaison Officer

Bugalvena Services Position No: 1085/06

Perm Full Time

Enquiries: Sue Follent, (07) 5506 7597

### PORT MACQUARIE HEALTH CAMPUS

#### Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Aboriginal Health Services Position No: 0891/06

Perm Full Time

Readvertised

**FOR ABOVE TWO POSITIONS:**

Enquiries: Wayne Budden, (02) 6588 2865

NCAHS considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification for these positions under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Salary: AHEO, \$37,381-\$70,196 pa

Closing date for all positions: 18 May 2007

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice**

## NSW HEALTH HUNTER NEW ENGLAND

Application kits may be obtained from [www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au](http://www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au) or the Application Kitline on (02) 4985 3272 or email [jobs@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jobs@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au) Apply on-line [www.ezsubmit.net/ezjob/HNE/HRRegistry/default.cfm](http://www.ezsubmit.net/ezjob/HNE/HRRegistry/default.cfm) Eligibility lists may be created

### NURSING AND MIDWIFERY

#### New Graduate Registered Nurse

New Graduate Registered Nurse Program

Hunter New England Health Service boasts a range of facilities including tertiary referral hospitals, rural referral hospitals, district hospitals, community hospitals and community health centres. Exciting and challenging opportunities exist in new graduate nurse programs across Hunter New England Health.

Perm Full Time Position No: 54393

Positions are available in Mental Health Services (9), Moree Hospital (2), and Manning Rural Referral Hospital (3).

Temp Full Time, 12 month contract Position No: 54392

Positions are available at John Hunter Childrens Hospital (1) and Newcastle East Community Health Centre (1).

Enquiries: Doreen Holm, (02) 4985 3239 or 0434 603 089, [doreen.holm@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:doreen.holm@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au)

Closing Date: 1 June 2007

### POPULATION HEALTH

#### Project Officer

Population Health, Planning & Performance, Taree

Expression of Interest

The Hunter New England Population Health (HNEPH) is currently seeking an Expression of Interest (EOI) for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander persons seeking employment within Population Health (PH), as a Project Officer. Three positions are available:

1 Perm Full Time Position No: 53120

Located at Taree

1 Perm Full Time Position No: 53126

Located at Tamworth

1 Temp Full Time Position No: 53558

Until December 2010 located at Newcastle

Hunter New England Population Health is responsible for the delivery of Population Health services to the people of the Hunter New England Region. Population Health services seek to improve the health of the entire population rather than providing care on an individual basis.

Population Health is committed to improving the health status of Aboriginal communities within the region. To ensure that Population Health services are appropriate and effective for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities it is vital that Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander persons contribute to and are involved in the planning and delivery of services.

These positions will participate in the development and delivery of evidence-based health promotion projects that address the prevention of chronic disease, HIV/AIDS and related diseases and injury risks in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the Hunter New England area. The position is identified for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

EOIs can be emailed to [sharyn.tyler@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:sharyn.tyler@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au) or by phoning Chris Fraser on (02) 4924 6395.

EOIs close on 25 May 2007

Further information regarding the HNEPH can be obtained at the following website

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

Hunter New England Health Promotes the Values of Teamwork, Honesty, Respect, Ethics, Excellence, Caring, Courage, Commitment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/ Affirmative Action employer and provides a smoke-free environment. Successful applicants will be expected to abide by the Code of Conduct and be committed to ethical practices. Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Criminal record checks will be undertaken on recommended applicants. Provision of documented evidence of protection against specified infectious diseases is required. Salary and conditions are in accordance with relevant award/enterprise agreements.

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### JOIN THE 'WORLD'S BEST' . . .

Recognised internationally as the 'world's best' in child support services, the Child Support Agency (CSA) and the families it supports, rely heavily on the professionalism of our people.

Our Customer Service Officers are the face of CSA and continually strive to provide exceptional support to separated families.

Many positions are now available in the next round of recruitment for CSA Customer Service Officers.

### ABOUT THE ROLE . . .

The CSA supports more than one million separated parents to provide financial support for their children. We calculate payments, and collect and transfer them between parents. We also provide parents with self-help tools and active referrals.

Career advancement opportunities, ongoing training and excellent working conditions are features of working at CSA.

If you want to know what it is like to work in CSA from an Indigenous perspective, call Donald Twomey on (03) 9659 5215.

### A CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER MUST HAVE . . .

- a passion for customer service, desire to make a positive contribution to our customers and an ability to deal with sensitive and emotional issues.
- excellent communication, negotiation, conflict resolution and problem solving skills especially over the telephone.
- computer literacy in a Windows environment.
- flexibility and sound judgement to make decisions,
- resilience and ability to work under pressure.

If you want to play a crucial role in supporting separated families by providing good customer service, then the CSA invites you to apply.

### TO APPLY . . .

Go to [www.hoban.com.au](http://www.hoban.com.au) and click on the 'Hot Links' icon and then on the 'CSA' icon. Alternatively, call (03) 9203 4908 to coordinate your online application.

Application closing date is 5.30 pm, Tuesday, 15 May 2007.

## William Angliss Institute of TAFE

William Angliss Institute of TAFE values and promotes a diverse workforce

### Koorie Liaison Officer

- 12 month Contract Position
- Part-time - 0.5 time fraction (19 hours per week)
- Salary \$51,681 p/a (pro-rata) plus 9% super
- Located in Melbourne
- Close to CBD and Other Staff Benefits

The Industry Training Unit at William Angliss Institute of TAFE identifies and manages a range of industry training and now requires an experienced and highly motivated person for their Koorie Liaison Officer position.

This position has the responsibility for effectively liaising with relevant Koorie/Indigenous communities, groups and organisations to assist with the identification of education/training needs and trends. The successful candidate would also be expected to recruit prospective students to certificate, diploma and Koorie/Indigenous specific programs and give on-going support to the students enrolled in these programs.

The ideal candidate will have:

- An understanding of current developments and innovative approaches in Koorie/Indigenous education and training
- A sound knowledge of Koorie/Indigenous culture and society
- A high level of initiative and self-motivation, with the ability to perform duties in a professional and accountable manner
- Highly developed interpersonal, negotiation and advocacy skills, along with the ability to advise and consult
- High level computer skills (MS Office)

Applicants with tertiary qualifications in either hospitality or tourism, or extensive industry experience would be highly regarded, as would a Certificate IV in Assessment and Workplace Training.

Koorie and Indigenous people are strongly encouraged to apply for the position.

Applications close: Wednesday 16 May 2007, 5:00PM

For enquiries regarding the position, please contact Alan Smith on 9608 2246

Applicants must apply online addressing the key selection criteria at:

<http://www.williamangliss.nga.net.au>

For assistance applying online phone 96062450.

A position description and information for prospective applicants is available at the abovementioned website.



# Careers @ Justice

DEPARTMENT  
OF JUSTICE

## SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER

Native Title Unit

Grade 5, \$67,557 - \$81,738

Position No: DJ3612

- We are looking for an exceptional person to negotiate the resolution of native title claims in Victoria through mediation.
- The Native Title Unit leads the State's negotiations in resolving native title claims.
- We are looking for a Senior Project Officer to join our team.

The successful applicant will represent the State of Victoria in native title claims mediations and will negotiate with parties a way forward in resolving native title claims, build effective relationships with native title applicants and their legal representatives, other Victorian State agencies and other respondents. You will have an understanding of Aboriginal issues and be able to effectively communicate with Aboriginal people. You will assist in policy development in native title. You will work collectively in a small team of senior project officers and will have an interest in social justice issues.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.

Please contact Natascha Spark Tel: 03 8684 0880 or [natascha.spark@justice.vic.gov.au](mailto:natascha.spark@justice.vic.gov.au) for specific enquiries.

To apply online and for further information on the position description and selection criteria visit

[www.careers.vic.gov.au](http://www.careers.vic.gov.au)

Closing date for applications is 1 June 2007.

[www.justice.vic.gov.au](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au)

Our Values: Community - Together - Integrity - Respect - Happen @ One Justice



## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE PARKS AND WILDLIFE DIVISION

All applicants for NSW Government Jobs must show knowledge and understanding of the 'common Selection Criteria': Equal Employment Opportunity; Ethical Practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement; and Occupational, Health and Safety, as they relate to the job.

## DISCOVERY RANGER (ABORIGINAL)

Clerk Grade 1/2, South Coast Region, Casual, Vacancy Number DECC07-158. Salary: \$24.39 - \$26.51 per hour plus applicable casual loadings and employer contributions to superannuation scheme.

Deliver, develop and evaluate educational and interpretative activities within the South Coast Region. This position represents the public face of DECC and the delivery of the NPWS education programs. **Selection Criteria:** This position is an identified Aboriginal position and therefore Aboriginality is a requirement of the job as well as cultural association with one or more of the local Aboriginal communities. Experience in the planning, delivery and evaluation of educational and interpretative activities. Understanding of the role of the Department of Environment and Climate Change, and a broad knowledge of the natural values and cultural history of the local area. Practical experience in leading groups, conducting nature-based or cultural education activities. Sound understanding of Minimal Impact and Bush Safety principles. Superior oral communication skills and sound written communication skills. Experience in Customer Relations and Service. Current Drivers Licence and Current Senior First Aid Certificate or willingness to gain a Senior First Aid Certificate prior to commencement of employment. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. As this position is considered child related work under the provisions of the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 you are required to satisfactorily sign a Prohibited Person Declaration and undergo a satisfactory pre-employment screening. Relevant forms are attached for your signature and return if you have not already done so. Appointment and employment is dependent on meeting the requirements of relevant legislation. This position may involve regular evening and weekend work. This is a shift-based position, under the Crown Employees (Conditions of Employment) Public Service Award. Electronic applications must be MS Office '97 compatible.

**Inquiries:** Pat Hall, telephone: (02) 4423 2170 Email: [pat.hall@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:pat.hall@environment.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Telephone: (02) 4423 2170 or at our website: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Recruitment Officer, Department of Environment and Climate Change NSW, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220. Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to [recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007

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NSW Department of Community Services

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

### SERVICE SUPPORT MANAGER

Clerk Grade 5/6

Multiple Positions, Various Locations

Metropolitan & Regional Positions

Permanent Full-Time

Vacancy No: 07DOCS7753

Total remuneration package valued up to \$71,566 per annum (salary \$58,777 pa to \$64,854 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** To support the provision of front line services to the community from Community Service Centres (CSC). To plan, manage, monitor & report on the administrative & site management functions of the CSC(s) & directly undertake some administrative functions.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Excellent supervisory, co-ordination and team management skills.
- High level interpersonal and communication skills to assist and direct teams of staff who deal with sensitive issues and clients.
- Good data interpretation and information analysis skills.
- Demonstrated computer application skills including Microsoft Office suite, databases, and the ability to use the Department's data management systems (KIDS, SAP Financials and SAP HR).
- Extensive experience in the supervision and/or management of administrative systems in a human services organisation. Ability to set up and operate a range of office equipment such as photocopiers, faxes and printers.
- **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 (OHS).

**Job Notes:** Various Permanent Full-time positions and various locations are available. 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, complete the Location Nomination Form, Prohibited Employment Declaration and the Screening Consent Forms contained in the Information Package.

**Inquiries:** For information about the position, please e-mail: [adminreview.csc@community.nsw.gov.au](mailto:adminreview.csc@community.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 149 919 or email: [Dominic.Houghton@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Dominic.Houghton@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Applications Marked 'CONFIDENTIAL':** Post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466 Liverpool BC 1871 or apply on-line at: [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) or e-mail to: [JobsDOCS@bizlink.nsw.gov.au](mailto:JobsDOCS@bizlink.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007.

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Centrelink is part of the Human Services Portfolio working with the Department of Human Services and other Human Service Agencies to deliver Centrelink services to 6.5 million Australians. We employ people in a wide variety of challenging and interesting jobs around Australia. Merit based selections ensure we have a talented and diverse workforce with a broad range of skills and abilities. Applicants must be Australian citizens.

## Customer Service Advisers

APS 3 - 4 (Centrelink Band 2)

\$42,673 - \$53,047 pa (pro-rata for part time)

Various Full time and Part time Positions

Non-ongoing (temporary) & Ongoing (permanent)

Sydney Metropolitan Area

(Includes Northern beaches, Greater Western Sydney and Macarthur Region)

- Several vacancies at various locations.
- Locations and hours will be discussed at interview.

We are seeking self-motivated, computer literate team players with excellent communication skills and confidence in their ability to deliver quality customer service. You will need to have excellent problem solving and decision making skills as you will be working in challenging circumstances, brokering solutions and making decisions based on the individuals needs, policy, legislation and outcomes sought by government and client agencies.

A second language for some positions may be advantageous. People who are considering re-entering the workforce and who are interested in part-time work are encouraged to apply.

As a strong team player, you will deliver excellent customer service to our community, helping people from a diverse range of backgrounds access important government services.

Successful applicants may be offered either ongoing (permanent) or non-ongoing (temporary) contracts. Full and part time positions will be available. This selection exercise may be used to fill future vacancies.

Prior to the closing date for application Centrelink will conduct a number of Information Sessions. These sessions will provide you with further information about the role requirements and the application process. These sessions will take place in Parramatta and Sydney CBD. Details regarding dates, times and addresses of the sessions are listed on the IPA website, [www.ipa.com.au](http://www.ipa.com.au). Please note that you do not have to attend an information session in order to apply for these positions.

To apply please proceed to the website [www.ipa.com.au](http://www.ipa.com.au). Under the Job Search heading, please enter the job reference number 2015Sydney and complete the application as requested. Should you experience difficulties with your internet access, please call (02) 9220 6900 between the hours 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday EST.

**Closing Date:** COB 25 May 2007.

An Australian Workplace Agreement (AWA) with an attractive remuneration package is available to all prospective Centrelink employees.

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For selection documentation and more information about working at Centrelink, visit [www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au) and click on Careers



## Indigenous Graduate Opportunities 2008

The Australian Government is interested in recruiting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander university graduates for exciting career opportunities in the Australian Public Service (APS).

As an APS graduate, you will have the advantage of structured learning and development and on the job experience; a career kick-start to help you establish your professional journey.

By lodging a single application, you will be considered for all participating agency graduate programmes commencing in 2008.

Application material and further information can be found at: [www.apsc.gov.au/indigenous/graduates](http://www.apsc.gov.au/indigenous/graduates)

Or contact the Indigenous Employment Team via email [indrecruit@apsc.gov.au](mailto:indrecruit@apsc.gov.au)

**Applications close 15 June 2007**



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# 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
25/1897-1003	Solomon (Australia) Pty Ltd	1722.31ha	40km NEly of Kambalda	Lat 31°53' Long 121°55'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
26/3433-8	Golden Mile South Ltd	1169.40ha	27km Nly of Kambalda	Lat 30°57' Long 121°58'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
26/5438	Golden Mile South Ltd	33.85ha	18km SEly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°35'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
26/5440-42	Golden Mile South Ltd	532.19ha	17km SEly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°52' Long 121°34'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
46/1601	Wedgefield Mining Ltd	18.03ha	3km Ely of Nullagine	Lat 21°52' Long 120°08'	East Pilbara
46/1603-6	Wedgefield Mining Ltd	800ha	9km Ely of Nullagine	Lat 21°53' Long 120°11'	East Pilbara
77/5420	Vision Wistley Storage	~ 4070ha	125km Nly of Koolberrong	Lat 30°38' Long 119°25'	Manse

**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:** 9 May 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 **9 August 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. **9 September 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.

## PUBLIC NOTICE - MINING ACTIVITIES

### NOTICE OF INITIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES SA MINING ACT 1971 S63M

**TAKE NOTICE** that **OBAN ENERGY PTY LTD** (ACN 122 564 685) of 63 Conyngham Street, Glenside SA 5065 is the holder of Mineral Claim 3777 in respect of which area an application for a retention lease has or will be made and the company proposes to carry out mining operations on the said retention lease upon its grant, the area of which will incorporate land bounded as follows:

**Mineral Claim 3777:** Approximately 105km Northwest of Broken Hill the external boundaries of which are bounded as follows: Commencing at a point being the intersection of easting 479100mE and northing 6549646mN, thence East to easting 481376mE and northing 6549720mN, thence South-westerly to easting 479876mE and northing 6547876mN, thence Westerly to easting 479374mE and northing 6547892mN and North-westerly to the point of commencement.

**TOTAL AREA:** approximately 248.10ha.

All the within co-ordinates are expressed in terms of AGD66 Zone 54.

In this notice a reference to a tenement includes that tenement as subsequently granted, substituted, extended or re-granted and a reference to a party currently holding or being an applicant for a tenement includes successors and assigns of that party's interest in the tenement.

**THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE PROPOSED MINING OPERATIONS THAT ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT ON THE LAND ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Field leach trial involving in-situ leach mining for Uranium, including the construction of a test wellfield and process plant together with associated infrastructure including site office, reverse osmosis plant and laboratories.

**TAKE NOTICE** that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the land, there are no native title parties in relation to the land to which this notice relates **OBAN ENERGY PTY LTD** may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to Section 63N of the Mining Act, 1971 authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land and the conduct of mining operations on the land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land is invited to contact **OBAN ENERGY PTY LTD** through their legal advisers, McDonald Steed McGrath, Lawyers of 262-266 Pine Street, Adelaide SA 5000.

**TAKE NOTICE** that if within six (6) months from the initiation of negotiations, **OBAN ENERGY PTY LTD** and any native title parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment Resources and Development Court pursuant to Section 63S of the Mining Act, 1971 for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the land.

Oban Energy Pty Ltd  
c/- McDonald Steed McGrath Lawyers  
262 Pine Street, Adelaide SA 5000

Telephone: (08) 8223 5088  
Facsimile: (08) 8223 5290  
Contact Person: Abigail Steed

## PROPOSAL TO GRANT EXPLORATION PERMIT

SECTION 29 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (COMMONWEALTH)

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 Permit applications applied for under section 31 of the Petroleum Act 1967:

NUMBER	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	SHIRE
7/06-7 EP	BACKREEF OIL LIMITED NET OIL PTY LTD NORTHERN OILFIELD SERVICES PTY LTD	6017.5km <sup>2</sup>	The Application is located in the Great Sandy Desert in the vicinity of the Paroo Lakes. It has vertices at (Lat 29° 16' 54.95" S, Long 128° 50' 04.58" E), (Lat 29° 29' 54.93" S, Long 127° 20' 04.58" E), (Lat 21° 59' 54.95" S, Long 128° 50' 04.58" E) and (Lat 21° 59' 54.95" S, Long 127° 20' 04.58" E) and is of an irregular shape. It occupies an area of 6217.5km <sup>2</sup> and falls in the Shires of Halls Creek and East Pilbara.	Shire of Halls Creek 3676.4 km <sup>2</sup> (61%) Shire of East Pilbara 4341.1 km <sup>2</sup> (53%)
8/06-7 EP	BACKREEF OIL LIMITED NET OIL PTY LTD NORTHERN OILFIELD SERVICES PTY LTD	7042.1km <sup>2</sup>	The Application is located in the Great Sandy Desert approximately 40 kilometres south of Balgo Mission. It has vertices at (Lat 29° 29' 54.93" S, Long 127° 20' 04.58" E), (Lat 29° 29' 54.91" S, Long 128° 10' 04.58" E), (Lat 21° 14' 54.94" S, Long 127° 25' 04.63" E) and (Lat 21° 09' 54.91" S, Long 128° 15' 04.81" E) and is of an irregular shape. It occupies an area of 7042.1km <sup>2</sup> and falls in the Shire of Halls Creek.	Shire of Halls Creek (100%)
9/06-7 EP	BACKREEF OIL LIMITED NET OIL PTY LTD NORTHERN OILFIELD SERVICES PTY LTD	8675.4km <sup>2</sup>	The Application is located in the Great Sandy Desert in the vicinity of the Stansmore Range. It has vertices at (Lat 21° 14' 54.94" S, Long 127° 20' 04.63" E), (Lat 21° 09' 54.91" S, Long 128° 15' 04.81" E), (Lat 21° 59' 54.95" S, Long 127° 20' 04.58" E) and (Lat 22° 09' 54.93" S, Long 128° 00' 04.64" E) and is of an irregular shape. It occupies an area of 8675.4km <sup>2</sup> and falls in the Shires of Halls Creek and East Pilbara.	Shire of East Pilbara 8117.6 km <sup>2</sup> (94%) Shire of Halls Creek 558.8km <sup>2</sup> (6%)
10/06-7 EP	ROUGH RANGE OIL PTY LTD	1356.5km <sup>2</sup>	The Application is located approximately 60 kilometres north-east of Ordovox, in the vicinity of Morda Station. It has vertices at (Lat 29° 59' 55.22" S, Long 115° 50' 04.67" E), (Lat 29° 59' 55.21" S, Long 116° 00' 04.67" E), (Lat 21° 29' 55.28" S, Long 115° 30' 04.66" E) and (Lat 21° 29' 55.25" S, Long 115° 50' 04.66" E) and is of an irregular shape. It occupies an area of 1356.5km <sup>2</sup> and falls in State Internal Waters and in the Shires of Roebourne and Ashburton.	Shire of Roebourne 710km <sup>2</sup> (52%) Shire of Ashburton 256.3km <sup>2</sup> (19%) State Internal Waters 381.3km <sup>2</sup> (28%)

**Nature of the Act:** Grant of exploration permits, which authorises the applicant to explore for petroleum, and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the permit area for a term of 6 years from the date the grant becomes effective and may be renewed for a further 5 years.

**Notification Day:** 9th May 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 any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on **9th August 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 an application for native title determination to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The exploration permit may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **10th September 2007**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 in relation to the area of the exploration permit.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Petroleum and Petroleum Division, Department of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or free call 1800 693 767 (ask for extension 20817).

## Far West Legal Centre Community

The Far West community Legal Centre is looking for:

- A Principal Solicitor
- A Family Violence Worker
- Centre Coordinator

To head up a new service - Family Violence Prevention Legal Service.

**This is an Indigenous service and Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.**

**Employment Packages and all enquiries can be directed to:**  
Neville Gasnier on (08) 8088 2020.

Applicants need to address the selection criteria and forward their resumes marked confidential to the FWCLC. Applications close 25th May 2007.

www.dhs.vic.gov.au



## Manager, Aboriginal Early Years Services

Office for Children  
Early Years

Salary: \$82,864 - \$110,889 (+ Superannuation)

The Manager, Aboriginal Early Years Services leads a small team with responsibility for policy and program development, implementation and evaluation across early years services for Aboriginal children and their families including the Koorie Early Childhood Education Program and Aboriginal In-Home Support. The position is part of a management team that has responsibility for improving early years services so that they are better integrated, more inclusive, and evidence based. The successful applicant will have excellent management, communication and relationship-building skills. The position requires sound knowledge and experience of working with Aboriginal communities and services in Victoria.

If this opportunity appeals to you, you may wish to discuss it with Lesley Hubble DFP Recruitment on (03) 9096 0728. To apply online and view the job description, visit [www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers)

Please quote position Reference No.: OFC122812  
Closing date for applications is Tuesday, 15 May 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.au



## The Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service Brisbane Ltd (AICHS)

- Remuneration will be negotiated with the successful candidates based on skills and experience
- Community Health Organisation
- All positions are based at West End

## Female and Male Mental Health Worker

The Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service Brisbane Ltd (AICHS) provides a holistic approach to address the health and well being needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in Brisbane and surrounding areas.

We are seeking applications for both a Female and Male Mental Health Worker to provide a culturally appropriate counselling and support service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community in Brisbane and Surrounding areas.

This position is classified in accordance with the HSUA (Aboriginal Health Services) Award 1992 (classification level is dependent upon an assessment of skills, qualifications and experience).

Please contact Jenny Smith if you have specific queries about the vacancy (07) 3393 0055 or for a Position Description, please email [vacancy@aichs.org.au](mailto:vacancy@aichs.org.au) or contact Vicky Drahm on (07) 3393 0055.

## Male Sexual Health Worker

The Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service Brisbane Ltd (AICHS) provides a holistic approach to address the health and well being needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in Brisbane and surrounding areas.

We are seeking applications for a Male Sexual Health Worker to provide sexual health services and information, education and counselling to at risk and homeless youth in a culturally appropriate manner at AICHS Brisbane.

This position is classified in accordance with the HSUA (Aboriginal Health Services) Award 1992 (classification level is dependent upon an assessment of skills, qualifications and experience).

Please contact Keitha Rabbit if you have specific queries about the vacancy, on (07) 3393 0055 or for a Position Description, please e-mail [vacancy@aichs.org.au](mailto:vacancy@aichs.org.au) or contact Vicky Drahm on (07) 3393 0055.

## Stolen Generation Counsellor

The Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service Brisbane Ltd (AICHS) provides a holistic approach to address the health and well being needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in Brisbane and surrounding areas.

We are seeking applications for a Stolen Generation Counsellor. As part of the Stolen Generation initiative this position is to respond to the full range of emotional and social well being issues for a range of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, not exclusively those who are currently going through family reunion.

This position is classified in accordance with the HSUA (Aboriginal Health Services) Award 1992 (classification level is dependent upon an assessment of skills, qualifications and experience).

Please contact Jenny Smith if you have specific queries about the vacancy (07) 3393 0055 or for a Position Description, please email [vacancy@aichs.org.au](mailto:vacancy@aichs.org.au) or contact Vicky Drahm on (07) 3393 0055.

## Child & Youth Branch Manager

The Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service Brisbane Ltd (AICHS) provides a holistic approach to address the health and well being needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in Brisbane and surrounding areas.

We are seeking applications for Child & Youth Branch Manager to represent, coordinate and manage the functions of the Indigenous Youth and Family and Child Health Sections in order to maximise the efficiency and effectiveness of the services.

This position is classified in accordance with the HSUA (Aboriginal Health Services) Award 1992 (classification level is dependent upon an assessment of skills, qualifications and experience).

Please contact Mark Moore if you have specific queries about the vacancy, on (07) 3393 0055 or for a Position Description, please e-mail [vacancy@aichs.org.au](mailto:vacancy@aichs.org.au) or contact Kym Hearn on (07) 3393 0055.

Closing Date and Submission Details:

The closing date for all applications will be 4.30pm 23rd May 2007.

Please submit your Resume and application addressing the selection criteria for Confidential, Kym Hearn, HR & OD Advisor, Po Box 8112, Woolloongabba Qld 4102.

**AICHS is an equal employment opportunity employer and applies merit based selection techniques to ensure that the best person for the position is selected. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for vacant positions.**



**ADMIN/MANAGEMENT**

**Aboriginal Early Years Plan Implementation  
Manager (HSM Level 2)**

Ref: 06-283/1 Salary: \$67,446-\$79,995 pa  
Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and  
is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination  
Act 1997. Temp F/T up to 3 years with possibility of extension.  
Enq: Garth Alperstein, (02) 9515 9562. Closing Date: 25 May 2007.

For the above positions, please send applications to:  
Manager, Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 7950, Liverpool NSW 1571 or  
email: jobs@nswhealth.nsw.gov.au

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT**

**COURT SERVICES**

**COORDINATOR**

**ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY JUSTICE GROUP (ATJG)**  
Clerk, Grade 3-4, Maclean, Permanent Full-Time, Position  
Number AG07473. Total remuneration package valued to:  
\$60,163 p.a. (\$49,792-\$64,520). Employer's contribution to  
superannuation and annual leave loading.

The Aboriginal Community Justice Group Coordinator (ACJGC)  
supports and facilitates the activities of the local Aboriginal  
Community Justice Group. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality and  
Extensive knowledge of Aboriginal culture, particularly the  
culture of those communities of New South Wales; Knowledge of  
the New South Wales justice system; Ability to communicate  
effectively in writing and orally with people of all backgrounds;  
Experience in negotiating with community organisations,  
particularly Aboriginal communities; Experience in organising  
and presenting information sessions, workshops and other  
educational forums; Ability to manage projects; Current NSW  
driver's licence; Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This position is identified 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: 9228 7790.

**Inquiries:** Scott Hawkins (02) 9228 8623 Email:  
scott.hawkins@agd.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Scott Hawkins (02) 9228 8623.

**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 18 May 2007.

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**AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION OF AIDS  
ORGANISATIONS INC.**

ABN: 91 708 310 631

Position Vacant

**AFAO Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS  
and Sexual Health Project Administration Officer**

Part Time Position: 21 hours per week

Salary Range: \$40,184 - \$46,512 per annum, pro rata

Superannuation and leave loading are in addition to this salary range.

AFAO is also able to offer a fringe benefits tax-exempt component of the  
salary up to \$14,089 per annum, significantly enhancing the value of  
the salary.

AFAO is the national peak organisation representing the community  
response to HIV/AIDS. AFAO's members include AIDS councils, and  
organisations representing HIV-positive people, sex workers and  
injecting drug users.

AFAO is seeking a skilled individual to join the AFAO Aboriginal and  
Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS and Sexual Health Project Team in the  
position of **Administration Officer**.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Project is responsible for  
leading AFAO's work in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS  
and sexual health work, especially as it relates to gay, sistergirl and  
transgender people. This position is responsible for the coordination of  
administrative work supporting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander  
Project Team and associated advisory groups. A demonstrated  
understanding of current HIV/AIDS and sexual health related issues  
facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (especially ATSI gay  
men and sistergirls), demonstrated experience in working with  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander projects in community-based  
settings, as well as excellent communication skills and good writing  
skills, are essential.

**The successful applicant will be responsible for:**

- Working with AFAO projects and AFAO's members to improve  
understanding of, and services to, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander  
gay men and sistergirls;
- Working with members of the Indigenous Strategic Alliance (ISA) to  
support their volunteer work;
- Coordinating administrative processes for the Aboriginal and Torres  
Strait Islander Project work and the ISA;
- Undertaking sexual health education and project work relating to  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, nationally; and
- Providing advice to AFAO and its members on Aboriginal and Torres  
Strait Islander sexual health and related issues.

The position is an ongoing, part-time appointment (21 hours per week),  
subject to continuing funding from the Commonwealth Department of  
Health and Ageing.

This position is an identified Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander position,  
and applications are restricted to Indigenous Australians. The nature of  
the work also requires that the position be further identified for an  
Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person who is gay, sistergirl or  
transgender.

Employment will be subject to the terms and conditions of the AFAO  
Enterprise Agreement and AFAO Affirmative Action for Employees with  
HIV Policy.

All applicants must address each of the stated selection criteria as well  
as their ability to perform the duties of this position in their letter of  
application. This information is available on the AFAO Web site at  
www.afao.org.au, or may be obtained by contacting Andrew Sajben at  
AFAO on (02) 8588 1105 or asajben@afao.org.au

**Applications closer:** 5:00 pm, Tuesday, 29th May, 2007

# Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

## 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 Exploration Permits shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM15440	Approx. 56 km SSE from Forsyth Centred at Lat.19°04'S Long.143°46'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 201 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 62 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2589 z 2590 d, o, s, l, v, w, x, y, z 2660 p, u, z 2661 c, g, h, j, k, l, m, q, r, v 2662 a, b, c, d, e, j, k, o, p, r, s, t, w 2663 l 2732 d, e 2733 a, f, g, i, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2734 b, g, l, q, v	Pepinini Minerals Limited 101 714 989
EPM15801	Approx. 36 km ESE from Kidston Centred at Lat.19°05'S Long.144°26'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 94 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 29 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2597 k, p, u, z 2598 a, b, f, g, i, m, q, r, v, w 2669 e, k, p, u, z 2670 a, b, f, g, i, m, q, r, v, w	Pepinini Minerals Limited 101 714 989
EPM15849	Approx. 72 km W from Forsyth Centred at Lat.18°31'S Long.142°56'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 182 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Normanton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 56 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2147 n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2148 l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 2219 c, d, e, h, j, k, l, m, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 2220 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y	Thundelarra Exploration Ltd 085 782 994
EPM15915	Approx. 55 km E from Kidston Centred at Lat.18°54'S Long.144°41'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Etheridge and Dalrymple	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 185 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 57 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2185 z 2457 c, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2458 a, b, f, g, h, l, m, q, r 2527 z 2528 d, e, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2529 a, b, f, g, l, m, q, r, v, w	Anglo American Exploration (Australia) Pty Limited 006 195 982

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**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (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 Exploration Permits, 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) 3096 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 Exploration Permits. 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.

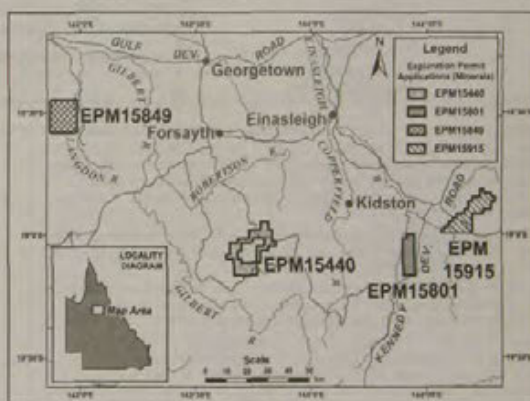
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qlidreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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) 3236 8200 or 1800 640 501.

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**Notification Day:** 30 May 2007



**Queensland Government**  
Natural Resources and Water



The Office Manager is the Executive Assistant for the Regional Director and is responsible for managing the provision of administrative services for customers, the management team and regional services, achieved by managing and leading a small team of administrative staff.

This is an exciting opportunity to develop and establish a team and organisation systems working for an innovative Aboriginal corporation delivering health services in local communities of the region.

Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Salary is equivalent to Manager Level 1, \$52,200 gross per annum.

For further enquiries and to obtain an application package, please contact Glenis Barnes, telephone 08 8082 9824 or email GBARNES@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au.

Closing date is 24 May 2007.

Maari Ma has a smoke free health care workplace policy and relevant criminal record checks are required prior to appointment.

## INDIGENOUS HEALTH PROMOTION OFFICER

Heart Foundation - Darwin

### Our Vision

Australians to have the best cardiovascular health in the world.

### Our Mission

Reduce suffering and death from heart, stroke and blood vessel disease in Australia.

### Position Purpose

An exciting role contributing to reducing the disparities in cardiovascular health between Indigenous people of the Northern Territory and the general population. Working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and key health stakeholders to improve services, promote supportive environments and to develop CVH programs and campaigns. Involves travel throughout the Northern Territory.

Attractive salary packaging is available.

**Special requirement:** Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position as per section 50Q of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984.

Written applications, addressing the essential criteria and including the names and contact details of two referees must be received by Sunday 20 May 2007.

A full position description is available from Glenys Tarrant by email glenys.tarrant@heartfoundation.com.au or by calling (08) 8981 1966.

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Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPM14751</b> This application consists of three separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 46 km SW from Rollingstone. Centred at Lat.19°15'S Long.146°01'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Dalrymple</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 172 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 53 (each 1°lat x 1°long) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2689 p, u, w, x, y, z 2690 f, g, h 2760 l, m, n, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 2761 a, b, d, e, f, j, k, l, m, p, q, r, v, w 2832 a, d, h, j, k, n, s, x, y 2833 a, f 2904 c, d, j, k, p 2905 l, q, r	<b>Seco Resource Finance Pty Ltd</b> 109 967 348
	<b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 36 km SW from Rollingstone. Centred at Lat.19°14'S Long.146°06'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Dalrymple</b>	<b>Area of Part 2:</b> 16 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 5 (each 1°lat x 1°long) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2762 q, r, v, w, x	
	<b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 57 km SW from Rollingstone. Centred at Lat.19°17'S Long.145°55'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Dalrymple</b>	<b>Area of Part 3:</b> 6 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 2 (each 1°lat x 1°long) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2831 k, p	
<b>EPM15777</b> This application consists of two separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 122 km W from Rollingstone. Centred at Lat.19°11'S Long.145°14'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Dalrymple</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 87 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 27 (each 1°lat x 1°long) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2750 c, j, k, o 2751 a, b, c, d, e, f, k, p 2752 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p	<b>Moggie Mining Pty Ltd</b> 104 324 576
	<b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 101 km WSW from Rollingstone. Centred at Lat.19°07'S Long.145°26'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Dalrymple</b>	<b>Area of Part 2:</b> 16 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 5 (each 1°lat x 1°long) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2682 a, f, l, q, v	

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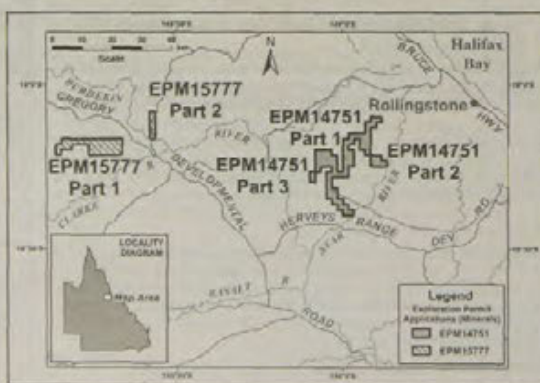
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Notification Day: 30 May 2007



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### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES

#### CORPORATE RECRUITMENT

## PSYCHOLOGIST/SPECIALIST PSYCHOLOGIST, WELLINGTON C.C.

Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07274. Total remuneration package valued to: \$90,749 p.a. (\$46,812-\$92,237) Remuneration includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. An environmental allowance of \$2,143 pa may apply during occupancy of this position.

Position provides a psychological service to offenders. **Selection Criteria:** Minimum four year qualification in psychology with current full or provisional registration with NSW Psychologists Registration Board. Knowledge and ability to apply current psychological literature relevant to assessment, treatment and research appropriate to work with offenders. Skills and experience in psychological assessment including writing reports. Ability to provide treatment to offenders including those with psychological disorders. Ability to apply functional analysis and behavioural management skills. Excellent communication and organisational skills. Possess a current NSW driver's licence and be willing and able to drive throughout NSW if required. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** For appointment as a Specialist Psychologist you must satisfy the additional selection criteria and qualifications detailed in the information package. Please ensure you address those criteria in your written application. Please ensure you read the Information package prior to submitting your written application. Certified copies of your qualifications and registration must be included with your written application. Applicants are required to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must submit a signed Applicant Declaration form with their application. Applicants must be willing to travel throughout the region covered by the Dubbo and Wellington Community Offender Services offices.

**Inquiries:** Anne Young, telephone: (02) 6332 2737 Email: Anne.young@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, telephone: (02) 6845 3730.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Human Resources Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Ground Floor, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

**Closing Date:** Friday 25 May 2007

### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES

#### CORPORATE RECRUITMENT

## CLASSIFICATION & CASE MANAGEMENT REVIEW COORDINATOR

Clerk Grade 5/6, Wellington Correctional Centre, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07275. Total remuneration package valued to: \$71,566 p.a. (\$58,777-\$64,854) Remuneration package includes employers contribution to superannuation and leave loading. An environmental allowance of \$2,143 pa also applies during occupancy of this position.

Responsible for the coordination of the offender classification process to assist in the appropriate management of offenders & for the preparation & collation of documentation pertaining to offenders & their management at the Correctional Centre.

**Selection Criteria:** Demonstrated capacity to understand and correctly apply policies and procedures in accordance with legislative requirements. Ability to maintain confidentiality at all times, and to have a sound understanding of and commitment to ethical work practices. Demonstrated capacity to appropriately respond to and manage sensitive and difficult calls from internal and external clients. Sound communication skills, including the ability to write reports. Sound computer skills with proficiency in office - based applications. Capacity to analyse information for accuracy, to identify inconsistencies, and to effect solutions. Ability to work as an effective team member in a high-volume and time - critical environment. Common selection criteria also apply. **Notes:** Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form.

**Inquiries:** Christine Taylor, telephone: (02) 9289 5055 Email: Christine.taylor@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, telephone: (02) 6845 3730.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Human Resources Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW

**Closing Date:** Friday 25 May 2007



No smoking in the workplace is Departmental policy.

The remuneration package quoted for the following position includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation scheme and annual leave loading. Applications are welcomed from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people from diverse cultures and people with a disability. All applicants must show a knowledge and understanding of Common Selection Criteria: equal employment opportunity, occupational health and safety, ethical practice and Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement, in their applications. Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement. General information about NSW Police Force can be found on our web site at [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

### CLERICAL OFFICER CRIMINAL RECORDS SECTION

Clerical Officer Grade 3/4, Parramatta, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number 07/5529. Total remuneration package valued to: \$53,430 p.a. (\$44,538-\$48,410). Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Provision of clerical support within the Criminal Records Section to ensure the accurate, timely collection and release of criminal records in accordance with state and federal legislation. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Demonstrated word processing skills and the ability to work in a high-volume work environment. Sound understanding of criminal justice terminology and processes. Sound written and oral communication skills. Demonstrated ability to prioritise work and meet strict deadlines. Ability to work in a team environment. Ability to utilise computer software programs. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This is a advertised position. Previous applications will be brought forward. This position is targeted under NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment and Development Initiative for the employment of an Aboriginal person in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. General information about NSW Police can be found on our website at [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

**Inquiries:** Louise Walker (02) 8835 7028 Email: [walk10u@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:walk10u@police.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Louise Walker on (02) 8835 7028.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Coordinator, Court Services, Criminal Records Section, Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2124.

**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007.

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### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT SENIOR CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER

Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07260. Total remuneration package valued to: \$89,178 p.a. (\$78,302-\$80,814). Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

This position is responsible for planning, monitoring, implementing & evaluating a range of nationally accredited courses, supervising teaching staff, and contributing to offender Case Management & Throughcare initiatives. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or Teaching. Experience teaching adults. Experience developing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating education and vocational training programs. Demonstrated knowledge of the Australian Quality Training Framework. Experience managing human and financial resources. Knowledge of and commitment to Case Management and Throughcare. Knowledge of relevant agencies and services. Demonstrated ability to work as part of a multi-disciplinary team. High level communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Applicants are requested to provide email addresses for two nominated referees, one of whom should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals of qualifications must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created and may be used to fill future permanent and temporary positions within the area.

**Inquiries:** Karen Banfield, phone: (02) 8346 1450 Email: [karen.banfield@dcs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:karen.banfield@dcs.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, phone: (02) 6845 3730.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Human Resources Officer, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

### CORRECTIONAL EDUCATION OFFICER

Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07261. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998). Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for assisting in the implementation & delivery of education & vocational training programs & providing administrative & case management support for these programs. This position may be required to teach OH&S and/or Forklift up to 10 hpw. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent. Degree, Diploma or Certificate IV in a vocational area which includes qualifications in OH&S and/or Forklift or equivalent. Experience teaching adults. Understanding of the New Apprenticeship and Traineeship System. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning area will meet both qualification criteria. Applicants are requested to provide email addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created and used to fill future permanent and temporary positions within the area.

**Inquiries:** David Gould, phone: 02 8346 1455 Email: [david.gould@dcs.nsw.gov.au](mailto:david.gould@dcs.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, phone: (02) 6845 3730.

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**Closing Dates:** Friday 18 May 2007.

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Kimberley Stolen  
Generation  
Aboriginal Corporation

## Link-Up Caseworker

Would you like to help Aboriginal people find family and be reunited?

We are seeking an Aboriginal person with an understanding of the removal/separation of Aboriginal people, with support/counselling and case management skills and great communication skills. This person will also be able to carry out research and investigate family records to help families reunite. Based in Broome, you will be travelling the Kimberley regularly, will have a current driver's license and experience with 4WD vehicle maintenance and handling.

Job Description and Position Requirements can be found and downloaded at: [www.kimberleystolengeneration.com.au](http://www.kimberleystolengeneration.com.au). Click on the Link-Up page.

To discuss this job call Raelene on 0400 936 501.

Applications close May 18, 2007.

Please submit a CV and a statement addressing all the Position Requirements.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification (Section 500).

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<b>EPM15897</b> This application consists of six separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 15 km NNE from Malbon Centred at Lat.20°58'S Long.140°24'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 26 km NE from Malbon Centred at Lat.20°58'S Long.140°32'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 22 km ENE from Malbon Centred at Lat.21°02'S Long.140°31'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 4:</b> Approx. 17 km ENE from Malbon Centred at Lat.21°01'S Long.140°28'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 5:</b> Approx. 29 km ENE from Malbon Centred at Lat.21°01'S Long.140°35'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 6:</b> Approx. 27 km E from Malbon Centred at Lat.21°04'S Long.140°34'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 38 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 12 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 821 j, n, o, p, s, t, u, y, z 822 l, v 894 a  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 19 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 6 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 822 u 823 b, o, q, r, s  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 10 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 3 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 895 f, l, q  <b>Area of Part 4:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 894 h  <b>Area of Part 5:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 895 k  <b>Area of Part 6:</b> 6 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Clermont <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 2 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 895 y	<b>Matrix Metals Limited</b> 082 593 235

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**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Mines and Energy or his delegate, PO Box 1475, COORPAROO, QLD 4151.

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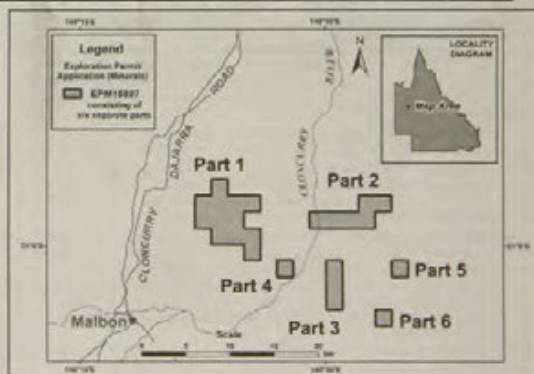
**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

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**Notification Day:** 30 May 2007



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Natural Resources and Water



## Strengths Based Practice in Children's Services Aboriginal Children's Services

### Project Facilitator

8 hrs per week - Fixed Term Contract

The Benevolent Society (TBS), in partnership with the Lady Gowrie Child Centre, Sydney (LGCC) has developed a strengths based family focused practice model for children's services to be implemented in the South Eastern Sydney Region. This position is responsible for working with Aboriginal specific children's services in South East Sydney to consult, develop and implement a model of service for these services. The project currently works with children's services in South East Sydney to build on their strengths and develop a common understanding of strengths based family centred practice while developing practical tools that will assist children's services staff in their work with colleagues, children and families. The project also works to enhance working relationships between children's services and other health, welfare and specialist services. The project has funds dedicated to working with Aboriginal children's services in the region.

The Project Facilitator will have primary responsibility for the establishment of relationships with services and in consultation with the project coordinator the development and implementation of the project in the South East Sydney Region.

For more information regarding this position contact: Karen Andrews on 0406 384 063 or go to our website. Applications should address the selection criteria and be submitted to: Karen Andrews, The Benevolent Society, 24 a Ocean St, Bondi NSW 2026 or karenan@bensoc.org.au with Project Facilitator - Strengths Based Project - Aboriginal Children's Services in the subject line.

## ABORIGINAL YOUTH WORKERS

MARIST YOUTH CARE  
Full-Time and Casual Positions

Applicants with the ability to work with young aboriginal people at the risk of homelessness are invited to apply for 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.

**Applications close 21st May 2007, previous applicants need not apply.**

**For an application package contact:** Lauren Knowles on 02 98530307 or email laurenk@maristyc.com.au  
Enquiries to Maxine Dabinett on 98329330 or email maxine@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.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER

Clerk Grade 1/2

Multiple Positions, Various Locations  
Metropolitan & Regional Positions  
Permanent Full-Time & Permanent Part-Time  
Vacancy No: 07DOCS7739

Total remuneration package valued up to \$53,430 per annum (salary \$44,538 pa to \$48,419 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** To support the provision of front line services to the community from Community Service Centres. To provide a range of client and administrative services that contribute to the effective delivery of quality services in a Community Service Centre.

### Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated capacity to provide a high level of client contact services and well developed interpersonal skills to work within a team.
- Capacity to develop an understanding of the functions of a CSC and DoCS' services as well as an awareness of the functions of other related human service organizations.
- General computer office skills, combined with a good working knowledge of Microsoft Office applications.
- Capacity to work well within an environment of fluctuating workloads and changing priorities.
- Capacity to develop a good working knowledge of DoCS financial, administration and other systems (e.g. KIDS, SAP Financials, SAP HR).
- Knowledge of office procedures and a capacity to understand and apply policies in undertaking administrative processes.
- Capacity to set up a range of office equipment (photocopiers, faxes, overhead projectors and printers) and to ensure operational efficiency of equipment for CSC staff.
- **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:** Various Permanent Full-time and Part-time positions and various locations are available. 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, complete the Location Nomination Form, Prohibited Employment Declaration and the Screening Consent Forms contained in the Information Package.

**Inquiries:** For information about the position, please e-mail: adminreview.csc@community.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Available on-line at our website: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact 1800 149 919 or email: Dominic Houghton@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

**Applications Marked 'CONFIDENTIAL':** Post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466 Liverpool BC 1871 or apply on-line at: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or e-mail to: JobsDOCS@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007.

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EPM15852	Approx. 103 km NW from Pentland Centred at Lat.19°51'S Long.144°43'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Darlington</b>	<b>Area:</b> 219 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 68 (each 1°Lat x 1°Long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 3248 y, z 3249 g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3250 q, v, w 3320 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u 3321 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 3322 a, b, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, t, s 3393 c, d, e	<b>Thundarra Exploration Ltd</b> <b>085 782 994</b>
EPM15853	Approx. 128 km NW from Pentland Centred at Lat.19°49'S Long.144°26'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: <b>Darlington and Flinders</b>	<b>Area:</b> 322 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 100 (each 1°Lat x 1°Long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 3173 t, u, y, z 3174 n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3175 l, q, v 3244 e, k, p, u, z 3245 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 3246 d, e, j, k, o, p, q, y 3316 e, k 3317 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, p, u 3318 a, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 3319 l, m, n, q, r, s, y, w, x 3390 c, d, e	<b>Thundarra Exploration Ltd</b> <b>085 782 994</b>

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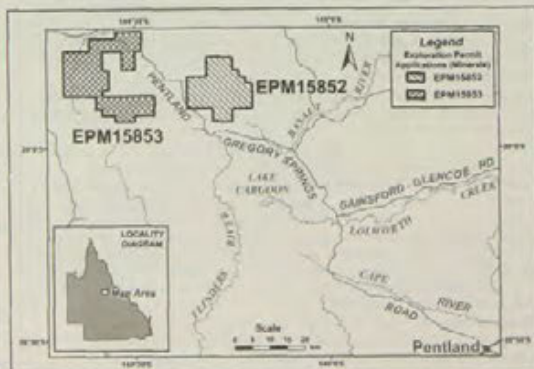
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Natural Resources and Water

## Client Service Officer

Clerk Grade 2/4

Various positions and locations

Greater Western Sydney

Temporary - full-time and part-time  
(The Department supports flexible work arrangements wherever possible.)

Position No: DOH-07-00487

Total remuneration package valued up to \$60,163 pa (salary \$47,127 pa - \$54,520 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Part Time Officer will be paid on a pro-rata basis.

**Job Description:** The Department of Housing is seeking highly motivated and flexible individuals who enjoy working with clients from different backgrounds and as part of an effective team providing quality service.

### SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Commitment to the principles of social housing.
- Understanding and responsiveness to the needs of people with special circumstances particularly Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders, people from non English speaking background and people with disabilities.
- Ability to identify client needs, apply housing eligibility criteria and provide appropriate assistance.
- Decision-making skills.
- Skills in interviewing, negotiation and conflict resolution.
- Ability to communicate information orally and in writing (including writing reports and submissions) in a style appropriate to the intended audience.
- Ability to prioritise and carry out a range of tasks under competing demands.
- Computer literacy and current Driver's License.
- **Common Selection Criteria:** Knowledge and understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S).

**Job Notes:** All applicants need to include details of at least 2 referees who have supervised their work currently or in the past. Additional referees may be provided if they wish to do so. An eligibility list will be created to fill future vacancies. Applicants MUST obtain the Information Package, which contains complete details about the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST complete the application form and provide a current resume if available.

**Inquiries:** Lea Toohy (02) 9796 9328, Paul Falcone (02) 9754 6825, Joy Sneyesby (02) 4721 6401.

**Information package:** Please call 1800 502 766

**Applications to:** Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW Businesslink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871 or apply on-line at: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or email: JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

**Closing Date:** 18 May 2007



## Are You Interested in Serving Christ in Sydney's West?

The Anglican Church in Sydney is looking for an Indigenous committed Christian to carry on the work at the Koon Church at Tregear. Over the last eight years Rev Neville Naden and Rev Rick Marlon of the Presbyterian Church have pastored this Church in an area of Sydney with a large Indigenous population. Neville has moved and a replacement team member is being sought.

The Anglican Church provides an income, allowances and rent-free accommodation. Assistance may be provided for further Bible/Theological training at a college considered appropriate by the Diocese.

The Anglican Church supports two other Indigenous ministries at Redfern and at Macarthur, near Campbelltown.

If you believe you have preaching and pastoral skills and feel called to this kind of ministry, please write to Pastor Ray Minniecon, mobile 0417 929 701 or address, 115 Young Street Redfern, 2016.

## DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES CORPORATE RECRUITMENT FINANCE OFFICER WELLINGTON C.C.

Clerk Grade 3/4, Wellington Correctional Centre, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07263. Total remuneration package valued to: \$60,163 p.a. (\$49,792-\$54,520) Total remuneration package includes salary range \$49,792pa to \$54,520pa employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. An Environmental allowance (currently \$1,072pa) applies during the occupancy of this position.

Responsible to the Finance Manager for the effective, efficient and quality delivery of services through a range of administrative and accounting functions to Wellington Correctional Centre and timely payments for inmate accounts and wages. **Selection Criteria:** Extensive knowledge and experience in accounting principles, practices and procedures. Efficient and accurate data entry and keyboard skills. Experience in banking procedures. Sound knowledge of Public Finance & Audit Act and Treasurer's Directions. Demonstrated computer literacy and experience in the use and application of software associated with accounting functions. Well developed communication, interpersonal and organisational skills. Proven ability to work as part of a team and with minimum supervision. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Applicants must submit a signed Applicant Declaration form with their application, provide phone numbers and e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor.

**Inquiries:** Michael Kneipp, phone: (02) 6845 3730 Email: michael.kneipp@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Michael Kneipp, phone: (02) 6845 3730, michael.kneipp@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Human Resources Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Ground Floor, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

## ADMINISTRATIVE & WAREHOUSE OFFICER

Clerical Officer Grade 3/4, Wellington Correctional Centre, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07264. Total remuneration package valued to: \$53,430 p.a. (\$44,538-\$48,419) Total remuneration package includes salary range \$44,538pa to \$48,419pa employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. An Environmental allowance (currently \$2,143pa) applies during the occupancy of this position.

Responsible for a wide range of warehouse functions in order to co-ordinate the receipt and dispatch activities for the Wellington Correctional Centre. **Selection Criteria:** Sound knowledge and experience in warehouse/stores operations and procedures especially in relation to the receipt, storage and delivery of goods. Experience in safe handling of goods and materials in accordance with the occupational health & safety act and approved manual handling practices. Data entry skills and computer skills. Ability to work as part of a small team. Well developed interpersonal, communication and organisational skills. Possession of a current NSW Drivers Licence. Possession of a current forklift licence. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This position operates in a Correctional Complex and has regular and direct contact with offenders. Lifting is a regular requirement in this position. Applicants must submit a signed Applicant Declaration form with their application and are also requested to provide email addresses for two nominated referees; at least one should be a current or recent supervisor.

**Inquiries:** John Goodman (02) 6845 3730 Email: John.goodman@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** John Goodman@dcs.nsw.gov.au phone: (02) 6845 3730.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Human Resources Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Ground Floor, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW 2001.

## TEAM LEADER OFFENDER RECORDS

Clerk Grade 5/6, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07265. Total remuneration package valued to: \$71,556 p.a. (\$58,777-\$64,854) Total remuneration package includes salary + employers contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Manage and coordinate the activities of a team to undertake data recording processes relating to the reception, discharge and transfer of offenders in the centre. **Selection Criteria:** Extensive working knowledge and experience in the interpretation of legislation. Proficiency and skills in verifying and checking data. Proven supervisory skills and the ability to lead a team to meet strict deadlines in a high volume of work environment. Sound communication, conflict resolution and analytical skills. Understanding of the NSW criminal justice system. Extensive experience with computerised databases. Common selection criteria also apply. Common selection criteria also apply.

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**Inquiries:** Michael Kneipp, phone: (02) 6845 3730 Email: michael.kneipp@dcs.nsw.gov.au

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**Closing Dates:** Friday 18 May 2007.



## Assistant Collection Manager Australian Ethnographic Collections

Do you have experience in caring for Aboriginal artefacts? • Do you want to work in a museum?  
Are you of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent?

If the answer is yes, then you are invited to work with a team that:

- is responsible for the care and management of the Museum's Australian Aboriginal collection according to established standards and cultural protocols
- Assists the Aboriginal Community and researchers with appropriate access to the collection
- Supports research on the collection related to the development of exhibitions, publications and other public programs

The position is offered to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates (VCAT exemption A37/2007) as a fulltime and ongoing position.

### Further information

<http://museumvictoria.com.au/about/employment.asp> or contact Melanie Raberts on (03) 8341 7375.

Applications must address the Key Selection Criteria and be sent (in MS Word format) to [jobs@museum.vic.gov.au](mailto:jobs@museum.vic.gov.au) or to Human Resources, Museum Victoria, GPO Box 666, Melbourne VIC 3001, specifying position number MV0381.

### Applications close:

Wednesday 23rd May 2007 COB.

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EPM15851	Approx. 117 km NE from Kjabbi Centred at Lat.19°22'S Long.140°54'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area: 36 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 11 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 2915 g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p 2916 a, f, i	Anglo American Exploration (Australia) Pty Limited 006 195 982
EPM15872	Approx. 137 km NE from Kjabbi Centred at Lat.19°05'S Long.140°57'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: Carpentaria and Cloncurry	Area: 49 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 15 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 2627 l, m, q, r, v, w 2699 a, b, c, d, e 2700 a, f, i, q	Falcon Minerals Limited 009 256 535

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**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1a, 22nd August, 2003.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (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 Exploration Permits, 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 Exploration Permits. 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, 229 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

**Expedited Procedure:** The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 229 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

**Notification Day:** 30 May 2007



Queensland Government  
Natural Resources and Water



## SOUTH COAST MEDICAL SERVICE ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

### Men's Koori Drug and Alcohol Outreach Workers

(Shoalhaven and Bega Valley Shires)

Two Part Time Permanent Positions

Applications are sought for the positions of Koori Men's Drug and Alcohol Outreach Worker to cover the Shoalhaven and the Bega Valley Shire.

The Outreach Workers will be required to work as part of a responsive and dedicated substance use and wellbeing team, and in partnership with other services in the region.

The Outreach Workers will provide casework services including visiting services to outlying communities. They will provide and/or organise group work and community education programs and support other organisations and communities in the region with development of projects and services.

Aboriginal men are encouraged to apply.

For further information: For Bega Valley Shire contact Stephen Kelly on (02) 4476 2155. For Shoalhaven Shire contact Kerry Mooney on (02) 4447 8037.

Salary will be negotiated with the successful applicant/s dependant on qualifications and/or experience.

Closing Date: by COB 19th May 2007.

Applications should include the application form, a CV and responses to the selection criteria including listing two recent referees who can be contacted to comment on your work.

Send the application by 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.

## Men's Family Violence Workers

In the North and Western Region of Melbourne an Indigenous Family Violence Healing Service is being developed by three key stakeholders.

Including Maya Living Free Healing Association, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service, and supportive stakeholder Elizabeth Hoffman House Aboriginal Health Service.

The Healing Service will provide Case Management, Intake & Assessment and Support to men and perpetrators of Family Violence. The Indigenous Men's Healing Service will take the holistic approach and provide early intervention, prevention and referrals to appropriate services.

There are three positions available for people with qualifications and experience working with men and perpetrators of family violence. Act 1995 has been approved for these positions to be Male specific positions.

### Type

- 3 x Permanent Full-Time
- Intake and Assessment Worker (Maya)
- Case Management Worker (Maya)
- Healing Service Support Worker (VAHS)

### Locations

- 2 x Maya Living Free Healing Association in Thornbury
- 1 x Victorian Aboriginal Health Service in Fitzroy

### Salary

SACS Award, Community Development Worker starting at level/class 2.

For Selection criteria and information packages about the above positions, please contact John Sheppard during business hours on 03 9480 1111.

All applications need to be submitted by Wednesday 23rd May.

## DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES

### CORPORATE RECRUITMENT

## TEACHER (ABORIGINAL) LITERACY & NUMERACY

TEACHER (Aboriginal), Literacy & Numeracy, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07266. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for delivering accredited Literacy & Numeracy programs to Aboriginal inmates, and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality, Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent, Degree or Graduate Diploma which includes Literacy & Numeracy subjects, or equivalent. Experience teaching adults. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning area will meet both qualification criteria. Consideration will be given to job sharing by two part-time applicants. In this position the applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created.

**Inquiries:** Jo McAlpin, phone: (02) 8346 1458 Email: jo.mcalpin@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, phone: (02) 6845 3730.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential':** To: Human Resource Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW.

## TEACHER

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

TEACHER, Information Technology, Wellington Correctional Centre, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07266. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for delivering accredited Information Technology programs to inmates and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent, Degree, Diploma or Certificate IV in Information Technology or equivalent. Experience teaching adults. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** Consideration will be given to job sharing by two part-time applicants. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created.

**Inquiries:** David Gould, phone: (02) 8346 1455 Email: david.gould@dcs.nsw.gov.au

**Information Packages:** Linda Ernst, phone: (02) 6845 3730.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential':** To: Human Resource Officer, Corporate Recruitment Unit, Department of Corrective Services, GPO Box 31, Sydney NSW.

## TEACHER, LITERACY & NUMERACY

TEACHER, Literacy & Numeracy, Wellington, Permanent Full-Time, Vacancy Number 07269. Total remuneration package valued to: \$76,139 p.a. (\$61,549-\$68,998) Total remuneration package includes employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

Responsible for delivering accredited Literacy and Numeracy programs to inmates and providing administrative and case management support for these programs. **Selection Criteria:** Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education or equivalent, Degree or Graduate Diploma which includes Literacy and Numeracy subjects or equivalent. Experience teaching adults. Demonstrated knowledge of quality assurance practices which comply with national standards. Ability to provide flexible course delivery to meet learner needs and institutional constraints. Ability to undertake administrative duties related to teaching. Understanding of Case Management and Throughcare strategies. Ability to work effectively as part of a multi-disciplinary team. Well developed interpersonal and communication skills. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** A Degree or Graduate Diploma in Education which includes teaching subjects in the core learning area will meet both qualification criteria. Consideration will be given to job sharing by two part-time applicants. Applicants are requested to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which should be a current or recent supervisor. Applicants must include a signed Applicant Declaration form and copies of qualifications and academic transcripts. Originals must be brought to interview. Note that overseas qualifications must be accompanied with relevant statement of Australian equivalent. An eligibility list may be created.

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**Closing Dates:** Friday 18 May 2007.

## 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 25879 sought by AGRICOLA RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 111 720 597 over an area of 62 Blocks (181 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the FLYNN locality.



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Exploration Licence 25950 sought by AGRICOLA RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 111 720 597 over an area of 34 Blocks (98 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the SHORT RANGE locality.



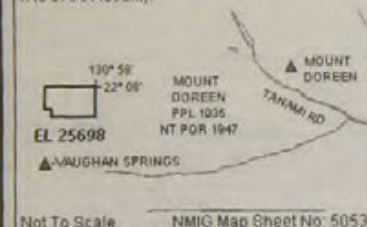
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Exploration Licence 25875 sought by BLUEKE99LE PTY LTD, ACN 116 988 508 over an area of 71 Blocks (226 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the DENISON locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5353

Exploration Licence 25698 sought by DEEP YELLOW LIMITED, ACN 006 391 948 over an area of 27 Blocks (86 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5053

Exploration Licence 25701 sought by DEEP YELLOW LIMITED, ACN 006 391 948 over an area of 416 Blocks (1246 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the CHILLA locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5054

Exploration Licence 25941 sought by DEEP YELLOW LIMITED, ACN 006 391 948 over an area of 162 Blocks (484 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the YALOGARRIE locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5154

Exploration Licence 25954 sought by DEEP YELLOW LIMITED, ACN 006 391 948 over an area of 147 Blocks (417 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the TURNERS DOME locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5254

Exploration Licence 25691 sought by TIANDA RESOURCES (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD, ACN 121 166 274 over an area of 91 Blocks (292 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the ELKEORA locality.



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Exploration Licence 25735 sought by WHITVISTA PTY LTD, ACN 074 751 992 over an area of 316 Blocks (1010 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MOUNT PEAKE 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 Centrepnt 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:** 09 May 2007



## JOIN OUR TEAM

Have you got the skills we need?  
Want to work in a flexible and professional environment?

The North Coast Institute encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for our vacant positions.

Check our website on:

[www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm](http://www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm)



## Chief Executive Officer

(readvertised)

(\$110,000 - \$130,000 pa)

Gurung Land Council (Aboriginal Corporation) is the Native Title Representative Body for Central Queensland based in Bundaberg. GLC(AC) assists indigenous people with land interests in Central Queensland under the Native Title Act, the Aboriginal Land Act and the Indigenous Land Fund and also acts for indigenous people in mining, tourism and other infrastructure projects.

The Gurung Land Council (AC) is looking to recruit a suitably qualified professional as Chief Executive Officer. Competitive remuneration package including salary sacrifice and excellent working conditions are available for the successful applicant. The Chief Executive Officer has primary responsibility for the establishment and management of all the resources and activities of the Gurung Land Council (AC). This position effectively manages staff, finances and assets, implements policy decisions, reports on NTRB activities and ensures all constitutional and legislative functions are met. Applicants should have a demonstrated knowledge and understanding of current Native Title issues, an awareness of indigenous land issues, proven track record in all aspects of management and strong communication.

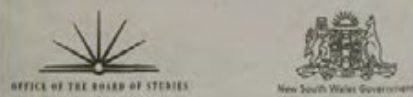
**Gurung Land Council**  
(Aboriginal Corporation)  
Native Title Representative Body  
ABN: 43 505 234

A full position description and selection criteria is available by contacting Norelle Watson on telephone (07) 41 533 990 or by email on [nwatson@gicac.com.au](mailto:nwatson@gicac.com.au)

Applications must be marked "Private and Confidential" and mailed to: The Principal Legal Officer Gurung Land Council (Aboriginal Corporation) PO Box 1551 Bundaberg Q 4670

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON 18 May 2007

Gurung Land Council (Aboriginal Corporation) is an equal opportunity employer and encourages indigenous people to apply.



## Curriculum Support Officer

Clerk Grade 3/4, Curriculum Branch  
Position No: BOS/223

Salary: Total remuneration package valued to \$60,163 per annum includes salary (\$49,792 - \$54,520 per annum), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Location: Sydney

Job Status: Permanent Full time

Responsibilities:

Provides a broad range of administrative support functions to curriculum project teams and work units across the Branch.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Excellent interpersonal and written communication skills including capacity to prepare briefing notes, reports, meeting minutes, Ministerial and general correspondence.
- Knowledge and organisational skills in budgeting, monitoring and public sector accounting processes and in records management.
- Experience in providing advice to clients and the general public.
- Proven ability and the flexibility to work independently and across branch teams.
- Capacity to take initiative in workplace situations within a framework of government legislation.
- Ability to use Windows based office applications such as MS Word, Excel and Access.
- Knowledge and understanding of equal employment opportunity (EEO).
- Knowledge and understanding of ethical practice.
- Knowledge and understanding of Ethnic Affairs Priority Statement (EAPS).
- Knowledge and understanding of occupational health and safety (OHS).

Job Notes:

In accordance with Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1979, an applicant's Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for this position.

Enquiries: Kevin Lowe (02) 9367 8196 or e-mail: [kevin.lowe@bos.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kevin.lowe@bos.nsw.edu.au)

Closing Date: 25 May 2007

Information Package: Maria Almeida (02) 9367 8277 or e-mail: [maria.almeida@bos.nsw.edu.au](mailto:maria.almeida@bos.nsw.edu.au)

Applications To: Personnel/Payroll Officer, Office of the Board of Studies, GPO Box 5300, Sydney NSW 2001, or you can apply on-line at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)



## WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Looking for an organisation which supports and encourages career development, personal and professional growth, appreciates the importance of work/life balance, recognises and rewards performance and embraces change?

Such an organisation would indeed be an employer of choice - Wollongong City Council is your employer of choice!

Visit Council's website [www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au](http://www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au) to view all current positions vacant, selection criteria & job descriptions. Applications should be in writing, explaining clearly how you meet the Selection Criteria. Envelopes to be marked "JOB APPLICATION - PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL" and addressed to the Manager Human Resources, Locked bag 8821, Wollongong NSW 2500, via email to [jobs@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jobs@wollongong.nsw.gov.au) or faxed to 4226 9834.

Wollongong City Council is committed to the principles of employment equity and diversity.

## Community Development Worker Aboriginal Services

(Temporary appointment - up to 10 months)

(This position is available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons and is authorised under section 126 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977).

Salary up to \$1,196.05 per week (plus superannuation)

Depending upon qualifications and experience

Recruitment No: 07050

We are seeking a Community Development Worker to plan and facilitate the development of programs and services for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

To succeed in this role you will need well developed communication and interpersonal skills, a good understanding of community development and the ability to deliver identified programs and services.

For further information please contact Tracy Venagias on (02) 4227 7222.

Applications close 31 May 2007.

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Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 25846 sought by BLUEKEBBLE PTY LTD, ACN 116 988 509 and REDSTONE METALS PTY LTD, ACN 106 360 678 over an area of 69 Blocks (228 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the KILDURK locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 4865

Exploration Licence 25847 sought by BLUEKEBBLE PTY LTD, ACN 116 988 509 and REDSTONE METALS PTY LTD, ACN 106 360 678 over an area of 66 Blocks (213 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MONTEJINNI locality.



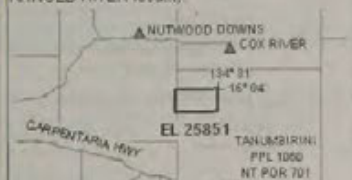
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Exploration Licence 25849 sought by BLUEKEBBLE PTY LTD, ACN 116 988 509 and REDSTONE METALS PTY LTD, ACN 106 360 678 over an area of 155 Blocks (512 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the MIDDLE CREEK locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 5465

Exploration Licence 25851 sought by BLUEKEBBLE PTY LTD, ACN 116 988 509 and REDSTONE METALS PTY LTD, ACN 106 360 678 over an area of 72 Blocks (238 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the ARNOLD RIVER locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 5765

Exploration Licence 25933 sought by BRUMBY RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 118 522 124 over an area of 71 Blocks (230 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the WEARYAN locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 6265

Exploration Licence 25898 sought by CORPORATE DEVELOPMENTS PTY LTD, ACN 009 610 271 over an area of 26 Blocks (39 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the NOONAMAH locality.



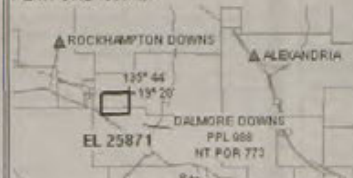
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Exploration Licence 25881 sought by RESOURCE HOLDINGS (WA) PTY LTD, ACN 079 106 684 over an area of 84 Blocks (211 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 6 years, within the KEEP locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 4766

Exploration Licence 25871 sought by RM & CO. NOMINEES PTY LTD, ACN 088 732 129 over an area of 117 Blocks (379 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 5 years, within the PLAYFORD locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 6059

Exploration Licence 25872 sought by RM & CO. NOMINEES PTY LTD, ACN 088 732 129 over an area of 143 Blocks (470 Sq Kms) depicted below, for a term of 5 years, within the BEETALOO locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No. 5663

**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 Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995322.

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**Notification Day:** 09 May 2007



**Aboriginal Sexual Health Education Officer (Graduate or Non-Graduate)**Temporary Part Time, 24 hpw for 2 yrs  
JH No: 07/108

Salary: \$23,009 to \$48,001 per annum

This position is responsible for the development, implementation and evaluation of a culturally specific health education program for Aboriginal people in custody regarding blood borne and sexually transmissible infections. Justice Health considers that being an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander male is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under section 14 and section 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Enquiries: Mr Gary Forrest on 0408 273 465

Closing Date: 18 May 2007

Applicants require an information package and application form from the Employee Services Unit (02) 9289 2978 or 9289 2966. Applications for Justice Health, PO Box 150, Maitland NSW 2038.

NSW Health Service - Justice Health Division is committed to CHAS, CEO, Ethical Practices, and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. Personal criminal records checks will be conducted. Prohibited persons as declared under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 are not eligible to apply for child-related employment.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

**SELECTION CRITERIA****Essential criteria**

The successful candidate will need to address the following criteria in their application:

- Broad experience in Community Broadcasting, Code of Conduct and Defamation Laws.
- High level oral and written communications and computer skills in both PC and Mac environments (including Word, Excel, Access & Outlook), Simian Radio Computer Programs.
- Good office and financial management skills, knowledge of MYOB an advantage.
- Experience in the preparation of funding submissions, the monitoring of grant conditions and budgets, and reporting to funding bodies.
- A commitment to Indigenous political and social movements.
- An ability to manage staffing issues.
- An ability to oversee the recruitment and training of volunteers.
- An ability to report to a board of management of a community

**STATION MANAGER**

- organisation.
- An ability to provide the best outcome from scarce resources.

**Desirable criteria**

The following qualities would also be an advantage:

- Highly developed business management skills - both operational and strategic
- A demonstrated ability to liaise with a broad range of community organisations especially those involving indigenous communities.
- Knowledge of the broad range of funding options available to non-profit organisations.
- Conflict management skills.
- Experience producing, directing and overseeing outside broadcasting.

Aboriginal &amp; Torres Strait Islander persons are encouraged to apply.

Applications close COB:

18/05/07.

**Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus Project Officer**

Salary \$52,000 pa

The Aboriginal Health Council of WA (AHCWA) is the peak representative body for Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHO) in Western Australia. AHCWA has been funded for a new position 'Sexual Health and Blood Borne Virus Project Officer'.

**Some of the key roles of this position are:**

- Provide secretariat duties for the WA Indigenous Sexual Health Advisory Committee
- Provide support for member organisation sexual health programs including assisting members (if needed) with project reporting
- Provide policy advice for ACCHO sector
- Promote partnership and linkages between organisations in the sexual health and BBV sector

Applicants are encouraged to contact Michelle Barbaro for an application package on 08 9227 1631 or by email michelle.barbaro@ahcwa.org.

For further information about the project please contact Michael Doyle at AHCWA on 08 9227 1631.

Applications close Monday 28th May 2007.

**NSW POLICE FORCE***'No smoking' in the workplace is Departmental policy.*

The remuneration package quoted for the following position includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation scheme and annual leave loading. Applications are welcomed from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people from diverse cultures and people with a disability. All applicants must show a knowledge and understanding of Common Selection Criteria: equal employment opportunity, occupational health and safety, ethical practice and Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement, in their applications. Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous Criminal History Record check prior to commencement. General information about NSW Police can be found on our web site at [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

**ABORIGINAL FAMILY VIOLENCE OFFICER**

Clerk Grade 9/10, Parramatta, Permanent Full-Time, Position Number 07/5502. Total remuneration package valued to: \$92,591 p.a. (\$76,142-\$83,907) Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Support operational Police through design, implementation and evaluation of innovative policy and programs which respond to Aboriginal family violence. **Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality and sound knowledge of Aboriginal heritage, culture and society. Relevant tertiary qualifications or demonstrated practical experience in a related field. Knowledge of issues related to Aboriginal family violence, law enforcement and their impact on Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system. Proven research, analytical, problem solving and word processing skills. Demonstrated high level oral and written communication skills. Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain networks with key stakeholders. Demonstrated ability to review, prepare and advise on briefings, submissions, reports and correspondence. Hold a current full driver's licence with a clear driving record for the past 12 months & prepared to travel. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This is an Aboriginal identified position and forms part of the NSW Police Aboriginal Employment Strategy. Applicants must obtain an information package and address all selection criteria in the advertisement. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification in terms of Sections 9 and 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. All applicants must include date of birth and other supporting documentation. Applications are encouraged from both females and males. General information about NSW Police can be located on our website at [www.police.nsw.gov.au](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au)

**Inquiries:** Peter Lalor (02) 8835 9129 0412017117 Email: [lalor1pet@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lalor1pet@police.nsw.gov.au)

**Information Packages:** Rob Logan on (02) 8263 6506.

**Applications Marked 'Confidential' To:** Rob Logan, Commissioner's Inspectorate, Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2124.

Closing Date: Friday 06 June 2007.

**Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits****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 Exploration Permits shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM15811	Approx. 70 km SE from Duchess Centred at Lat.21°51'S Long.140°18'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area: 318 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 100 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 1468 a, h, c, d, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1509 c, k, p, u, z 1540 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1611 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, o, t, y 1612 b, c, d, e, h, j, k, o, p, t, u 1683 d, j, o, t, y, z 1684 h, j, m, n, o, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1685 p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1756 b, c, d, e, g, h	Krucible Metals Pty Ltd 118 788 846
EPM15831	Approx. 59 km SE from Duchess Centred at Lat.21°50'S Long.140°08'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry	Area: 550 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 173 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 1467 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 1537 a, h, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1538 a, h, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1539 a, h, c, d, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y 1609 d, e, k, p, u, z 1610 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 1611 a, f, l, m, n, q, r, s, v, w, x 1682 a, h, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1683 a, h, c, f, g, h, l, m, n, q, z, s, v, w, x	Krucible Metals Pty Ltd 118 788 846
EPM15833	79 km SE from Dajarra Centred at Lat.22°10'S Long.140°05'E Local Authority (Shires) within the area: Cloncurry and Boulia	Area: 677 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 213 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 1753 u, y, z 1754 h, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1755 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 1756 a, f, l, m, q, r, v, w, x, z 1824 o, p, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1825 d, e, j, k, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1826 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 1827 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 1828 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 1895 p, t, u, w, y, z 1896 b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1897 b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z	Krucible Metals Pty Ltd 118 788 846
EPM15834	Approx. 92 km SE from Dajarra Centred at Lat.22°15'S Long.140°10'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: Cloncurry and Boulia	Area: 635 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 200 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 1897 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 1898 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 1899 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 1900 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 1969 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 1970 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 1971 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 1972 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	Krucible Metals Pty Ltd 118 788 846
EPM15835	Approx. 94 km SE from Dajarra Centred at Lat.22°20'S Long.140°08'E Local Authority (Shires) within the area: Boulia and Cloncurry	Area: 633 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Cloncurry Number of Sub-blocks: 200 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 1968 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 2039 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 2040 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 2041 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 2042 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 2043 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 2044 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 2045 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	Krucible Metals Pty Ltd 118 788 846

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## Lismore Aboriginal Women and Children's Refuge

The Lismore Aboriginal Women and Children's Refuge has recently been restructured and is inviting applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women for the following positions:

### Manager

(Permanent 38hr/wk, Job share 3 days/wk)  
SAC Award Grade 6

We are seeking two (2) experienced women to job share the Managers position. The role requires demonstrated management experience and to ensure the Refuge provides a culturally appropriate and professional

response to women and children who are victims of family violence and/or sexual assault.

### 3 x General Support Positions

(Permanent part-time 25hr/wk)  
SAC Award Grade 3

To provide a culturally appropriate response to women and children who are victims of family violence and/or sexual assault. This includes supportive counselling, practical support, referral and advocacy.

### Housekeeper/Cleaner Position

(Permanent part-time 12hrs/wk)  
SAC Award Grade 2

Position requires good organisational skills and experience in household management and to attend to the cleaning needs of the Refuge.

Closing Date: 16th May 2007.

Enquiries and application packages contact: Felicia Collier or Pat MacArthur on (02) 6621 5187.

To be Aboriginal is a genuine requirement for these positions under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Successful applicants will be required to undergo a "working with children's check" and a Police criminal record check.

## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

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The approximate area of a Block is 80 square kilometres. 1456 Blocks, which are individually numbered from 1 to 1456, 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 1456) 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 Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the *General Conditions Version 1*, 1st October, 2001 and *Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a)*, 22nd August, 2001.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (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 Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woollongabba, 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 Exploration Permits. 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.

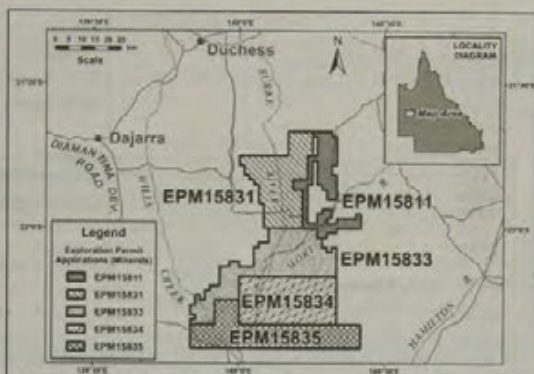
Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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.

**Expedited Procedure:** The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

**Notification Day: 30 May 2007**



**Queensland Government**  
Natural Resources and Water

## NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

1. HILTABA GOLD PTY LTD (ACN 099 086 683) of Level 7 Exchange Tower, 530 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria 3000, mining operator, proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land (land):

### DESCRIPTION OF AREA

The land is located in the State of South Australia, approximately 20 km southeast of Woomera, in the WINDABOUT AREA and is the land bounded as follows:

#### AREA A

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°15'S and longitude 136°54'E, thence east to longitude 137°06'E, south to latitude 31°25'S, west to longitude 137°00'E, south to latitude 31°29'S, west to longitude 136°54'E, and north to the point of commencement.

#### AREA B

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°28'S and longitude 137°09'E, thence east to longitude 137°14'E, south to latitude 31°40'S, west to longitude 137°09'E, and north to the point of commencement.

All the within latitudes and longitudes are geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

AREA: 598 square kilometres approximately.

2. The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralization, which (without limiting that general description) may include the following: reconnaissance activities such as mapping and gridding; aerial and other photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical sampling; water sampling; hydrological studies; trenching; drilling including rotary mud and diamond core; and downhole probing.

3. The proposed operations are authorized by the following exploration authority under the Mining Act 1971: Exploration Licence 3583, of which HILTABA GOLD PTY LTD is the current registered holder.

4. HILTABA GOLD PTY LTD seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

**Note:** If, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, HILTABA GOLD PTY LTD may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorizing entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent HILTABA GOLD PTY LTD as follows:

1. Contact telephone number: (08) 8235 7452
2. Contact facsimile number: (08) 8232 2944
3. If a company:
  - (1) A.C.N: 099 086 683 (Hiltaba Gold Pty Ltd)
  - (2) Contact person: George McKenzie

**BATCHELOR INSTITUTE**  
OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

## Construction Trainer/Assessors Wanted

The Construction Department of the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education is undergoing a program of expansion and is looking for suitably qualified people to become a part of the lecturing staff, working in remote Northern Territory Indigenous Communities.

We are looking for skilled, motivated and dependable people who have:

- Trade qualifications in carpentry or building
- Recent trade experience
- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment
- Ability to work with Indigenous apprentices
- Good work ethic
- Verifiable references
- Willingness to live and work in spectacular remote locations with fabulous fishing, bushwalking, four wheel driving and camping opportunities

If you have some or all of the above qualities, please call to discuss or send an expression of interest to:

Phil Curtis  
C/- Post Office, Batchelor NT 0845  
Ph: 08 8939 7251 Fax: 08 8939 7236  
Email phil.curtis@batchelor.edu.au

Expressions of interest close Friday 18th May 2007.

**BATCHELOR INSTITUTE**  
OF INDIGENOUS TERTIARY EDUCATION

## Senior Lecturer - Social Science

Position No.: 13951

Permanent appointment commencing June 2007 - Batchelor

**Total Remuneration Academic Level C**

\$79,692 - \$91,892

This position is responsible for the management of the day to day operations of the Social Science unit, including teaching and curriculum matters.

## Senior Lecturer - CALL

Position No.: 15254

Permanent appointment commencing June 2007

Batchelor/Alice Springs

**Total Remuneration Academic Level C**

\$79,692 - \$91,892

This position is responsible for the management and operation of the Centre for Australian Languages and Linguistics and to coordinate the preparation and delivery of courses.

## Lecturer - CALL

Position No.: 6335

Fixed Term appointment commencing June 2007 to Dec 2007 - Batchelor

**Total Remuneration Academic Level B**

\$65,055 - \$77,253

To assist in the management of the operations for the Centre of Australian Languages and Linguistics and to participate in the preparation and delivery of VET and Higher Education courses.

## Lecturer - Interpreting

Position No.: 9087

Fixed Term appointment commencing June 2007 to Dec 2007 - Batchelor

**Total Remuneration Academic Level B**

\$65,055 - \$77,253

This position is responsible for the delivery of units in this course, as well as the approved NAATI accreditation tests. Travel to remote communities is a core aspect of this position.

Applications close Friday 18th May 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 or (08) 8939 7393; 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.

Batchelor Institute has a vital national position as the only higher educational institution solely for Indigenous students (AUDA report 2006). As such, BIITE endeavours to be a strong employer of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. BIITE strongly encourages applications for the above positions from suitably qualified and experienced Indigenous Australians.

A free commuter service is normally available for staff travelling between Darwin Palmerston and some rural areas.



# Notice of Proposed Renewal of Exploration Permits

## Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) Section 29

The Grantee Party hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* of the proposed renewal of each of the Exploration Permits, shown below, with new and different conditions being imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit pursuant to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Grantee Party
EPM12447	Approx. 20 km SE of Rockhampton Centred at Lat.23°30'S Long.150°37'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Fitzroy and Livingstone</b>	<b>Area:</b> 286 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Rockhampton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 91 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2888 y 2959 j, k, n, o, p, t, u, y, z 2960 c, d, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 2961 f, l, m, q, r, s, t, v, w, x, y 3031 d, e, k, p 3032 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 3033 a, f, l, q, v 3104 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, j, k, o, p 3105 a, f, l	Alcove Investments Pty Ltd 083 044 320  Pageant Investments PL 083 044 348
EPM13228 This permit consists of four separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 22 km SSE of Rockhampton Centred at Lat.23°31'S Long.150°34'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Fitzroy</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 35 km SE of Rockhampton Centred at Lat.23°39'S Long.150°40'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Fitzroy</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 15 km ESE of Rockhampton Centred at Lat.23°24'S Long.150°39'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Livingstone</b>  <b>Part 4:</b> Approx. 22 km ESE of Rockhampton Centred at Lat.23°27'S Long.150°42'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Livingstone</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 53 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Rockhampton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 17 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2959 s, x 3031 c, h, j, n, o, t, u, y, z 3103 e, k 3104 f, l, m, n  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 22 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Rockhampton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 3104 l, u, z 3105 q, v, w, x  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 19 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Rockhampton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 6 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2888 s, t, u, z 2960 e 2961 a  <b>Area of Part 4:</b> 12 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Rockhampton <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 4 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 2961 g, h, n, o	Alcove Investments Pty Ltd 083 044 320  Pageant Investments PL 083 044 348

\* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) 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 eg. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

Nature of the acts: Each Exploration Permit was originally granted as a Low or High Impact Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

It is proposed to renew each individual Exploration Permit not as a Low or High Impact Exploration Permit but as an Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed. The new conditions to be imposed are General Conditions Version 1, 1st October 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

The renewal of each Exploration Permit with the new conditions on it will authorise the Grantee Party to explore for minerals specified in the Exploration Permit for a period not exceeding five (5) years.

Name and Address of person doing acts: The Exploration Permits will be renewed under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (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 renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3801.

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 renewal of each individual Exploration Permit. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* persons have until three (3) months after the Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.

Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: [qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au](mailto:qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au)

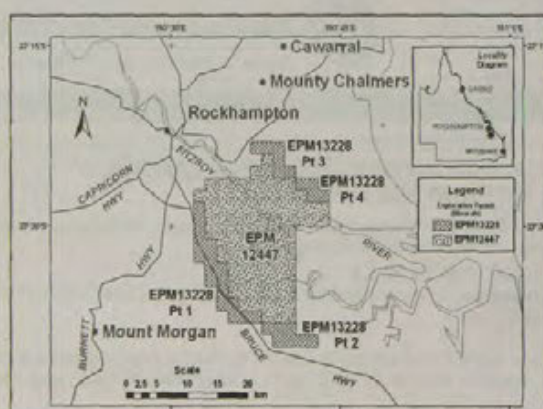
Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 229 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit to be a matter of public interest and therefore an act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Each individual Exploration Permit may be renewed with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the act in the list of acts to which the Expedited Procedure applies. The Tribunal will then consider the renewal of each individual Exploration Permit with new conditions imposed on the renewed Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure.

Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 229 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 30 May 2007



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North Coast Institute

## JOIN OUR TEAM

Have you got the skills we need?  
Want to work in a flexible and professional environment?  
The North Coast Institute encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for our vacant positions.  
Check our website on:  
[www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm](http://www.nci.tafensw.au/staff/employmentvacancies/default.htm)



## NSW HEALTH GREATER WESTERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE

### ALLIED HEALTH

#### Area

**Coordinator, Strategic Partnerships, Aboriginal Health**  
Negotiable within GWAHS, PFT, Salary: Health Service Manager, Level 3: \$78,424-\$89,405 pa, Recruitment No: 702006/65, Enquiries & Application Kit: Kelly Bishop, (02) 6363 8039 or [kelly.bishop@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kelly.bishop@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au), Close: 6/6/07.

#### Cowra Health Service

**Aboriginal Mental Health Trainee**  
Community Mental Health, PFT, Salary: Aboriginal Health Education Officer, Non-Grad: \$37,380-\$55,064 pa, Recruitment No: GW54367, Enquiries & Application Kit: Judy Jeffs, (02) 6341 2386 or [judy.jeffs@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:judy.jeffs@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au), Close: 25/5/07.

#### Dubbo Health Service

**Aboriginal Health Education Officer, Diabetes Education**  
TPT, 20 h/w up to 31/8/08, Salary: Non-Grad: \$377.05-\$555.42 pw, Recruitment No: GW54750, Enquiries & Application Kit: Marisa Bolton, (02) 6885 8999 or [marisa.bolton@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:marisa.bolton@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au), Close: 25/5/07.

#### For the above three positions:

• Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is considered a genuine occupational qualification as per Section 14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

### NURSING

#### Dubbo Health Service

**Residential Care Nurse**  
Mental Health, PFT, Salary: \$37,892-\$41,054 pa, Recruitment No: GW54628, Enquiries & Application Kit: Leanne Bender, (02) 6841 2200 or [leanne.bender@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:leanne.bender@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au), Close: 25/5/07.

Application Kits are also available on our website  
[www.gwahs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.gwahs.nsw.gov.au)

We are committed to Equal Employment Opportunity. We practice the principles of Cultural Diversity and promote a positive and inclusive environment. Appropriate criminal record and child protection checks conducted for all positions. All employees (except casuals) are eligible for Salary Package.



**Job opportunity**  
Sexual Health Information Networking  
and Education South Australia

**Coordinator: Aboriginal & Torres Strait  
Islander Men's Educator**  
(0.8FTE - 4 days per week) 3 year contract

#### ABOUT SHINE SA:

Shine SA is the lead sexual health agency in South Australia. We work in partnership with government, health, education and communities to improve the sexual health and well being of South Australians.

The Professional Education and Resources Team (PERT) provides nationally recognised training programs that build the capacity of workers within the state. The PERT also provides information sessions and resources to communities across a range of sectors.

#### ABOUT THE POSITION

This position is responsible for increasing the capacity of male ATSI workers to promote and improve the sexual health of ATSI men through the coordination, planning, implementation and evaluation of culturally appropriate accredited and non accredited education and training, networking and specific health promotion projects/programs.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

Significant experience in working with ATSI communities and in adult education. Knowledge and understanding of the sexual health issues of ATSI people. A qualification in Certificate IV Training and Assessment or equivalent is desirable.

#### SALARY

ASO 5 \$55,297-\$71,944 pro-rata.

#### APPLICATION

An application kit including job and person specification can be obtained by contacting Rebecca Enarson on (08) 8300 5117 or 1800 188 17 (SA Country Callers), email [ShineSA@coursesa.health.sa.gov.au](mailto:ShineSA@coursesa.health.sa.gov.au)

Applications (including 3 extra copies) should address the Essential Selection Criteria of the job and person specification and include a Curriculum Vitae and the names and contact numbers of three referees.

Applications should be marked Confidential and addressed to: Lucy Crocco, Shine SA, PO Box 76, Woodville SA 5011.

Applications close 5.00 pm on Friday 25th May 2007.

For further information about Shine SA go to [www.shinesa.org.au](http://www.shinesa.org.au)

Shine SA is funded by the Department of Health



# Notice of Proposed Grant of a Mining Lease

## 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 Exploration Permits shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease to which this notice applies:

Mining Lease Number	Location of Mining Lease (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant ACN
ML90179	Approx. 16km West South West from Gunpowder	<b>Current Land Tenures</b> Lot 1 on UN6 - Term Lease 0/221301 (mining and access) Lot 5 on CP865892 - Pastoral Holding 13/4151 (access only) Lot 2 on SP162421 - Pastoral Holding 13/2514 (access only)	<b>Lady Annie Operations Pty Ltd</b> 076 289 097
<b>Lady Annie</b>	Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mount Isa</b>	<b>Area of land applied for in Mining Lease:</b> 489.5904ha	

**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-one (21) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding twenty-one (21) 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, Office of the Mining Registrar, 11 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 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:** 30 May 2007



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## Aboriginal Team Leader/ Family Worker Campbelltown

(Permanent Part-time 35 hours per week. SACs (NSW) Award grade 5)

This position, auspiced by Campbelltown Family Support, provides a developmental and supportive role using Strength Based Practice principles, to Aboriginal families with dependent children and young people living in Macarthur through group work and casework.

**Essential:** Aboriginality; tertiary qualifications in Community Welfare and/or at least 3 years work experience with demonstrated understanding of child protection and mental health issues, domestic violence, crisis intervention and advocacy, in a holistic Aboriginal context.

Aboriginality is an essential qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1997.

Relevant criminal and employment history checks will be carried out on recommended applicants.

Phone 02 46287233 for full job description and information package.

Applications close 5pm 18.05.07.

## Central Coast Community College

Aboriginal Language and Culture Program Central Coast, NSW

### Coordinator & Lead Trainer

Are you a dynamic and flexible person with experience in developing and delivering programs for Indigenous learners? This challenging position includes coordination activities at Ounbambah and lead teaching duties at Kariong; 16 hrs pw for 30 weeks, immediate start. You must be experienced in teaching Indigenous learners, qualified to work within a literacy curriculum framework and have highly developed cultural understanding. Aboriginality preferred.

### Aboriginal Language and Culture Program Trainers

Are you an Indigenous person with Aboriginal language, arts, craft, music or dance ability and a passion to share your skills with other Indigenous people? We are seeking trainers to work with disadvantaged learners at Kariong under the supervision of a lead teacher.

Must obtain info pack for positions. Phone (02) 4348 4300 or email pjosephs@ccc.nsw.edu.au  
Applications close 25 May.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE BOTANIC GARDENS TRUST

All applicants for NSW Government Jobs must show knowledge and understanding of the 'common Selection Criteria': Equal Employment Opportunity; Ethical Practice; Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement; and Occupational, Health and Safety, as they relate to the job.

### ABORIGINAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT

Clerk Grade 3/4, Sydney/Mount Tomah, Casual, Vacancy Number DECC07-179. Salary: \$27.26 - \$29.85 per hour plus applicable casual loadings and employer contributions to superannuation scheme.

Deliver educational activities with an indigenous theme for the general community or components of educational lessons with an indigenous theme for students. **Selection Criteria:** This position is an identified Aboriginal position and therefore Aboriginality is a requirement of the position. Experience in delivering education programs in an outdoor setting, scientific or cultural institution. Demonstrated skills in delivering interpretation programs to people of all ages and from a diverse range of cultural backgrounds. Demonstrated understanding of indigenous community groups and an understanding of the indigenous perspective on plants and the environment. The capacity to develop a general knowledge of plants and the environment and an understanding of the role of a botanic garden. Demonstrated written communication, presentation and interpersonal skills. Ability to set priorities and work within a team environment. Current driver's licence with the ability to drive manual vehicles and a current Senior First Aid Certificate or willingness to gain a Senior First Aid Certificate prior to commencement of employment. Common selection criteria also apply.

**Notes:** This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Also this is a casual position; work allocation is based on rostering to cover demand. Rostered shifts vary from a minimum of 3 hours to 7 hours per day. Shifts per week can vary from zero to 5 days. The position has been designated a child related employment and as such all successful applicants will need to satisfy requirement outlined in the Child Protection Act 1998. Electronic applications must be MS Office '97 compatible.

**Inquiries:** Clarence Slockee 0409 902 256/0409 902 256 Email: clarence.slockee@rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au  
**Information Packages:** phone: (02) 9231 8134 Peta Sainsbury jobs.nsw.gov.au

**Applications Marked 'Confidential':** To: Recruitment Officer, Department of Environment and Climate Change, Personnel Services Section, PO Box 1967, Hurstville NSW 2220. Fax (02) 9585 6116, or e-mail to recruitment@environment.nsw.gov.au  
Closing Date: Friday 25 May 2007.

# Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

## 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 Exploration Permits shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM15760	Approx. 30 km S from Kjabbi Centred at Lat.20°17'S Long.139°58'E Local Authorities (Shires) within the area: <b>Mount Isa and Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area:</b> 29 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 9 (each 1 lat x 1 long.) <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 168 w, x 240 b, c, h, n, s, x 312 c	<b>Mt. Isa Metals Pty Ltd</b> 120 212 017

\*Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) 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 Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (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 Exploration Permits, 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.

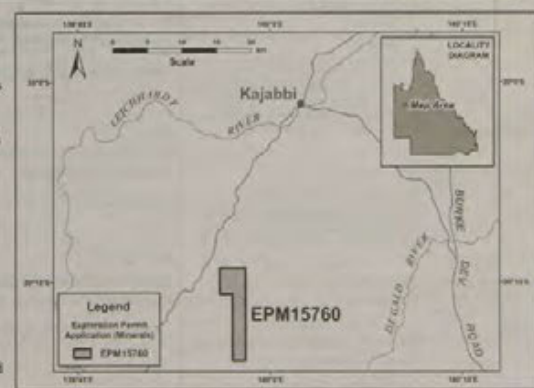
**Native Title Parties:** Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification 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.

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.

**Expedited Procedures:** The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

**Notification Day:** 30 May 2007



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## AREA ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

Clerk Grade 5/6

Central Sydney Division - Gladesville

Permanent Full-time

Position No: DOH-07-00469

Total remuneration package valued up to \$71,566 per annum (salary \$58,777 pa - \$64,854 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

## Job Description:

Coordinate the provision of clerical and administrative support service to the Area Office, including records management, purchasing, finance, fleet management, and general administration. Provide Executive Support to Area Director.

## Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated customer service skills and commitment to providing good customer service.
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.
- Good administrative and organisational skills.
- Analytical skills.
- Capacity to work independently and as part of a team.
- Capacity to train and support other team members in Word, Excel and administrative procedures.
- Knowledge of policy and procedures relating to client service, finance, records management, purchasing, human resources procedures.
- Computer literacy including Knowledge of Microsoft Office applications, Word, Excel, Access and SAP.

**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 (OHS).

**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. This position will initially be located in Sydney and will re-locate to Gladesville approximately July/August 2007.

**Information Packages:** 1800 502 766 or email: Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

**Inquiries:** Paul Brasier (02) 9268 3477.

**Applications to:** Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or email: JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW BusinessLink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871.

**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007.

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NSW DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

## TEAM LEADER

Clerk Grade 9/10

Greater Western Sydney Division - Parramatta

Permanent Full-time (2 positions)

Position No. DOH-07-00460

Total remuneration package is valued up to \$92,591 per annum (salary \$76,142 pa - \$83,907 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Job Description:** The Team Leader performs a pivotal role within the Department of Housing, undertaking Team Leadership, staff management, liaison, financial, administrative, client service functions and acting as change manager.

## Selection Criteria:

- Understanding of & commitment to the objectives of social housing in particular, assisting clients with special needs including people with disabilities/people from CALD backgrounds/Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders.
- Well developed knowledge of current tenancy legislation in NSW.
- Capacity to network, build and maintain effective working relationships within and beyond the Department.
- Well developed written skills, including the ability to draft succinct reports, submissions and correspondence to a high standard.
- Previous experience in managing a Team within a high-pressure and high volume client service environment.
- Well developed conflict resolution skills, together with an advanced knowledge of, and experience in management of staff in a decentralised environment.
- Demonstrable experience in asset management, particularly within a property environment.
- Current Driver's Licence.

**Common Selection Criteria:** Demonstrated capacity to implement Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Ethical Practice, Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement (EAPS) and Occupational Health & Safety (OHS).

**Job Notes:** There are two (2) positions available. At this stage there are no permanent Team Leader vacancies in the Division. Successful applicants will be appointed as permanent officers and will be placed against long term temporary vacancies in the Division.

In addition, an eligibility list may be created as part of this recruitment and used to fill other permanent and temporary vacancies for this role within the Division. Applicants MUST obtain an Information Package, which contains full details about the position and information about the Department. Applicants MUST address the full Selection Criteria.

**Inquiries:** Brodie Druett (02) 9831 0856 or 0418 116 953.

**Information Package:** 1800 502 766 or email: Elise.Snelson@bizlink.nsw.gov.au

**Applications to:** Apply on-line as per link in the Information Package or e-mail: JobsDOH@bizlink.nsw.gov.au or post to: Recruitment Solutions Team, NSW BusinessLink, Level 8, Locked Bag 7466, Liverpool BC 1871.

**Closing Date:** 18 May 2007.

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## National Calendar

To list your events in our National Calendar of Events, write no more than two sentences with contact details to email [calendar@koorimail.com](mailto:calendar@koorimail.com) or fax it to (02) 6622 2600. The closing day for Calendar is the Wednesday before publication. Send Sorry Day events to [sorryday@koorimail.com](mailto:sorryday@koorimail.com) and NAIDOC events to [naidoc@koorimail.com](mailto:naidoc@koorimail.com)

**Until 19 May:** Bula bula Aboriginal Arts Corporation: The Next Generation, featuring Elizabeth Nyugwana, Peter Gambung, Johnny Pascoe, Robyn Djunginy, Richard Birrinbirrin, George Pascoe Junior, JB Fisher, Shirley Banalanydyu, Gilbert Walkuli, Johnny Watson and Billy Black. Details: Mike Sill on (03) 9416 2961 or (0413) 087 263 or web [www.australiadreamingart.com.au](http://www.australiadreamingart.com.au)

**Until 8 June:** Drawn Together Art Competition. Entries must reflect a creative interpretation of the themes and concepts of reconciliation. All welcome. Details: (02) 6280 8122 or email [drawingtogether@communicationlink.com.au](mailto:drawingtogether@communicationlink.com.au)

**Until 11 May:** Indigenous Arts Management. The course will involve four one-week intensives throughout 2007/8. Study areas include Indigenous arts and cultural identity, industry and marketing, protocol, policy and law, arts and project management. Details call (03) 9685 9327 or visit [www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/wilnaply](http://www.vca.unimelb.edu.au/wilnaply)

**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. A film is to be set in Darwin in 1939. Filming will be in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs, overnight for up to five nights. Details: David Beaumont on 0408 115 652 or (02) 9288 5711 or visit [www.lightscameraaction.com.au](http://www.lightscameraaction.com.au)

**Until 5 June:** The Elouera women's basketball team is seeking sponsorship to enter a team in the Alexandria competition. Sponsorship for the team's 10 player includes registration and game fees. Details call Dominic Siu on (02) 9698 9249.

**Until 30 June:** An exhibition of surviving

photographs from the records of the NSW Aboriginal Welfare Board from 1924-1986 is being held at the State Records Gallery, The Rocks. Details: Susan on (02) 8247 8624.

**Until 31 July:** The Memento Australia Awards 2007. These awards encourage artists, craftspeople and designers to create innovative, quality and authentic mementos for the tourism and retail gift markets that reflect the unique character and spirit of Australia. Details call 1300 787 991 or visit [www.mementoaustralia.com](http://www.mementoaustralia.com)

**Until 19 August:** Colliding Worlds Exhibition. Displays brings together photographs, artifacts, paintings and artworks to provide an insight into the Pintupi people of Central Australia. Details: Michelle on (02) 9320 6181 or mobile 0421 617 019 or web [www.amonline.net.au](http://www.amonline.net.au) or visit [www.australianmuseum.net.au](http://www.australianmuseum.net.au)

**Until 31 October:** The Young Achievement Australia Business Skills Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait

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## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

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Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPM15858</b> This application consists of four separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 22 km SSE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°53'S Long.140°35'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 23 km ESE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°49'S Long.140°42'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 16 km SSE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°50'S Long.140°34'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 4:</b> Approx. 29 km SE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°53'S Long.140°43'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 16 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 5 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 751 o, t, u, z 752 v  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 10 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 3 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 681 v, w, x  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 751 d  <b>Area of Part 4:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> 2 Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 753 s	<b>Matrix Metals Limited</b> 082 593 235
<b>EPM15873</b>	Approx. 53 km ESE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.21°01'S Long.140°54'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>McKinlay and Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area:</b> 22 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 7 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 899 c, d, e, h, j, k, n	<b>Levuka Resources Pty. Ltd.</b> 112 095 440
<b>EPM15879</b> This application consists of three separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 32 km SE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°56'S Long.140°42'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 25 km ESE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°50'S Long.140°42'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 16 km SSE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°52'S Long.140°43'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 35 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 11 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 753 l, q, r, w, x 825 h, g, m, t, s, x  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 13 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 4 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 753 a, b, c, d  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat x 1°long)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 753 o	<b>Cudeco Limited</b> 000 317 251

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# National Calendar of Events

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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. Co-ordinating Mentor provided. Details: Sara Hamilton on (02) 9232 3088 or email

sara@yaa.org.au or visit www.yaa.org.au

**Until 11 December:** Koori Toastmasters Workshops. Improve communication skills in a 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. 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 or web www.worldvision.com.au/birring

**9 May:** Redfern Legal Centre is having its

30th anniversary at the Town Hall, 73 Pitt St, Redfern, from 5.30-7.30pm. Cost \$20 at the door. Cocktails provided as well as a photo exhibition. Details: Helen Campbell (02) 9698 7277 or (0415) 296 392. Email info@rlc.org.au or visit www.rlc.org.au

**9 May:** The Good Service Mob. This mob will give information on what to do if you're having problems with banks, credit cards, loans, businesses, contractors, discrimination, legal issues and many more. Held at Bankstown Community Health Centre from 10am-4pm with free entry. Details call Kerry Welsh on (02) 97802750 or Scott Campbell on (02) 9286 0939.

**10 May:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth Expo. The expo will emphasise the importance of health and well-being by providing information relating to substance use, health living and positive role models. Held at the St Clair Recreation Centre, Woodville, Adelaide, 10am - 2pm. Details: Sara (08) 8408 1313 email sara@charlessturt.sa.gov.au or call Janette on (0428) 114 803.

**11 May:** Koori Women's Luncheon. All are welcome to come to our Koori Mothers Day Luncheon. There will be Entertainment, Lucky Door Prize, heaps of raffles, and a Silent Auction all to be drawn in the day. Held at Mercure Hotel, Bulwarra Street, Ultimo Sydney from 1-3pm. Details call Sonya Pearce on (02) 9514 3774 email sonya.pearce@uts.edu.au or Christine Spatz on (02) 9824 1121.

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## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPM15923</b> This application consists of five separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 28 km ESE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°50'S Long.140°44'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 189 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 59 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 609 a, s, x 680 c, k, p 681 b, c, f, g, h, i, m, n, o, p, t, u, y, z 682 q, r, s, v, w, x 753 e, k, p, u 754 a, b, c, f, g, i, q, t, v 825 c, k, p, u, y, z 826 a, b, f, g, i, m, q, r, v, w 897 d, e 898 a, b	<b>Exco Resources (Qld) Pty Ltd</b> <b>103 214 740</b>
	<b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 21 km SE from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°52'S Long.140°37'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 2:</b> 109 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 34 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 679 u, z 680 q, r, s, v, w, x, y, z 751 c, k, p 752 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, k, l, m, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y 824 c	
	<b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 2 km NNW from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°41'S Long.140°31'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 3:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 607 f	
	<b>Part 4:</b> Approx. 2 km S from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°43'S Long.140°31'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 4:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 607 q	
	<b>Part 5:</b> Approx. 27 km E from Cloncurry Centred at Lat.20°46'S Long.140°46'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	<b>Area of Part 5:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Cloncurry <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1'lat.x 1'long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 682 f	

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**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (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 Exploration Permits, including Block Identification Maps, may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woollongabba, Queensland 4102, Telephone: (07) 3896 3216.

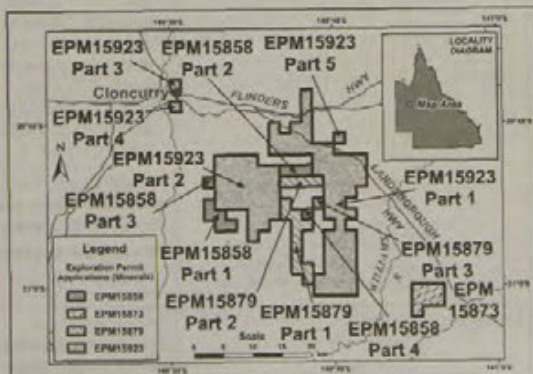
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Notification Day: 30 May 2007



**Queensland Government**  
Natural Resources and Water



HEALTH Department of Community Services

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

### CHILD PROTECTION CASEWORKER, HELPLINE

Clerk Grade 4/7

DOCS Helpline

Permanent Full-Time & Temporary Full-time

(Various Positions)

Vacancy No: 07DOCS7768

Total remuneration package valued up to \$75,914 per annum (salary \$52,894 pa-\$68,794 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

#### Job Description:

The incumbent will provide timely, responsive care & protection services for children & young persons & their families by undertaking initial assessments of safety, welfare & well being of children & young persons.

#### Selection Criteria:

- Degree, in Social Work, Social Science, Welfare or related discipline. Aboriginal applicants with experience in fields of social welfare, child development & child protection do not require a degree but must provide proof of Aboriginality.
- Effective child protection assessment skills & ability to manage challenging situations.
- Exceptional verbal & written communication skills & ability to apply within a contact centre environment.
- Exceptional & timely decision making ability & exceptional organisational skills.
- Demonstrated conflict resolution & problem solving ability.
- Ability to work as part of a team.
- Understanding of the needs of disadvantaged groups.
- Proficiency in keyboard typing & computer skills.

**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 (OHS).

**Job Notes:** Temporary positions are for a period of 12 months with prospect of permanency. Temporary appointments are in terms of Sections 27 & 86 of the Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002. Applicants must be willing to work in a 24 hr/7 day rotational roster environment. Applications welcomed from Aboriginal people, Torres Strait Islander people, people from diverse cultures, people with disabilities & mature aged candidates. Aboriginal applicants with social welfare, child development & child protection experience do not require a degree qualification but must provide proof of Aboriginality. Include Call Centre experience in application. Extensive periods of keyboarding involved. Eight week training period provided. Various positions available. Applicants MUST obtain the information package which contains the complete details of the position and information about DoCS. Applicants MUST address full selection criteria and complete the Prohibited Employment Declaration and Screening Consent Forms.

**Inquiries:** Priya Dewan (02) 8267 4600 or email: docs@Verossity.com

**Information Packages:** Priya Dewan (02) 8267 4600 or email: docs@Verossity.com

**Applications Marked 'CONFIDENTIAL':** To Apply on-line at: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or post to: Priya Dewan, Verossity, Level 11, 133 Castlereagh Street, Sydney NSW 2000 or email: docs@Verossity.com or apply via telephone on (02) 8267 4600  
**Closing Date:** Friday 18 May 2007.







# National Calendar

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and legacy of Justine Saunders (Little Black Duck) in a Memorial Celebration Sydney Opera House, Drama Theatre Sunday 13th May 2007 2pm.

**14 May:** Banggu Minjaany Art Gallery. Presents an exhibition of beautiful paintings by local Indigenous artist Michael Naden.

Held at the Banggu Minjaany Art Gallery, Cairns between 9am-4pm. Details call (07) 4042 2632.

**14-15 May:** NSW HACC Community Care Conference will be held at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour. Details: Aged and Community Services Association of NSW and ACT (ACS) on (02) 9743 4066.

**16 May:** Elastoplast Strapsmart. This course is a Sports Medicine Australia accredited course and participants will receive a certificate on completion. Held at Port Macquarie Indoor Stadium. Details: Toni Gordon (02) 6618 0406 or email toni.gordon@dst.nsw.gov.au

**18-19 May:** Everywoman conference at  
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NSW Government

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## WATER MANAGEMENT ACT 2000

### MURRAY VALLEY

V L CARROLL 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  
Location: Lot 101 DP604752, Parish Collendina, County Hume

Purpose: Irrigation

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 06/06/2007. Please quote the Application No. 822 (50WA505958) on all correspondence. (GA2: 484726)

Bart Richard DOOHAN, Tracie Janelle DOOHAN, William James DOOHAN and Agnes Cecilia DOOHAN 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.

Works: 1 x Bore  
Location: Lot 142 DP756353, Parish Yalgadood, County Townsend

Purpose: Irrigation

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 06/06/2007. Please quote the Application No. 832 (50WA505960) on all correspondence. (GA2: 484726)

Michael Julian RENNIE and Sheree Marnie RENNIE 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 additional Bore  
Location: Lot 982, DP1044905, Parish Thurgoon, County Townsend

Purpose: Irrigation

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 06/06/2007. Please quote the Application No. 378 (50WA505633) on all correspondence. (GA2: 484726)

SPEEWA ISLAND TRUST has submitted an application to amend an existing Joint Water Supply Works Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the New South Wales Murray Regulated River Water Source (Murray River).

Works: 1 x 50 mm pump (additional)  
Location: Lot 4/317039, Parish Pugh, County Wakool

Purpose: Stock and Domestic

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 06/06/2007. Please quote the Application No. 50WA503750 on all correspondence. (GA2: 484726)

Lindsay Holden,  
Senior Licensing Officer  
Department of Water & Energy  
PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710

J C THORNTON PTY LTD has submitted an application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval under section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in LACHLAN REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE, for a 400 MM CENTRIFUGAL PUMP on the Lachlan River on Lot 591/752955 in the Parish of WAAYOURIGONG, County of FORBES for Stock and Irrigation purposes. (Amended approval - replacement pump, increase in pump size, increase in pumping capacity) (GA2: 524324)

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned on (02) 68502900.

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 . Please quote the application number 70CA600330 on all correspondence.

Viv Russell,  
Licensing Manager  
Inland South, Department of Natural Resources  
PO BOX 136, FORBES, NSW 2871

Commencement Date: 09/06/2007.

Closing Date: 06/06/2007.

An application for a Water Supply Works and Water Use Approval under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000, in the Alstonville Plateau Groundwater Source has been received from:

STEPHEN JOHN MCLEAN for two bores on Lot 7 DP 1049131 Parish Tuckombi County Rous for irrigation purposes.

Any inquiries regarding the above should be directed to the undersigned or telephone on 0266416500.

Written and signed objections (fax or email is not acceptable), specifying the grounds for the objection, must be lodged with the Department before close of business on the 6 June 2007.

Please quote the application number 386 (30CA301835) on all correspondence. GA2 - 476243

D Milling, Manager,  
Licensing North  
Department Water and Energy  
Locked Bag 10, GRAFTON, NSW 2460

## Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

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Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
EPM15856	Approx. 41 km NE from Gunpowder Centred at Lat.19°26'S Long.139°39'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Burke and Cloncurry</b>	Area: 94 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 29 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 2828 y, z 2900 d, e, j, k, o, s, t, x, y 2972 d, e, j, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 3044 e, k, p, u 3045 a, f, i, q	Red Metal Limited 103 367 684
EPM15909	Part 1: Approx. 6 km SW from Gunpowder Centred at Lat.19°45'S Long.139°21'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mount Isa</b>  Part 2: Approx. 10 km SSW from Gunpowder Centred at Lat.19°52'S Long.139°20'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mount Isa</b>  Part 3: Approx. 11 km S from Gunpowder Centred at Lat.19°49'S Long.139°23'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mount Isa</b>	Area of Part 1: 29 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 9 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 3184 z 3185 m, r, w 3256 e 3257 a, b, f, g  Area of Part 2: 10 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 3 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 3328 o, p 3329 i  Area of Part 3: 6 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 2 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 3257 s, x	Birla Mt. Gordon Pty Ltd 106 396 801
EPM15933	Part 1: Approx. 56 km E from Gunpowder Centred at Lat.19°44'S Long.139°55'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>  Part 2: Approx. 54 km E from Gunpowder Centred at Lat.19°48'S Long.139°53'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Cloncurry</b>	Area of Part 1: 74 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 21 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 3120 y, w, x 3191 h, a, s, x, y, z 3192 a, b, c, g, h, m, n, t, v, w 3263 e, k 3264 a, f  Area of Part 2: 23 km <sup>2</sup> Block Identification Maps: Normanton Number of Sub-blocks: 7 (each 1°lat x 1°long.)  Block Number Sub-blocks 3263 n, o, s, t, x, y, z	Kabiri Resources Pty Ltd 118 563 652

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**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)* and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 12nd August, 2003.

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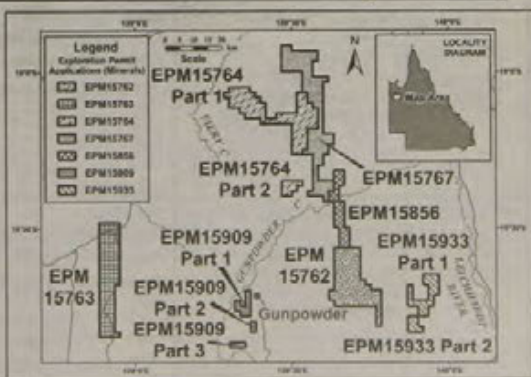
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Coffs Harbour. It will be held at the christian City church, 11 June Street, Coffs Harbour, NSW. For more details contact (02) 6651 4357 or email admin@cccocfs.org.au or visit www.cccocfs.org.au

**19-21 May:** Sydney Australian Idol audition. Australian Technology Park, Bay 4 Henderson Road, South Sydney, 8.30am-3pm. www.australianidol.com.au

**19-22 June:** Whichway Music Industry Workshop. This is a four day music industry and songwriting workshop aimed at Indigenous contemporary music artists Held at the Redfern Community Centre. Details call Michael on (02) 9699 9706 email michael@musicnsw.com or visit www.musicnsw.com

**20 May:** International Day of Families. There will be plenty of activities such as face painting, jumping castle, cultural performances, barbecue, information stalls and more. Held at Randwick Boys High School Hall from 10am-2pm. Details call Yasmine Louis on (02) 9663 3992.

**22 May:** Elastoplast Strapsmart. This course is a Sports Medicine Australia accredited course, participants will receive a certificate on completion. Held at Ballina Sports Club Inc. Details: Toni Gordon (02) 6618 0406 or email toni.gordon@dsr.nsw.gov.au

**22 May:** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander human resource and industrial relations workshops. This course will explain basic rights and obligations under NSW employment laws and the interaction

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## Exploration Licence Applications 3013 and 3014, Act 1992

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th).

**Description of area that may be affected by the Minister's consent to prospect on native title land**

An area of About 249 square kilometres (83 units) situated approximately 28 kilometres west north west of Tumut and an area of 240 square kilometres (80 units) situated approximately 30 kilometres north north west of Tumut, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

**Description of the nature of the act**  
Mincor Copper Pty Ltd (ACN 120 024 777) is the applicant of Exploration Licence Applications 3013 and 3014, to prospect for group 1 (metallic) minerals and may be granted for a term of 2 years each.

**Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done**

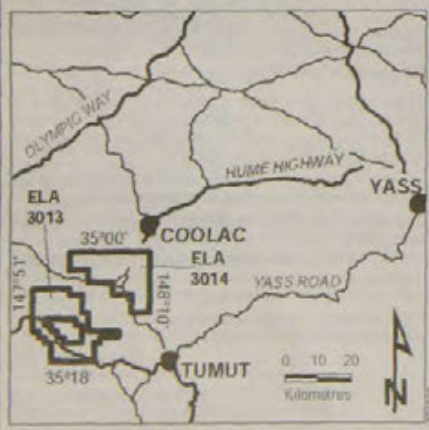
Ian Macdonald, Minister for Mineral Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

**How further information about the act can be obtained**

Further information may be obtained from Chris Cottler, Titles Program, NSW Department of Primary Industries, Phone 02 4931 6462 Fax 02 4931 6776.

### Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th) the notification day is 23 May 2007. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



# Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Permits

## Native Title Act 1993 (C'th) Section 29

The Current Applicant named below hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th) of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Exploration Permits to which this notice applies:

Exploration Permit Number	Location of Exploration Permit (Refer to Diagram)	Description of Area of Application*	Current Applicant
<b>EPM15047</b> This application consists of three separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 7 km N from Chillagoe Centred at Lat.17°05'S Long.144°32'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 27 km SE from Chillagoe Centred at Lat.17°15'S Long.144°37'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 8 km WNW from Chillagoe Centred at Lat.17°06'S Long.144°28'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 88 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 27 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 870 n, o, p, u, z 871 l, q, r, v, w, x 942 d, e 943 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, j, k, p 944 l, q, v 1016 a  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 26 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 8 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1016 w, x 1088 a, b, c, d, h, j  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 942 h	<b>Dianne Mining Corporation Pty. Ltd.</b> 095 326 079
<b>EPM15053</b> This application consists of four separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 20 km SE from Almaden Centred at Lat.17°30'S Long.144°35'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. centred at Almaden Centred at Lat.17°20'S Long.144°41'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 6 km WNW from Almaden Centred at Lat.17°19'S Long.144°38'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 4:</b> Approx. 7 km WSW from Almaden Centred at Lat.17°21'S Long.144°37'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 157 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 48 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1231 c, g, h, n, o, p, s, t, u, x, y, z 1232 q, v, w, x, y, z 1303 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p 1304 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j, k, l, m, n, o, p  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 114 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 35 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1088 o, p, t, u, z 1089 a, f, l, q, v 1160 e, k, o, p, t, u, y, z 1161 a, f, g, h, j, l, m, n, o, q, r, s, v, w, x 1232 d, e  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1088 x  <b>Area of Part 4:</b> 3 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 1 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1160 g	<b>Dianne Mining Corporation Pty. Ltd.</b> 095 326 079
<b>EPM15807</b> This application consists of two separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 23 km SW from Almaden Centred at Lat.17°26'S Long.144°29'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 24 km W from Almaden Centred at Lat.17°19'S Long.144°28'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 91 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 28 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1158 s, t, x, y 1230 c, d, e, k, m, p, q, r, s, t, u, w, x, y, z 1231 a, b, f, l, m, q, r, v, w  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 72 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 22 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1085 k, p, u 1086 f, g, l, m, n, q, r, s, x, y, z 1087 v 1158 c, d, e, h, j, k 1159 a	<b>Dianne Mining Corporation Pty. Ltd.</b> 095 326 079
<b>EPM15808</b> This application consists of three separate parts	<b>Part 1:</b> Approx. 29 km WSW from Chillagoe Centred at Lat.17°16'S Long.144°17'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 2:</b> Approx. 43 km SSW from Chillagoe Centred at Lat.17°29'S Long.144°18'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>  <b>Part 3:</b> Approx. 29 km SSW from Chillagoe Centred at Lat.17°21'S Long.144°21'E Local Authority (Shire) within the area: <b>Mareeba</b>	<b>Area of Part 1:</b> 95 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 29 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1011 w, x, y, z 1012 t, v, w, x, y, z 1083 b, c, d, e 1084 a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, l, m, n, r, s 1085 a, b  <b>Area of Part 2:</b> 72 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 22 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1227 o, p, t, u 1228 q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z 1229 q, r, s, v, w, x 1300 a, b  <b>Area of Part 3:</b> 23 km <sup>2</sup> <b>Block Identification Maps:</b> Townsville <b>Number of Sub-blocks:</b> 7 (each 1°lat.x 1°long.)  <b>Block Number Sub-blocks</b> 1156 d, e 1157 a, b, c, g, h	<b>Dianne Mining Corporation Pty. Ltd.</b> 095 326 079

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## 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
45/2971-2	HMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	399.13km <sup>2</sup>	106km NE'y of Nullagine	Lat 21°21' Long 120°56'	East Pilbara
46/731	Bushwin Pty Ltd	38.25km <sup>2</sup>	26km N'y of Nullagine	Lat 21°40' Long 120°11'	East Pilbara
51/1210 & 52/2049	Murchison Exploration Pty Ltd	308.93km <sup>2</sup>	108km NE'y of Meekatharra	Lat 25°49' Long 119°10'	Meekatharra

**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:** 9 May 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 party in relation to any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on **9 August 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 exploration licence may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **9 September 2007**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the area of the exploration licences.

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 AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Dept 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
59/1153	Moses Drilling Co. Pty Ltd	MM3/67	260.27ha	69km NW'y of Mount Magnet	Lat 27°47' Long 117°13'	Yalgoo

**Nature of the act:** Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

**Notification day:** 9 May 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 **9 August 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 acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **9 September 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 Dept of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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\* Exploration Permits are described by the name of the Block Identification Map and the number of the Blocks (the Block Numbers) 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 e.g. CHARLEVILLE 1645 d.

**Nature of the acts:** Grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a period not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 1, 1st October, 2003 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 1.1(a), 22nd August, 2003.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** The Exploration Permits will be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (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 Exploration Permits, 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) 3836 3216.

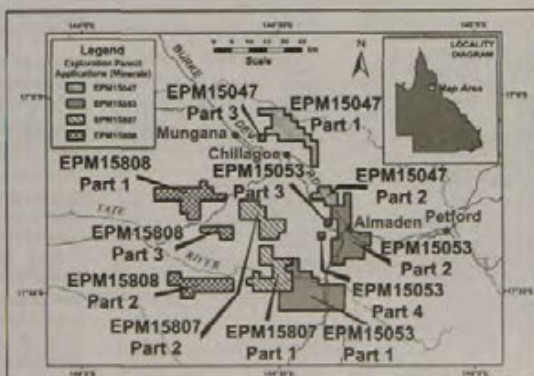
**Native Title Parties:** Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a 'native title party' is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) persons have until three (3) months after the Notification 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

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.

**Expedited Procedure:** The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3226 8200 or 1800 640 501.

**Notification Day:** 30 May 2007



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with federal employment laws to help you understand how they apply in your workplace. Held at the Macleay RSL Club, 1 York Lane, Kempsey. Details call Rae Hamilton on (02) 9020 4618 or 1300 361 968 or web [www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au](http://www.industrialrelations.nsw.gov.au)

**24 May:** Aboriginal Support Group. Launch of the Guringal Festival at St Ives Shopping Village, hosted by Ku-ring-gai Council. Details: Vivien Mouradian (02) 9424 0868. From 6-7pm.

**25 May:** Health Check Launch. Healthy for Life is holding a Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Health Check. Details call Jane Hansen on (02) 4474 5100 or email [j.hansen@senswdgpc.com.au](mailto:j.hansen@senswdgpc.com.au)

**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: Lam Huynh on (02) 9319 1100 or toll-free 1800 627 323.

**25-27 May:** Woonjeegaribay Aboriginal Film Festival. The three-day festival is screening a wide range of films including an inspiring new release *Kanyini, The Chant of Jimmy Blacksmith* and several moving documentaries. Season ticket \$35 or single ticket \$10. Held at the Empire Cinema in Bowral. Details: Helen McCue (0429) 724949 or (02) 4861 4676.

**26 May:** National Sorry Day. See the website [www.journeyofhealing.com/](http://www.journeyofhealing.com/)

**26 May:** Children Debutante Ball. Held at the WIN Entertainment Centre, corner of Crown and Harbour streets, Wollongong. Details: Sheree Rankmore (02) 4228 1585 or email [culturaldevelopment@exemail.com.au](mailto: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 organising 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. Call (0437) 100 121.

**27 May:** Parramatta Filmmakers meeting. 7-9pm Mars Hill Café. For details contact (02) 8571 9111, visit [www.performancespace.com.au](http://www.performancespace.com.au) or email [ilys@performancespace.com.au](mailto:ilys@performancespace.com.au)

**27 May:** Aboriginal Support Group Sorry Day commemoration. This will be an event to commemorate Sorry Day and pay respect to the Stolen Generations. Details are yet to be finalised, they will be posted on our website [www.asgmwp.net](http://www.asgmwp.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. The indigenous arts sessions will be at Redfern Community centre, the Rex Centre, in Kings Cross, and Blacktown Arts Centre. Details: Patricia Adjei (02) 9356 2566 or email [padijei@artslaw.com.au](mailto:padijei@artslaw.com.au)

**31 May:** Indigenous Women's Gathering Conference. We are looking for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women to attend conference below Age group 18 plus that would be interested and available to attend. Theme for this year is women and economic status. Details call Rochelle Jones on (07) 3836 0543 or email [Rochelle.Jones@women.qld.gov.au](mailto:Rochelle.Jones@women.qld.gov.au) or web [www.women.qld.gov.au](http://www.women.qld.gov.au)

**31 May:** Australian Museum members' special night viewing. Go on a behind the scenes tour of the museum's vast Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ethnographic collections between 6-7pm. Members \$40, non-members \$50. Didgeridoo performance, exhibition viewing, behind-the-scenes tour, canapés and refreshments. Details: Michelle on (02) 9320 8181 or mobile (0421) 617 019 or web [www.amonline.net.au](http://www.amonline.net.au) or visit the website [www.australianmuseum.net.au](http://www.australianmuseum.net.au)





## 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/- Dept. 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
25/172-4	Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd	1152.87ha	130km Ely of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°22' Long 122°49'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City

**Nature Of The Act:** Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

**Notification Day:** 9 May 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 **9 August 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. **9 September 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.



## NOTICE TO GRANT MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (Cth) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Resources, C/- Dept. of Industry and Resources, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following miscellaneous licence applications under the Mining Act 1978:

NO & PURPOSE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
47/190-4 & 47/197 Groundwater Search	FMG Chichester Pty Ltd	1395.4ha	81km Nly of Newman	Lat 22°40' Long 119°20'	East Pilbara
47/195-6 & 47/195-9 Groundwater Search	FMG Chichester Pty Ltd	21811.27ha	80km NWly of Newman	Lat 22°41' Long 119°24'	East Pilbara

**Nature of act:** Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

**Notification day:** 9 May 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 **9 August 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 acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. **9 September 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 Dept 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

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NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
04/1628	Terramin Exploration Pty Ltd	648.0km <sup>2</sup>	142km SWly of Flinders Crossing	Lat 19°17' Long 124°55'	Derby - West Kimberley
04/1642	Fraka Investments Pty Ltd	78.31km <sup>2</sup>	107km Ely of Derby	Lat 17°38' Long 124°35'	Derby - West Kimberley
28/1716-9	Porton Minerals Pty Ltd	2233.39km <sup>2</sup>	119km Wly of Balladonia	Lat 30°50' Long 123°59'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/1720-2	Porton Minerals Pty Ltd	1785.96km <sup>2</sup>	171km Nly of Balladonia	Lat 31°24' Long 123°45'	Dundas/Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
28/1723-5	Porton Minerals Pty Ltd	1445.81km <sup>2</sup>	77km NWly of Balladonia	Lat 31°55' Long 123°20'	Dundas
28/1727	Porton Minerals Pty Ltd	988.01km <sup>2</sup>	59km Wly of Balladonia	Lat 30°59' Long 124°14'	Kalgoorlie - Boulder City
45/2718	Interquip Pty Ltd	111.81km <sup>2</sup>	37km Wly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°14' Long 119°24'	East Pilbara
45/2958 & 45/2962	Michael Jeremy Elias	261.45km <sup>2</sup>	54km SWly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°54' Long 119°27'	East Pilbara
45/2968	Michael Jeremy Elias	54.33km <sup>2</sup>	21km Ely of Marble Bar	Lat 21°08' Long 119°56'	East Pilbara
45/2991	Michael Jeremy Elias	19.23km <sup>2</sup>	35km Sly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°37' Long 118°41'	Port Hedland Town
45/2993	Michael Jeremy Elias	12.74km <sup>2</sup>	63km SWly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°37' Long 119°22'	East Pilbara
45/2994	Michael Jeremy Elias	137.52km <sup>2</sup>	99km Sly of Port Hedland	Lat 21°12' Long 119°57'	Port Hedland Town
50/1995	Doro Exploration NL	627.76km <sup>2</sup>	44km SEly of Paraburdoo	Lat 23°54' Long 117°51'	Arbitration/Mackathra
52/2030	Warwick John Pini	3.14km <sup>2</sup>	43km Sly of Newman	Lat 23°30' Long 120°18'	Mackathra
50/1310-6	Max Garen Chisley	1506.74km <sup>2</sup>	127km Ely of Wiluna	Lat 26°17' Long 121°27'	Wiluna
51/612	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	208.42km <sup>2</sup>	60km SWly of Sandstone	Lat 28°16' Long 119°46'	Sandstone
51/673	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	135.91km <sup>2</sup>	41km Sly of Sandstone	Lat 28°20' Long 119°36'	Sandstone
51/677	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	77.94km <sup>2</sup>	80km Ely of Paynes Find	Lat 29°02' Long 118°28'	Menzies/Mount Magnet/Sandstone
51/700	Liquid Mining Ltd	67.03km <sup>2</sup>	80km Nly of Sandstone	Lat 28°18' Long 119°33'	Sandstone/Wiluna
58/334	Bruce Robert Legende	150.83km <sup>2</sup>	70km SEly of Mount Magnet	Lat 28°14' Long 118°27'	Mount Magnet/Sandstone
59/1294	TE Johnston & Associates Pty Ltd	Corporate & Resource Consultants Pty Ltd			
59/1300	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	81.01km <sup>2</sup>	50km NEly of Morawa	Lat 28°54' Long 118°32'	Perenjri/Valgoo
59/1303	Aurora Resources Pty Ltd	193.93km <sup>2</sup>	76km SEly of Morawa	Lat 29°30' Long 118°44'	Perenjri/Valgoo
59/1304	Giles Rodney Dale	102.48km <sup>2</sup>	43km Ely of Valgoo	Lat 28°23' Long 117°06'	Valgoo
59/1305	Gregory Robert Scott				
59/1306	Robert William Scott				
59/1307	Jabiru Metals Ltd	119.74km <sup>2</sup>	123km Nly of Valgoo	Lat 27°18' Long 116°14'	Murchison
59/2003	Louise Minerals Pty Ltd	204.37km <sup>2</sup>	121km Nly of Wiluna	Lat 25°00' Long 120°20'	Wiluna
59/2255	Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd	490.13km <sup>2</sup>	137km Sly of Newman	Lat 24°50' Long 120°13'	Mackathra/Wiluna
59/2286-7	Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Ltd	905.62km <sup>2</sup>	180km SEly of Newman	Lat 24°46' Long 120°35'	Wiluna
59/2291	Esplan Energy Ltd	287.41km <sup>2</sup>	99km SWly of Balladonia	Lat 32°06' Long 123°08'	Esperance
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70/3010	Pegmont Resources Ltd	164.87km <sup>2</sup>	54km Ely of Benamban	Lat 30°52' Long 118°28'	Mukadina/Mungah
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**Notification day:** 9 May 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 **9 August 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. **9 September 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 INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES

### MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

1. **MINOTAUR VENTURES PTY LTD** (ACN 108 925 382) of 82 Fullarton Road, Norwood SA 5067, mining operator, proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land:

#### DESCRIPTION OF AREA

The land within the following Exploration Licence areas and Exploration Licence Application area but excluding any of the land that falls within the Gawler Ranges native title claim, Federal Court file number SAD6020/98, that is registered with the National Native Title Tribunal, tribunal file number SC977.

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE 3266

**DECEPTION HILL AREA** - Approximately 30 km south of Tarcoola, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°54'S and longitude 134°24'E, thence east to longitude 134°36'E, south to latitude 30°55'S, east to an eastern boundary of Yellabinnia Regional Reserve thence generally southeasterly and southerly along the boundary of said Regional Reserve to latitude 31°11'S, west to longitude 134°20'E, north to latitude 31°00'S, east to longitude 134°30'E, north to latitude 30°57'S, west to longitude 134°24'E and north to the point of commencement.

AREA: 795 square kilometres approximately.

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE 3335

**YELLABINNA AREA** - Approximately 110 km northeast of Ceduna, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°11'S and longitude 134°20'E, thence east to longitude 134°31'E, south to latitude 31°22'S, west to longitude 134°20'E and north to the point of commencement.

AREA: 355 square kilometres approximately.

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE 3166

**CHILDARA WELL AREA** - Approximately 100 km northeast of Ceduna, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°28'S and longitude 134°33'E, thence east to longitude 134°40'E, south to latitude 31°39'S, east to longitude 134°43'E, south to latitude 31°50'S, east to longitude 134°49'E, south to latitude 31°56'S, west to longitude 134°45'E, north to latitude 31°54'S, west to longitude 134°40'E, south to latitude 32°00'S, west to longitude 134°33'E, and north to the point of commencement.

AREA: 878 square kilometres approximately.

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE 3403

**LAKE EVERARD AREA** - Approximately 70 km southeast of Tarcoola, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°10'S and longitude 134°55'E, thence south to latitude 31°15'S, east to longitude 135°00'E, south to latitude 31°20'S, east to longitude 135°10'E, south to latitude 31°22'S, west to longitude 135°08'E, south to latitude 31°28'S, west to longitude 134°35'E, north to latitude 31°25'S, east to longitude 134°44'E, north to latitude 31°15'S, west to longitude 134°31'E, north to latitude 31°11'S, east to the eastern boundary of Yellabinnia Regional Reserve, thence northerly along the boundary of said Regional Reserve to latitude 31°10'S, and east to the point of commencement.

AREA: 1210 square kilometres approximately.

#### EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATION 389/06

**LAKE EVERARD AREA** - Approximately 80 km south of Tarcoola, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°15'S and longitude 134°31'E, thence east to longitude 134°44'E, south to latitude 31°25'S, west to longitude 134°35'E, south to latitude 31°28'S, west to longitude 134°33'E, south to latitude 31°35'S, west to longitude 134°07'E, north to latitude 31°26'S, east to longitude 134°12'E, north to a southern boundary of Yellabinnia Wilderness Area, thence generally easterly and northerly along the boundary of the said Wilderness Area to latitude 31°23'S, east to longitude 134°31'E, and north to the point of commencement.

AREA: 1283 square kilometres approximately.

All those latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

2. The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation, which (without limiting that general description) may include the following: geological mapping and soil sampling, subsurface investigations utilising airborne and geophysical surveying and drilling. Temporary disturbance of ground due to these activities will be rehabilitated in accordance with the Mining Act.

3. The proposed operations are authorized by the following exploration authorities under the Mining Act 1971: Exploration Licences 3266 and 3166, of which Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd is the current registered holder; Exploration Licences 3335 and 3403 of which Helix Resources Ltd is the current registered holder; and the Exploration Licence to be granted pursuant to Exploration Licence Application 389/06 lodged by Helix Resources Limited, Minotaur Ventures Pty Ltd is the mining operator in relation to each of these exploration authorities.

4. **MINOTAUR VENTURES PTY LTD** seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

**Note:** IF, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, MINOTAUR VENTURES PTY LTD may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land.

**Additional information:** Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent MINOTAUR VENTURES PTY LTD as follows:

- Contact telephone number: (08) 8235 7425
- Contact facsimile number: (08) 8232 2944
- If a company:
  - A.C.N.: 108 925 382
  - Contact person: George McKenzie, Partner, Finlaysons Lawyers



The 2006 Doomadgee Dragons.



The 2006 Hughenden Bulls.



# Equal favourites

By ALF WILSON in north Queensland



Last year's grand finalists, Normanton Stingers and the Doomadgee Dragons, are equal favourites to win this year's Mid West Queensland rugby league competition after three rounds of the

2007 season.

On 28 April, the Normanton side beat the Cloncurry Eagles 40-30 and Richmond Tigers scored an upset 20-12 victory over the Hughenden Bulls.

A week earlier in round two at Cloncurry, the Doomadgee Dragons thrashed Richmond 50-12 and Cloncurry defeated Hughenden 42-28.

A big indication that Normanton would be a powerhouse in 2007 came in round one when the Stingers travelled to

Doomadgee and recorded a 36-30 away win.

It was a grand final replay and Doomadgee had won the previous two climaxes to the season, beating the Stingers in the 2006 decider.

Not many teams make the long road journey to Doomadgee and leave with the competition points.

However, Normanton spokesman Mark Hognio from Normanton Sports Centre said the Stingers played strongly after the marathon trip.

"Normanton Stingers defeated Doomadgee in what was a grand final replay, only this time the Stingers won," Hognio said.

"Best for Stingers was Gene Murrey who scored three tries, Les Henry two tries and Sorren Owens kicking eight goals from eight attempts. Lance Rapson

and Joshua Greive also had strong games."

Best for Doomadgee were clever back Maxi Peters, Vernon Yanner and representative player Travis Fraser, who is a hero at his home community.

In season 2006, the Doomadgee Dragons won their third Mid West Rugby League grand final in succession when they beat Normanton 30-26 at the neutral town of Julia Creek.

Normanton led 20-12 at half-time in a game that featured lots of attacking flair and strong defence.

In the 2005 grand final, Doomadgee continued their dominance of the Mid West competition with a 34-28 win over Hughenden.

The Doomadgee teams remained undefeated throughout the 2005 season but had to fight hard to beat Hughenden in

the grand final at Cloncurry.

One positive thing to emerge from the Mid West League is that players in remote areas now get to play regular competition and can be noticed by clubs in Townsville, Mt Isa, Cairns or Mackay.

The most talented players can even be recruited by NRL teams. The North Queensland Cowboys have an emerging star in young forward Jacob Lillyman, who hails from Richmond.

The competition was resurrected in 2004 after a long break and Doomadgee beat Hughenden in the grand final, winning 60-28.

This year will be the most hotly contested on record, with every team given a chance come the finals series.

The semi-finals kick off on 11 August, with the preliminary final a week later and the grand final on 25 August.

# Bowen a headache for selectors



Matt Bowen's show-stopping performances for North Queensland has left Queensland selectors in a quandary.

The 25-year-old Indigenous fullback has been in scintillating form during the opening rounds of the NRL season but is in danger of having to watch State of Origin from his lounge room in Townsville.

Standing in line behind Australian fullback Karmichael Hunt are a number of Queensland hopefuls, including Billy Slater, Rhys Wesser and Greg Inglis.

All four are safe under the high ball, possess electrifying speed and are try-scoring machines.

But for those who witnessed the Cowboys' win over the Sea Eagles, it could be said Bowen has arguably the most attacking spark of them all.

He scored two tries, was denied another, set up two more,

and cut down Brett Stewart in a most memorable covering tackle.

The last incident brought North Queensland supporters to their feet as the man reported to be the fastest player in the competition was made to look slow. Bowen coming from behind and almost bundling the speedster into touch following a 50m run down the sideline.

However, with the good form of Hunt likely to shunt Bowen out of Origin calculations, he is receiving solid support from a variety of sources.

Johnathan Thurston is one of Bowen's biggest fans and forms one half of the dynamic duo.

While careful not to get his Test team-mates' noses out of joint, the Cowboys captain claims the Queensland selectors have to find a spot for his little mate.

"I don't want to get caught up in it, but I think it would be pretty silly to leave him out," Thurston said.

"It would be great to have him in there."

His coach Graham Murray agrees, but with a mind on both the Cowboys and the Blues squad, he is reluctant to give the Maroons any psychological advantage.

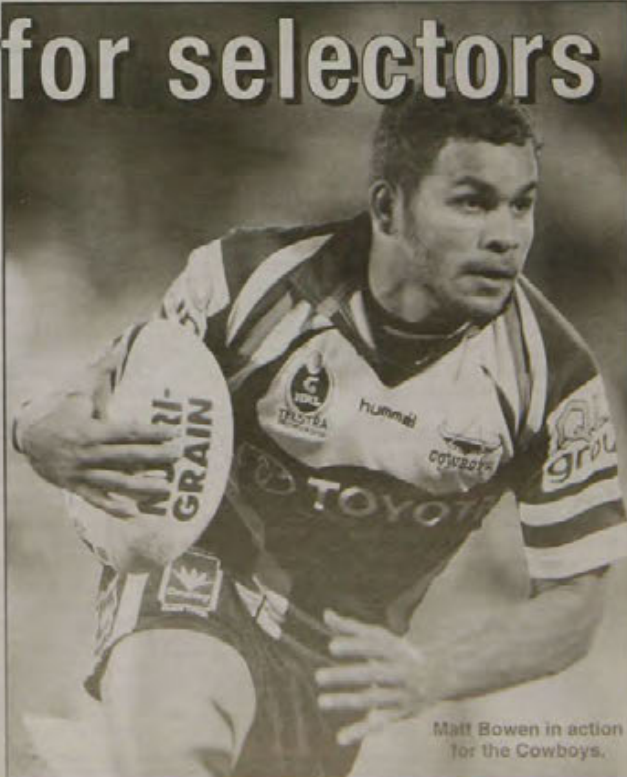
"Matty is a great player and he would never let any rep side down," Murray said.

"He is special and can pull out tries, particularly when the forwards are going forward and the side is going well."

The Queenslanders find themselves in a similar situation to the 1980s when their great back line dominated Origin series after Origin series.

The days of Mal Meninga, Gene Miles, Bob Shearer, Kerry Boustead, Alan Langer and Wally Lewis seem back again with Queensland able to pick from a string of in-form fullbacks, wingers and halves.

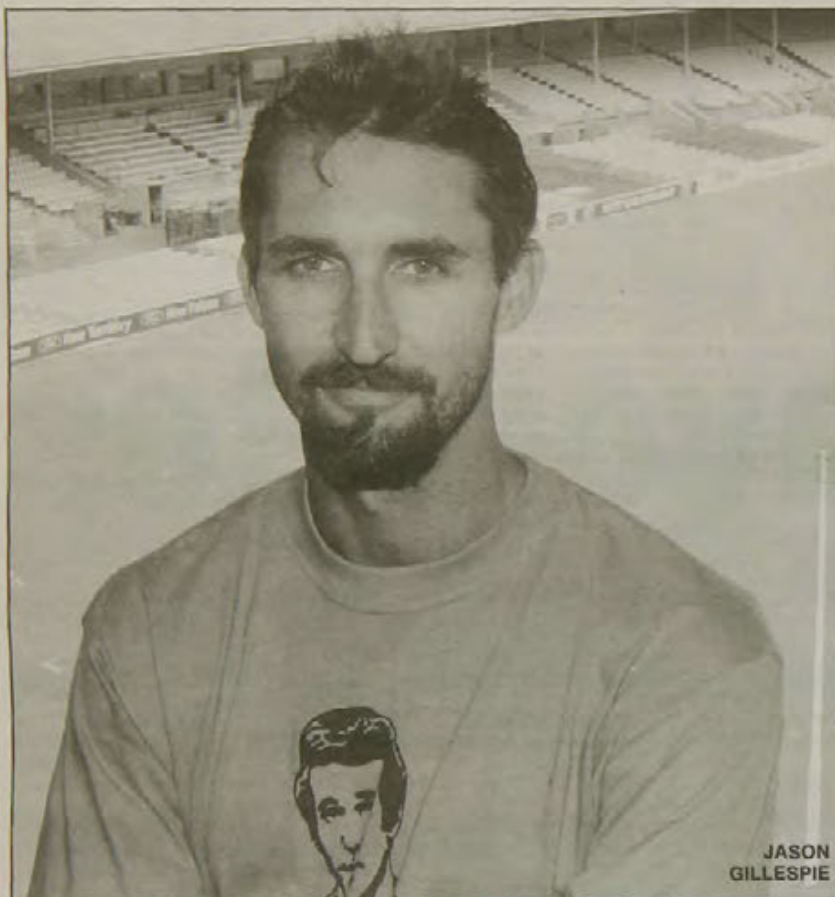
The Maroons squad is set to be revealed on 14 May but one thing is sure, they could do worse than selecting the Cowboys entertainment machine. -AAP



Matt Bowen in action for the Cowboys.



# Not out!



JASON GILLESPIE

## Gillespie's cricket contract renewed



Evergreen Indigenous cricketer Jason Gillespie has had his contract with Cricket Australia renewed, despite believing his Australian days are over.

"Jason has always had a future," cricket chairman of selectors Andrew Hilditch said.

"I saw something in the papers a few months ago that he didn't think he did, but we have always reinforced that he is still around the mark."

"He is only 32 and has got a great Test record as well, had a good season in Pura Cup and we have rewarded him with a new contract."

Gillespie is a descendant of the Kamilaroi people of northern NSW.

He has taken 259 wickets in 71 Tests at an average of 26.08, making him Australia's fifth-highest wicket-taker, but injuries have forced Gillespie to operate from a shorter run-up and his speed has suffered.

His Test batting average took a leap in April 2006 when he scored 201 not out in a Test against Bangladesh in Chittagong. It was world record score by a Test nightwatchman.

He came away from that Test with the man of the match and man of the series awards, but he hasn't played for Australia since. Selectors looked to younger bowlers for the

Ashes series against England.

On his 32nd birthday, Gillespie scored a century for Yorkshire in the English County championship and in doing so, set a 9th wicket partnership record for Yorkshire with 246 runs with Tim Bresnan. Gillespie's 123 not out was the highest score by a Yorkshire No 10 batsman.

"When I woke up here in Leeds and heard the news this morning it was quite surprising, but a nice one," the 32-year-old who is playing county cricket in England said on radio in Adelaide.

"I'll now be mentally thinking there may be another game for my country around the corner."

"While South Australia had a tough season last summer, I thought I bowled okay."

"The retirement of Glenn (McGrath) and couple of other players may have helped my cause."

"All I'm going to do now is to try and contribute for Yorkshire and make the most of the Australian winter in the UK."

With the South Australian Redbacks expecting to name a new captain and coach for the coming season, Gillespie said that while he would be happy to lead the South Australian side, he believed the position would go to a up-and-coming talent within the ranks.

— Peter Argent and AAP

## Daisy Cup now held in October

By ALF WILSON



Teams from as far afield as the Torres Strait, the NPA, Napranum, Mount Isa, Rockhampton, Cherbourg, Cairns, Woorabinda, Charters Towers and even NSW are planning to compete in the rich Vern and Frank Daisy Rugby League Cup and Cultural Community Fair.

It will be held in Townsville on the weekend of 13-14 October and nominations for men's and women's teams are being invited by organisers.

The motto for the carnival will be 'Be Strong Be Proud Together We Make A Difference'.

"We've moved it to the end of the year because of the better time frame to allow for more players to be available so we can all come together as one to show the broader community that the true people of this land are strong and well organised in many ways possible," organiser Obe Geia said.

The men's player of the carnival will win a new car and nominations close on 31 July, with up to \$30,000 prizemoney for the successful men's team, depending on how many teams nominate.

Another \$5000 will be up for grabs to the winning women's side.



Obe Geia at the last Daisy Cup competition.

Nomination fee for men's teams is \$3000 and \$1500 for the women's, with sides from the Torres Strait, Palm Island and Cairns having already shown interest.

There will also be career information stalls and cultural stalls, kids' corner, rides and activities.

Cherbourg recorded a 31-30 win over Yarrabah in the grand final of the inaugural Vern and Frank Daisy Cup and Cultural Community Fair in Townsville in February 2006, at which rugby league legends Arthur Beetson, Ricky Walford, Colin Scott and Larry Corowa were special guests.

## They're living legends

Legendary North Queensland rugby league brothers Frank and Vern Daisy are still treated like idols by people from the region.

The Daisy brothers were two of the finest rugby league players to come out of north Queensland and played in numerous Foley Shield grand final wins for Mount Isa.

Vern Daisy, 59, and his brother Frank, 55, were dressed in their trademark akubra hats, denim jeans and dressy shirts when they the inaugural football carnival named after them in February 2006 at the Townsville Sports Reserve.

"This is tremendous and I am honoured and humbled to have a carnival named after us. When we played we loved the game and we didn't expect down the track to have this happen. I have met a lot of mates here today who I haven't seen for years," Frank Daisy told me.

Frank and Vern sat under tent on day one with the Kalkadoon Warriors team from Mount Isa and offered them support, and signed autographs for and had pictures taken with many fans.

Another former Mount Isa legend and these days referee, Ricky Page, caught up with them and had a long

yarn. Frank Daisy lives in Mount Isa while Vern resides in Townsville.

Rick Page has become a rugby league jack-of-all-trades in his last 32 years in rugby league in north Queensland.

Page, now 43 years old, has been a junior player, a senior and representative footballer, a referee, an administrator, a writer/columnist, and a talent scout for young Indigenous footballers.

Cloncurry-born Page now lives in Townsville and is preparing to referee and touch judge local competition games in the 2006 season.

"Some of the best players I saw while at Mount Isa were Frank Daisy and his brother Vern, Josh Geia, Warren Wilson, Chad Duffy, Dennis Yamaguchi, Noah Savuro and Vince Hollingsworth, who was explosive," Page said.

Page's toughest opponent was former Fijian star and Mt Isa Foley Shield great Noah Savuro. He said Savuro was the hardest and toughest player to tackle.

"He was so frightening that I could hardly eat my breakfast the morning of match day when we had to come up against Noah," Page said.



At the last Daisy Cup were, from left, Frank Daisy, referee Rick Page and Vern Daisy.



# Game is nonsense

**D**ESPITE all the controversy over selections for the annual City versus Country match, if I were Nathan Merritt I would be sending the selectors a thank-you card for not being picked for last week's debacle of a game.

On the other hand, Preston Campbell – one player who could understand how Merritt was feeling after having been overlooked for Kangaroo selection in the year he won the Daily M – was probably rueing the representative acknowledgement he has received late in his career.

The Titans fullback is sweating on scans to determine the extent of a potentially season-ending knee injury.

If Merritt had played on the wing he would not so much have run the risk of being injured, but more of catching cold or pneumonia standing out on the wing with little or no chance of seeing the ball.

City withstood a spirited comeback from the injury-ravaged Country to win what has been falsely dubbed the annual New South Wales Origin selection trial 12-6.

The predominately Country crowd in Coffs Harbour had little to cheer about as their team trailed 8-0 early in the second half after losing Sharks halfback Brett Kimmorley (concussion) and Canberra centre Phil Graham (knee) in the opening 40 minutes.

Sharks captain Kimmorley was knocked out cold attempting a tackle on City back-rower Ryan Hoffman in the 37th minute while Graham suffered a suspected torn medial ligament.

It was a cruel blow for Kimmorley, who is locked in a duel with City halfback and Blues incumbent Craig Gower for the Blues halfback spot.

Gower himself did not star on the night, which may leave the door ajar for Manly's Matt Orford to make a late claim for the job.

The other contentious position for NSW selectors is five-eighth, with City's Braith



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Anasta having a solid match meaning he should be named as Blues pivot on May 15 when the NSW selectors name a 17-man squad for the opening Origin in Brisbane eight days later.

With the nine New South Welshman who played in last month's Anzac Test likely to be included in the Blues side, then potentially there are six spots outside the halves up for grabs.

Realistically, there are probably only three remaining – wing and bench spots for a utility and a prop. Melbourne enforcer Brett White had an outstanding game and could be a bolter for a bench spot, with his team-mate Ben Cross not too far behind.

Another Storm player in Ryan Hoffman who was the emergency reserve for the

Test against the Kiwis was also impressive and has the capacity to play centre at a pinch.

From an Indigenous perspective – if Campbell is ruled out – then Greg Bird pushed his claims with a strong performance backing up his outstanding form at club level.

Although an accomplished back-rower Bird has the capacity to play at pivot and at dummy-half. He is certainly the type of player suited to Origin football as he continually puts his body on the line week in and week out.

Given his experience, City fullback Anthony Minichiello has probably done enough to hold off Country's Brett Stewart for the Blues' No 1 jersey.

The wing position still appears to be open, so Nathan Merritt may still have a chance to press his claims at club level – but I wouldn't be holding my breath!

Amos Roberts is another noted try-scorer and did nothing wrong the other evening but, like Merritt, does not appear to meet the selectors' preference for wingers built in the physical mould of a prop.

I for one would be happy to see selectors cast aside any misgiven feeling of treachery towards Timana Tahu for 'defecting' to rugby union and allow us to see this superb athlete grace the Origin stage one final time.

Again, this is somewhat doubtful.

Apart from the game of pick the next State of Origin player, there was little to excite the miserly crowd of 8149 at Coffs, with Kurt Gidley losing the ball over the line in the final seconds providing the only real drama of the game.

It is difficult to really see the true sense of this game.

If it is a true selection trial, then surely all players should be contenders for the State of Origin.

With all due respect to the likes of Peter

Cusack, Craig Fitzgibbon, Mat Geyer and even the people's champion in Preston Campbell, it is fair to say some of the players selected are past their prime when it comes to representative football.

If the game is to serve the purpose of 'bleeding' new talent at this level, then the selectors failed in their duty.

One of the major reasons why Queensland has remained competitive at representative level has been their willingness to take the plunge on young talent.

For every Shane Webcke there has always been a Carl Webb or Sam Thaiday waiting in the shadows.

For every Darren Lockyer there is a Karmichael Hunt or a Matt Bowen waiting for his opportunity to shine.

This is what adds to the thrill of Origin.

You know that every game of every series is liable to throw up a new champion.

Jonathan Thurston is a special case in point. The talented bench player from the Bulldogs travelled north to be given the opportunity to get a regular starting spot with the Cowboys.

Within a year the Cowboys has made the grand final and Thurston had been catapulted to game stardom through his performances in the finals series and at State of Origin level.

In the next article I will preview the Origin series but – despite my Koori heritage – I cannot help but sense I will be supporting my Murri brothers as they attempt to give NSW a taste of how the game was meant to be played.

If last week's City-Country game is a sample of what NSW has to offer, then Queensland has little to worry about.

Most people saw little or no sense in playing the game.

From my point of view, the whole game was nonsense.

## Burgoyne is on the right track



If Port Adelaide AFL star Shaun Burgoyne can maintain his scintillating early-season form throughout the winter, he will deservedly be among the 2007 Brownlow Medal favourites.

And if he goes on to become the first Port player to 'take Charlie home' later this year, the silky-smooth Burgoyne would be well advised to thank his lucky stars that his front-on contact with the head and neck of St Kilda's Lenny Hayes happened in late April rather than early March.

To the surprise of many, Burgoyne beat a three-match ban last week when the tribunal found him not guilty of rough conduct.

"I aim to play all 22 games. I'm a contender for the Brownlow Medal and I use that as a motivating force," Burgoyne told the tribunal.

"There's no way I would do anything stupid to put any of that in jeopardy." The tribunal jury made up of former players Emmett Dunne, Richard Loveridge and Wayne Henwood took only a few minutes to side with Burgoyne, after the

player's advocate argued that Hayes' neck injury was sustained when he hit the ground.

The St Kilda midfielder was being dragged down in a tackle at the time of contact.

And the slippery conditions during the match at AAMI Stadium may also have played in Burgoyne's favour.

### Goodes ineligible

Unlike Burgoyne, Sydney superstar Adam Goodes is now ineligible for a third Brownlow Medal in 2007 after pleading guilty to striking Melbourne tagger Simon Godfrey.

But Goodes also had a pretty sizeable win at the tribunal last week when he walked out with only a reprimand after successfully having his report downgraded from charging to striking.

Coming just a fortnight after Fremantle's Des Headland escaped without suspension for striking Eagle Adam Selwood on the grounds of provocation, expect more players to take their chances at the tribunal in coming weeks rather than lodge an early guilty plea. – AAP



Shaun Burgoyne in action for Port Adelaide.



# Teams need a Buddy

## Magic's Moments



With Sydney Swans star Michael O'Loughlin

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**W**HEN a club needs to rebuild or look to the future, it normally settles on a senior player or group of leaders to form the nucleus before embarking on a youth policy of recruitment and development.

Very rarely there comes along a young player who has all the attributes to suggest he can be a marquee player for that club for the seasons to come.

Without wishing to put undue pressure on him as he establishes his AFL career, Lance 'Buddy' Franklin appears to be one of that select group.

Despite being on the losing side against the Bulldogs recently, Franklin was one of the stand-out players on the ground.

His confidence and athleticism are necessary given the key position he holds, and his average of one goal a game in 20 outings in his debut season gave an indication that he has the football ability to match.

From day one he appeared to have all the tools to be a genuine player.

However, it is easy to talk about the qualities of a player as an observer.

A fan of the game – and I include myself in that category for the sake of this argument – can see this young man has all the physical attributes to be a superstar.

He is tall, skilful, fast, athletic and with his long legs and enormous stride, he is as

hard to miss by spectators as he is hard to catch by defenders.

To defend against him is a tall order as you can never be completely sure what he will do next.

At the present time Franklin is still a work in progress, but it is what those close to him say that gives me confidence that he is a potentially brilliant player.

Former Hawthorn skipper Shane Crawford has described Buddy as one of the best young players he has seen in his time at the club.

"Out of all the young kids that I've seen come through over my time at the club, he's definitely up there," Crawford said.

"If he can maintain his work ethic and the way he applies himself, he's going to be one of the good players around the club."

"When he first came down to the club, straight away he showed that he had enormous talent and he seems to be improving all the time."

"He's obviously got the talent, it's just a matter of how he applies himself. He certainly plays with a lot of confidence."

Hawthorn Coach Alistair Clarkson reinforces this assessment while trying to water down expectations on the young star.

"He has the capability of taking some very, very strong marks and part of it and a

lot of it is too that as a young fella coming into the AFL, it's not so much whether you can take the catch or not – it's sometimes wondering whether you should be the one going for the ball," Clarkson said.

"And sometimes there is just that slight hesitancy: 'I think this one's meant for Dixon or it's meant for Mark Williams'."

"As time goes by, some of these boys playing up forward just generate some belief in themselves: 'There's the footy and I can go at it and I'm going to go at it'."

"I think that's been the most pleasing aspect of Lance's game ... is that he's really started to impose himself on games and believe that when a ball comes into his area, he's just as capable as anyone else in that area of the ground and that he can win it."

This does not mean, however, that Buddy always has the same sense of self-confidence off the field.

In many respects, Franklin maintains the same characteristics of the young kid who emerged from the tiny West Australian

Wheatbelt town of Dowerin.

He is still a young man who has much to learn about life in the unforgiving glare of the media attention that accompanies professional sport.

The Hawks have invested heavily in time and education to try to ensure that Franklin

and his peers are able to extract every possible gain from their natural talent by watering down expectations as the club attempts to return to the top of the AFL competition.

Whenever talk turns to Franklin, Hawthorn is at pains to emphasise he is merely another building block rather than a foundation pillar.

"The whole culture here is that it's not a one-man show. We have brought in a whole crop of exciting talents to help rebuild the club. Lance is part of that," Clarkson said.

Unfortunately – or fortunately – you cannot disguise the individual brilliance of a talent like Franklin and it is obvious to all that, foundation pillar or not, he is central to the Hawks' hopes.

This does not mean he has had it all easy, as in his early days he needed some strong guidance off the field.

John Barker was a steadying influence even after he retired and left the club.

Barker has a clear vision of what is needed of the modern-day footballer and offers some sound advice for Franklin.

"In both the football and social areas, he has to carry himself in a way that is conforming and beneficial to him and the team," Barker said.

"He has become a role model and his understanding of that is growing. When he gets in precarious situations he's getting better at understanding how to work through it."

"With his football, he needs to do the right thing for team structures, but you have to be careful not to stifle him in doing so."

"It's a balancing act but it's not too difficult. He can obviously develop into a very good AFL player. How far he wants to go is in his court."

Judging by Buddy's progress this season, all the time and investment in his development is starting to pay dividends.

Don't get me wrong – Buddy still has a long way to go to firmly establish himself and to realise his undoubted talent.

But when he presses the 'go' button and he propels him into another exhilarating swoop towards goal, he instantly ignites the raw passion and breathless excitement that is the essence of our great game.

In life, everybody needs a friend. In the AFL, everybody needs a Buddy! Until next time ... Keep Dreaming!



Lance Franklin in action for Hawthorn.

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## Central Q'land team invited to Sydney



Central Queensland Under-18 Indigenous players performed well at the Rugby League Interstate Challenge played in Nyngan, in far western NSW.

Playing with the Far West Academy of Sports side, the boys defeated the Northern Territory but went down to Parramatta and Newcastle.

The Indigenous players performed so well that they have been invited to play against Parramatta and Cronulla line-ups in Sydney in July, as well as attend some NRL club trainings and recovery sessions.

Players Barry Blackman and

Raymond Zysk have also been invited to join the NSWRL Young Achievers 16-day tour to England and France.

● **RIGHT:** Members of the Central Queensland Indigenous contingent at Nyngan are, back from left, Stirling Eggmolesse (Manager), Kurt McKeown (Gladstone), Barry Blackman (Maryborough), Steve Hall (NSWRL Academy), Col Wright (FWAS Coach), Greg Appo (Central Queensland Sport and Recreation Coordinator), Kelvin Duiker (Trainer), Raymond Zysk (Bundaberg) and Tracey Darby (Manageress); front from left, Anthony Broome (Bundaberg) and Wayne Curtis and Nick Weribone (St George).



# Break the stereotype

## DEANO'S LEAGUE



With DEAN WIDDERS

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**T**he issue of race in sport has been one of the topics of the week with the non-selection of Nathan Merritt in the City side and his reported comments creating a mini media storm around the Rabbitohs as we prepared for our match against the Broncos.

Let me start by putting the issue in its proper context.

Nathan did not initiate the issue, nor did he accuse the selectors of being racist.

In a series of questions about his non-selection – meaning that sections of the media thought he perhaps deserved to be there on form – he was asked whether he thought the fact that he was Aboriginal was one of the reasons he was left out of the team.

He answered honestly and said 'yes' and I certainly agree with his answer.

I am not accusing the selectors of being consciously racist, but rather that they fall into the pattern of selection that has dominated NSW-based teams for a long period.

I say NSW-based sides because when you look at the composition of Queensland teams, you could not level the same criticism that I believe is fair when talking about the NSW-based sides.

My main criticism is that Aboriginal players are grouped into a category

that one might label 'unpredictable'.

From a fan's point of view – and through the eyes of many journalists – these are the players with the 'X' factor that provide 'excitement' and 'uncertainty' when watching the games.

But these are the very words that are in the negative category for selectors when it comes to picking a City or NSW State of Origin side.

Their preferred phrases are 'structured', 'patience', 'to plan', 'safety first', and 'building pressure'.

To my mind, this comes from a lack of understanding of what I prefer to call a learned style of Aboriginal play that I described in last week's article.

What to many people seems to be the intuition or sixth sense of players like Matt Bowen, Jonathan Thurston, Greg Inglis and – dare I say – Nathan Merritt, is actually a learned style of football.

Rather than merely being classed as 'naturals', I prefer to believe their natural talents have been honed by playing football with their brothers growing up in their communities.

The Aboriginal brand of football is intuitive but tough.

Your intuition actually comes from playing with your brain – thinking while running and being prepared to take advantage of any opportunity that presents itself.

Natural talent alone is not enough – even the most gifted of players like Andrew Johns has to work hard at honing those basic skills.

And so it is with Nathan Merritt.

He works hard at all aspects of his game and his form this year ticks all the boxes in terms of taking the high ball under pressure, his chase game and his tackling.

After being the highest try-scorer in the NRL last year in the bottom-placed team, hasn't he done enough to at least get his chance to prove his worth at the next level?

The difficulty for Nathan is that one mistake is enough to put him back into that category of unpredictable.

It seems that Aboriginal players have to continually prove themselves over and over again.



Greg Inglis, above, and Sam Thaiday, right. Columnist Dean Widders raises the question: Would these Indigenous stars have ever played for Australia had they not been Queenslanders?



But from a broader view, it is not only Aboriginal players to be fair.

I also doubt whether NSW would pick a player like Dallas Johnson or whether the legendary 'Axe' Trevor Gillmeister would have been picked too many times for the 'Blues'.

These players do not fit the physical stereotype that is seemingly preferred by selectors.

They were able to prove their class when given the opportunity to do so by the Queensland selectors.

Similar comparisons may also be drawn with players of Polynesian and Islander extraction.

Some would still believe that these players as a general rule do not have the athleticism and stamina to last the distance.

Football wisdom would have it that you only have to weather the initial physical storm and these players either give up or struggle to last the distance.

How times have changed!

Since the inception of the NRL and the start of full-time professionalism, we have seen a steady increase in Polynesian players across the NRL.

Given the opportunity, many of these players have turned this perception on its head with the likes of Roy Asotasi, Sonny-Bill Williams, Willie Mason, Nathan Cayless and others proving to be more than the exception.

Opportunity is the key.

With Queensland selectors allowing the likes of Sam Thaiday, Ty Williams, Matt Bowen, Jonathan Thurston, Greg Inglis, Justin Hodges and others to break not only the stereotype that Aboriginal players struggle at the highest level, but that you can have too many Aboriginal players in one side.

One of the highlights of State of Origin was the game where Carl Webb, John Doyle and John Buttigieg were called up from the Queensland Cowboys to play starring roles in one of the series' biggest upsets.

Perhaps administrators might finally look to allowing an Indigenous representative side to play at a representative level.

A game against an NRL side or an emerging nation such as PNG, Samoa or Tonga would allow players to prove their mettle. A bloke like Nathan Merritt deserves his chance as much as Sam Thaiday did last year.

Which brings me to my final question?

If Jonathan Thurston was still at the Bulldogs and was eligible for NSW, would he be currently Australia's halfback?

Somewhat I doubt whether he, Greg Inglis, Matt Bowen or Sam Thaiday would have represented their country by now if they were not Queenslanders.

Why? Because in NSW we need to break the stereotype.

Give the Nathan Merritts of this world the opportunity they have earned.



# Indigenous officer at Police Games



Indigenous South Australian police officer Jason Bray was one of the more than 10,000 participants in the 2007 World Police and Fire Games held recently in Adelaide.

A skilled basketballer, Bray said the games were an experience he would long remember.

"It was a good environment to be involved in. We played our games in the Distinctive Homes Dome, the home of the Adelaide 36ers franchise," he said.

Bray, a former Northern Territory Under-20s player when he was just 14, is the coach of the Woodville Basketball Club in the ABA competition.

"We got to the bronze medal game, but couldn't get over the

Victorian Police in this match," he said.

"I originally got involved because the event was in South Australia and I would be able to go out and shoot some hoops with a few of my mates.

"Knee soreness nearly prevented me from playing, but it came good just in time and I shot better than I have in years."

The versatile point/shooting

guard average 15 points over the six-game tournament, with a game high total of 23. The SA Police finished with a 50 per cent win-loss ratio.

Bray has been with the South Australian Police Force for the past five years, being based in Elizabeth, in Adelaide's northern suburbs. He is originally from Alice Springs, moving to the South Australian capital in his

mid-teens.

Bray is also a life member of the Woodville Basketball Club and played with fellow Aboriginal champion Paul Vandenberg in the side's 2000 ABA title.

After the positive experience of the 2007 World and Fire Games, Bray is keen to participate in the next games, to be held in Canada during 2009. — Peter Argent

# Stellar career ends for State netballer



South Australian netballer Leah Torzyn has retired as an unsung hero of the sport in her home State.

The Adelaide woman completed a 15-year career in the State League competition, with many saying she improved with every year she played — statements underlined by the fact that she took 'Team of the Year' honours in three of her last four competition years.

Like many young netballers, Torzyn's involvement in netball started at primary school, before she moved across to famed Adelaide netball club Garville at age 12.

"My link with Garville started because an Aboriginal player, Andrea Mason, was playing State League at the club," she explained.

"Mum suggested I go out to the club because she was there and Andrea became a mentor and a role model for me.

"I was lucky enough to make my debut, off the bench at State League level in my mid-teens and started to become a regular starter for Garville when I was about 17."

Torzyn, whose mother is from the Narunga people of Point Pearce, on the Yorke Peninsula, took part in the memorable Garville v Contax clashes before the national competition started in the early to mid-1990s.

"I played in two grand finals — we won one — and they were epics," she said.

"They were sell-outs at the Clipsal Powerhouse, getting crowds of up to 8000.

"Being coached by Pat Micken was a great pleasure — she was one of the best communicators I was ever involved with."

Among many accolades, Torzyn also was a member of the SA Sports Institute (SASI) in her teens, coached by national league stalwart Marg Angove, and wore her State's colours at all levels from under-16s through to open age.

Torzyn went to Sri Lanka and Singapore as part of an SA Sports Institute (SASI) tour under Angove's tuition.

Angove said: "I haven't had much to do with Leah since those days at SASI, but she has maintained her position at wing defence in State League for a decade-and-a-half, which speaks for itself.

"She has always been a hard, tough and skilful netballer, who is relentless with her pressure on opponents.

"On top of that, Leah has always been a good sportsperson and a fair competitor, along with being a wonderful ambassador for her people.

"I hope her time at SASI



Leah Torzyn during an SA game.

helped her along the way."

Needing a new lease on her netball life, Torzyn moved across to the Oakdale club in 2001, becoming a co-captain in her penultimate season ('05) and the club's on-field leader in 2006.

"Leah has an enviable history in netball in South Australia," Oakdale head coach Megan Carter said.

"She is one of few players to reach the 200-game milestone and can boast playing in the defensive circle with Michelle Den Decker (former Australian netball captain) and in the great Garville team which included Jenny Borlase.

"I have had the privilege of being involved in a team Leah has played in over the past four

years from 2003 to 2006.

"She is hard worker along with being a talented player, tenacious on the court and also importantly being a team player.

"Leah was very involved with the club and was a significant contributor and excellent captain in 2006 for the Oakdale State League team, also having represented her State at all age levels and has been named in the 'team of the year' at wing defence on several occasions.

"Her panther-like moves and fluent grace were a pleasure to watch and her long arms and great anticipation was the nemesis of many wing attacks in the State League competition."

Torzyn believes her 200-game milestone day last year was a pretty special event in her sporting life, as she received flowers after the game and celebrated with champagne in the change rooms after.

"The reason to retire from the game was to focus on the family business, Print Junction. I still believe I'm capable of competing at top level," Torzyn said.

"The business is run with my dad, Leon, mother Sheila and brother Nathan.

"I like to think I was getting better at netball with age."

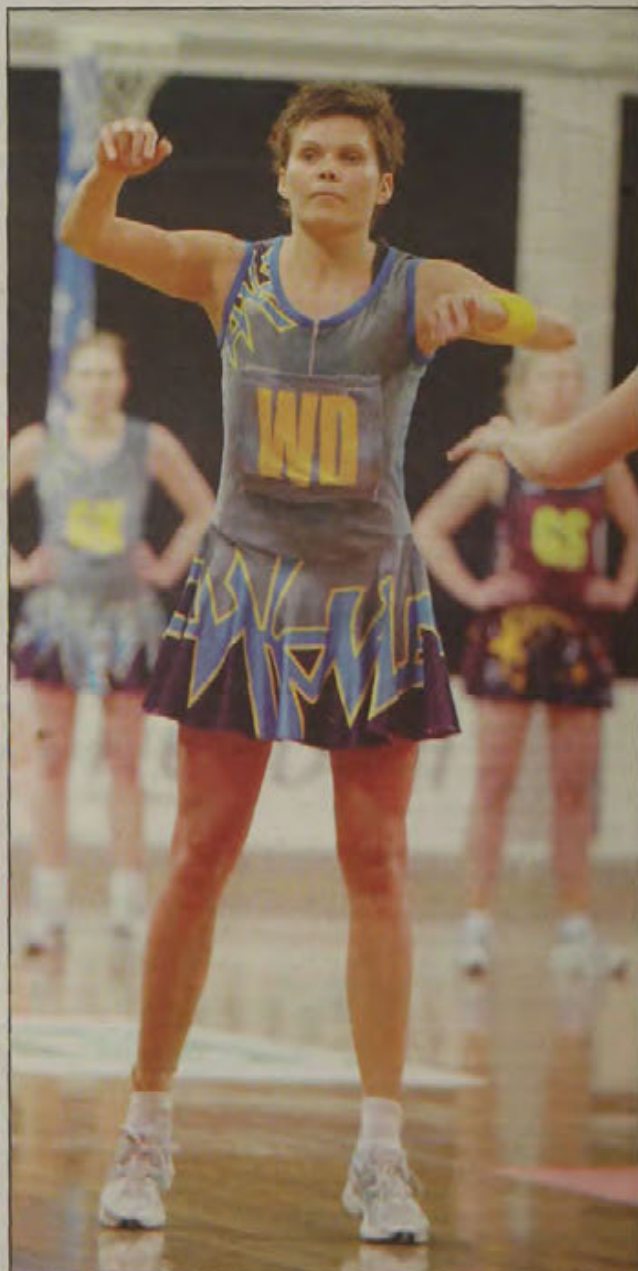
Torzyn's mother is a member of the Newchurch clan and Grandmother Stella was a Wanganeen before marrying into the family.

An area of some concern for Torzyn is small numbers of Indigenous girls playing netball.

"I was lucky enough to be involved in Aboriginal sports carnivals with the likes of Kelly and Vanessa Wilson and would like to see greater participation in the State League," she said.

"More needs to be done. We need a higher focus on all female sports — as well as all Indigenous female ones."

● **Footnote** — Leah Torzyn's nephew (Nathan's son) Luke is starting to excel in football, playing for Port Adelaide Magpies under-15s in a curtain-raiser to the recent Power v Saints AFL match.



SA State League wing defence veteran Leah Torzyn ... "I like to think I was getting better at netball with age."



# Socceroo eyes overseas contract

By PETER ARGENT



Socceroo Indigenous mid-fielder Travis Dodd hopes to secure an overseas deal once his Adelaide United contract ends.

He is currently playing for Adelaide United in the Asian Champions League competition. The Reds and Sydney FC are the two Australian teams contesting the Asian Champions League.

"I have a year on my contract with Adelaide United left and will consider overseas offers after that," the lightning-quick Dodd, 27, said.

"Playing in the Asian Champions League is a great chance to be in the shop window, so to speak.

"At this stage, I believe I have a year or two left to take the opportunity to go overseas.

"An important part to help this process would be making the Australian squad, selected in July."

Dodd reflected on his season which had plenty of peaks and troughs, with the outstanding highlight being the goal he scored in national colours.

"I started the season strongly and was rewarded in getting a call-up to the Australian national side," he said.

Dodd's debut international match for Australia was an Asian Cup qualifier against Kuwait at Aussie Stadium, Sydney, in August 2006. He scored the opening goal for the home side in a 2-0 win. Dodd's goal marked the first international goal by an Indigenous Australian.

"The goal was not only a highlight of the season, but also my career," Dodd said.

"I can still vividly see the strike in my mind - finally I got a tape of the game - and saw a replay for the first time by myself.

"To be the first Indigenous soccer player to score for my country is special."

## Inconsistent

In the National Soccer League (NSL) competition, Dodd and Adelaide United had an inconsistent year, which ultimately saw team coach John Kosmina resign his position after the 0-6 grand final loss to Melbourne Victory.

Dodd still finished as the Reds' equal fourth highest goal scorer with four from 28 attempts during the season.

"It is fair to say my form dipped for a while after the goal for Australia - I kept trying to play out of my skin - worrying about my form and the results of it," he said.

"Towards the end of the season I started to come good again."

Dodd also conceded it was hard and a disruption when Brazilian legend Romario came into the structure for four weeks, but qualified this by saying it was still a huge experience playing alongside a giant of the game.

On the depressing grand final result, Dodd believed the snowballed effect of the game explained why the match spiralled out of control and finished up with such a disastrous scoreline.

"Playing at Telstra Dome, the pitch was enormous and Melbourne suited that ground really well," Dodd said.

"Being something like 3-0 down with 10 men at half-time, the mindset was for it not to get any worse.

"It became embarrassing and in the end we were defenceless."

Dodd believes it was good that Adelaide

# overseas contract



Indigenous Socceroo Travis Dodd on the attack in the colours of Adelaide United.

were involved in another competition to reinstate the sides' credibility.

"This (Asian Champions League) is a tough competition on an international stage," he said.

"Our position on the table doesn't reflect how well we have played so far.

"We lost to the Korean national winners because of an own goal in the away fixture,

and were 2-0 up against this team (Seongnam Ilhwa) at home with 40 minutes to go, before drawing 2-all."

The Adelaide United will wrap up with a match against Shandong Luneng at the Shandong Sports Centre Stadium tonight, (Wednesday May 9) before finishing with a game against Dom Tang Long An at Hindmarsh Stadium in Adelaide.

## Farmer's AFL career in jeopardy over fracas



Fremantle AFL forward Jeff Farmer has been fined \$3000 after pleading guilty to punching a security guard at a Perth nightclub.

Farmer, 29, pleaded guilty in Perth Magistrates Court last Thursday to common assault over an incident in inner-city Northbridge on the preceding Saturday night.

Fremantle coach Chris Connolly has said Farmer had let down his club, his supporters and himself with the assault, which may have ended his career.

Farmer has been suspended until at least round 13, fined \$5000 by the club, and warned that he may be sacked after the late-night fracas with a bouncer ended up with him locked up hours before the AFL Commission met with West Coast bosses to discuss their behavioural problems.

After the Dockers board took just two hours to suspend Farmer until after the split round, Connolly expressed his shock and anger at Farmer's latest indiscretion.

"I have probably defended, supported and helped Jeff more than just about anyone," Connolly said.

"I feel really let down and he has certainly let down our supporters, our members, staff, his own family.

"But this situation gives the club time to gather information and take the next step, and the club is going to be very decisive about that."

After getting the backing of the AFL Commission for their decision, club president Rick Hart said the incident was one of the most disappointing episodes in the Dockers' history.

"It is disappointing that he would find himself in a position where he could have such disregard for the rules of the club," Hart said.

"We took what we think was swift and decisive action, because it is important our club can demonstrate we can deal with these things ... regardless of who it is."

After saying Farmer would still be able to play in the WAFL with South Fremantle while suspended, Hart said they had considered dumping the 29-year-old altogether.

"We pondered a variety of actions, but we thought the best one was the one that we took," Hart said.

Farmer had two games of a six-week suspension to serve, after being found guilty of eye-gouging in the NAB Cup game against the Kangaroos. - AAP





**Leah's  
career  
is over**  
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The Voice of Indigenous Australia



**Nathan Merritt claims racism is keeping him from a representative career in rugby league, but Preston Campbell is urging the South Sydney champion to ...**

## Be patient

**N**ew South Wales Country Origin utility Preston Campbell has urged Nathan Merritt to be patient and concentrate on his football instead of making claims his omission from the City

team was racially-based. South Sydney flyer Merritt caused a furore by implying he was excluded from the squad because he was Aboriginal. "He needs to just keep his head up and

keep playing good football," said Campbell, who is also of Aboriginal descent.

"He just has to bide his time. He's playing some fantastic football."

Campbell is well qualified to discuss the heartbreak of missing out on representative duties despite being in top form. Since being crowned 2001 Dally M Player of the Year, Campbell has been carving up opposition defences in the NRL, but didn't debut for Country until 2005.

"I was a bit disappointed the first couple of years but I didn't show my disappointment," the Gold Coast fullback said.

"I just worked on my football and kept going and going and eventually I made it.

"If I don't go any further, I'll be very happy with having played for Country."

Merritt, who has scored a remarkable 29 tries in 31 games, lost out to Lebanese international Hazem El Masri and Parramatta's Jarryd Hayne, of Fijian descent, for a City wing spot for last Thursday's match at BCU International Stadium, Coffs Harbour.

Campbell believes Merritt may have been influenced by his good friend Anthony Mundine and St George Illawarra five-eighth Richie Williams, who are both prone to making outlandish statements.

"It's not going to help his chances of getting selected in future rep sides," Campbell said about Merritt's comments.

"He's obviously really, really disappointed. I'm not sure whether he just blurted it out or thought about it for a little while.

"Add someone like Choc (Mundine) in his corner who really

speaks his mind and I think that's great.

"You look at young Richie Williams the last couple of weeks - those blokes really do speak their mind."

Merritt believes his heritage could be a factor in his failure to win a jersey.

"I'm not too sure what it is, maybe it's a Souths thing or it's a racial thing," Merritt told the Nine Network.

"They don't like Indigenous players coming through the representative ranks."

NSW Rugby League General Manager Geoff Carr ridiculed Merritt's claims, pointing to the selection of several players from different racial backgrounds in this year's sides.

City had Lebanese-born Muslim El Masri and Hayne, whose father was Fijian, while the Country side featured Aborigines Preston Campbell and Amos Roberts.

"It's a ludicrous association given the racial mix in all of our representative teams, particularly the City team this year," Carr told the Seven Network.

Mundine often said his Aboriginal heritage was the reason Test champions Laurie Daley and Brad Fittler were selected ahead of him for NSW and Australia.

Now a world champion boxer and also an Indigenous officer with South Sydney, Mundine slammed Merritt's non-selection as another case of racism in rugby league.

"There's been an under-belly of racism within rugby league for a long time and if this does not expose it again, then I don't know what does," Mundine told the Nine Network. - AAP

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## What's around the corner?



**Adelaide United mid-fielder Travis Dodd is looking overseas as his contract with the Reds enters its final phase. The Indigenous soccer star is contracted to Adelaide for another 12 months. The Soccerroo doesn't know what he**

**will do after that, but he is keen to try his hand off-shore. Dodd etched his name in history when he scored a goal for Australia in his international debut against Kuwait in Sydney last year. It was the first international goal by an Indigenous Australian.**

● See our report on Page 91.



South Sydney star Nathan Merritt: "I'm not too sure what it is, maybe it's a Souths thing or it's a racial thing. They don't like Indigenous players coming through the representative ranks," he told the Nine Network. ● See Dean Widders' column - P89

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